


SPAIN, PORTUGAL & MOROCCO

TOUR 6830—16 days from Madrid to Madrid

Priced From  1,919^{US}



YOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

Individual headsets 

SIGHTSEEING: Visits to Ávila, Salamanca, Coimbra, Fátima, Obidos, Casablanca

■ Inside visits and special features are shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description including admission charges where applicable.

GUIDES: Local Guides for city sightseeing in Madrid, Lisbon, Seville, Rabat, Marrakesh, Fez, Granada-Alhambra complex; professional Tour Director while touring

SCENIC HIGHLIGHTS: Serra da Estrela, Andalusia, Guadalquivir Valley, Costa del Sol, La Mancha, Middle Atlas

TRANSPORTATION: Touring by private, first-class, air-conditioned motorcoach; ferry across the Straits of Gibraltar

HOTELS: Listed below or equivalent. Rooms with private bath or shower, hotel taxes, portorage, tips and service charges

MADRID Praga (ST) Holiday Inn Calle Alcalá (F).
COIMBRA Dom Luis (ST), **LISBON** Roma (ST), **SEVILLE** Don Paco (ST), **RABAT** Rihab (ST), **MARRAKESH** Zalagh Kasbah & Spa (ST), **FEZ** Menzeh Fez (ST),
COSTA DEL SOL Ilunion Hacienda del Sol (F) at Mijas,
GRANADA Abba (F) or Corona de Granada (F),
MADRID NH Ventas (F) or Rafael Hoteles Ventas (ST)

MEALS: Buffet breakfasts (B) daily; 8 dinners (D)

MyACCOUNT: Personalise your tour ahead of time with additional excursions. Visit our website for details and conditions.

Day 1 ARRIVE IN MADRID, SPAIN. Check into your hotel. The rest of the day is free to start exploring lively Madrid. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers. (D)

Day 2 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 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 COIMBRA-FÁTIMA-OBIDOS-LISBON. Enjoy an orientation tour of Coimbra, celebrated for its beauty and ancient university. Later, travel southwards to visit the SANCTUARY of Fátima, one of Europe's most celebrated Marian shrines. Continue to fortified Obidos, one of the most picturesque towns in Portugal, before reaching Lisbon for two nights. (B)

Day 5 LISBON. Henry the Navigator made Lisbon the 15th-century "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 LISBON-SEVILLE, SPAIN. From the rolling plains of the Alentejo with its woodlands of cork and eucalyptus trees, head southwards all the way 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 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 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 RABAT-CASABLANCA-MARRAKESH. Today starts with an included guided city sightseeing tour of the country's lively capital, including 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 and part of the mosque's floor is made of glass so worshippers can kneel directly over the ocean's waters. Continue on to the "red" oasis city of Marrakesh. An optional excursion this evening is the perfect end of the day. (B)



AVILA



Day 10 MARRAKESH. Today's highlight is the included city sightseeing that 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 carnival of entertainment and fascinations occur daily. (B,D)

Day 11 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 reminiscent of *Beau Geste*. (B,D)

Day 12 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 now UNESCO World Heritage Sites. In the afternoon, explore further on your own. (B)

Day 13 FEZ-FERRY CROSSING TO SPAIN-COSTA DEL SOL. Today, an early departure takes you north for the FERRY back to

mainland Spain to the Costa del Sol (Coast of the Sun). (B,D)

Day 14 COSTA DEL SOL-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. With construction dating back to 889 AD, you'll marvel at its architectural Moorish beauty and magnificent gardens. (B,D)

Day 15 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 MADRID. Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning. (B)



ALHAMBRA, GRANADA

TOUR 6830 DATES & PRICES

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Departure Number	Start Madrid	End Madrid	Land Only	Departure Number	Start Madrid	End Madrid	Land Only	Departure Number	Start Madrid	End Madrid	Land Only		
0102	Tue 02 Jan	Wed 17 Jan	1919	0707	Sat 07 Jul	Sun 22 Jul	2139	0929	Sat 29 Sep	Sun 14 Oct	2239		
0310	Sat 10 Mar	Sun 25 Mar	2039	0714	Sat 14 Jul	Sun 29 Jul	2139	1004	Thu 04 Oct	Fri 19 Oct	2189		
0324	Sat 24 Mar	Sun 08 Apr	2149	0721	Sat 21 Jul	Sun 05 Aug	2139	1006	Sat 06 Oct	Sun 21 Oct	2189		
0407	Sat 07 Apr	Sun 22 Apr	2219	0728	Sat 28 Jul	Sun 12 Aug	2139	1013	Sat 13 Oct	Sun 28 Oct	2189		
0421	Sat 21 Apr	Sun 06 May	2219	0804	Sat 04 Aug	Sun 19 Aug	2139	1018	Thu 18 Oct	Fri 02 Nov	2189		
0505	Sat 05 May	Sun 20 May	2239	0811	Sat 11 Aug	Sun 26 Aug	2139	1027	Sat 27 Oct	Sun 11 Nov	2139		
0512	Sat 12 May	Sun 27 May	2239	0818	Sat 18 Aug	Sun 02 Sep	2139	1110	Sat 10 Nov	Sun 25 Nov	2009		
0519	Sat 19 May	Sun 03 Jun	2239	0825	Sat 25 Aug	Sun 09 Sep	2139	1124	Sat 24 Nov	Sun 09 Dec	2009		
0526	Sat 26 May	Sun 10 Jun	2239	0901	Sat 01 Sep	Sun 16 Sep	2239	1208	Sat 08 Dec	Sun 23 Dec	1969		
0602	Sat 02 Jun	Sun 17 Jun	2239	0906	Thu 06 Sep	Fri 21 Sep	2239	1222	Sat 22 Dec	Sun 06 Jan	2059		
0609	Sat 09 Jun	Sun 24 Jun	2239	0908	Sat 08 Sep	Sun 23 Sep	2239	2019					
0616	Sat 16 Jun	Sun 01 Jul	2239	0915	Sat 15 Sep	Sun 30 Sep	2239	0102	Wed 02 Jan	Thu 17 Jan	1919		
0623	Sat 23 Jun	Sun 08 Jul	2239	0920	Thu 20 Sep	Fri 05 Oct	2239	0316	Sat 16 Mar	Sun 31 Mar	2039		
0630	Sat 30 Jun	Sun 15 Jul	2139	0922	Sat 22 Sep	Sun 07 Oct	2239	0323	Sat 23 Mar	Fri 07 Apr	2149		

Prices are per person, based on double room occupancy. Single room supplement: \$750; guaranteed shares: see page 5; no triple room reduction. Departure 1222 New Year's in Marrakesh including reveillon dinner.

Extra nights per person in Madrid: in single room \$106-\$115, in twin / in triple \$57-\$63. 2019 departures are subject to itinerary and price modification. Details will be available in September 2018.