

BEST OF SPAIN

15 DAYS

2 COUNTRIES

21 MEALS

FROM A\$4550 PP*

VIBRANT SPANISH CITIES, THE RUNNING OF THE BULLS IN PAMPLONA AND THE SMELL OF ORANGE ZEST IN VALENCIA ARE YOURS TO DISCOVER AS YOU INDULGE IN SPAIN'S DISTINCT ART, ARCHITECTURE AND CULTURE.

GUEST
REVIEW
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ICONIC HIGHLIGHTS

- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR** with a Local Specialist in Barcelona, Seville, Córdoba, Toledo and Madrid
- **ORIENTATION** of Burgos, Santander, Bilbao, San Sebastián, Pamplona and Valencia
- **VISIT** The Tomb of El Cid in Burgos, the Alhambra Palace in Granada, the Rock of Gibraltar, the Cathedral in Seville, the Mosque of the Caliphs in Córdoba, the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo and the Prado Museum in Madrid
- **VIEW** the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, La Concha Bay in San Sebastián, the Cathedral of Zaragoza, La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Castle of Peñíscola, Serrano and Quart Towers and the City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia

DAY

1 ARRIVE MADRID Welcome to the fiery Iberian capital that is Madrid. Delve deep into the soul of a city that marches to the tune of the *tapas*, before meeting your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a memorable Welcome Reception and orientation drive to see some of the city's most iconic sights. **(WR)** **Hotel: Rafael Atocha**

2 MADRID – BURGOS – SANTANDER Journey over the pine-clad Guadarrama Mountains to Burgos, the historic capital of Castile, where we will visit the tomb of El Cid. We cross the Ebro River and the Cantabrian Cordillera mountains, travelling to the coast and the sophisticated capital of the Cantabrian region, Santander. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Santemar**

3 SANTANDER – BILBAO – SAN SEBASTIÁN – PAMPLONA We depart Santander and travel to Bilbao to view the striking Guggenheim Museum. Continuing to San Sebastián, the gourmet capital of Spain, we see the beautiful Bahía de La Concha beach during our orientation drive. **(B, D)** **Hotel: NH Iruña Park**

4 PAMPLONA – ZARAGOZA – BARCELONA (2 NIGHTS) Our journey continues through the Ebro Valley to Zaragoza where we'll view the Basilica of El Pilar and Cathedral of La Seo. Later, admire panoramic views of a city that dates back to Roman times from atop Montjuïc in Barcelona. **(B)** **Hotel: Barceló Sants**

5 BARCELONA SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME The whimsical fantasy world of Gaudí is on display this morning as we embark on a sightseeing tour and see the inspiring, but as yet unfinished, *La Sagrada Família* in the company of a 'Local Specialist'. We'll see Las Ramblas and Plaça de Catalunya, before paying tribute to Christopher Columbus. **(B)**

6 BARCELONA – PEÑÍSCOLA – VALENCIA The sweet scent of oranges accompanies us on our journey along the Costa Dorada south to fortified Peñíscola, where we'll see the ancient castle used in the film 'El Cid'. We arrive in sunny Valencia where we will stay the night. Our orientation of this cultural city includes views of the town hall, the Bull Ring, the Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the cathedral. Witness the modern verve of Valencia and view the City of Arts and Sciences. **(B)** **Hotel: Silken Puerta**

7 VALENCIA – GRANADA Journey via the dramatic Mora Pass to the city of Granada where we'll meet our 'Local Specialist' for a sightseeing tour of the spectacular UNESCO-listed Alhambra. Admire extraordinary Moorish architecture and the exotic water gardens of the Generalife, the royal residence. Check in to your hotel later, where you dine tonight. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Occidental**

8 GRANADA – COSTA DEL SOL (2 NIGHTS) Enjoy a leisurely morning on your terms, or consider taking an Optional Experience to the medieval Moorish Quarter of Granada. We leave Granada behind for the sun-kissed shores of the Costa del Sol, where we'll spend the next two nights. **(B)** **Hotel: Meliá**

9 COSTA DEL SOL FREE DAY Another day in paradise for you to kick back, worship the Spanish sunshine and indulge in *la buena vida*. Enjoy fresh seafood in Torremolinos, soak up the Mediterranean atmosphere or consider an Optional Experience to the effervescent Andalusian capital of Málaga to explore centuries of fascinating history. **(B)**

10 COSTA DEL SOL – GIBRALTAR – SEVILLE (2 NIGHTS)** A scenic drive takes us past the millionaire's playground of Marbella and on to La Linea, before crossing to the Rock of Gibraltar, for free time to explore. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to St. Michael's Cave to see the Barbary Macaques (Rock Apes). Tonight we 'Connect With Locals' over a 'Be My Guest' dinner at the Morillo family olive oil mill. **(B, BMG)** **Hotel: Las Casas de La Judería**

11 SEVILLE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME Join your 'Local Specialist' this morning for a tour of Seville's leafy avenues. See the iconic Giralda Bell Tower, a former minaret, and visit the Seville Cathedral, the final resting place of Christopher Columbus. Stroll through Maria Luisa Park with its tiled fountains, pavilions, palms and orange trees, and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. Tonight, consider soaking up the fiery *flamenco* atmosphere in the city that made this passionate dance famous. **(B)**

12 SEVILLE – CÓRDOBA We journey to Córdoba to meet a 'Local Specialist' for a visit to the astounding Mosque of the Caliphs, a jewel of Hispano-Islamic art featuring striking arches and Byzantine mosaics. Then visit the remains of the 14th-century Mudéjar-style synagogue in the old Jewish neighbourhood. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Hesperia**

13 CÓRDOBA – TOLEDO – MADRID (2 NIGHTS) Your 'Local Specialist' takes you on a walking tour of Toledo where you'll 'Dive Into Culture' as you explore this ancient hilltop city. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to El Greco's masterpiece – 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz'. Visit the synagogue during your guided walk through the narrow streets. Arrive later in Madrid. **(B, BMG)** **Hotel: Rafael Atocha**

14 MADRID SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME We join our 'Local Specialist' to see the Royal Palace, Gran Vía and the Cibeles Fountain before visiting the world-famous Prado Museum. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for an unforgettable Farewell Dinner to celebrate an epic adventure through Spain. **(B, FD)**

15 DEPART MADRID Our journey together has come to an end. For now it's a fond *adiós* to Spain and newfound friends. Transfers are available. Conditions apply. **(B)**

HANDCRAFTED HIGHLIGHTS

Here's just a sample of the many special Trafalgar highlights included in your trip.



CONNECT WITH LOCALS

Enjoy a traditional Andalusian 'Be My Guest' dinner and the charming company of the Morillo family. A welcome drink of *sangria* in their sun-dappled courtyard before learning how they produce olive oil. **(Day 10)**



STAYS WITH STORIES

Hotel Las Casas de La Judería comprises a collection of elegant 15th-century Andalusian townhouses and flower-filled courtyards in the heart of Seville. **(Day 10)**



DIVE INTO CULTURE

Embark on a walking tour in the ancient hill-top city of Toledo, renowned for its medieval Arab, Jewish and Christian Monuments. **(Day 13)**



Make A Difference

BMG Be My Guest



Connect With Locals

WR Welcome Reception

B Breakfast



Stays With Stories

L Lunch

D Dinner



Dive Into Culture

RD Regional Dinner

FD Farewell Dinner



YOUR HOLIDAY PLANNER

Price PP			Price PP		
Start Madrid	End Madrid	Twin Share	Start Madrid	End Madrid	Twin Share
+ FR 27 MAR	FR 10 APR	4675	FR 03 JUL	FR 17 JUL	4550
FR 03 APR	FR 17 APR	4695	FR 10 JUL	FR 24 JUL	4595
FR 10 APR	FR 24 APR	4695	FR 17 JUL	FR 31 JUL	4595
FR 17 APR	FR 01 MAY	4695	FR 24 JUL	FR 07 AUG	4595
FR 24 APR	FR 08 MAY	4695	FR 31 JUL	FR 14 AUG	4595
FR 01 MAY	FR 15 MAY	4695	FR 07 AUG	FR 21 AUG	4595
FR 08 MAY	FR 22 MAY	4695	FR 14 AUG	FR 28 AUG	4595
FR 15 MAY	FR 29 MAY	4695	FR 21 AUG	FR 04 SEP	4695
FR 22 MAY	FR 05 JUN	4695	+ FR 28 AUG	FR 11 SEP	4725
FR 29 MAY	FR 12 JUN	4695	FR 04 SEP	FR 18 SEP	4725
+ FR 05 JUN	FR 19 JUN	4550	FR 11 SEP	FR 25 SEP	4725
FR 12 JUN	FR 26 JUN	4550	FR 18 SEP	FR 02 OCT	4725
FR 19 JUN	FR 03 JUL	4550	FR 25 SEP	FR 09 OCT	4695
FR 26 JUN	FR 10 JUL	4550	+ FR 02 OCT	FR 16 OCT	4695
			FR 09 OCT	FR 23 OCT	4675

Single Supplement (add to price above): A\$1430 PP
Exceptions 12 Jun 20 to 21 Aug 20: A\$1350 PP

+ **Special Rate Solo Rooming:** These departures include 20 – 100% discount on our standard single supplement. Please see trafalgar.com for pricing.

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OTHER GREAT SAVINGS

- Young Traveller Savings **SAVE A\$460**
- Multi Trip Savings **SAVE UP TO A\$118**
- Triple Share Savings **SAVE UP TO A\$140 PP**
- VIT (Very Important Traveller) Benefits for past guests

MORE ABOUT YOUR TRIP

* All prices are per person, twin share.

Airport Transfers: On arrival at Madrid Airport transfers will operate at 10.30am, 1pm and 3.30pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the hotel. Return transfers on the last travel day will arrive at Madrid Airport at 8.30am and 11am.

Alhambra: Access to attractions within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

**** Important Visa Information:** The visit to Gibraltar is subject to Gibraltar and Spanish visa requirements. Please speak with your travel agent at time of booking to assess your specific requirements.

Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver, A\$187 per person.

Drinking Water: Tap water is safe to drink in all of the destinations on this trip. Please remember to bring a water bottle.

Trip code: SBES