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Day 1 | Hola Madrid

Color outside the lines on this unforgettable encounter with the intoxicating lands of Spain, Morocco and Portugal. Kick off your unforgettable journey in the fiery Spanish capital of Madrid. This evening, explore the city's vibrant streets, before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Meliá Castilla

Day 2 | Explore Fiery Madrid



Join your Local Specialist on this day of discovery, which includes views of the iconic Cibeles fountain and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire the Royal Palace and Retiro Park, originally created as a retreat for the royal family, before spending the rest of the day at leisure indulging in la buena vida. Consider an Optional Experience to the medieval UNESCO-listed city of Segovia or encounter the greatest collection of Spanish art in the world at El Prado.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Meliá Castilla

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Segovia World Heritage Site - Its Ancient Aqueduct & Fairytale Castle - Enjoy a visit to Segovia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site which sits on a rocky outcrop between two rivers. With your Local Specialist, you'll visit the 13th-century castle, reputed to have inspired Walt Disney, as well as seeing the best-preserved Roman aqueduct which has remained intact for 2,000 years.

Adult: 53.00 EUR

**This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation will incur a 50% cancellation fee.*

Day 3 | Onwards to Toledo and Granada



Witness the influence of Christians, Muslims and Jews that has spanned centuries in the imperial city of Toledo. Join your Local Specialist for a walking tour, during which you'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to El Greco's most famous painting - 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz'. Then, visit the synagogue of Santa Maria La Blanca, believed to be the oldest one still standing in Europe. Celebrate the tradition of steel and Damascene manufacturing and moulding as you Dive Into Culture at a local workshop, before your journey continues through the soul-stirring Andalusian landscape to Granada, where we'll spend the night.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Occidental

Day 4 | Journey to the Sunny Costa del Sol



Tread in the footsteps of Spain's last emirs and admire the impressive Alhambra - a collection of palaces and fortresses dating from the 12 century. We join a Local Specialist to explore its intricate designs, tranquil gardens and colossal walls, believed to have been inspired by poetry and reflecting the description of paradise found in Islamic verse. Later, we leave this 'paradise on earth' behind and continue to the Costa del Sol.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: NH Marbella

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

You will be offered one of the following two optional experiences depending on availability:

Jet-set Marbella: Puerto Banús & Mediterranean Dinner - Enjoy strolling through the atmospheric whitewashed townhouses and cobbled streets of Marbella's old town with our Local Specialist. Following a drive along Marbella's Golden Mile, we'll explore jet-set Puerto Banús. Then, we'll round the evening off with a delicious dinner of Mediterranean specialties in a well-known local restaurant.

Adult: 67.00 EUR

Mijas Andalusian Hilltown & Mediterranean Dinner - Visit this charming hilltop village, perched up high with splendid views of the coastline. With our Local Specialist, we'll traverse its narrow streets, pass white-washed houses and see the oval bullring, with time for hunting hidden gems in the shops. Our evening finishes with a Mediterranean dinner at a coastal restaurant.

Adult: 68.00 EUR

Day 5 | Cross the Strait of Gibraltar to Fes



We travel along the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean and cross to North Africa by ferry. A memorable drive past the Rif Mountains brings us to Fes, a storied hub of traditional craftsmanship and our home for the next two nights.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace

Day 6 | The Medina and More in Fes



Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour through the cultural and spiritual center of Morocco. Stroll through the Medina of Fes, view its fortifications and Royal Palace, and admire traditional Moroccan handiwork during a visit to a carpet cooperative. Spend the rest of your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, maybe join an Optional Experience Arabian dinner in a traditional riad – a night of heartfelt local entertainment, including belly dancing, awaits.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Bhalil Revealed - Explore Bhalil village, where local people live in dwellings carved from the rock face. Warm in winter but cool in summer, they are perfect for the local climate. You'll also visit local craftsmen at a traditional ceramic tile factory.

Adult: 32.00 EUR

Arabian Dinner and Entertainment in a Riad - Enjoy delicious local Arabian food, a live band and traditional entertainment including belly dancing, in a spectacular Moroccan setting.

Adult: 51.00 EUR

Day 7 | Off to Vibrant Marrakesh



Departing Fes, we journey west through the golden landscape which turns to rusty red, bound for vibrant Marrakesh. Past and present collide in the world-famous Jemaa el-Fnaa Square. Embrace the unrivaled energy of this cultural and economic hub.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Grand Mogador Menara Hotel

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

The Square at Night and Traditional Dinner - You will visit the magical Jemaa el Fna Square and enjoy the exotic sights and sounds of Marrakesh by night. Then we'll have dinner in a typical local Moroccan restaurant, with music and entertainment.

Adult: 66.00 EUR

Day 8 | Discover Marrakesh



Visit the elegant Dar El Basha Palace during your walking tour with a Local Specialist. See Jemaa el-Fnaa Square in the Old Quarter with its palm-readers, storytellers and snake charmers. Visit a traditional Moroccan pharmacy and Dive Into Culture, gaining insights into the blending of creams and cosmetics using regional ingredients. The rest of the day is yours to explore. Don't miss the chance to shop for bargains in the souks (markets) and bazaars, or perhaps visit a local Berber village.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Grand Mogador Menara Hotel

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Ourika Valley And Berber Village Home Visit - We'll enjoy a scenic drive into the high Atlas Mountains valley of Ourika to enjoy legendary Berber hospitality. We'll visit a local family at home in an adobe village and enjoy tea together.
Adult: 30.00 EUR

Day 9 | Continue to Casablanca and Tangier



We journey north to Casablanca and enjoy views of the Hassan II Mosque, with the world's second tallest minaret, before arriving in the country's capital city - Rabat. Stop at the opulent Mohammed V Mausoleum and admire Rabat's cityscape, its historic and modern centers traversed by the Bou Regreg River below. Continue to Tangier, a gateway between Africa and Europe as prominent today as in Phoenician times. Our unique Stays With Stories this evening is the sumptuous El Minzah, an icon of the city overlooking the Bay of Tangiers and the sparkling Mediterranean beyond. The grand property, built in the Spanish-Moorish style in 1930, has welcomed the rich and famous over the past century. You'll get to experience its warm hospitality for yourself as you contemplate the building's colorful history.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: El Minzah

Day 10 | Sail the Strait to Seville



Crossing the Strait of Gibraltar by ferry, we return to Spain and journey past the region of Jerez, renowned as the origin of Spanish sherry. We drive through Andalucía and arrive in Seville. What better way to experience this lively city than witnessing the passion of flamenco? Immerse yourself in the spectacle of colorful swirling skirts and fervent rhythm of castanets during an unforgettable optional Flamenco performance this evening.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Meliá Lebreros

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

In Seville, your Travel Director will offer you either two different Optional Experiences where you will enjoy a flamenco show and tapas dinner respectively, or a single Optional Experience that combines a flamenco show and dinner. Please see details below:

Discover The Origin Of Tapas & Evening In Old Seville - Join us for a dinner of mouth-watering tapas-style specialties. You'll get the chance to taste different flavors and wines and dine like a local in the charming old quarter of Seville.

Adult: 60.00 EUR

Flamenco: Experience the Best Show in Town - Discover the passion, rhythm and magic of an Andalusian flamenco show with us this evening. We've organised tickets to the best show in town, where you'll experience 90 minutes of memorable entertainment with an included drink.

Adult: 44.00 EUR

Flamenco, the Best Show in Town With a Three-Course Dinner - This evening you'll discover the magic, rhythm and passion of flamenco, while being served a three-course dinner of Andalusian specialties with drinks included. We've organised tickets to the best show in town. You won't soon forget this incredibly memorable ninety-minute experience.

Adult: 74.00 EUR

Day 11 | Explore Spectacular Seville



Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour which will take you past the iconic Giralda Bell Tower. Admire the tiled fountains and pavilions in the Maria Luisa Park, the showcase for the Ibero-American Exhibition in 1929, and see the imposing Plaza de España. Visit the ornate tomb of Christopher Columbus in the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world, then enjoy a walk through the lovely historic Jewish Quarter.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Meliá Lebreros

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

The Moorish Alcázar and Plaza América - Today, with our Local Specialist, we'll visit the elegant 14th-century Moorish Alcazar, set in its own beautiful gardens. The gardens were used as the setting for the Water Gardens of Dorne in the Game Of Thrones series. We'll also journey to the famous exhibition site of Plaza América - a must for any visitor to Seville.

Adult: 51.00 EUR

**This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation will incur a 50% cancellation fee.*

Day 12 | Venture to Lisbon



Your panoramic journey continues through the province of Huelva, famous for Jabugo jamón and the Rio Tinto mines. Cross the golden fields of the Alentejo on your way and meet Tiago, Vera and their horses as our Be My Guest experience. Continue on to your hotel in the waterfront city of Lisbon and opt to enjoy a seafood dinner by the Tagus River.

Meals: Breakfast, Be My Guest

Hotel: Olissippo Marquês de Sá/Olissippo Oriente

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Seafood Dinner By The Tagus River - Take a ferry across the mighty Tagus River and enjoy typical Portuguese seafood and fish specialties at a local restaurant. After dinner, we'll cross the impressive suspension bridge for a sweeping view over the Portuguese capital.

Adult: 64.00 EUR

**Due to operational reasons, the ferry may not be used on some departures and we will travel over the bridge both ways.*

Day 13 | Lisbon Your Way



We Dive Into Culture at the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery built in the 16 century. This afternoon, consider an Optional Experience to discover Portugal's 'Golden Triangle' of Sintra, Cascais and the Estoril coast.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Olissippo Marquês de Sá/Olissippo Oriente

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

The Golden Triangle: Sintra, Cascais & The Estoril Coast - We'll venture outside Lisbon with our Local Specialist today. After passing through the fashionable resort of Estoril, we'll explore the picturesque fishing village of Cascais, with its beautiful array of mansions and exclusive residences. To complete the Golden Triangle, we'll visit one of the impressive Royal Palaces of Portugal.

Adult: 51.00 EUR

Portuguese Fado Evening Of Music & Song With Dinner - Fado is the expressive national song of Portugal, often called the soul of their identity. Tonight, we'll visit one of the famed local fado houses for an unforgettable performance and savor a typical Portuguese meal, with drinks included.

Adult: 76.00 EUR

**Cancellation will incur a 50% cancellation fee.*

Day 14 | Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca



We trace the path of pilgrims, who for decades have ventured north to the shrine at Fátima to pray to the Virgin Mary, and see the site of a celebrated religious miracle. Departing Portugal, we arrive in the historic university city of Salamanca – La Dorada, so named for its golden, orange and pink façades, which we will have an opportunity to see in the magnificent Plaza Mayor - voted by the locals as the most beautiful of all squares in Spain.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Gran Corona Sol

Day 15 | Return to Madrid



Traversing the dramatic Sierra de Guadarrama Mountains, we arrive in Madrid, Europe's highest capital. Indulge in some last-minute shopping on the Gran Vía, or join our Local Specialist to uncover Spain's recent history, the Civil War and the Royal Family. This evening we join our travel companions and Travel Director for a memorable Farewell Dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Discover "El Escorial" Palace/Monastery & The 'Valley Of The Fallen' - Come with us, along with a Local Specialist, to the royal city of El Escorial, where the great monastery palace was built in the foothills of the Guadarrama Mountains. We'll also visit the incredible Spanish Civil War memorial, which is cut into the rock face.

Adult: 57.00 EUR

**This optional experience involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.*

Day 16 | Journey Home



Our epic journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal comes to an end this morning. All that's left is to say a fond farewell to your newfound friends and an unforgettable experience shared.

Meals: Breakfast