

# **14 DAY SPANISH FIESTA**

**DESTINATIONS** 

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**MADRID** 

#### DAY 1

Destination	Madrid
Meals included	Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Welcome to Madrid! At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and travelling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel.

#### DAY 2

Destination	Madrid
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

The capital since 1561, Madrid today is a strikingly modern city, the showcase of a country resolutely turned towards the future. Morning sightseeing with a Local Guide takes you to the Puerta del Sol, Plaza de Espana with its monument to Cervantes, the Parliament, Cibeles Fountain, elegant Calle Alcala, and Paseo de Castellana.

Then, the highlight: a visit to the palatial PRADO MUSEUM, founded in 1819, and considered to have one of the finest collections of European art of the last eight centuries, with the works of Goya, El Greco, Rubens, Titian, and more. In the afternoon, an optional excursion to Toledo can be arranged.

#### DAY 3

Destination	Madrid 🗬 Segovia 🗬 Ribera Del Duero 🗬 Burgos 🗬 Vitoria
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Head into beautiful Castile, the "Province of the Castles." Cross the rugged Sierra de Guadarrama mountain range on the way to Segovia, famous for the 2,000-year-old Roman aqueduct. Next, head to Ribera del Duero for a WINE TASTING accompanied by tapas at Bodegas Portia, designed by world-famous architect Norman Foster.

In Burgos, see the magnificent limestone Cathedral of Santa Maria, where the legendary El Cid-Castile's greatest herowho lived in the 11th century, is buried. Afternoon arrival in Vitoria, capital of the Basque Autonomous Community, and explore the delightful historic centre at your own pace.

#### DAY 4

Destination	Vitoria 💂 Bilbao 💂 San Sebastian 💂 Pamplona
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

In Bilbao, the great port city of the Basque region, join your Local Guide for a visit to the GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM, an amazing feat of construction created by architect Frank O. Gehry. Next is lovely San Sebastian, the "Pearl of the Cantabrian Coast," before arriving in Pamplona at the foot of the Pyrenees.

Here, a special treat awaits: walk along the Calle Estafeta, where the famous "running of the bulls" takes place, followed by a Rioja WINE TASTING and dinner at Basaburua restaurant.

#### DAY 5

Destination	Pamplona 🗬 Saragossa 🖨 Barcelona
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

In Saragossa, visit PLAZA DEL PILAR, one of Spain's grandest squares. Free time to visit the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar, where, according to legends, the Virgin Mary appeared to St. James. Arrive in Barcelona, Spain's second-largest city and the host of the 1992 Olympic Games.

#### DAY 6

Destination	Barcelona
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Sightseeing with a Local Guide features the Columbus Monument, Plaza de Cataluna, and Paseo de Gracia. A highlight is a visit to spectacular SAGRADA FAMILIA BASILICA, Gaudi's masterpiece.

Also enjoy a panoramic view of the city and harbour from Montjuic Hill. Choose from our optional excursions to Montserrat and to a Catalonian restaurant to try out local dishes.

#### **DAY 7**

Destination	Barcelona 🖵 Valencia
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Continue along the coast to Valencia, once a royal capital. Valencia's Roman, Moorish, and Spanish history comes alive during your guided sightseeing, featuring the Town Hall, La Lonja (the 15thcentury Silk Exchange), the bull ring, the massive gateway towers of Serranos and Quart, and the new Arts & Science Complex, designed by the famous Valencian architect Calatrava.

End your tour in the centre at La Seo Cathedral and then, visit one of Valencia's oldest Horchaterias, where you will be served a traditional Horchata drink

#### **DAY 8**

Destination	Valencia 💂 Granada
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Take a scenic drive toward the mountains past troglodyte cave dwellings, hollowed out of the soft tufa stone, near Guadix and Purullena. Cross Mora Pass and arrive in Granada, where dinner has been prepared at one of Granada's fine restaurants, the perfect introduction to this magnificent city.

#### DAY9

Destination	Granada 🖵 Costa Del Sol
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Sightseeing with a Local Guide features Granada's main attraction, the ALHAMBRA COMPLEX, a fantasy of "lace in stone" surrounded by arabesque gardens and fountains. Also amble through the exotic WATER GARDENS OF THE GENERALIFE.

Then, take a short drive to your hotel at the Costa del Sol. Later, you may wish to join an optional excursion to the charming Pueblo Blanco village of Mijas

#### **DAY 10**

Destination	Costa Del Sol 💂 Malaga 💂 Costa Del Sol
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

The morning is dedicated to beautiful Malaga, birthplace of Picasso. Join your Local Guide on a walking tour through the OLD CITY. Enjoy free time for shopping and maybe a visit to the Picasso Museum

#### **DAY 11**

Destination	Costa Del Sol 💂 Gibraltar 💂 Seville
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Drive to the ROCK OF GIBRALTAR, in British hands since 1704. Hear about its turbulent history from your Local Guide, see the Moorish Castle, and visit ST. MICHAEL'S CAVES and the colony of Barbary apes.

Drive through the sunny sherry wine region on the Costa de la Luz to vibrant, festive Seville, where an exclusive visit has been included to the famous Real Maestranza de Caballeria de Sevilla, the royal BULL RING.

# **DAY 12**

Destination	Seville
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

During your sightseeing tour with a Local Guide, hear about the city's role in Roman times, its conquest by the Moors in 712 AD, and its contribution to the discovery of the New World. Admire Maria Luisa Park, the Golden Tower on the Guadalquivir River, and the university that was once the tobacco factory of Carmen fame.

Also visit the magnificent CASA DE PILATOS, a mixture of Moorish and Roman architecture with a splendid collection of Roman sculptures. Then, stroll through the narrow lanes of the charming SANTA CRUZ QUARTER. For those interested, an optional extended guided visit to the cathedral is available. Tonight, for a truly Andalusian night out, reserve a seat at our optional Flamenco show.

#### **DAY 13**

Destination Seville 🖵 Cordoba 🖵 Madrid

Meals included Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Travel through the arid landscapes of Don Quixote's La Mancha to Cordoba. Guided walking tour of Cordoba includes the medieval Jewish Quarter, the MOSQUE OF THE CALIPHS, famous for its 850 pillars of porphyry, marble, and jasper, the Roman Bridge, and the remains of the Alcazar. Return to Madrid and enjoy a farewell dinner at your hotel.

#### **DAY 14**

Destination Madrid Meals included Breakfast Accommodation N/A

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

## **Inclusions**

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

Accommodation

Meals as per the itinerary

Sightseeing as per the itinerary

**Experienced Driver Guide** 

Comprehensive commentary

Travel in an air-conditioned coach

# Fine Print

# **HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS**

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a AUD \$250 deposit per person.

Pay a 2nd instalment of AUD \$882 will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

**Booking Process** 

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password) Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests

Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)

Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking

Your booking is confirmed once your Booking Form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!

# **OPTIONAL TOURS**

Optional Tours can be purchsaed on tour and will be advised on arrival

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

**Airfares** 

Personal Expenses Travel Insurance Optional activities

Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional

# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

# Single Supplement

A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra AUD \$1181 subject to availability.

Triple Share

Not available.

# Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

# Tour Documentation

Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.