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Spain & Portugal Escorted Tour

13 days Tour **From** **\$4999**



Book by 15 June 2018

Departing from Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Adelaide & Brisbane.

Every Saturday in Nov 2018 & Every Thursday in March 2019

No Single Supplement.

Escorted Package Includes

- Return economy airfares from all Australian Capitals to Lisbon & Madrid

- 11 nights accommodations
 - 2 nights Lisbon
 - 2 nights Seville
 - 3 nights Torremolinos
 - 2 nights Madrid
 - 2 nights Barcelona
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges including Barcelona city taxes
- Hotel portorage
- All transfers
- AVE High-Speed Train: Malaga - Madrid, Madrid – Barcelona
- 15 meals: 11 breakfasts, 4 dinners with wine
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Services of local guides in all major cities
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

Special Features

- Visit the Cathedral of Lisbon, the oldest place of worship in the city
- Visit enchanting Evora, one of Portugal's most beautifully preserved medieval towns
- In Seville, visit the Cathedral of Seville, where Christopher Columbus is buried
- Travel to the cliffside city of Ronda, home to the oldest bullring in the country
- Leisure time in the Costa del Sol, with its gorgeous beaches and beautiful landscapes
- Visit Moorish Granada with its celebrated 13th century Alhambra Palace and Gardens
- At the renowned Prado Museum, view masterpieces by El Greco, Velázquez and Goya
- View Gaudi's legendary La Sagrada Familia, iconic symbol of Barcelona
- **Note:** Gratuities for tour manager and coach driver are included.

DAY 1, Thursday - Depart for Portugal

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DAY 2, Friday - Arrive in Lisbon

Welcome to captivating Lisbon, one of the oldest cities in Europe with its Moorish and Roman ruins; transfer to your hotel. Time to rest and relax before tonight's orientation meeting with your Tour Manager and fellow travelers, followed by a delectable Welcome Dinner at the hotel

Overnight: Lisbon

Meals: Dinner

DAY 3, Saturday - Discover Lisbon's Heritage

In Lisbon today, discover the city's heritage and magnificent contrasting architecture. View the 16th century Belem Tower, symbol of the country's Age of Discovery and the impressive Jeronimos Monastery, resting place of Vasco da Gama, signifying

Portugal's power and wealth, both named UNESCO World Heritage Sites. After, stop to visit and admire the imposing grand Cathedral of Lisbon, the most important and iconic religious building in the city. A walking tour guides you along the winding cobblestone streets to Alfama, the charming old Fisherman's Quarter, nestled between the castle and the River Tagus. The rest of the day is yours or, join the *optional* tour to quaint Sintra, the "Glorious Eden" of Lord Byron, ancient summer retreat of the royal court with its lavish romantic castles and stunning monuments. Visit the 15th century Royal Palace and enjoy free time in the village historical centre before returning to Lisbon. This evening, perhaps stroll along elegant Liberdade Avenue or stop at a patio bar to sip wine and listen to soulful fado singers performing in the background

Optional: Half Day Sintra Tour (PM)

Overnight: Lisbon

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4, Sunday - Enchanting Evora, Andalucia's Seville

Travel from Lisbon to enchanting Evora, the walled UNESCO World Heritage Site, considered one of Portugal's most beautifully preserved medieval towns. Inside the town's 14th century walls, you find an elaborate cathedral and cloisters, columns of a Roman Temple and the Sao Francisco Church and Ossuary Chapel, whose walls are decorated with thousands of human bones and skulls. Stroll through the picturesque squares and linger at an outdoor café. Later, head to Spain's energetic city of Seville, capital of the scenic Andalucia region on Spain's southern coast. Time to settle in before dinner together at a local restaurant. Later, opportunity to attend an *optional* Flamenco Show in this city known as the birthplace of Flamenco

Optional: Evening Flamenco Show (PM)

Overnight: Seville

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 5, Monday - City Tour of Seville

Visit the spectacular Cathedral of Seville, the largest Gothic cathedral in the world where Christopher Columbus is buried. See the renowned Giralda Bell Tower with its striking Moorish architecture built on the site of the former great mosque; its minaret is still intact. Drive to the majestic Plaza de España, an architectural complex by the Guadalquivir river within the fragrant orange scented gardens of Maria Luisa Park. A walking tour then follows along the narrow streets lined with whitewashed homes in the Barrio Santa Cruz, home to the city's Jewish Quarter. On your afternoon at leisure, enjoy the beautiful plazas of the city or, participate in the *optional* tour to Cordoba, founded by the Romans. Visit the Mezquita, a former Moorish mosque that today is Cordoba's main Cathedral and the former Jewish Quarter before returning to Seville. Be sure to explore Seville's restaurant scene tonight, known for its emerging new Spanish cuisine

Optional: Half Day Cordoba Tour (PM)

Overnight: Seville

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 6, Tuesday - Ronda, Costa del Sol

Your travels take you to the dramatic cliffside city of Ronda, which overlooks the El Tajo gorge, home to the Plaza de Toros, the oldest bullring in the country. Ronda, considered the birthplace of modern bullfighting in the 18th century, was once a horsemanship training facility. View the historic stables and its interesting museum with exhibits of some of Spain's most famous Matadors. Later, a scenic drive to the lovely resort area of the Costa del Sol. Dinner together this evening

Overnight: Costa del Sol

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 7, Wednesday - Full Day in the Costa del Sol

Enjoy a full day at leisure in the Costa del Sol, known for its hundreds of gorgeous beaches, quiet hidden coves and glamorous clubs, restaurants, and cafes. Or, join the *optional* morning tour to Malaga, birthplace of Pablo Picasso. Visit the Picasso Museum with over 285 works donated by members of Picasso's family. View the Paseo de la Alameda, fragrant Paseo del Parque and the Barrio de la Malagueta. A walking tour through this historical town is accented by views of the Malaga Cathedral, the second highest in southern Spain. After a stop at Cathedral Square, return to the Costa del Sol for time on your own. The chic nightlife of the dynamic Costa del Sol is waiting for you tonight!

Optional: Half Day Malaga Tour (AM)

Overnight: Costa del Sol

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 8, Thursday - Moorish Granada

Today's journey takes you from Spain's southern coast to Moorish Granada. Here, the visit includes a tour of the magnificent 13th century Alhambra Palace,* one of Spain's most celebrated monuments, dramatically perched atop Assabica Hill overlooking the entire city. This imposing hilltop fortress, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is one of the world's finest examples of Moorish art and architecture. During the reign of the Moors, the Alhambra served as the summer residence of the royal family. Walk along the lanes of the serene Generalife Gardens with its beautifully designed courtyards, waterfalls and ponds, and views of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Return to the Costa del Sol for the rest of the day to enjoy the city independently

**Alhambra Palace visiting times, which may include evening hours, as well as which areas of the complex are accessible on the day of your visit, are determined solely at the discretion of the Alhambra Palace. Your itinerary will be arranged by your Tour Manager to accommodate the designated time of entry.*

Overnight: Costa del Sol

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 9, Friday - AVE High Speed Train to Madrid

At the train station, board the AVE high speed train to Madrid that travels via the region of La Mancha, storied home of Don Quixote. View some of his legendary windmills before arriving in the lively metropolis of Madrid, birthplace of many of the world's greatest writers and painters. An orientation sightseeing tour begins with a drive along the Gran Via through the Opera District and Plaza de Colon, stopping for spectacular views of the magnificent Royal Palace. Pass through Puerta del Sol Plaza and the Plaza de España dominated by the monument to Cervantes, famed author of *Don Quixote*. On to the world-renowned Prado Museum; stand before astonishing masterpieces by El Greco, Velázquez, and Goya. In the evening, experience some of the tapas bars that have made Madrid famous. Sample specialties at each café and then continue on your tasting tour throughout the night!

Overnight: Madrid

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 10, Saturday - Full Day in Madrid

A full day at leisure in Madrid for independent discoveries. Alternatively, join the *optional* tour to Toledo, the former capital of Spain that still retains its medieval atmosphere and charm. Recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Toledo is

known for its unique historical coexistence of Christian, Muslim, and Jewish cultures. Walk through the ancient Jewish Quarter to the Santa Maria la Blanca Synagogue, the oldest in Europe and the St. Tome Church, with its El Greco masterpiece. Enjoy a panoramic drive to the Alcazar of Toledo, a stone fortification located in the highest part of the city and the 13th century cathedral before returning to Madrid. Savor dinner tonight at a local restaurant

Optional: Half Day Toledo (AM)

Overnight: Madrid

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 11, Sunday - AVE High Speed Train to Barcelona

A morning transfer to the train station to board the exciting AVE high speed train that whisks you to sensational Barcelona. Upon arrival, a drive along the old Harbor to the Plaza de Catalunya, the city's bustling main square. Then your first look at the stunning works of Gaudi, the master architect, begins at the exterior of Casa Batllo, seemingly constructed from skulls and bones. View the legendary La Sagrada Familia, iconic symbol of Barcelona; this colossal church is still unfinished after 100 years. Ascend Montjuic Hill, home to sports facilities built for the 1992 Summer Olympics with the Olympic Stadium at its center. Tonight, enjoy your first taste of Barcelona's rousing nightlife and fabulous cuisine

Overnight: Barcelona

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 12, Monday - Full Day in Barcelona

Unending pleasures await you as you explore Barcelona independently. Spend time at the Picasso Museum, stroll along La Rambla, Barcelona's most famous pedestrian walkway, shop at local markets, or visit Gaudi's fantasy Parc Guell

Overnight: Barcelona

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 13, Tuesday - Depart Spain

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

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This first class hotel is located in the city center with views of the castle "St Jorge."

[Hotel Details](#)

[Seville Center, Seville](#)



This first class hotel is located on one of the main streets of the Seville, well known for its wide beautifully landscaped areas.

[Hotel Details](#)

[Sol House Aloha - Costa del Sol, Torremolinos](#)



This first class hotel overlooks Carihuela Beach.

[Hotel Details](#)

[Carmen Hotel, Granada](#)



This first class hotel is situated in the heart of Granada.

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Melia Madrid Serrano Galgos, Madrid



This first class hotel is located close to many museums and other tourist attractions.

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