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Secrets and essentials of Andalusia

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You will like

Visits to Seville, Granada and Cordoba, the three cities (UNESCO) behind Andalusia's cultural influence

Visit the white villages of the Sierra de Ronda and the Alpujarras of the Sierra Nevada, two authentic rural stops

Visits to the Picasso Museum in Malaga, the Royal Equestrian School of Jerez

Luxury and charming 4-star comfort hotels, all along the circuit

The trip in summary

Seville the gypsy, Granada the resistant, Cordoba the tolerant; so many legendary cities

that our itinerary will reveal to us in turn. Its goal is the essentials of Andalusia, but accompanied by a Historian cultural guide, we will also be charmed by its more confidential, harsh and grandiose landscapes, by the narrow alleys of its white villages crushed by the sun, by its oceans olive.

From the balcony of Europe in Nerja to the Jerez, from the lost city of Medina Azahara to

the Alhambra, from the picturesque Alpujarras to the arenas of Ronda, we will be seduced by a thousand-year-old heritage that makes Andalusia the most visited region Spain.

Trip Summary

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Day 8 | Alpujarras - Malaga - The End

Day 1



Day 1 | Malaga

Flight to Malaga, arrival in the early afternoon, and accommodation for 2 nights at the Molina Lario **** hotel or Similar

Orientation tour in the historic district. Walk around the ALCAZABA.

Dinner and overnight at the hotel



Day 2



Day 2 | Ronda - The White Villages and Marbella Photo Stop

Day dedicated to Ronda and the white villages of its Sierra. In the morning, we will visit the "white city" also known as the cradle of bullfighting. Discover its Collegiate Church old Mosque, a subtle blend of Renaissance and Gothic art, its winding streets and its arenas built in a neoclassical style and considered to be the oldest in Spain.

Free lunch in Ronda, then continuation by the road known as "White Villages", whose name comes from the ancestral custom of its inhabitants to whitewash the houses, and to decorate them with pots of flowers of bright colors, thus creating a spectacle of enchanting color. Depending on the schedule, stop at Marbella, the most famous seaside resort on the Andalusian coast. Return to Malaga.

Dinner and overnight at the Hotel 4****



Day 3



Day 3 | Malaga - Antequera - Seville

In the morning, visit the Picasso Museum, which houses over 200 works by the city's native artist, then depart for Seville. Stop at Antequera, which is located at the crossroads of Andalusia. Panoramic balloon flight in Antequera one hour and we move to Seville.

Upon arrival, orientation tour in the historic district of the Andalusian capital. Walk in the Santa-Cruz district, remarkable for the elegance of its cobbled streets. This labyrinth of alleys with names full of legend is full of small squares and flowery patios, of which the most famous, the patio of los Venerables, has an interesting central fountain.



Day 4



Day 4 | Seville

Morning dedicated to the guided tour of the Cathedral of Seville. Built in the 15th century, it is listed as a UNESCO heritage site with its Giralda, a former Hispano-Moorish minaret of the old Almohad Great Mosque, now a symbol of Seville. We will then visit the Palaces of the Alcazar and its gardens, a real gem whose origins date back to the reign of Abd-el-Rahman II in the 9th century.

After lunch, a walk to the Spanish Steps and to the Maria Luisa Park will allow us to taste the soft and warm Sevillian atmosphere. Originally designed as an English garden, the Maria Luisa Park was redesigned at the beginning of the century by the landscaper Forestier as Andalusian garden. Between hundred-year-old trees, pergolas, gazebos and white doves, this park is a real delight. Rest of the afternoon free to explore the city at your own pace.

Dinner and overnight at the Meliá Sevilla **** hotel or Similar



Day 5



Day 5 | Jerez de la Frontera - Cadiz

Road towards Cadiz, passing by Jerez de la Frontera. In addition to being the birthplace of Flamenco, Jerez is also famous for its Royal School of Equestrian Art. We will visit the Museum of Equestrian Art and we will attend the training of riders in their impressive choreographies. Free time for lunch time.

Continue towards Cadiz, appreciated for its unspoiled beaches stretching over several kilometers and its numerous fiestas.

Three thousand years old, it is known as the oldest city in Europe. Orientation tour of the city and return to Seville.

Dinner and overnight at the Meliá Sevilla **** hotel or Similar



Day 6



Day 6 | Cordoba

Departure for Cordoba. Arrival and free lunch. In the afternoon, guided tour of the Mosque-Cathedral with 850 columns of precious marble, on which rest double brick and white and red stone arches. It is a unique work in the world, the Cathedral being built in the center of the old Great Mosque. Before reaching Granada, discover the Roman Bridge of Cordoba, its Juderia and the famous flower street with its many flowered patios.



Day 7



Day 7 | Granada

In the morning, visit the Albaicin, the historic district of Granada with a resolutely Arab atmosphere. Its picturesque alleys overlook countless Carmens (houses typical of the old quarters of Granada) with paradisiacal gardens. Going back down to Plaza Nueva, visit the Cathedral and the Royal Chapel.

After lunch, the rest of the day will be devoted to a guided tour of the essential Alhambra, a surprisingly preserved palatial city which celebrates its millennium this year. This remarkable group of fortresses and palaces is the most majestic medieval acropolis in the Mediterranean world. We will also discover the Generalife gardens, the Palace of Princes. The set consists of terraced gardens, fountains and water jets while the palace patios subtly mix Muslim and Renaissance elements.



Day 8



Day 8 | Alpujarras - Malaga - The End

On the road towards the Costa del Sol, the Sierra Nevada and the Alpujarras, long cut off from the rest of the world due to a steep geography. The mountainous region of Alpujarras was the refuge of Muslims during the years which followed the

Reconquista, and the architecture of its white villages keeps a unique trace of it: its houses with flat roofs and round chimneys which spread out one above the other constitute the trademark of the comarca.

Road to Malaga. The end

