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# Best of Spain

## 10 DAYS

Discover southern Europe's diverse Iberian Peninsula and Spain's rich culture, warm hospitality and festive spirit. This experience is designed over 10 days to experience: the vibrancy of Madrid, Lisbon and Seville; 'must see' towns of Toledo, Baeva and Ubeda; tastings in Spain's prestigious wine and olive oil regions; 5 UNESCO World Heritage listed sites; and of course, flamenco, paella and tapas!



# Ormina Highlights & Inclusions

- > Visit 'must see' cities of Madrid, Cordoba and Seville and the charming villages of Toledo, Granada, Baeza and Ronda.
- > 9 nights in exquisite 4 and 5-star hotels.
- > 9 breakfasts (B), 1 lunch (L), 1 dinner (D).
- > Guided city tours of Madrid, Toledo, Córdoba and Seville.
- > Dinner and flamenco performance in Seville.
- > Wine tasting at a renowned winery accompanied by lunch nearby.
- > Olive oil tasting in Spain's famed olive oil region.
- > Visit 5 UNESCO World Heritage Listed sites.
- > Entrance and guided tours of the Mosque of Cordoba and the Palace Alhambra & Generalife.
- Entrance to Royal Palace of Madrid, Toledo Cathedral, Real Maestranza de Caballeria de Ronda, Seville's Alcázar Palace and Seville Cathedral.
- > Flexibility to extend to Lisbon or combine with Portugal for a complete experience of Iberia.
- > Deluxe VIP transport and premium class train.
- > Arrival transfer on first day.
- > Note: hotel city taxes, if applicable, are not included.

## TOUR FOCUS





#### DAY 1 Madrid

Beautiful, majestic and relaxed. Welcome to Spain's capital Madrid and the start of this amazing journey to experience the best of Spain. On arrival, transfer to your hotel to freshen up before enjoying the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

STAY 3 NIGHTS: Intur Palacio San Martin 4-star or similar

#### DAY 2 Madrid (B)

Enjoy a guided tour of this amazing city with its historic landmarks, beautiful gardens, bustling squares, thriving nightlife and incredible shopping. Visit Plaza de Oriente, Royal Palace of Madrid, Madrid Cathedral, Plaza de la Villa, Plaza Mayor and Puerta del Sol. The afternoon is yours to perhaps explore Prado Museum, the Royal Palace, the exquisite gardens of Retiro Park or just relax.

#### DAY 3 Madrid – Toledo – Madrid (B)

Enjoy a full day excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage town Toledo that hosted Christian, Muslim and Jewish cultures. Enjoy a guided walking tour of the Imperial City's old town located on a mountain with a 150-degree view. Visit the imposing Alcázar fortress, Toledo's impressive Cathedral, the Bridge of San Martin and the Monastery of San Juan de los Reyes. Afterward, enjoy leisure time for an independent lunch, perhaps a visit to a Damascene steel workshop or a tasting at a Marzipan store, before returning to Madrid.



#### DAY 4 Madrid – Córdoba (B, L)

Journey by train through Castilla–La Mancha, a symbol of Spanish culture with its vineyards, sunflowers, mushrooms and olive plantations. On arrival in Cordoba, checking into your Córdoba hotel before being whisked away to a winery for wine tasting and scrumptious lunch at a nearby restaurant.

STAY 2 NIGHTS: Hotel NH Collection Amistad Córdoba 4-star or similar

#### DAY 5 Córdoba (B)

Today explore Córdoba, the most populated city in the world during the 10<sup>th</sup> century when it was the capital of an Islamic Kingdom. Enjoy a guided tour to the UNESCO World Heritage Listed old town including 'Mezquita' or the Great Mosque. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure.

#### DAY 6 Córdoba – Baeza – Úbeda – Granada (B)

Today visit the UNESCO World Heritage Listed towns of Úbeda and Baeza, famed for their outstanding early examples of Italian Renaissance architecture introduced to Spain in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Enjoy time to stroll the towns and be treated to a tasting of olive oil, Andalusia's world-famous export. Continue to Granada, where the evening is yours to stroll the streets of this stunning town, located at the foot of the Sierra Nevada Mountain range.



#### DAY 7 Granada (B)

Enjoy a guided tour of Palace Alhambra, one of the world's most beautiful examples of Islamic architecture with its exquisite rooms and gardens. The afternoon is free to enjoy at your leisure to perhaps explore El Albayzín, the Medieval Moorish district with narrow winding streets and stunning views to Alhambra. Alhambra and Albayzín are UNESCO World Heritage Listed sites.



Enjoy a guided tour of the amazing Palace Alhambra and its impressive gardens.

#### DAY 8 Granada – Ronda – Seville (B, D)

Depart for the beautiful 'white village' of Ronda, perched atop a deep canyon with its three impressive bridges and Real Maestranza de Caballeria de Ronda, the oldest bullfighting ring in Spain. Enjoy time to wander the town before continuing to Seville in Andalusia, Spain's 4<sup>th</sup> largest city and the home of Flamenco. You will have time to relax and freshen up before an organized dinner and flamenco performance.

#### STAY 2 NIGHTS: Gran Melia Colón 5-star or similar



Experience the thrill of a live Flamenco show with dinner in the Andalusian' capital and home of Flamenco, Seville.

#### DAY 9 Seville (B)

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Seville, an economic centre of the Spanish Empire and Europe's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest old town. Visit the 14<sup>th</sup> century Alcázar Palace, the oldest European royal residence still in use. Continue to Seville Cathedral, the world's largest. Both Palace and Cathedral are UNESCO World Heritage listed sites. Finish by exploring 'Barrio de Santa Cruz', the old Jewish quarter. The quarter's labyrinth of narrow streets and alleys were designed to protect locals from the summer sun. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

#### DAY 10 Seville (B)

If you are not continuing to our post-tour extension to Lisbon or Jerez de la Frontera and/or our back-to-back small group tour in Portugal, your tour ends after hotel check out.

## **Departures and Pricing**

2024			2025		
STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*	STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*
Madrid	Seville	Twin Share per person	Madrid	Seville	Twin Share per person
25-Apr-24	4-May-24	\$6,890	24-Apr-25	3-May-25	\$7,190
30-May-24	8-Jun-24	\$6,890	22-May-25	31-May-25	\$7,190
27-Jun-24	6-Jul-24	\$6,890	26-Jun-25	5-Jul-25	\$7,190
5-Sep-24	14-Sep-24	\$6,890	4-Sep-25	13-Sep-25	\$7,190
10-Oct-24	19-Oct-24	\$6,890	9-Oct-25	18-Oct-25	\$7,190
Sin	gle Supplement	\$3,500	Sir	igle Supplement	\$3,500

\* All prices are listed in AUD. Prices in other currencies are available on our website



### ★ ★ ★ ★ HOTEL ALHAMBRA PALACE GRANADA STAY 2 NIGHTS

- > Nestled on a hillside overlooking Granada, this property dating to 1910 beautifully reflects the Moorish architecture of its surroundings and makes for a unique stay.
- > Boasts a fantastic restaurant with a breakfast that features over 220 selections.



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**BEST OF SPAIN** 

# Extend your stay

OUR MOST POPULAR TOUR EXTENSIONS

#### PRE-TOUR RECOMMENDATION

#### Northern Spain Regional Discovery (6 Days)

- > Visit the stunning San Sebastian, together with day trips to Pamplona and Bilbao.
- > Unwind in Spain's famous Rioja wine region for a stay in a Parador and visits to wineries that includes a scrumptious lunch.

Priced from \$7,617 pp. Explore more on page 82.

#### Barcelona City Break (5 Days)

- > Discover Barcelona's main attractions: Gaudi's architectural masterpieces: the unfinished Sagrada Familia Basilica, Casa Milà and Casa Batlló; the Palau de la Música Catalana concert venue; La Rambla and the Gothic quarter including the Picasso Museum.
- > Enjoy a day excursion to Montserrat, paired with wine tasting on a family vineyard.

Priced from \$5,373 pp. Explore more on page 81.

#### POST-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

### Best of Portugal Small Group Journey (8 Days)

- Visit Lisbon, the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Sintra Mountains and National Park and Portugal's 'must see' charming towns of Cascais, Obidos, Aveiro and Porto.
- > Activities include tours of Lisbon, Sintra and Porto, dinner and Fado show, cruise on a Rabelo and train journey through the Douro Valley.
- > Best of Spain and Portugal tours may be combined including with extensions to start and end in Madrid.

#### Priced from \$6,390 pp. Explore more on page 59.

#### Southern Spain Regional Discovery (6 Days)

- > Transfer from Seville to Jerez de la Frontera to extend into the undiscovered parts of southern Spain including Jerez de la Frontera, Cádiz and Málaga, the UNESCO World Heritage Listed monuments of Antequera, the Sierra de Grazalema Natural Park and the charming villages of Zahara de la Sierra and Grazalema.
- > Activities include guided tours of Jerez de la Frontera, Cádiz, Málaga and Antequera; tour, lunch and tasting at a Sherry winery; sunset cruise; and specified lunches and dinners to experience typical Andalusian gastronomy.

Priced from \$4,899 pp. Explore more on page 83.

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