



UNITED INTERNATIONAL TEAMS
THE TOP ALL-STAR TEAMS IN THE COUNTRY!



2024 INFORMATION PACKET

Gothia Cup, Rey Cup, Vildbjerg Cup





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Gothia World Youth Cup

Gothia Cup is the worlds largest and most international youth soccer tournament. Every year more than 1600 teams from 70 nation take part.

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VILDBJERG
Cup

YOU CAN TRYOUT!
HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...



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- ✓ **YOU** HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN **UNITED'S OPEN TRYOUTS** FOR *POSSIBLE* SELECTION TO A UNITED TEAM. **NOTE: THIS WILL BE AN OPEN TRYOUT FOR ANY PLAYER (OF ANY CLUB) WITHIN THE COUNTRY.**
- ✓ THE U17 BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS (2 total teams or more depending on Open Tryout participation) WILL TRAVEL TO GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN, TO COMPETE FOR THE GOTHIA CUP TROPHY.
- ✓ THE U15 BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS (2 total teams or more depending on Open Tryout participation) WILL TRAVEL TO VILDBJERG, DENMARK, TO COMPETE FOR THE VILDBJERG CUP.
- ✓ THE U14 BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS (2 total teams or more depending on Open ID Tryout participation) WILL TRAVEL TO REYKJAVIK, ICELAND, TO COMPETE FOR THE REY CUP.
- ✓ **IF ACCEPTED**, THE U17 BOYS AND GIRLS FIRST TEAMS WILL COMPETE FOR THE COVETED GOTHIA PUMA TROPHY! ONLY THE BEST ARE SELECTED TO COMPETE FOR THIS TROPHY.



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GOTHIA CUP

- [CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE GOTHIA CUP WEBSITE.](#)
- [WATCH THIS GOTHIA CUP VIDEO.](#)
- [CLICK HERE FOR GOTHIA PUMA TROPHY \(BOYS & GIRLS\)](#)

ALL PUMA TROPHY MATCHES ARE PLAYED IN THE CITY CENTER AND SOME IN THE CENTER STADIUM.

REY CUP

- [CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE REY CUP WEBSITE.](#)
- [CLICK HERE FOR REY UP VIDEO.](#)

VILDBJERG CUP

- [CLICK HERE TO GO TO VILDBJERG WEBSITE.](#)
- [WATCH THESE VILDBJERG FB VIDEOS.](#)



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WHAT IS THE CCL UNITED OPEN ID TRYOUT?

THE UNITED OPEN TRYOUT IS AN OPEN TRYOUT FOR TOP PLAYERS FOR U17, U15, U14, AND U13 Boys and Girls. *Per the Gothia Cup Rules, we can also select up to (2) older players to participate with the U17s.*

A FEW WAYS YOU MAY BE SELECTED TO A UNITED TEAM:


- ✓ UNITED COACHES IDENTIFY YOU AT THE ID TRYOUT.
- ✓ CLUB DIRECTORS/COACHES STRONGLY RECOMMEND YOU BASED ON STANDING WITH YOUR CLUB TEAM.
- ✓ INDEPENDENT SCOUTS IDENTIFY YOU DURING THE FALL.
- ✓ UNITED COACHES REVIEW COLLEGE SHOWCASE VIDEOS.

YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL NOTIFICATION IF YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR A UNITED TEAM.

ALTHOUGH ABILITY ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH. WE WILL DISCUSS YOUR TRAINING HABITS, TEAMWORK, AND CHARACTER WITH YOUR CLUB'S TECHNICAL LEADERSHIP PRIOR TO SELECTION TO A TEAM.

WE ASK THAT YOU REVIEW THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY SO YOU ARE AWARE OF THE OPPORTUNITY AND EXPECTATIONS.

QUESTIONS? Contact bk@clubchampions.org

A soccer player in a dark blue jersey is seen from behind, holding a large, ornate gold trophy. The trophy is placed on a dark blue pedestal with the word 'GOTHIA' written vertically in white. The scene is set on a green soccer field with a large stadium filled with spectators in the background. The sky is clear and blue.

*“Compared to other soccer related international trips, the costs seemed very reasonable, especially given the length and quality of the trip. Great organization!”
– 2021 United Parent*

**A ONCE IN A LIFETIME
OPPORTUNITY!**

YOU ARE GOING TO THE UNITED TRYOUT? NOW WHAT HAPPENS?!



UNITED TRYOUT -----> SELECTION TO UNITED -----> ACCEPT SPOT ON UNITED

- ✓ THE UNITED TRYOUT WILL FORM CCL UNITED TEAMS
- ✓ THE UNITED TEAM WILL CONSIST OF UP TO 16 FIELD PLAYERS, 2 GOALKEEPERS AND 4 ALTERNATES.
- ✓ 1 HEAD COACH AND 1 ATHLETIC TRAINER PER TEAM; ASSISTANT COACHES POSSIBLE.
- ✓ THERE WILL BE FULL-TIME STAFF WITH ALL TEAMS; TOTAL TO BE DETERMINED.

HOW IS THE UNITED TEAM SELECTED?

UNITED TRYOUT DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS [[click here](#)]

UNITED TEAMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED FEBRUARY 23, 2024

IF SELECTED, YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM UNITED. Please add bk@clubchampions.org to your email contacts to ensure the delivery of important information. You will need to accept your spot by March 1.



CCL UNITED TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

On February 23, 2024, THE UNITED OFFICE WILL SEND SELECTION DOCUMENTS VIA EMAIL. THE DOCUMENTS WILL PROVIDE ALL THE NECESSARY INFORMATION TO PREPARE FOR A GREAT EVENT!

SELECTED PLAYERS WILL BE ASKED TO MAKE A DEPOSIT TO SECURE THEIR ROSTER SPOT. ALL PLAYERS WILL RECEIVE SELECTION DOCUMENTS. *WE ARE PROVIDING THIS INFORMATION NOW SO THAT YOUR FAMILY CAN PREPARE FINANCIALLY. NOTE: Alternates do not have to make a deposit.*

HOWEVER, ALTERNATES WILL PARTICIPATE IN ALL TRAINING SESSIONS. AN ALTERNATE MUST BE WILLING TO STEP INTO THE TEAM IF A SELECTED PLAYER IS INJURED. IF AN ALTERNATE IS ADDED TO THE ROSTER, THEN THEY WILL NEED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR A DEPOSIT OR FULL PAYMENT.

DEPOSIT DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2024

SELECTED PLAYER DEPOSIT: \$300.00

All deposits or payments are made through Travel & Play's secure website.

IF A DEPOSIT IS NOT PAID, THE SELECTED PLAYER WILL FORFEIT THEIR ROSTER SPOT.



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UNITED TEAM TRAINING AND PREPARATIONS

ALL UNITED TRAINING SESSIONS ARE DETERMINED BY THE COACHING STAFF AND WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY THE STAFF TO ALL SELECTED PLAYERS. THERE ARE TYPICALLY 2-3 TRAINING SESSION PER TEAM.

Additional Training Centers may be added. Head Coaches will communicate with their teams.

Note: College Coaches may be present at Training Sessions to evaluate the CCL UNITED Teams and top players.

ATTENDANCE IS CRITICAL AT EACH TRAINING SESSION AS WE NEED TO GET EVERY PLAYER PREPARED FOR THE MOST COMPETITIVE MATCHES OF THEIR LIFETIME! THESE WILL ALSO ALLOW PLAYERS AND COACHES TO GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER BEFORE TRIP DEPARTURE.

FINAL PLAYER PAYMENT DUE: May 15

Parent Trip Information will be sent soon. Here are the important dates:

DEPOSIT PARENT PACKAGE DUE:

April 3

FINAL PARENT PACKAGE DUE:

May 30



UNITED INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BEGAN IN 2016



**UNITED HAVE ADVANCED TO QUARTERFINALS,
SEMIFINALS, FINALS, & HAVE WON
CHAMPIONSHIPS**





YOUR TRIP INCLUDES TRAINING SESSIONS BEFORE AND DURING THE TRIP, ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE, TEAM PREPARATION CAMPS AT VARIOUS FACILITIES AND SITES, TWO OR MORE INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY MATCHES BEFORE GOTHIA CUP / REY CUP / VILDBJERG CUP, ACCOMMODATIONS, UNITED FULL-TIME STAFF, UNITED COACHING STAFF, UNITED CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINERS, UNITED EQUIPMENT, AND MORE!

<u>GOTHIA CUP</u>			<u>VILDBJERG CUP</u>			<u>REY CUP</u>		
Actual Cost Per Player	\$4,195.00		Actual Cost Per Player	\$4,095.00		Actual Cost Per Player	\$3,095.00	
Scholarship Per Player	(\$495.00)		Scholarship Per Player	(\$495.00)		Scholarship Per Player	(\$495.00)	
Final Cost Per Player	\$3,700.00		Final Cost Per Player	\$3,600.00		Final Cost Per Player	\$2,600.00	
Selection Deposit Due	(\$300.00)	March 1	Selection Deposit Due	(\$300.00)	March 1	Selection Deposit Due	(\$300.00)	March 1
2 nd Payment Due	(\$975.00)	April 15	2 nd Payment Due	(\$975.00)	April 15	2 nd Payment Due	(\$975.00)	April 15
Final Payment Due	(\$2,425.00)	May 15	Final Payment Due	(\$2,325.00)	May 15	Final Payment Due	(\$1,325.00)	May 15

All payments are made directly to Travel & Play. There will be online and offline payment options. We offer a payment plan; if desired, families may pay in full.

NOTE: Final Payment may be less based on individual fundraising. *The Rey Cup trip has direct flights.*



GOTHIA CUP – SAMPLE ITINERARY (11 Days)

This is a professional soccer immersion event. Professionalism is of the utmost importance!

July 11	Depart IAD (Dulles/Wash Airport) Arrive KEF (Keflavik Airport)	8:35pm 06:20+1
July 12	Depart KEF Arrive CPH (Copenhagen Airport)	07:45am 12:55pm

We will fly Iceland Air and SAS. Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Comwell Hotel in Holte, training grounds, and hotel in Denmark (www.comwell.com).

Rudegaard Training facility fields are available for both teams to train in the afternoon. Teams will have their first look at Copenhagen. Dinner at restaurant in hotel.

July 13	Training and Friendly Match. Site Seeing. Teams will spend time together in preparation for the Gothia Cup. Canal Tour of Copenhagen starting at the Queens Castle.
July 14	Regeneration/Training Session with Danish FA licensed coaches and Friendly Match.

Note: Teams may also play in round-robin style friendlies on one-day and end with a BBQ with the other clubs.





GOTHIA CUP ITINERARY cont...

July 15 Light Training Session prior to 12pm Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Gothenburg, Sweden, home of the Gothia Cup! Arrival time approximately 3pm.

Accommodations are at Hotel Scandic Crown, 4-Star Hotel, 3-4 bedded rooms (www.scandichotels.com). Welcome, team registration, and information meeting. Team bonding while exploring the City in final preparation for the World's LARGEST Soccer Tournament with over 1,600 teams from over 80 countries! Review and evaluate all venues, fields, and facilities.

July 16 Gothia Cup, first games. The opponents based on team level placement. Matches will be versus Elite level or top professional academy clubs and top clubs from Europe, South America, Africa, Asia, etc. In the evening, attend the Opening Ceremony with over 50,000 spectators at Ullevi Stadium. This will be an event and evening you will never forget!

July 17 2nd games at Gothia Cup. Team meeting and opportunity to see Gothenburg, Botanical Gardens, Canal Tour, etc. Enjoy watching international competition at Heden Center.

July 18 3rd games at Gothia Cup. Team Meetings. Teams can spend the evening at Liseberg Amusement Park (free entrance).





GOTHIA CUP ITINERARY cont...

- July 19** Gothia Cup Playoff Rounds Begin!
- July 20** Gothia Cup Playoff continues. Teams advance to Semifinals!
- July 21** Gothia Cup Finals! Teams play at Old Ullevi Stadium that can hold 20,000 spectators. Champions are crowned and driven by bus around the City!
- July 22**
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| Depart CPH (Copenhagen Airport) | 2:10pm |
| Arrive KEF (Keflavik Airport) | 15:10pm |
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| Depart KEF | 17:05pm |
| Arrive IAD (Dulles/Wash Airport) | 7:10pm |

Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Copenhagen Airport for flight back home. Families are expected to be at IAD on-time to pick up players.

Parents are welcome to attend. A CCL United Parent Tour Package will be sent separately.

Trip inclusions follow on the next pages. *Itinerary is subject to change.*



GOTHIA CUP ITINERARY cont...

TRIP INCLUSIONS:

- ✓ Scholarships per player (*over \$30,000.00 in scholarships for all trips*)
- ✓ United Tryout Field Rentals, Training Sessions, Coach Stipends
- ✓ Airfare including all taxes and fees
- ✓ Boys & Girls: 3 nights Comwell Hotel, private facilities. Friendly matches and training. Scandic Crown Hotel at Gothia Cup.
- ✓ 7 nights at Gothia Cup. Accommodation in Hotel. Breakfast only.
- ✓ Gothia Cup participant fees and team fees.
- ✓ GOTHIA CARD for free transportation in Gothenberg and ticket to Opening Ceremony.
- ✓ Meals: 2 meals per day @ Comwell. Gothia Cup (breakfast at hotel) due to unknown game schedules.
- ✓ Motorcoach transportation for teams.
- ✓ Travel & Play and Gothia Cup Staff members to assist teams during whole program.
- ✓ All taxes.

Travel and Play now includes “on tour” Travel and Health Insurance for all travelers! However, payments are non-refundable, therefore we still strongly recommend travel cancellation insurance. “On Tour” Travel and Health insurance inclusions are listed at the link below:

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REY CUP – SAMPLE ITINERARY (10 Days)

This is a professional soccer immersion event. Professionalism is of the utmost importance!

July 22 Depart IAD (Dulles/Wash Airport) 8:35pm

July 23 Arrive KEF (Kefalik Airport) 07:45am

We will fly Play Airlines direct to Iceland. Boys and Girls Motorcoach to HK, training grounds, and professional training. Light breakfast and check-in to Hotel in Iceland (www.hotelcabin.is).

July 24 Golden Circle Tour including lunch, a visit to the (3) three most popular sites in Iceland: Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss Waterfall, and Geysir! Light Training Session upon return from tour. In the evening, attend the Opening Ceremony.

July 25 Rey Cup begins with first games. Teams attend team photoshoot after first match. Lunch and Dinner will be served at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica. Swimming pool party at Laugardalslaug.





REY CUP ITINERARY cont...

July 26 Rey Cup 2nd games. Lunch and Dinner at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica. Final party and disco at hotel. Social event for parents and group leaders at Olver.

July 27 Rey Cup 3rd games and Quarterfinals! Lunch at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica and Team BBQ at Fjolskyldugaroinum family park.

July 28 Rey Cup Semifinals and Finals!

July 29 Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Blue Lagoon for a swim before heading to the airport.

Depart KEF (Keflavik Airport)	15:10pm
Arrive IAD	7:10pm

Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Copenhagen Airport for flight back home. Families are expected to be at IAD on-time to pick up players.

Parents are welcome to attend. A CCL United Parent Tour Package will be sent separately.

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REY CUP ITINERARY cont...

TRIP INCLUSIONS:

- ✓ Scholarships per player (*over \$30,000.00 in scholarships for all trips*).
- ✓ United Tryout Field Rentals, Training Sessions, Coach Stipends.
- ✓ Airfare including all taxes and fees.
- ✓ 6 nights at Rey Cup. Accommodation at Hotel Cabin and meals at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica. Bedding included.
- ✓ Rey Cup participant fees and team fees.
- ✓ Meals: 2 meals per day at Rey Cup. Breakfast included. Lunch or dinner provided dependent upon game schedule. Lunch provided on Golden Circle Tour. Some dinners outside of Rey Cup.
- ✓ Entrance to Blue Lagoon, Golden Circle Tour.
- ✓ Motorcoach transportation for teams.
- ✓ Travel & Play and Rey Cup Staff members to assist teams during whole program.
- ✓ All taxes.

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VILDBJERG CUP – SAMPLE ITINERARY (10 Days)

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July 27	Depart IAD (Dulles/Wash Airport)	8:35pm
	Arrive KEF (Keflavik Airport)	06:20+1
July 28	Depart KEF	07:45am
	Arrive CPH (Copenhagen Airport)	12:55pm

We will fly Iceland Air or Lufthansa. Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Comwell Hotel in Holte, training grounds, and hotel in Denmark (www.comwell.com).

Rudegaard Training facility fields are available for both teams to train in the afternoon. Teams will have their first look at Copenhagen. Dinner at restaurant in hotel. *Possible pro-game.*

July 29 Training and Friendly Match. Site Seeing. Teams will spend time together in preparation for the Gothia Cup. Changing of the guards at Amalienborg and Canal Tour of Copenhagen starting at the Queens Castle.

Note: Teams may also play in round-robin style friendlies on one-day and end with a BBQ with the other clubs.





VILDBJERG CUP ITINERARY cont...

- July 30** Regeneration/Training Session with Danish FA licensed coaches and Friendly Match.
- July 31** Light Training Session prior to 12pm Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Vildbjerg, Denmark for the Vildbjerg Cup! Teams stop to play friendly games versus Danish teams followed by dinner party in the Clubhouse. Arrival to Vildbjerg Sportscenter ([click here](#)). Bedding provided.
- Aug 1** Regeneration Training Session. Depart for 1pm Vildbjerg Cup Parade through the town. Opening Ceremony with over 10,000 people! First games start in late afternoon. Each team will receive a minimum of (4) four games. Vildbjerg Cup has over 700 teams participating from 20 countries. The best soccer fields in Denmark with 26 fields in one location.
- Aug 2** 2nd games at Vildbjerg Cup. Team meetings and opportunity to see Vildbjerg and its culture. Enjoy watching international competition at the Sportscenter.
- Aug 3** 3rd games at Gothia Cup. Team Meetings.
- Aug 4** Vildbjerg Cup Semifinals and Finals! Teams will then go to the famous West Coast Beaches for a swim and farewell dinner.





VILDBJERG CUP ITINERARY cont...

Aug 5	Depart KEF (Keflavik Airport)	15:10pm
	Arrive IAD	7:10pm

Boys and Girls Motorcoach to Copenhagen Airport for flight back home (four-hour drive). Families are expected to be at IAD on-time to pick up players.

Parents are welcome to attend. A CCL United Parent Tour Package will be sent separately.

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VILDJBERG CUP ITINERARY cont...

TRIP INCLUSIONS:

- ✓ Scholarships per player (*over \$30,000.00 in scholarships for all trips*).
- ✓ United Tryout Field Rentals, Training Sessions, Coach Stipends.
- ✓ Airfare including all taxes and fees
- ✓ Boys & Girls: 3 nights Comwell Hotel, private facilities. Friendly matches and training.
- ✓ 5 nights at Vildjberg Cup. Accommodation in Vildjberg Sportscenter. Mattresses on floors with bedding included.
- ✓ Vildjberg Cup participant fees and team fees.
- ✓ Meals: 2 meals per day at Comwell Hotel. 3 meals per day at Vildjberg Cup.
- ✓ Entrance to Tivoli Gardens, Fr. Borg Castle, and Canal cruise.
- ✓ Motorcoach transportation for teams.
- ✓ Travel & Play and Vildjberg Cup Staff members to assist teams during whole program.
- ✓ All taxes.

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DO YOU WANT TO PLAY FOR UNITED?



IMPORTANT *ADDITIONAL* INFORMATION...

- ✓ TRAVEL INSURANCE IS NOT INCLUDED. SEE TRIP ITINERARIES. We highly recommend securing the travel insurance.
- ✓ RECOMMENDED SPENDING MONEY IS BETWEEN \$300.00-\$400.00. SOME PLAYERS LIKE TO EAT MORE OR BUY MORE SOUVENIRS. DOUBLE CHECK ITINERARY FOR MEALS INCLUDED. TOTAL SPENDING IS YOUR FAMILY'S DECISION.
- ✓ PLAYERS MUST SECURE A RIDE TO/FROM THE AIRPORT.
- ✓ IN-FLIGHT MEALS COST MONEY. ONLY DRINKS ARE COMPLIMENTARY.
- ✓ 1 BAG (44lbs max, 20kg) and 1 CARRY-ON ALLOWED. CARRY-ON WILL BE UNITED ISSUED ADIDAS BACKPACK.
- ✓ \$50.00 each way if it is over weight limit.
- ✓ PASSPORTS. DOUBLE-CHECK EXPIRATION. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ONE, GET ONE NOW! MAKE A PHOTO-COPY OF PASSPORT AND PLACE IN SECURE PLACE IN TRAVEL BAG.



WE HAVE A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY. NO EXCEPTIONS. PLAYERS CAUGHT DRINKING, SHOPLIFTING, ETC. WILL BE SENT HOME IMMEDIATELY AND AT THE FULL EXPENSE OF THE FAMILY - AND AT ANY POINT DURING THE TRIP.



LET'S GO!



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2024-2025