

EDITORIAL

When our readers receive this edition of **Catalònia**, the European countries of the Mediterranean will already be sampling the delights of summer. Although our winters are not particularly cold, the arrival of summer is the signal for a sort of reconciliation with the original elements: earth, air, water and fire. In fact, the bonfires of Saint John, 24th June, are an announcement of the plenitude of light. The earth becomes charged with a new fragrance, with fresh harmonies, it becomes our islands and outlines our coasts amazes us with its magical colours. warmth and pleasant coolness, is breathing, of feeling alive, of surroundings and of all human relationships. Today, **Catalònia** presents a sample of some of the fascinating places to be found in the countries of Catalan culture. These places are at the roots of our arts, of the literary expression of the Catalan language and of all the creativity, at once material and spiritual, of Catalan culture.



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