

# Tour Highlights

- LISBON A welcome dinner; guided sightseeing, visit the Alframa guarter and Jeronimos Monastery
- SEVILLE Guided sightseeing, visit the Casa de Pilatos, and walk through the Santa Cruz quarter
- CASABLANCA Enjoy a lunch at Rick's Café; guided panoramic drive; visit Hassan II Mosque
- OUARZAZATE: Visit Kasbah Taourirt; stay overnight in the area where the movie Lawrence of Arabia was made
- **FEZ** Guided sightseeing, visit the Medina and Medersa Bou Inania
- **GRANADA** Guided walking tour, visit the Alhambra complex and the Water Gardens of the Generalife; a special dinner at a local restaurant
- TOLEDO Guided walking tour, visit an early synagogue, the gothic cathedral, and the Santo Tomé Church with one of El Greco's masterpieces; visit a Damascene steel workshop
- MADRID Guided sightseeing, visit the Prado Museum; farewell paella dinner at a local restaurant
- PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR
- **TRANSPORTATION** Touring by private, first-class, air-conditioned notorcoach with free Wi-Fi; ferry across the Straits of Gibraitar
- HOTELS Listed below or equivalent. Rooms with private bath or shower, hotel and city taxes, required local taxes, porterage plus any mandatory service and resort fees.
- MEALS 15 breakfasts and 8 dinners
- **COSMOSGO** Get our mobile app for trip information

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#### DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT

A non-refundable deposit of \$250 is due within 7 days of booking confirmation. Please advise price are subject to change

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Cancellation fees apply; please refer your travel agent for any applicable charges.

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The above cancellation charges will be applied in all cases. We do urge you to take adequate travel insurance, including cover against cancellation, as recommended by your travel agent.

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#### NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE

Airfares, airfare taxes; passports; visas and vaccinations; tips to your tour director and tour driver and local city guides; gratuities on ferries and cruise ships; laundry, telephone, mini bar; alcohol, beverages and food not on the regular table d'hôte menu (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel or restaurant); optional excursions; porterage at airports; travel insurance; excess baggage fees; all other items of a personal nature.

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## **16 DAY ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1: SATURDAY 18 MAY ARRIVE IN MADRID, SPAIN.

Check into your hotel. Take advantage of any free time to explore lively Madrid with the help of the CosmosGO app. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers. (D)

#### DAY 2: SUNDAY 19 MAY MADRID.

Spaniards say the Spanish capital, situated 2,180 feet above sea level, is the nearest thing to Heaven. It's certainly worth making the most of today by joining the included guided sightseeing tour: a full panoramic drive by way of the Avenida Mayor, Puerta del Sol, Parliament Square, and a picture stop outside the Royal Palace. The optional trip to Toledo is most rewarding, too. The splendid setting of this old walled city above the Tagus was made famous in El Greco's painting, and even now it's like a great open-air museum of Spanish history and art. (B)

#### DAY 3: MONDAY 20 MAY MADRID-ÁVILA-SALAMANCA-COIMBRA, PORTUGAL.

Visit ancient fortified Ávila with its many towers, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue to Salamanca and make sure you spend some time wandering around PLAZA MAYOR, the grandest square in Spain. Cross the frontier to Guarda, the highest town in Portugal. From here, descend to the valleys of the Serra da Estrela to Coimbra. (B,D)

#### DAY 4: TUESDAY 21 MAY COIMBRA-FÁTIMA-OBIDOS- LISBON.

Enjoy an orientation tour of Coimbra, celebrated for its beauty and ancient university. Later, travel southward to visit the SANCTUARY of Fátima, one of Europe's most visited Marian shrines. Continue to picturesque fortified Obidos, before reaching Lisbon for two overnights. (B)

#### DAY 5: WEDNESDAY 22 MAY LISBON.

Henry the Navigator made Lisbon the 15thcentury "Mistress of the Seas." On the included guided tour, see his monument, the Belem Tower, the Moorish Citadel, and the impressive Commerce Square, also known as Black Horse Square. Spend the afternoon at leisure-maybe in the Alfama's tile-decorated streets, or take an optional excursion to coastal Estoril and Cascais. (B)

#### DAY 6: THURSDAY 23 MAY LISBON-SEVILLE, SPAIN.

From the rolling plains of the Alentejo with its woodlands of cork and eucalyptus trees. head south to the brilliant light of Andalusia. Admire its neat, white-painted villages and sun-drenched plantations of olives, figs, and almonds while travelling towards magnificent Seville. (B.D)

#### DAY 7: FRIDAY 24 MAY SEVILLE.

Enjoy an included sightseeing tour of this vibrant city's main highlights, such as the cathedral, Alcázar, and Plaza d'España. Afternoon at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 8: SATURDAY 25 MAY SEVILLE-FERRY TO MOROCCO-RABAT.

Drive through Spain's pretty sherry wine region and head south to the coast. Here, you will embark the FERRY and cruise across the Strait of Gibraltar to Morocco on the African continent. Travel along what was once the infamous Barbary Coast, then continue the drive south to Rabat, one of Morocco's imperial cities. (B.D.)

#### DAY 9: SUNDAY 26 MAY **RABAT-CASABLANCA- MARRAKESH.**

Today starts with an included guided city sightseeing tour of the country's lively capital, a visit to CHELLAH GARDENS and CASBAH DES OUDAIAS. Later, reach Morocco's westernmost city: Casablanca. Enjoy an orientation drive in this modern city and see the illustrious Hassan II Mosque. One of the largest mosques in the world, its minaret soars 689 feet into the sky. Continue on to the "red"

oasis city of Marrakesh. An optional excursion this evening is the perfect end of the day. (B)

#### DAY 10: MONDAY 27 MAY MARRAKESH.

Today's included city sightseeing with a Local Guide will make you feel like you've been whisked back in time. Founded in the 9th century, Marrakesh remains a tapestry of ramparts, mosques, palaces, gardens, and vibrant public squares and souks (markets)where buying and selling and a fascinating carnival of entertainment occurs daily. Also see the BAHIA PALACE and SAADIAN TOMBS. (B.D)

#### DAY 11: TUESDAY 28 MAY MARRAKESH-FEZ.

Today, travel through the fragrant cedar forests of the Middle Atlas mountains. where a number of peaks soar above 13,000 feet in elevation. This range is home to the endangered Barbary ape, as well as wild boar and polecats. On your way north to Fez, enjoy glimpses of North African village life. (B,D)

#### DAY 12: WEDNESDAY 29 MAY FEZ.

Ancient Fez is a city of outstanding scenic beauty. Visit the MEDINA during the included sightseeing tour this morning, and enjoy the maze of narrow streets through the colourful bazaars and exotic atmosphere. The madrasas, fondouks, palaces, residences, mosques, and fountains dating back to the 13th century are part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site. In the afternoon, explore further on your own. (B)

#### DAY 13: THURSDAY 30 MAY **FEZ-FERRY CROSSING TO SPAIN-**MUAS

Today, an early departure takes you north for the FERRY crossing back to mainland Spain to the Costa del Sol (Coast of the Sun). Overnight in Mijas. (B,D)

#### DAY 14: FRIDAY 31 MAY MIJAS-GRANADA.

Travel along the Costa del Sol and head to Granada in the heart of Andalusia. On the agenda: an included guided visit of the ALHAMBRA COMPLEX\*, a lavish palace and fortress built by Moorish kings. You'll marvel at its architectural Moorish beauty and magnificent gardens, with construction dating back to 889 AD. (B,D)

#### DAY 15: SATURDAY 1 JUNE GRANADA-MADRID.

Travel through the very heart of Don Quixote's La Mancha, famed for its castle and windmills. Before arriving in Madrid, visit a local WINE CELLAR and taste some of the locally produced wines. (B)

#### DAY 16: SUNDAY 2 JUNE MADRID.

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning. (B)







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