COPENHAGEN JAZZ FESTIVAL July 2-11

Copenhagen, Denmark Strains of New Orleans jazz, swing and bebop fill the city's cafes, historic squares, streets, clubs and pubs all day and night for 10 days. This festival brings together musicians from Denmark and abroad to perform in approximately 450 concerts.

RED WAIST COAT FESTIVAL July 2-4 Villa Franca De Xira, Portugal

Portuguese cowboys take center stage at this three-day festival including bullfights, folk dances, fairs and competitions. Traditional bullfights for all when the bulls are turned loose in a section of town

DENMARK SALUTES UNCLE SAM July 4 Aalborg, Denmark

Sing and dance and celebrate the Fourth with the Danes at Rebild National Park. The party is complete with fireworks.

CITY OF LONDON FESTIVAL July 4-21 London, England

Art festivals are held in London's most historic buildings.

THE 80TH ANNUAL TOUR DE FRANCE BICYCLE RACE July 7-25

Watch the world's best cyclists race through the countryside of France. They finish up in Paris in the famous race along the Champs Elysees.

RUISROCK July 10-11 Turku, Finland World's oldest rock festival

STREET MUSICIAN FESTIVAL July 10-11 Lugano, Switzerland

Street musicians gather to entertain with a variety of music. But does it include mimes?



NORWEGIAN REVUE FESTIVAL July 15-17

Nord-Trondelag, Norway

Referred to as "three days of constant laughter." the festival is a gathering of amateur performances for 2,000 spectators Sounds like School of Fish's "Three Strange Days.



JOUSTING July 16-25 Mariefred, Sweden

Jousting tournament and demonstrations are held outside the walls of Gripsholm Castle displaying replicas of 14th-century outfits, armor and weapons.

TURTLE WATCHING FESTIVAL July 16-August 16 Rantau Abang, Malaysia

See the giant leatherback turtles that come from as far as the Atlantic Ocean to lay their eggs on the shore and then vanish back into the sea.

GRAND PARADE OF JAZZ Middle two weeks in July Nice, France

Annual outdoor international jazz festival held in the Cimiez gardens and the Roman ruins above Nice. The festival is known to attract such greats as Lionel Hampton. Fats Domino and B.B. King

ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL July 20-27 Edwinstowe, Nottinghamshire, England

See Sherwood Forest as it was in medieval times with jousting, skirmishes and banquets. Keep an eye out for Robin Hood. Hint. He doesn't look like Kevin Costner.

IRISH NATIONAL SHEEPDOG TRIALS July 30-August 1 Baronscourt, Ireland Shaggy dogs galore

August

MEDIEVAL WEEK August 1-8 Visby, Sweden

Tours, lectures, concerts and plays, all with a medieval theme

SUN SPLASH August 2-7 Montego Bay, Jamaica

This is the reggae festival. Bask in the sun and music and feel irie.

PEACE CEREMONY August 6 Hiroshima, Japan

Thousands of lanterns are set on the Ota River with prayers for world peace in memory of the atomic-bomb victims

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FESTIVAL MARINO September Guanacaste, Costa Rica

Outdoor beach events include sandcastle making, jet and water

MATCHMAKING FESTIVAL September Lisdoonvarna, Ireland

Before the party each weekend, you can fill out a questionnaire if you're serious about finding a mate. Who knows?

VENICE HISTORICAL REGATTA **Early September** Venice, Italy

Watch the pros zip through the canals in this competition of twooar gondolas.

WINE HARVEST FESTIVAL September 5-7 Palmela, Portugal

Help elect the Queen of the Wine in a celebration of the year's harvest in Palmela, one of Portugal's leading wine-growing regions.

TOP SPINNING FESTIVAL September 7-9 Kota Bharu, Malaysia

See giant tops spin for hours on end as the kids' toy goes grown-up.

STOCKHOLM WATER FESTIVAL August 6-15 Stockholm, Sweden

Ten days of festivities on the theme of the Waters of Stockholm. Fireworks, music, art, dancing and water sports.

EDINBURGH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL August 15-September 4 Edinburgh, Scotland World's largest festival of the arts

FESTIVAL OF OLD MUSIC August 27 - September 5 Utrecht, The Netherlands

Annual festival of music of the Middle Ages, Renaissance, Baroque and early Romantic periods performed on authentic instruments throughout Utrecht.



THAILAND INTERNATIONAL SWAN BOAT RACES

September 11-12 Bangkok, Thailand

Boat racing takes place after the annual rain season on the Chao Phraya River. Attracts top Thai crews and crews from neighboring countries

NATIONAL HERITAGE DAY September 12 Belgium

A traveler's dream! Buildings and monuments of historical importance all over Belgium are open free of charge to the public

CHICHEN ITZA September 22 Chichen Itza, Mexico

During the autumnal equinox, the sunlight traces the form of a serpent down the steps of the Pyramid of Kukulcan. Light and sound shows re-enact the descent of the serpent.

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