



SPAIN

THE GRAND IBERIAN JOURNEY (TOUR CODE: 17105)

STARTS AND ENDS

Barcelona to
Madrid

TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Sep 27 - 20 May 28

EXPERIENCE

[Group Journeys](#)
[Cultural](#)

TRAVEL STYLE

Escorted Group Tour

Journey through the heart of Spain and Portugal, from Barcelona and Santiago to Porto, Lisbon and Andalusia. Discover iconic landmarks, rich history, coastal beauty, local flavours and unforgettable cultural treasures

Highlights

- **Guaranteed Departures**
- Small group of maximum **24 People**
- Explore **Barcelona's Sagrada Família**, Gaudí's masterpiece and one of Europe's most iconic landmarks
- Experience the culinary traditions of the Basque Country with a traditional **Pintxos Dinner in Bilbao**
- Cruise through Galicia's stunning **Rías Baixas** with fresh mussel and Albariño wine tasting
- Enjoy a scenic **Douro River Cruise in Porto** with included Port wine tasting
- Visit the magnificent **Alhambra Palace in Granada** and the spectacular **Mosque of Córdoba**, both included

Discover the very best of the Iberian Peninsula on this immersive 22-day journey through Spain and Portugal. From the architectural wonders of Barcelona and the pilgrimage city of Santiago de Compostela to the riverside charm of Porto, the historic streets of Lisbon, and the Moorish treasures of Andalusia, this escorted tour combines cultural highlights, regional gastronomy, scenic cruising and iconic UNESCO-listed landmarks. With a maximum of 24 guests, English-speaking tour leadership throughout, and carefully selected hotels, this itinerary offers a comprehensive and comfortable exploration of two of Europe's most fascinating countries.



GUARANTEED
DEPARTURES



VARIED GROUP
SIZES



SUSTAINABLE
TRAVEL



ENGLISH-ONLY
EXPERT GUIDES



HANDPICKED
CENTRAL HOTELS



AUTHENTIC
EXPERIENCES

INCLUSIONS

- 21-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Transportation by luxury coach
- Private arrival and departure airport transfers
- Rías Baixas cruise with mussels and Albariño wine tasting
- Douro river cruise in Porto
- Daily breakfast
- Welcome dinner in Barcelona
- Traditional pintxos dinner in Bilbao
- Farewell dinner in Madrid
- Port wine cellar visit and tasting in Porto
- Traditional moliceiro boat cruise in Aveiro
- Guided sightseeing tours with local guides in Barcelona, Madrid, Bilbao, Santiago de Compostela, Coimbra, Porto, Lisbon, Córdoba, Málaga and Granada
- Entrance to Sagrada Família in Barcelona, Santiago de Compostela Cathedral, Córdoba Mosque, and Alhambra and Generalife Gardens in Granada
- English-speaking Tour Director throughout the journey

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Day **1**

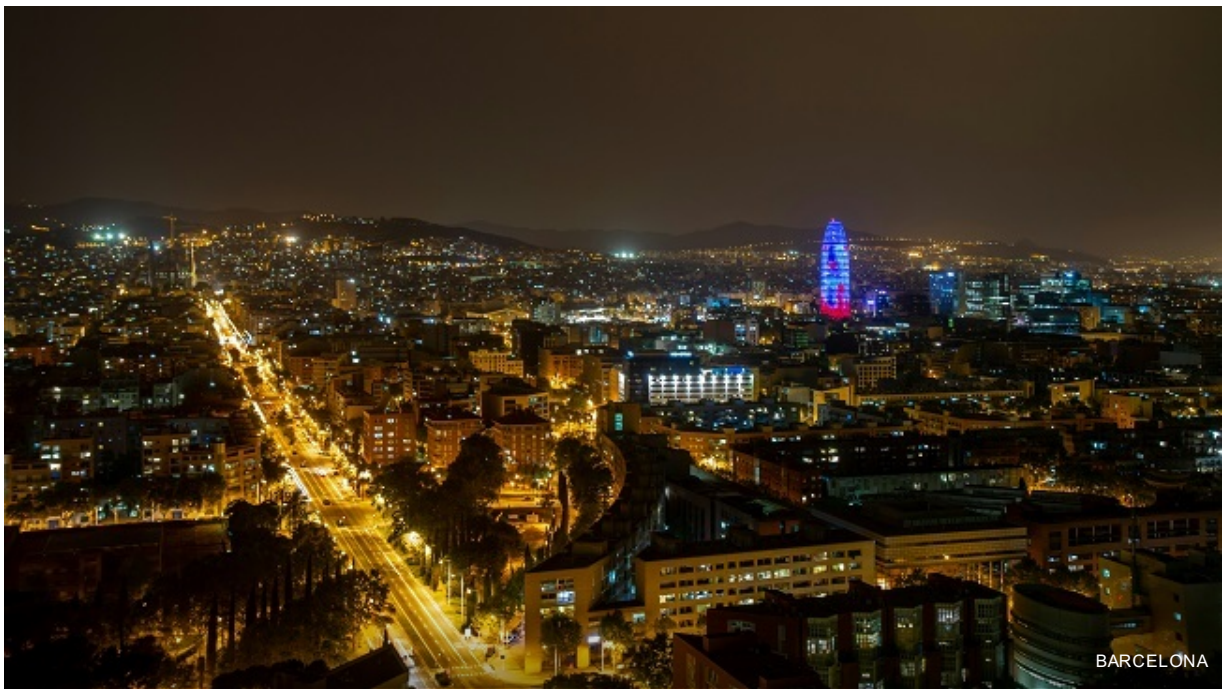
Barcelona Airport Barcelona

Arrive in Barcelona and transfer to your hotel. This evening, meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers during a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight stay in Barcelona at **Hotel Catalonia Boulevard** or similar.

**Recommend flights arrive no later than 5:00 PM*

Dinner



Day **2**

Barcelona

Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Barcelona, including Gaudí's architectural masterpieces, Montjuïc Hill, the waterfront and the spectacular Sagrada Família. The afternoon is free to explore independently.

Overnight stay in Barcelona at **Hotel Catalonia Boulevard** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **3**

Barcelona Zaragoza Pamplona Bilbao

Travel through Aragón to Zaragoza, with free time to admire the Basilica of Nuestra Señora del Pilar. Continue to historic Pamplona before arriving in Bilbao.

Overnight stay in Bilbao at **Radisson Collection Hotel** or similar.

Breakfast



PAMPLONA FESTIVAL

Day 4

Bilbao San Sebastian Bilbao

Discover Bilbao and view the iconic Guggenheim Museum. Continue to elegant San Sebastián, visiting La Concha Bay and Mount Igeldo. Return to Bilbao for a traditional Pintxos dinner.

Overnight stay in Bilbao at **Radisson Collection Hotel** or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



LA CONCHA BAY

Day 5

Bilbao Castro Urdiales Santander

Travel along Spain's beautiful northern coastline. Stop at the fishing town of Castro Urdiales before continuing to Santander, renowned for its royal heritage and seaside elegance.

Overnight stay in Santander at **Hotel Santemar** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **6**

Santander Santillana del Mar Covadonga Oviedo

Visit the medieval village of Santillana del Mar before continuing to Covadonga, one of Asturias' most important pilgrimage sites. Travel onwards to Oviedo, passing the remarkable Church of Santa María del Naranco. Enjoy free time to discover the city's pedestrian streets and its impressive Gothic Cathedral, part of the UNESCO World Heritage.

Overnight stay in Oviedo at **AC Hotel Oviedo Forum** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **7**

Oviedo Mondoñedo Lugo Santiago de Compostela

Journey into Galicia, stopping in the historic town of Mondoñedo and the UNESCO-listed city of Lugo, renowned for its

perfectly preserved Roman walls. Continue to Santiago de Compostela.

Overnight stay in Santiago de Compostela at **Hotel Exe Peregrino** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 8

Santiago de Compostela

Explore one of Christianity's most significant pilgrimage centres, including entrance to Santiago Cathedral. The remainder of the day is free.

Overnight stay in Santiago de Compostela at **Hotel Exe Peregrino** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 9

Santiago de Compostela Rías Baixas Porto

Travel through the scenic Rías Baixas region and enjoy a cruise featuring local mussels and Albariño wine tasting before crossing into Portugal and arriving in Porto.

Overnight in Porto at **Vila Galé** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 10 Porto

Join a guided tour of Porto, including its cathedral, historic landmarks and Port wine cellars. Enjoy a scenic Douro River cruise and wine tasting.

Overnight in Porto at **Vila Galé** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 11 Porto

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Porto independently.

Overnight in Porto at **Vila Galé** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 12 Porto Aveiro Coimbra

Travel to Aveiro, often called the "Venice of Portugal", and enjoy a traditional moliceiro boat cruise. Continue to Coimbra for a guided sightseeing tour.

Overnight in Coimbra at **Hotel Coimbra Aeminium, Affiliated by Meliá** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 13 Coimbra Batalha Nazaré Lisbon

Visit the UNESCO-listed Monastery of Batalha before continuing to the coastal town of Nazaré. Arrive in Lisbon and enjoy an evening seafood dinner across the Tagus River in Cacilhas.

Overnight in Lisbon at **VIP Executive Art's Hotel** or similar.

Breakfast

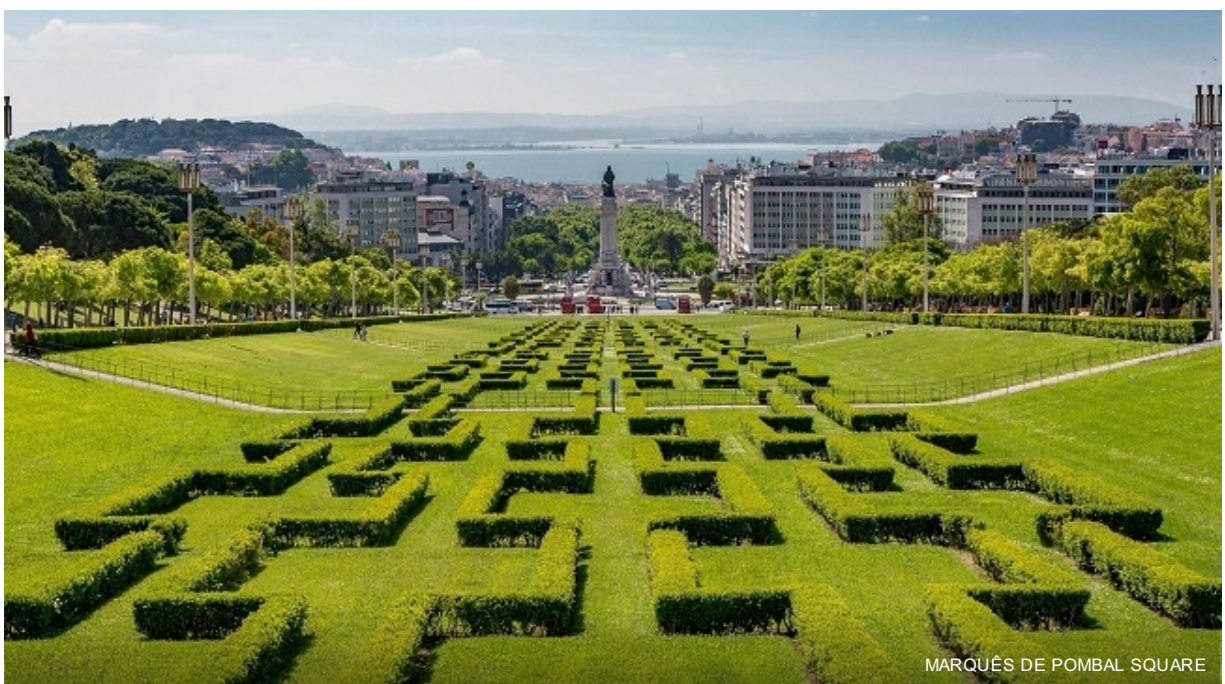


Day 14 Lisbon

Discover Portugal's capital with a guided city tour, including Belém Tower, Jerónimos Monastery, Monument to the Discoveries and Liberty Avenue. Afternoon at leisure.

Overnight in Lisbon at **VIP Executive Art's Hotel** or similar.

Breakfast



Return to Spain and visit Mérida, one of the country's most important Roman archaeological sites. Continue to Córdoba.

Overnight stay in Córdoba at **Hotel NH Califa** or similar.

Breakfast



Visit Córdoba's famous Mosque with included entry and stroll through the atmospheric Jewish Quarter before continuing to Seville.

Overnight stay in Seville at **Hotel NH Collection Sevilla Plaza de Armas** or similar.

Breakfast



Enjoy a guided tour of Seville, including María Luisa Park, Plaza de España and the Santa Cruz Quarter. Afternoon at leisure.

Overnight stay in Seville at **Hotel NH Collection Sevilla Plaza de Armas** or similar.

Breakfast



Travel through Andalusia to Jerez, famed for sherry, horses and flamenco traditions. Continue to dramatic Ronda overlooking El Tajo Gorge.

Overnight stay in Ronda at **Hotel Catalonia Reina Victoria Wellness & Spa** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **19** Ronda Málaga Granada

Depart for Málaga and explore its historic and cultural attractions, including reminders of its Roman and Moorish heritage. Continue to Granada.

overnight stay in Granada at **Hotel Catalonia Granada** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **20** Granada Madrid

Explore the magnificent Alhambra and Generalife Gardens before travelling to Madrid. Celebrate the journey with a farewell dinner.

Overnight in Madrid at **Aloft by Marriott** or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Spain's capital, including Plaza Mayor, the Royal Palace, Puerta de Alcalá, Gran Vía and other major landmarks. Afternoon at leisure.

Overnight in Madrid at **Aloft by Marriott** or similar.

Breakfast



After breakfast, transfer to Madrid Airport for your onward flight.

Breakfast

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FROM price reflects the lowest available price within the advertised travel period (e.g. April to October). Pricing varies depending on travel dates, availability and demand, and may not be available on all departures. Higher pricing applies during peak and shoulder periods. Final pricing is confirmed at the time of enquiry or booking. Please refer to [Pricing & Price Conditions](#) for full details, including inclusions, exclusions and other conditions.

Guaranteed Departures 2027–2028

2027

- 05 September 2027
- 10 October 2027

2028

- 09 April 2028
- 07 May 2028

For groups of up to 10 passengers, the tour will operate with an experienced driver-guide (no tour leader).

All departures require a minimum of 8 passengers. If the Small Group Journey cannot operate due to insufficient numbers, passengers will be offered the equivalent regular coach tour on the same departure date.