



SPAIN

SOUTHERN SPAIN & BARCELONA JOURNEYS (TOUR CODE: 12931)

STARTS AND ENDS

Madrid to
Barcelona

TRAVEL PERIODS

10 May 25 - 25 Oct 25

EXPERIENCE

Escorted
Food & Wine

TRAVEL STYLE

Group Journeys

Be enchanted by the splendid landscapes and the rich cultural tapestry of southern Spain & Barcelona. Let the journey and ignite your wanderlust!

Highlights

- **Guaranteed Departures.** Small group sizes (max 24 passengers). English speaking only tour with an experienced Tour Director.
- Enjoy an **authentic Tapas Dinner** at a local restaurant in Madrid
- Marvel at the awe-inspiring city of **Barcelona**, home to world famous architect Gaudí and symbol of the Catalan modernism
- Discover the awe-inspiring architectural masterpiece known as the **Great Mosque of Cordoba!**
- Be enchanted by the epitome of Moorish architecture and unparalleled beauty of the **Alhambra Palace** in Granada
- Witness the timeless beauty and artistry of **Gipsy Flamenco in Granada**

Embark on an unforgettable 10-day journey through the captivating cities of Madrid, Seville, Cordoba, and Granada. In Madrid, explore the highlights of this vibrant city and indulge in a Welcome Tapas Dinner. Travel to Merida to discover its ancient Roman Theater before heading to Seville, where you can take an optional evening walk through the Setas de Sevilla and enjoy panoramic views of the city. Explore Seville's Jewish Quarter and immerse yourself in its rich history.

Journey to Cordoba to marvel at the majestic Mosque-Cathedral, a remarkable blend of Islamic and Christian architecture. Finally, in Granada, visit the iconic Alhambra Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its exquisite Moorish design. Take in the breathtaking views as you travel to Ubeda, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its historical charm and being a central hub for Spanish Olive Oil production.

Continue your adventure with a visit to the vibrant city of Valencia before heading to Barcelona for the last 2 days of your journey. With a wealth of cultural experiences, architectural wonders, and unforgettable moments, this journey through Spain will leave you with lasting memories.



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

- 9-nights accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Transportation by coach
- Private transfers to/from airport as per itinerary
- Daily Breakfast
- Specialty Meals: Welcome Tapas dinner and Flamenco experience with dinner
- Farewell dinner in Barcelona
- Olive oil tasting and light lunch in Ubeda
- Guided visits in Madrid, Córdoba, Mérida, Seville, Granada, Úbeda, Valencia, and Barcelona.
- Entrance fees for Alhambra Palace, Cordoba Mosque, Merida's Roman Theatre and Sagrada Familia included
- English-Speaking Only Tour Director throughout the journey

ITINERARY

Intro Map

Southern Spain & Barcelona Journeys



Day **1**

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 **Hotel Avani Alonso Martínez**.



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 discover the passion of this amazing city. Afternoon at leisure to continue exploring the wonders this city has to offer, or, join the optional excursion to Toledo (*bookable on-site 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 **Hotel Avani Alonso Martínez**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **3**

Madrid Merida Seville

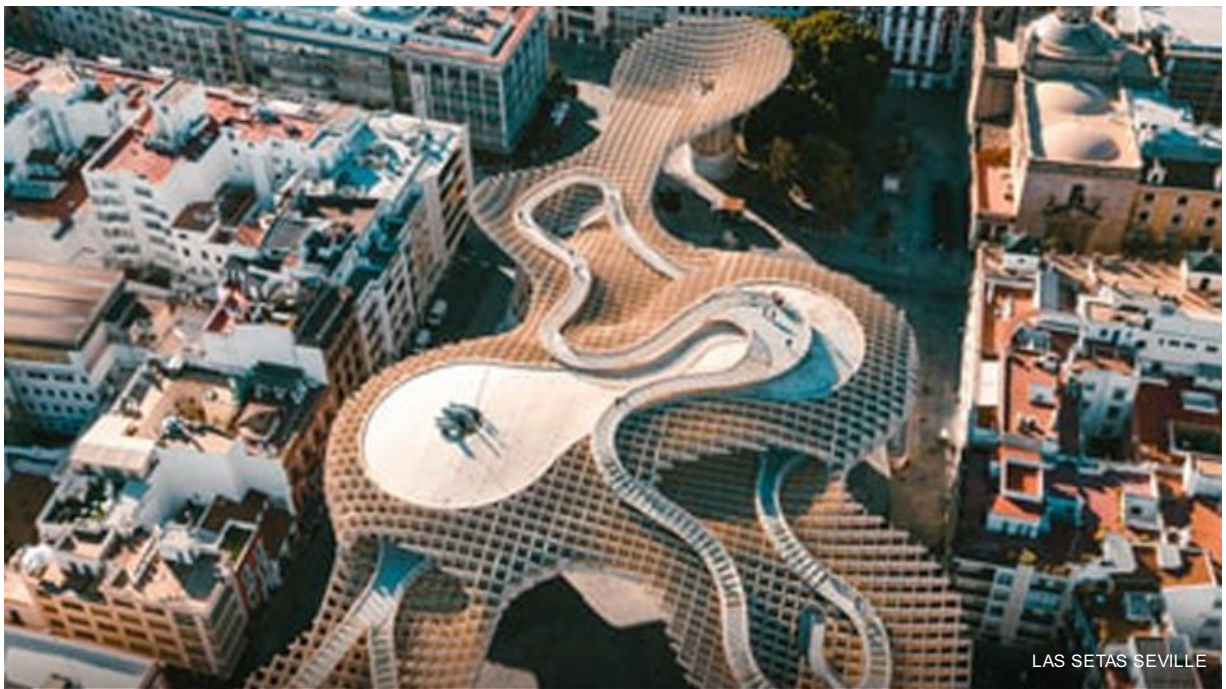
Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart southwards to Merida, capital of the ancient Lusitania Roman Province. Visit the Roman **Theater of Mérida**, undeniably a remarkable sight to behold, offering a fascinating glimpse into the grandeur of the Roman Empire's architectural achievements. As you step into the theater, you'll be transported back in time, surrounded by the impressive semicircular seating, towering columns, and the stage that once hosted captivating performances. The architectural elegance and historical significance of the Roman Theater make it a must-visit attraction for history enthusiasts and anyone intrigued by the legacy of ancient civilizations.

Continue towards **Seville**, famous Andalusian capital, and the Spanish city of light. You can join the optional excursion to Tapas Tour in Seville (*bookable on-site only*).

Overnight stay in Seville at the **NH Collection**.

Breakfast



Day 4

Seville

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Passion, flamenco, tapas...this is Seville! Today you'll explore romantic Seville on a city tour, including a visit to the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. Visit the city's Jewish Quarter, with its labyrinth of narrow streets dating to the time of Moorish rule.

The afternoon is at your leisure, or you can join the optional Jerez de La Frontera excursion (*bookable on-site only*).

Overnight stay in Seville at the **NH Collection**.

Breakfast



Day 5

Seville Cordoba Granada

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart to **Cordoba**, a landmark of enormous heritage from a splendid past. You'll visit its impressive Mosque, now a Christian Cathedral, and its narrow Arabian-style streets. Venture for Granada, most magic city in Spain, 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 **Melia Granada**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **6**

Granada

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today's highlight will be the visit to **Alhambra Palace**, the 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.

The rest of the day at leisure or you can join the optional tour on the Albaicin Moorish Experience (*bookable on-site only*).

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

Breakfast



Day **7** Granada Ubeda Valencia

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

We depart today towards Ubeda, the centre of Spanish Olive Oil. Enjoy a nice walk of this historical beautiful gem and taste their unique golden Extra Virgin Olive oil, light lunch is included.

Continue to **Valencia**, a vibrant city offering a blend of modern architecture, stunning beaches, and a rich cultural heritage. You can also join an optional Valencia Walking & Paella Dinner (*bookable onsite only*).

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

Breakfast, Lunch



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**. This ultra-modern scientific and cultural complex is the largest in Europe, and its striking buildings are fast becoming symbols of the city.

Continue your journey in the early afternoon towards Catalunya. Reach **Barcelona**, home to world famous architect Gaudí, symbol of the Catalanian modernism.

Overnight stay in Barcelona at **Evenio Rosello**.

Breakfast



9 Barcelona

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Set out for a **morning city discovery** and enjoy the main Mediterranean Spanish city, home to the world-famous architect Gaudí, a symbol of Catalanian modernism. Follow your guide through the streets of Barcelona and enter your private vehicle for a panoramic tour of the city. We will head towards **Montjuïc Mountain**, the area that hosted many of the facilities for the 1992 Olympic Games. Get ready to enjoy the incredible views over the city of Barcelona.

On the way back to the city center, we will drive along Paseo de Gracia, one of the most important streets in Barcelona, where we will see the facades of **Gaudí's** emblematic buildings, such as Casa Batlló and La Pedrera. Admire Gaudí's mastery and make sure not to miss out on the rich symbolism of his works. Learn about the history and significance of Sagrada Família from the inside and discover how nature influenced and inspired Gaudí in his planning.

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

Overnight stay in Barcelona at **Evenio Rosello**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **10** Barcelona

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

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

Hotel Avani Alonso Martínez

Madrid

Avani Alonso Martínez Madrid Hotel is situated in one of the city's most sought-after neighborhoods, just 100 metres from the Plaza de Alonso Martínez and its metro station. The hotel features an all-day deli and a gym. Additionally, a swimming pool is located five minutes away, and bicycles are available for rent nearby.



Hotel NH Collection Sevilla

Seville

Formerly known as NH Central Convenciones, hotel has a privileged position in Seville's financial and business district. The historical area is a short walk away. And the public transport links are first-class so getting around the city couldn't be easier.

Like the rest of the hotel, rooms are contemporary and comfortable, with deluxe touches including rain showers and pillow menus.



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

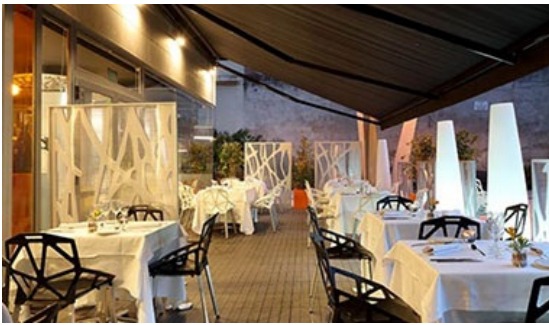
This elegant hotel is located in the most fashionable district of Valencia, adjacent to the Congress Centre and surrounded by an array of dining and leisure options. Guests can enjoy modern, spacious accommodations, exceptional facilities, and convenient access to all that Valencia has to offer. Meliá 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.



Evenia Rossello

Barcelona

The **Evenia Rosselló** hotel is the ideal accommodation to enjoy the city of Barcelona. Its central location, next to the mythical Paseo de Gracia and just a few minutes from such emblematic places as Casa Batlló or La Pedrera by Antoni Gaudí allow you to explore the most well-known side of the city. The Eixample neighborhood, where the hotel is located, is the ideal location to stay in Barcelona: a very central location that will allow you to visit the city and its main attractions in a short walk.



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 fees
- 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)

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