

La Table des Amis de Provence

invites you to join us for

Chico & the Gypsies

Dinner/concert

20h00 - 00h00

21 March 2026

Patio de Camargue

Gypsy Village

Arles



History of the Gipsy Kings and Chico and the Gypsies

The Gipsy Kings are a French musical group that originated in the south of France (Arles) during the late 1970s. Composed mainly of two families, the Reyes and the Baliardos, the band members are descendants of Spanish Romani (Gitanos) who fled Catalonia during the Spanish Civil War. Their unique blend of traditional flamenco, pop, and Latin rhythms helped popularize the genre known as "rumba flamenca" worldwide.

The group gained international fame in the late 1980s with hits like "Bamboléo," "Djobi Djoba," and "Volare." Their music, characterized by energetic guitar work, passionate vocals, and lively rhythms, made them a global sensation and established them as one of the most recognized acts in world music.

Chico and the Gypsies: The Spin-Off

Chico and the Gypsies is a band formed by Jahloul "Chico" Bouchikhi, one of the original members and co-founders of the

Gipsy Kings. After leaving the Gipsy Kings in the early 1990s due to internal disputes, Chico established his own group, maintaining the vibrant, festive spirit and musical style associated with his former band.

Chico and the Gypsies continue to perform internationally, blending flamenco, pop, and Latin influences with a focus on lively stage performances and audience interaction. They have released several albums and remain popular among fans of Gipsy Kings' music, carrying forward the legacy of rumba flamenca with their own unique flair.

The band has established themselves year-round at Gypsy Village on the banks of the Rhône river in Arles where they stage indoor dinner/concerts in winter months and have outdoor dining with live music in the summer as well as *roulottes gitanes* for glamping.

La Table des Amis de Provence has purchased 10 tickets to a *dîner/spectacle* event for Saturday 21 March 2026. The price is 75€ for members (85€ for non-members) for the concert and dinner (beverages included).

La Table has also reserved 5 double rooms at the Arl Hotel (in Arles) at a special price of €75/night per room, breakfast (sweet/savory buffet) included; tourist tax €2.45/person extra

They are offering our group a welcome cocktail upon arrival and late check-out at no extra charge..

This block room reservation has been guaranteed by La Table des Amis but payment will be direct to the hotel by you (bank card) on checking in on 21 March.

We have also booked group transport from Arl Hotel to Le Patio for €140 round trip, cost to be shared equally by participants in cash the evening of 21 March.

If you are not planning to stay at Arl Hotel please let us know at the time of registration.

Deadline for registration is **14 March** and maximum participation is 10 persons. Please book online at this link:

<https://www.latabledesamis.com/eacuteveacutenements--events.html>

This event has been organized by La Table des Amis de Provence, a non-profit association that connects wine and food lovers to a table of friends.

Membership fees: 15 € single, 25 € couples.

MENU SPECTACLE



**Apéritif :
Sangria et Tapas**



**Paëlla géante
cuite au feu de bois**

Assiette de fromage

Dessert Pâtissier



Vins Rouge et Rosé, Eaux Plates et Gazeuses, Café



