



SPAIN

LANDSCAPES OF SPAIN, SOUTHERN FRANCE AND NORTHERN ITALY JOURNEYS

(TOUR CODE: 12912)

STARTS AND ENDS

Madrid to
Milan

TRAVEL PERIODS

24 May 25 - 25 Oct 25

EXPERIENCE

Escorted

TRAVEL STYLE

Group Journeys

Travel across three diverse countries on an extraordinary 17-night journey, immersing yourself in the vibrant cultures, rich history, and breathtaking landscapes.

Highlights

- **Guaranteed Departures.** Small group sizes (max 24 passengers). English speaking only tour with an experienced Tour Director.
- Visit to **Alhambra Palace**, one of the most special Spanish World Heritage Sites!
- Witness the timeless beauty and artistry of **Gipsy Flamenco in Granada**
- Marvel at the awe-inspiring city of **Barcelona**, home to world famous architect Gaudí and symbol of the Catalan modernism
- Explore the medieval fortress of **Cité de Carcassonne**, a UNESCO Site
- Experience the glamour and beauty of the **Cannes and Nice**

Discover architectural wonders and savor culinary delights in Madrid, visit historic sites like the magnificent Mosque of Cordoba and the ancient Roman Theatre in Merida. Experience the charm of Ubeda and enjoy an olive oil tasting and light lunch. Continue to the enchanting city of Valencia, known for its fusion of modern and traditional architecture, before arriving in Barcelona, a vibrant city brimming with artistic and architectural marvels.

Continue to southern France where you'll explore the medieval fortress of Carcassonne and immerse yourself in the rich history of Avignon. In the Provence region, indulge in a delightful wine tasting experience. Immerse yourself in the world of perfumes with a visit to a school of perfume.

Finally, your journey concludes in Milan, the Italian fashion capital, where you'll be captivated by its unique charm and architectural wonders.



GUARANTEED DEPARTURES



SMALL GROUP SIZES



SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL



ENGLISH-ONLY EXPERT GUIDES



CITY-CENTRE QUALITY HOTELS



SPECIAL EVENTS INCLUDED



SLOWER-PACED ITINERARY



✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period

✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind

✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support

✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices

✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited

✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

INCLUSIONS

- 17-nights accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Transportation by coach
- Private transfers to/from airport as per itinerary
- Daily Breakfast
- Dinners as per itinerary
- Olive oil tasting and light lunch in Ubeda
- Wine tasting in the Provence
- Guided visits in Madrid, Cordoba, Merida, Seville, Granada
- Guided visits in Barcelona, Carcassone, Avignon, Nice, Milan
- Gipsy Flamenco experience with dinner
- Create your own fragrance at the School of Perfume
- Entrance fees for Alhambra Palace, Cordoba Mosque, Merida's Roman Theatre and Sagrada Familia included.
- English-Speaking Only Tour Director throughout the journey

ITINERARY

Day 1

Madrid Airport Madrid

A private transfer will meet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel.

At 19:00, meet with your Tour Director (TD) at the hotel's Reception Desk for a welcome meeting. You will also meet your fellow travellers. Your TD will give you all the relevant details of the city and will inform you of the schedule for the following day.

The rest of the day is at leisure.

Overnight stay in Madrid at the **Casa de Las Artes Melia Collection**.



Day **2**

Madrid

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

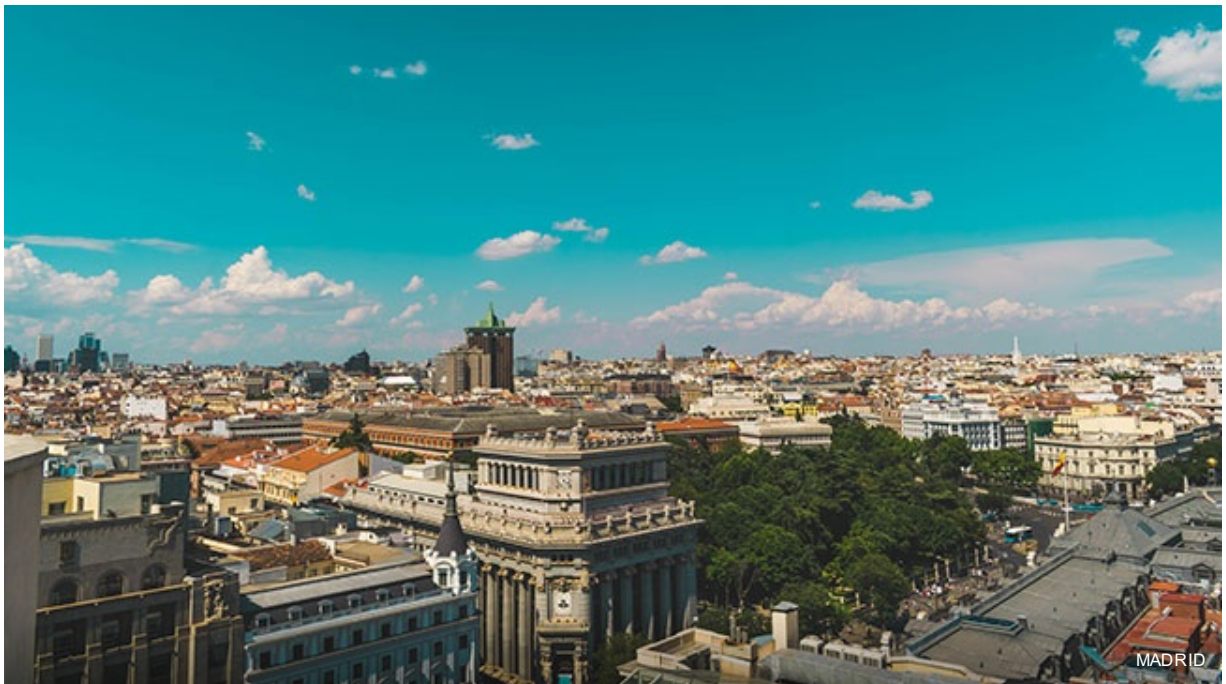
Set out for a morning city discovery tour and enjoy one of the most exciting cities in the world, Madrid. See the highlights and live the passion this city has on its DNA.

Afternoon at leisure to continue exploring the wonders that the city has to offer. Optionally, take an excursion to Toledo (*bookable onsite only*).

In the early evening, join your fellow travellers for an authentic **Welcome Tapas Dinner** at a local restaurant.

Overnight stay in Madrid at the **Casa de Las Artes Melia Collection**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **3**

Madrid Merida Seville

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart southwards to **Merida**, our first destination of the day. Mérida, the capital of Extremadura, in western Spain, was founded by the Romans in the 1st century BC. There are remains of the ancient city, such as the spectacular Roman Theater (entrance included). Enjoy some time at leisure.

Continue towards **Seville**, famous Andalusian capital, and the Spanish city of light. Optional evening experience at Setas de Sevilla (*bookable onsite only*).

Overnight stay in Seville at the **Melia Sevilla**.

Breakfast



Day 4

Seville

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today you'll explore romantic Seville on a city tour. Visit the city's Jewish Quarter, with its labyrinth of narrow streets dating to the time of Moorish rule.

Afternoon is at leisure for you to enjoy the city of light. Optional tour to Jerez de la Frontera (*bookable onsite only*).

Overnight stay in Seville at the **Melia Sevilla**.

Breakfast



CATHEDRAL DE SEVILLA

Day **5**

Seville Cordoba Granada

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart to **Cordoba**, a landmark of enormous heritage from a splendorous past. You'll visit its impressive Mosque, now a Christian Cathedral, and its narrow Arabian-style streets. Venture for **Granada**, driving through endless olive groves.

In the early evening, join your fellow travellers to experience the most authentic **Gypsy Flamenco show** in Spain, including dinner. An evening not to forget.

Overnight stay in Granada at the **Melia Granada**.

Breakfast, Dinner



CORDOBA

Day **6**

Granada

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today's highlight will be the visit to Alhambra Palace, most special Spanish World Heritage Site. The ornately decorated domes and archways are a testament to the brilliance of Moorish craftsmen. Located on a hilltop on the west bank of the River Darro, it also offers views across the entire city.

Rest of the day at leisure or optional tour for **Albaicin Moorish experience** (*bookable onsite only*).

Overnight stay in Granada at the **Melia Granada**.

Breakfast



Day **7**

Granada Ubeda Valencia

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

We depart today towards Ubeda, UNESCO site and most likely, Spanish Olive Oil central. Enjoy a nice walk of this historical beautiful gem and taste their unique golden **Extra Virgin Olive oil on a local taste, light lunch included**.

Continue to **Valencia** famous for its the futuristic City of Arts and Sciences, a complex featuring stunning modern architecture.

Overnight stay in Valencia at the **Melia Valencia**.

Breakfast, Lunch



CITY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE, VALENCIA

Day 8

Valencia Barcelona

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today you'll explore Valencia's old town and the exterior of the most avant-garde complex: **Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias**. Continue your journey in the early afternoon towards Catalunya. Reach Barcelona, main Mediterranean Spanish city and home to world famous architect Gaudí, symbol of the Catalanian modernism.

Optionally, join us on a unique excursion as we explore the culinary heart of Valencia (*bokkable onsite only*).

Overnight stay in Barcelona at the **Catalonia Diagonal Hotel**.

Breakfast



BARCELONA

Day 9

Barcelona

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Begin your day in **Barcelona** with a city discovery. See the Barcelona Pavilion, a study in minimalism built for the 1929 International Exposition. Then explore the Sagrada Familia (entrance not included), a still-unfinished cathedral designed by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí.

The afternoon is free to explore the city at your own pace.

In the early evening, join your fellow travelers for a Dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight stay in Barcelona at the **Catalonia Diagonal Hotel**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day 10 Barcelona Girona Carcassonne

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart towards **Girona**. Much of the old quarter of this ancient city has been preserved and is a popular destination for tourists, and film productions have used it as a filming location (e.g., Game of Thrones). Enjoy time at leisure.

Continue crossing the border to France to Carcassonne and continue exploring this awesome city, otherwise add in an optional tour to Canal Du Midi (*bookable onsite only*).

Overnight stay in Carcassonne at the **Sowell Les Chevaliers Hotel**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **11** Carcassonne

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

We start our day with a walking City tour of the **Citadel**, known as the Cité de Carcassonne, is a medieval fortress dating back to the Gallo-Roman period and restored in 1853. It was added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites in 1997 because of the exceptional preservation and restoration of the medieval citadel.

Rest of the afternoon is at leisure for you enjoy this stunning medieval Southern France town.

Overnight stay in Carcassonne at the **Sowell Les Chevaliers Hotel**.

Breakfast



Day **12** Carcassonne Nimes Avignon

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart to **Nîmes**, the most Roman city outside Italy. Several famous monuments are in Nîmes, such as the Arena of Nîmes and the Maison Carrée. Because of this, Nîmes is often referred to as the "French Rome".

We continue our roman day visiting the **Pont du Gard**, an ancient Roman aqueduct bridge built in the first century AD to carry water over 50 km. It was added to UNESCO's list of World Heritage sites in 1985 because of its exceptional preservation, historical importance, and architectural ingenuity.

Overnight stay in Avignon at the **Najeti La Magnameraie Hotel**.

Breakfast



Day 13 Avignon

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today, discover the famous Provence capital, **Avignon**. Visit The Palais des Papes. It is one of the largest and most important medieval Gothic buildings in Europe. Once a fortress and palace, the papal residence was a seat of Western Christianity during the 14th century. UNESCO World Heritage Site, for its outstanding architecture and historical importance for the Papacy. We will admire the Pont d'Avignon.

Optional tour for a Rhone River cruise with lunch to Villeneuve les Avignon (*bookable on site only*).

Overnight stay in Avignon at the **Najeti La Magnameraie Hotel**.

Breakfast



Day **14** Avignon Chateauneuf du Pape Cannes

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Our first activity will bring you to the charming town of **Chateauneuf du Pape**, well known for its wine. The total annual production is around 100,000 hectolitres (equivalent to 13 million bottles of 0.75 litre).

Continue with a unique visit and wine tasting with light lunch at one of the most beautiful cellars of Provence.

Overnight stay in Cannes at the **Juliana Hotel**.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **15** Cannes Nice Cannes

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

A full day excursion to enjoy the glamorous **Cote d'Azur**. This region is the centre of the French perfume industry. This

region produces over two-thirds of France's natural aromas. Try to create your own fragrance in an amazing Perfume school. You'll keep your personal creation!

Continue the journey to **Nice** to discover what the city has to offer. Afterwards, return to Cannes and the remaining of the evening is at leisure.

Overnight stay in Cannes at the **Juliana Hotel**.

Breakfast



Day 16 Cannes Milan

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

We will cross another European border, bond for **Milan**, Italian Northern capital. Milan has been recognized as one of the world's four fashion capitals. City tour. Milan's Cathedral is the fifth-largest cathedral in the world and the most important example of Gothic architecture in Italy. The city hosts La Scala opera house, considered one of the world's most prestigious.

Overnight stay in Milan at the **Starhotels Ritz**.

Breakfast



Day **17** Milan Garda Lake Milan

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Early departure to the beautiful Lake Garda. Take a stunning **boat trip & light lunch** at one of the most beautiful European corners. Return to Milan.

In the early evening, join your fellow travellers for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight stay in Milan at the **Starhotels Ritz**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **18** Milan Milan Airport

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before a private transfer takes you to the airport.

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

Casa de Las Artes Meliá Collection

Madrid

Located between Atocha and Moratín streets, Casa de las Artes Meliá Collection provides an exceptional setting to savour an innovative culinary experience at restaurant Maché, which offers a fusion of local and international cuisine. More than just a hotel, it stands as a tribute to Spanish authentic artistic expression. The hotel offers a range of amenities including a heated pool, gym, library, and cinema* room. Situated close to attractions such as the Prado, Thyssen, and Reina Sofía museums, the hotel encourages guests to explore Madrid and enjoy a unique experience.

*Please note that the swimming pool and cinema are currently closed but will be reopening soon.



Hotel Catalonia Diagonal Centro

Barcelona

Stay in the heart of Barcelona's Eixample at the Catalonia Diagonal Centro hotel, located next to Passeig de Gràcia and close to the main buildings on the city's modernist route. Its good connections with different means of public transport will make it easy for you to move around Barcelona, whether you come for tourism or business. The location of the Catalonia Diagonal Centro hotel is ideal for touring Barcelona or for staying during your business trips.



Melia Granada

Granada

Located right in the heart of Granada, the Meliá Granada is a stylish hotel giving you close access to all the city's main attractions. It features classic and elegant rooms, some of which offer unique views over the Alhambra and Sierra Nevada.



Melia Valencia

Valencia

This elegant hotel is located in the most fashionable district of Valencia, adjacent to the Congress Centre and surrounded by an array of dining and leisure options. Guests can enjoy modern, spacious accommodations, exceptional facilities, and convenient access to all that Valencia has to offer. Meliá Valencia provides an excellent base for exploring the city's main attractions. Take a refreshing dip in the outdoor pool, unwind in the spa, or stay active in the fitness center. Additionally, guests can indulge in exquisite cuisine at the hotel's restaurants.



Sowell Les Chevaliers Hotel

Carcassonne

Due to its perfect location, the establishment offers rooms equipped with great comfort and most of them offering an unobstructed view of the ramparts.

Families wishing to stay at the hotel will have the option of opting for connecting rooms. You will be seduced by the medieval decoration of our establishment, which will surely offer you an extraordinary journey through time!



Melia Seville

Seville

The modernity and warmth of the **Meliá** will make your stay in Seville a wonderful experience. Located in one of the city's most distinguished neighbourhoods, the hotel has excellent connections with all transport services and features elegant spacious rooms with a contemporary design. Among the services offered are: Spa, Gym, Meeting rooms, Events, Outdoor pool (seasonal opened*), Vip lounge, Family Rooms, Private car park, Adapted for the disabled, TV area in shared lounge, Terrace, À la carte restaurant, Snack bar, Room service, Pool towel service, Laundry, Pets not allowed.



Najeti La Magnameraie Hotel

Avignon

On the banks of the Rhône, at the gates of the famous city of the Popes, the Hotel La Magnaneraie offers 32 rooms and suites. Located on the heights of Villeneuve-lès-Avignon, our hotel invites you to take a quiet break while enjoying the tranquility.

A former country house, a place of feasts in the 16th century that became a magnanerie – breeding silkworms – then a wine estate in the 20th century before finding its vocation as a hotel in the 1970s, La Magnaneraie joined Najeti Hotels & Golfs Collection in 2000. Since then, the residence has been reborn to offer its guests an intimate, warm and refined setting, making the Provençal dolce vita a true art of living.



Juliana Hotel

Cannes

Space and Design are key words for the Juliana. You will appreciate the warm and airy entrance in the lines of Pierre Cardin, leading to the reception and lobby.

The glamorous hall provides a dedicated access to the differently abled, to ensure comfort and attention to every guest. The bar will serve until late, and our relaxing lounges will welcome you with the finest custom-made furniture and attentive service. The hotel is equipped with a large car park available to all residents and visitors. The rejuvenated Juliana Hotel Cannes' unique design will attract you with its iconic designs and art like David Bailey's Original photographic artwork, with portraits of the most famous stars and celebrities of the 1960s and 70s including Brigitte Bardot,



Starhotels Ritz

Milan

Its chic, contemporary atmosphere and strategic position near the shopping district of Corso Buenos Aires and Porta Venezia make the Starhotels Ritz the ideal starting point to experience Milan's fascinating charm.

Each one of Starhotels Ritz's 197 rooms and suites has been refurbished, blending contemporary furnishings with quality fabrics.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Spanish

LOCAL CURRENCY

Euro

- We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fee
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package (Entrance tickets to sites and museums)

IN PARTNERSHIP

