



Iberian Peninsula and Morocco





## **MADRID AND ANDALUSIA AN ANDALUSIAN STORY OPTION 2**

#### (OPT. 1) MADRID AND ANDALUSIA

#### 01 SAT. Madrid – Arrival.

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district.

Welcome to Madrid! Upon arriving at the airport, we will be waiting to **transfer** you to your hotel. Check the infor-mation boards in the hotel reception area for details of the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travellers. Towards the end of the day, we provide transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred res-taurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 SUN. Madrid.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Plaza de Toros de las Ventas bullring. Evening tranfer.

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#### 03 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

O3 MON. Madrid - Granada.-TODAY'S HIGLIGHTS: Lunch included. Entrance and local guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the en-trance included). Evening transfer. We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in PUERTO LAPICE, a 'man-chego' village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter Andalusia via Despeñaperros, arriving in GRANADA. Lunch included. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included. we will visit with a local quide with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arab times. In the evening we visit the Albaicin district of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neighbourhood of Sacromonte.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: The number of people authorised to visit the Alhambra is limited by law. The number of places assigned to tour operators is small and we are only given the quota one month before arrival. Even if you buy the trip with the ticket included, we cannot guarantee a visit to the Alhambra (if these tickets cannot be offered, the Reales Alcázares in Seville, which is similar, would be visited and a sightseeing tour with a local quide of the city of Granada would also be offered). If the

visit to the Alhambra is very important to you, we suggest you purchase the trip "without tickets" (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line from the quota for individuals on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org

#### 04 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the Costa del Sol, we will arrive in MALAGA and explore the historic centre, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in **PUERTO** BANUS, Marbella, a pretty resort known as a playground for Europe's rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach RONDA, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Continuing to SEVILLE, arriving in the late afternoon.

#### 05 WED, Seville,-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Evening tranfer to the historic city centre.

After breakfast, a local expert guides you through a sce**fic visit of Seville** featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. (Note: If the group is fewer than fifteen travellers, it can be arranged in both Spanish and English). After the tour, we will include a boat trip along the river Guadalquivir, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Enjoy leisure time straight afterwards. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the historic city centre area (Calle Alfonso XII). Here there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from, enjoy your dinner.

#### 06 THU. Seville.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

## (OPT. 2) AN ANDALUSIAN STORY

### Days 1 – 5 as in Opt. 1 O6 THU. Seville – Cordoba – Consuegra – Madrid.– **TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS:** visit to Cordoba. Windmills in Consuegra.

We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to CORDOBA. With a local guide, we visit its great Cathedral-Mosque and to Cordoba Synagogue (entrances included). Take a stroll in the old district with its famous patios of flowers and free time to discover its flowered allevs. After lunch, we continue towards the Castilian lands and stop at **CONSUEGRA**, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. Whilst in the area of the La Mancha plain, we will visit Venta Rucio Windmill. Continuing to MADRID, arriving at the end of the day.

End of our services. Check the time of your flight in case you need an additional night.

#### Opt.1 and Opt. 2 **Every Monday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the web-site's "My Trip" page

## THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet. Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Madrid, Granada, Seville.
- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Vía in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicin in Granada, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens in Granada if it is included in the tour you bought.
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada.

#### • (ADDITIONAL SERVICES OP. 2)

- City tour in:Cordoba .
- Ticket admission: Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Cordoba, Rucio Windmill in Consuegra.





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## FROM 429€-DAYS 5/7

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### Opt.1 and Opt. 2 **Every Thursday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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#### **THE PRICE INCLUDES**

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Lisbon, Madrid.
- Evening Transfer: Restauradores Square in Lisbon, Plaza Mayor in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid.
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: On the route from Fatima to Madrid.
- (ADDITIONAL SERVICES OP. 2)
- City tour in: Poblet, Barcelona.
- Ticket admission: Poblet Monastery.
- Train: Montserrat Monastery.



## **OPTION 1 BERIAN CAPITALS OPTION 2** LISBON, MADRID AND BARCELO

#### (OPT. 1) IBERIAN CAPITALS 01 THU. Lisbon.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Arrival. Transfer to the hotel.

Welcome to Europe!!! On arrival at the airport we shall be waiting to transfer you to the hotel. You can enjoy free time until your tour starts, information about the meeting place and start time can be found on the information boards in the hotel reception area.

#### 02 FRI. Lisbon.-

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#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Visit Lisbon. Evening transfer

In the morning we have a sightseeing tour with a local guide (Note: explanations may be given by our guide if the group has fewer than twelve people). We visit traditional neighbourhoods, which take in the Belem district, the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will look around the Monument to the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore the city independently. In the late afternoon, we transfer to the Restauradores Square, a public square with restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 03 SAT. Lisbon - Fatima - Madrid.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Lunch included. Evening tranfer in Madrid.

Today we travel to the north of Portugal and visit FA-TIMA, an important sanctuary (a pilgrimage site). We will continue on our way through the green lands of the centre, passing into Spain, and over grasslands we cross the North of Extremadura. Lunch included on route in a regional food restaurant. Continuing to MADRID, arriving at the end of the day. Then we include transportation to Plaza Mayor where you can enjoy at some typical taverns.

#### 04 SUN. Madrid.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Plaza de Toros de las Ventas bullring. Evening tranfer.

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#### 05 MON. Madrid.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 2) LISBON, MADRID AND BARCELONA

Days 1 – 4 as in Opt. 1 05 MON. Madrid – Zaragoza – Poblet – Montserrat - Barcelona.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Monastery of Poblet, rack train to Montserrat.

In the morning we leave for Aragón over the lands of Castile. In ZARAGOZA we stop briefly to see the Pilar Basilica. We continue to the Monastery of Poblet, surrounded by its walls in a beautiful site that is one of the best-preserved medieval monasteries in the world (entrance and guided tour included). We then proceed to the Monastery of Montserrat where you will go up the mountain on a rack train to see its fantastic scenery. Following this we will continue to BARCELONA, arriving in the late- afternoon. Note: In the winter months, from November to March, due to the shorter days, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in order to reach Montserrat in the daylight.

#### 06 TUE. Barcelona.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: City tour of Barcelona.

In the morning we enjoy a city tour, its Ramblas, the works of Gaudí, and memories of the Olympic Games. Time at leisure.

#### 07 WED. Barcelona.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

# **MADRID AND BARCELONA**

#### TUE/SAT . Madrid - Arrival.-

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Via district.

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#### 02 WED/SUN, Madrid,-

# TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Plaza de Toros de las Ventas bull-ring. Evening tranfer.

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#### 03 THU/MON. Madrid - Zaragoza - Poblet -Montserrat - Barcelona.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: The Pilar Basilica. Monastery of

Poblet, rack train to Montserrat.

In the morning we leave for Aragón over the lands of Castile. In ZARAGOZA we stop briefly to see the Pilar Basilica. We continue to the Monastery of Poblet, surrounded by its walls in a beautiful site that is one of the best-preserved medieval monasteries in the world (entrance and guided tour included). We then proceed to the **Monastery of Montserrat** where you will go up the mountain on a **rack train** to see its fantastic scenery. Following this we will con-tinue to BARCELONA, arriving in the late- afternoon.

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# MADRID AND LISBON

#### 01 TUE. Madrid - Arrival.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district.

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#### 02 WED, Madrid,-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Plaza de Toros de las Ventas bullring. Evening tranfer.

The morning starts with a comprehensive tour through the centre of Madrid including Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then visit to Retiro Park, an oasis in the city centre, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next, this is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of "corridas" in the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure. At sunset we provide a transfer to Plaza de Oriente, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines such as local Spanish food, international, and Chinese. Eniov a pleasant dinner of your choice, then return to the hotel together.

#### 04 FRI/TUE. Barcelona.-

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. "Spanish Vil-lage" visit and evening transfers to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting with an informative **city** tour with a local expert (note: If the group has fewer than tour with a local expert (note: if the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We also visit the city's historic central area with its Goth-ic neighbourhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will yisit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica; the mas-terpiece designed by the architect Gaudí. Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit 'Poble Espanyol'** (mean-ing 'Spanish Village'). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different communities Spain. Take some free time to explore the city on your own. In the evening we provide **transfers to Las Ramblas and Plaza Catalunya** area for dinner, where you can select from a great variety of restaurants. Return to the hotel.

#### 05 SAT/WED. Barcelona.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

# BARCELONA MADRID a FROM 353€-DAYS 5 **DEPARTURE DATES**

## **Every Tuesday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

Zaragoza

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

During your stay in Barcelona as part of the Madrid to Barcelona trip departing on sarturdays, you will only have the pano-ramic visit of the city included, after this visit you will have the afternoon free to do as you wish.



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MADRID FROM 407€-DAYS 5

## **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### **Every two weeks** on Tuesday

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.

- Includes arrival transfer
  City tour in: Madrid, Lisbon.
  Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España and Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- **Ticket admission**: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Chapel of Bones in Evora.



# Perfect moments, always

After breakfast, end of our services.

THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet. • Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Madrid, Poblet, Barcelona.

03 THU. Madrid- Caceres- Evora- Lisbon.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Mediaeval Cáceres. Chapel of

We leave Madrid and travel towards Extremadura. In CAC-

ERES you can have lunch and stroll in the historic cen-

tre, one of the best preserved mediaeval and Renaissance

open complexes in the world. Once in Portugal, we will

stop in EVORA, a World Heritage city with its white

streets, its Renaissance palaces and its cathedral. We will

include entry to the impressive chapel of Bones, built

using 5,000 skeletons! LISBON, arrival at the end of the

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Visit Lisbon, Evening transfer.

In the morning we have a sightseeing tour with a local

guide (Note: explanations may be given by our guide if the

group has fewer than twelve people). We visit traditional

neighbourhoods, which take in the Belem district, the

birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed

the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will look around

the Monument to the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Herit-

age Site. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore the city

independently. In the late afternoon, we transfer to the Restauradores Square, a public square with restaurants

and caFez. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria fu-

nicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with

beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return

- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de Espana/Gran Via in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona.
- Train: Montserrat.

Bones of Evora.

afternoon.

to the hotel.

05 SAT. Lisbon.-

04 FRI. Lisbon.-

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## FROM 870€-DAYS 7

**DEPARTURE DATES** 

#### **Every Tuesday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

The high-speed train included in your trip has a maximum luggage allowance of 20 k/person.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Excursion: Transfer to Versailles.
- Boat: Boat Trip along River Seine in Paris.
- City tour in: Madrid, Barcelona, Paris.
  Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España/Gran Via in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona, 2nd Floor Eiffel Tower in Paris. Train: Montserrat.
- Funicular: Funicular ride to Montmartre
- district in Paris. • High Speed Train: Barcelona to Paris.



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FROM MADRID TO PARIS

#### 02 WED. Madrid.-

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01 TUE. Madrid - Arrival.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening

transport to the Gran Vía district. Welcome to Madrid!

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you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the begin-

paña and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine

at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and

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#### 03 THU. Madrid - Zaragoza - Poblet - Montserrat - Barcelona.-

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#### 04 FRI. Barcelona.-

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Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Po-ble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure.

In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 05 SAT. Barcelona - Paris.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: high-speed train to Paris.

After breakfast we will transfer you to the train station to catch the high-speed train to Paris. The train is comfortable and the journey takes you through wonderful landscapes. The train journey takes 6 hours 30 minutes.

Note: The guide will only travel on the train if the group is over 15 passengers.

#### 06 SUN. Paris.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to Versailles Palace. Funicular ride included to Montmartre district. City tour in Paris.

Early in the morning, we will leave for Versailles, the immense palace of the kings of France. After that, we will return to Paris at lunch time where we provide a transfer to the Montmartre district. We will ascend by funicular to the hill and admire the spectacular view of Paris from the top. This

neighborhood is known for its painters, artists, and its cabarets Sit down for lunch and enjoy a magical atmos-phere. Then, a **scenic guided tour** to discover the history, main boulevards and the

breathtaking monuments of Paris will take place. Return to hotel.

#### 07 MON. Paris.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Eiffel Tower and boat cruise in the City of Lights.

We go to the center of Paris, starting by the Eiffel Tower area. You will have the opportunity to go up to the second floor of this remarkable metal monument (ticket included). Then, we enjoy a boat cruise along the River Seine, which divides the north of Paris from the south. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore as you choose. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

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#### **OPTION 1** SOUTH OF SPAIN WITH LISBON **IBERIAN RING OPTION 2**

#### (Opt. 1) South of Spain with Lisbon 01 SAT. Madrid - Arrival.-

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#### 03 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

TODAYS HIGLIGHTS: Lunch included. Entrance and local guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer.

We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter **Andalusia** via Despeñarros, arriving in **GRANADA**. Lunch included. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the Albaicín district of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the tra-ditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

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#### 04 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the Costa del Sol, we will arrive in MALAGA and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in PUERTO BANUS, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as

the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach **RONDA**, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to SE-VILLE, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 05 WED. Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, Giraida (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Afterse XII) where there are may different types (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 06 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz Evora – Lisbon.-

HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. MONSARAZ, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renais-sance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive Chapel of Bones (admission included), which was built using the bones from over 5000 skel-etons! We will arrive in LISBON toward the end of the day.

#### 07 FRI, Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monu-ment of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 08 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 2) IBERIAN RING DAYS 1 - 7 AS IN OPT. 1 08 SAT. Lisbon - Fatima - Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Lunch included.

Today we will travel to the north of Portugal and visit **FA**-TIMA, an important sanctuary (a pilgrimage site). We will continue on through the green lands of the center, passing into Spain and then, over grasslands, we will cross the North of Extremadura. **Lunch included** on route at a regional cuisine restaurant. We will travel on to MADRID where we will be arriving towards the end of the day.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.



## FROM 750€-DAYS 8

**DEPARTURE DATES** 

#### **Every Saturday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.

#### **THE PRICE INCLUDES**

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Madrid, Seville, Lisbon. • Evening Transfer: Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Vía in Madrid, Plaza
- de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicín in in Gra-nada, Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens (if included in the tour) in Granada, Chapel of Bones in Evora
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada.
- (Additional services Opt. 2) • 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Fatima.







## FROM 843€- DAYS 8/10

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### **Every Saturday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

The high-speed trains included in your trip has a maximum luggage allowance of 20 k/ person.



## CLASSICAL SPAIN OPTION 1 CLASSICAL SPAIN WITH PARIS OPTION 2 (OPT. 1) CLASSICAL SPAIN Gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening

#### 01 SAT. Madrid - Arrival.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district. Welcome to Madrid!

Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 SUN. Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a comprehensive tour through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a transfer to Plaza de Oriente, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 03 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

TODAYS HIGLIGHTS: Lunch included. Entrance and local guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer. We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO** LAPICE, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter Andalusia via Despeñarros, arriving in GRANADA. Lunch included. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the **Albaicín district** of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: The number of people authorized to visit the Alhambra is limited by law. The number of places assigned to tour operators is small and we are only given the quota one month before arrival. Even if you buy the trip with the ticket included, we cannot guarantee a visit to the Alhambra (if these tickets cannot be offered, the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar, would be visited and a sightseeing tour with a local guide of the city of Granada would also be offered). If the visit to the Alhambra is very important to you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line from the quota for individuals on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org.

#### 04 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

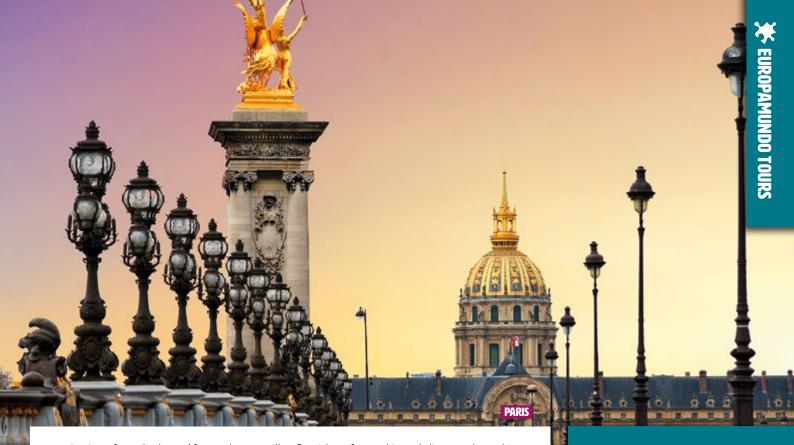
Departing from Granada and travelling towards the **Costa del Sol**, we will arrive in **MALAGA** and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in **PUERTO BANUS**, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach **RONDA**, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to **SEVILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 05 WED. Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **scenic visit of Seville** featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the pan-

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oramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **histor-**ic city center area (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### **06 THU.** Seville- Zaragoza - Poblet - Montserrat - Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: High-speed train from Seville to Zaragoza; Monastery of Poblet, rack train to Montserrat.

Leaving Seville in the early morning, you will be transferred to the train station to take a comfortable **high-speed train to Zaragoza.** In a little under four hours, you will cover the 850 km between Seville and Zaragoza.

In ZARAGOZA you will join the group and have free time to visit this impressive Pilar Basilica and enjoy the city center. We continue to the Monastery of Poblet, surrounded by its walls in a beautiful site that is one of the best-preserved medieval monasteries in the world (entrance and guided tour included). We then proceed to the Monastery of Montserrat where you will go up the mountain on a rack train to see its fantastic scenery. Following this we will continue to BARCELONA, arriving in the late- afternoon.

**Note:** In the winter months, from November to March, due to the shorter days, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in order to reach Montserrat in the daylight.

**Note:** The guide will only travel on the train if the group is over 15 passengers.

#### 07 FRI. Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure. In the evening we provide a **transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya** area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### **O8 SAT. Barcelona.**-After breakfast, end of our services.

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#### (OPT. 2) CLASSICAL SPAIN WITH PARIS DAYS 1 - 7 AS IN OPT. 1 08 SAT. Barcelona - Paris.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: high-speed train to Paris.

After breakfast we will transfer you to the train station to catch the **high-speed train to Paris.** The train is comfortable and the journey takes you through wonderful landscapes. The train journey takes 6 hours 30 minutes.

**Note:** The guide will only travel on the train if the group is over 15 passengers.

#### 09 SUN. Paris.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to Versailles Palace. Funicular ride included to Montmartre district. City tour in Paris.

Early in the morning, we will leave for **Versailles**, the immense palace of the kings of France. After that, we will return to Paris at lunch time where we provide a transfer to the **Montmartre district**. We will ascend **by funicular** to the hill and admire the spectacular view of Paris from the top. This neighborhood is known for its painters, artists, and its cabarets Sit down for lunch and enjoy a magical atmosphere. Then, a **scenic guided tour** to discover the history, main boulevards and the

breathtaking monuments of Paris will take place. Return to hotel.

#### 10 MON. Paris.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Eiffel Tower and boat cruise in the City of Lights.

We go to the center of Paris, starting by the **Eiffel Tower** area. You will have the opportunity to go up to the **second floor** of this remarkable metal monument **(ticket included)**. Then, we enjoy a **boat cruise along the River Seine**, which divides the north of Paris from the south. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore as you choose.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Madrid, Seville, Barcelona.
   Evening Transfer: Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Vía in Madrid, Plaza
- de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicín in in Granada, Historic center of Seville, Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona.
   Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring
- in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens (if included in the tour) in Granada , Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona.
- Train: Montserrat.
- High Speed Train: Seville- Zaragoza.
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada.
- (Additional services Opt. 2)
- Excursion: Transfer to Versailles.
- **Boat**: Boat Trip along River Seine in Paris.
- City tour in: Paris.
- Ticket admission: 2nd Floor Eiffel Tower in Paris.
- Funicular: Funicular ride to Montmartre district in Paris.
- High Speed Train: Barcelona to Paris.





## FROM 937 €-DAYS 10/12/12

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#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### **Every Tuesday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.



# SPANISH RING SPANISH RING WITH LISBON GREAT IBERIAN ROUTE OPTION 3

#### (OPT. 1) SPANISH RING 01 TUE. Madrid – Arrival.-

## **TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district. Welcome to Madrid!

Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 WED. Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tour** through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to **Las Ventas Bullring** (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 03 THU. Madrid - Zaragoza - Poblet - Montserrat - Barcelona.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Monastery of Poblet, rack train to Montserrat.

In the morning we leave for Aragón over the lands of Castile. In ZARAGOZA we stop briefly to see the Pilar Basilica. We continue to the Monastery of Poblet, surrounded by its walls in a beautiful site that is one of the best-preserved medieval monasteries in the world (entrance included). We then proceed to the Monastery of Montserrat where you will go up the mountain on a rack train to see its fantastic scenery. Following this we will continue to BARCELONA, arriving in the lateafternoon.

**Note:** In some cases, depending on the timetable of the rack railway, the ascent to Montserrat can be done in our coach. **Note:** During the winter, from November to March, due to the shorter days, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in order to reach Montserrat during the daylight.

#### 04 FRI. Barcelona.-

**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure.

In the evening we provide a **transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya** area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 05 SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia.-

**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** visit Peniscola, a beautiful walled town and its castle by the sea. Sightseeing in Valencia. Evening transfer.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea. After a short introduction by our guide, you can make your own way through town, discovering its fishing port, the castle and beach at your own leisure. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, where we will have time to have lunch. A **local guide** will take you on a tour of the city in the afternoon. Valencia is the third largest city in Spain where the modern blends with the historical. In the tour we will learn about its historic city centre, the fish market, the cathedral and the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences. In the evening we will have a **transfer to the Plaza de Toros (bullring)** area where you will have time to have dinner. Return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 06 SUN. Valencia - Alicante - Caravaca de la Cruz - Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Touristic train in Caravaca.

Today we will continue our trip and head to ALICANTE. We will have time to take a walk in this charming, coastal city and, after lunch, we will make our way to the **Murcia** region, where we will visit CARAVACA DE LA CRUZ, a town considered by the Catholic Church as one of the five holy cities. Its church holds a relic of Christs Cross. We will also take a train ride up to its histor



ic area, which we can explore, before we continue our trip along scenic roads on our way to Andalusia. We will end the day in **GRANADA**.

#### 07 MON. Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Visit the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Night transfer.

We will have a full day in **GRANADA**. For those who booked the trip with the entrance included, in the afternoon we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we will visit the Albaicín in district a World Heritage site as is the Alhambra, where you can have dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. At night, you will have the option to attend a flamenco dance show in the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The maximum number of people allowed to visit the Alhambra is limited by the local government. Given that the number of tickets assigned to tour operators is small, and we are only given the confirmed number one month before your arrival, even if you buy the trip with the ticket included we cannot guarantee entrance to the Alhambra. In such event, we would offer entry to the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar. As with the Alhambra visit, the group would be led by a local guide of the city of Granada. If the Alhambra is a very important landmark to visit for you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org as there is a larger quota for individual visits/purchases.

#### 08 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the **Costa** del Sol, we will arrive in MALAGA and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in **PUERTO BANUS**, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach **RONDA**, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to **SEVILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 09 WED. Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 10 THU. Seville - Cordoba - Consuegra - Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Cordoba. Windmills in Consuegra. We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to CORDOBA. We will visit Cordoba's great Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included) with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the Castilian lands and stop at CONSUEGRA, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to MADRID, where we will arrive towards the end of the day. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (OPT. 2) SPANISH RING WITH LISBON DAYS 1 - 9 AS IN OPT. 1

#### 10 THU. Seville – Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz – Evora – Lisbon.-

HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in **JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS**, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission included)**, which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

#### 11 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a **sightseeing tour with a local guide**. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 12 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services. (OPT. 3) GREAT IBERIAN ROUTE DAYS 1 - 11 AS IN OPT. 2

#### 12 SAT. Lisbon - Fatima - Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Lunch included.

Today we will travel to the north of Portugal and visit **FATI-MA**, an important sanctuary (a pilgrimage site). We will continue on through the green lands of the center, passing into Spain and then, over grasslands, we will cross the North of Extremadura. **Lunch included** on route at a regional cuisine restaurant. We will travel on to **MADRID** where we will be arriving towards the end of the day. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Along Guadalquivir river in Seville.
   City tour in: Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Granada, Seville, Cordoba.
- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España/Gran Via in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona, Bullring square in Valencia, Albaicín in in Granada, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona, Alhambra Palace and Generalife in Granada (If it is included in your tour), Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Cordoba, Windmill in Consuegra.
- Train: Montserrat, Caravaca de la Cruz.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

#### • City tour in: Lisbon.

- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.
- (Additional services Opt. 3)
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Fatima.









#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

Every two weeks on Tuesday

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's **"My Trip"** page.





#### D:26883 **ESSENTIAL SPAIN AND PORTUGAL** D:26899 **IBERIAN TRIANGLE** OPTION 2 **OPTION 3** D:26900 **IBERIAN TRIANGLE WITH BARCELONA** D:26930 THE IBERIAN TOUR OPTION 4

#### (OPT. 1) ESSENTIAL SPAIN AND PORTUGAL 01 TUE. Madrid - Arrival.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district. Welcome to Madrid! Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the in-formation about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide **transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de Es**paña and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 WED. Madrid.-

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**MAGDALENA PALACE, SANTANDER** 

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a comprehensive tour through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Ci-beles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a transfer to Plaza de Oriente, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 03 THU. Madrid- Caceres- Evora- Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Mediaeval Cáceres. Chapel of bones of Evora.

We leave Madrid and travel towards Extremadura. In CACERES you can have lunch and stroll in the historic centre, one of the best preserved mediaeval and Renaissance open complexes in the world. Once in Portugal, we will stop in EVORA, a World Heritage city with its white streets, its Renaissance palaces and its cathedral. We will include entry to the impressive **chapel of bones**, built using 5,000 skeletons! **LISBON**, arrival at the end of the afternoon.

#### 04 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a **local guide**. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

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#### 05 SAT. Lisbon- Fatima- Porto.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Visit Porto and the old cellars.

We will head to the north of Portugal and visit FATIMA, an important sanctuary. We will continue on our way through to PORTO, Portugal's second largest city. We will have time to have lunch and then go on a **sightsee-ing tour** of this city, which sits on the bank of the Duero river, and its historic city centre. We will also include a visit to the old cellars. Free time.

#### 06 SUN. Porto- Bom Jesus Sanctuary- Cambados-Santiago de Compostela.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Cable car ride to the Bom Jesus Sanctuary. Wine and Mussels tasting during the boat trip. Visit to Santiago de Compostela.

On this day we will travel through beautiful landscapes. In the city of BRAGA, we will get on the worlds oldest cable car to ride up to the Santuario do BOM JESUS, where we will enjoy its gorgeous views. We recommend trekking back down in order to admire its beautiful stair-way. Then, we will resume our trip and head to Galicia. We will visit the historic town of **CAMBADOS** in Rías Baixas where we will go on a glass bottom boat trip in which we will learn about the production of mussels and oysters. Wine and mussel tasting included. At lunchtime we will arrive in SANTIAGO DE COMPOST-ELA, where we will go on a guided tour with a local guide. This town was a famous pilgrimage destination since the Middle Ages.

#### 07 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro- León - Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful landscapes. Lugo city center. León

We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile. In **LUGO** we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in **Q CEBREIRO**, a small Galician stone village. Arrival in LEÓN at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic town center.

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We will depart Leon at around 17:00h and arrive in **MADRID** at around 21.00h.

**Note:** In case the group is small, the portion of the trip from Leon to Madrid may be done by train or regular transport. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (OPT. 2) IBERIAN TRIANGLE

DAYS 1 - 6 AS IN OPT. 1 07 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro-Leon- Oviedo.-

**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Beautiful landscapes. Visit Oviedo. We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile.

In **LUGO** we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in **OCEBREIRO**, a small Galician stone village. Arrival in **LEÓN** at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic town center.

After that, we will cross the **Cantabrian Range mountains** on our way to Asturias. Arrival in **OVIEDO** in the mid-afternoon. We will include (occasionally on Tuesday mornings) an hour-and-a-half **visit of the city with a local guide** in which we will visit its 9th century cathedral, Calatrava Congressional Palace, Campoamor Theatre and Calle de la Rua.

#### 08 TUE, Oviedo- Covadonga- Santillana- Santander.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fantastic landscapes. Altamira National Museum. Panoramic city tour of Santander.

We will travel to Picos de Europa. We will visit Basílica de COVADONGA, which is surrounded by beautiful scenery. Then, we will resume our journey following the coastline to SANTILLANA, one of Spain's most beautiful towns, and we will visit its well-preserved medieval quarter. We will also visit the National Museum and Research Centre of ALTAMIRA (ticket included) located in the vicinity of this town. We will later travel to SANTANDER, the regions capital, a coastal city with amazing views and beaches. We will explore and learn about this elegant city and beautiful bay on the included panoramic city tour.

**NOTE:** On some high occupancy dates (especially in summer from May to mid September), some groups can be accommodated in Bilbao.

#### 09 WED. Santander- Bilbao- Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the Cantabrian coast; some of the scenery we will go through as we travel between the mountains and the sea is of special beauty. **BILBAO**. We will arrive in the Bask Countrys largest city and, upon arrival, we will go on a **short tour of the city** with a **local guide** which will cover: Guggenheim area, old quarter, Cathedral then there will be free time for some pintxos. After lunch, we will leave Bilbao and head to Madrid where we will be arriving at around 21.00h. **Note:** In case the group is small, the portion of the trip from Bil-

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#### (OPT. 3) IBERIAN TRIANGLE WITH BARCELONA DAYS 1 - 8 AS IN OPT. 2 09 WED. Santander- Bilbao- La Rioja- Zaragoza.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the Cantabrian coast;

some of the scenery we will see today, as we travel between the mountains and the sea, is specially beauty. **BILBAO**. We arrive in the Basque Countrys largest city. We will go on a short **tour of the city** with a local guide which will cover: the Guggenheim area, the old quarter, the Cathedral then there will be free time to enjoy some authentic pintxos. We will then travel to **La Rioja** an outstanding winemaking region. We will visit the **Wine Museum in Briones** and learn about the significance of the ancient art of winemaking. Later on we will stop in **SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA** a historic town on the famous "Camino de Santiago", whose cathedral houses a hen and a rooster. **ZARAGOZA**, we will arrive in the late afternoon.

#### 10 THU. Zaragoza- Poblet- Montserrat- Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Zaragoza Sightseeing tour. Rack railway to Montserrat Abbey.

We include a morning **sightseeing tour** of the city of **ZARAGOZA** with a local guide. We will visit the Cathedral-Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar. We will also learn about Goya, the famous painter (and see some of his works), visit a Roman theatre, a Renaissance palace and walk by the Aljafería Palace.

After lunch, we will continue our journey and head to the **POBLET MONASTERY**, a walled monastery surrounded by beautiful scenery. It is one of the best preserved medieval monasteries in the world **(ticket included)**. We will later travel to **MONSERRAT ABBEY** where we will board the rack railway and take in the fantastic landscapes. We will resume the trip and go to **BARCELONA**, where we will arrive in the late afternoon.

Note: Due to the shorter days during the winter months and, in order to reach Montserrat during daylight hours, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in this season.

#### 11 FRI. Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure. In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and

In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Rambias and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 12 SAT. Barcelona.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 4) THE IBERIAN TOUR DAYS 1 – 11 AS IN OPT. 3

12 SAT. Barcelona- Peniscola- Valencia- Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Peniscola, Valencias City of Arts and Sciences.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea and where we have time for a stroll. We will then travel to **VA-LENCIA**, the third largest city in Spain. After time for lunch in its historic city center, at 16.30hrs, we will continue our route to Madrid after passing through the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences of Valencia where we can take a picture. Arrival to **MADRID** at around 20:30 / 21.00 hrs.

**Note:** Depending on the number of passengers, the journey between Valencia and Madrid may be by high-speed train.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

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- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Wine and mussel tasting in a boat trip in Cambados.
- City tour in: Madrid, Lisbon, Porto, Santiago De Compostela.
- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España and Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Chapel of Bones in Evora, Old cellars in Porto.
- Funicular: to Bom Jesus Sanctuary in Braga.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Oviedo, Santander, Bilbao.
   Ticket admission: National Museum
  - of Altamira caves in Santillana.

#### (Additional services Opt. 3)

- City tour in: Bilbao, Saragossa, Barcelona.
- Evening Transfer: Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona.
- Ticket admission: Wine museum in Briones, Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona.
- Train: Wine museum in Briones, Montserrat.





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#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### Every two weeks on Tuesdays

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# GREAT IBERIAN TOUR END SEVILLE OPTION 1 GREAT IBERIAN TOUR OPTION 2

#### (OPT. 1) GREAT IBERIAN TOUR END SEVILLE 01 TUE. Madrid - Arrival.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district. Welcome to Madrid!

Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide **transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via;** a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 WED. Madrid.-

VALENCIA

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to **Las Ventas Bullring (admission included)** is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 03 THU. Madrid- Caceres- Evora- Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Mediaeval Cáceres. Chapel of bones of Evora.

We leave Madrid and travel towards Extremadura. In **CAC-ERES** you can have lunch and stroll in the historic centre, one of the best preserved mediaeval and Renaissance open complexes in the world. Once in Portugal, we will stop in **EVORA**, a World Heritage city with its white streets, its Renaissance palaces and its cathedral. We will include entry to the impressive **chapel of bones**, built using 5,000 skeletons! **LISBON**, arrival at the end of the afternoon.

#### 04 FRI. Lisbon.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

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#### 10 THU. Zaragoza- Poblet- Montserrat- Barcelona.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Zaragoza Sightseeing tour. Rack railway to Montserrat Abbey.

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In the evening we provide a **transfer to Las Ramblas** and the **Plaza Catalunya** area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 12 SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Peniscola, a beautiful walled town and its castle by the sea. Sightseeing in Valencia. Evening transfer.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea. After a short introduction by our guide, you can make your own way through town, discovering its fishing port, the castle and beach at your own leisure. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, where we will have time to have lunch. A **local guide** will take you on a tour of the city in the afternoon. Valencia is the third largest city in Spain where the modern blends with the historical. In the tour we will learn about its historic city centre, the fish market, the cathedral and the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences. In the evening we will have a **transfer to the Plaza de Toros (bullring)** area where you will have time to have dinner. Return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 13 SUN. Valencia - Alicante - Caravaca de la Cruz -Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Touristic train in Caravaca.

Today we will continue our trip and head to ALICANTE. We will have time to take a walk in this charming, coastal city and, after lunch, we will make our way to the Murcia region, where we will visit CARAVACA DE LA CRUZ, a town considered by the Catholic Church as one of the five holy cities. Its church holds a relic of Christs Cross. We will also take a train ride up to its historic area, which we can explore, before we continue our trip along scenic roads on our way to Andalusia. We will end the day in GRANADA.

#### 14 MON. Granada.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Visit the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Night transfer.

We will have a full day in **GRANADA**. For those who booked the trip with the entrance included, in the afternoon we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we will visit the **Albaicín in district** a World Heritage site as is the Alhambra, where you can have dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. At night, you will have the option to attend a flamenco dance show in the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The maximum number of people allowed to visit the Alhambra is limited by the local government. Given that the number of tickets assigned to tour operators is small, and we are only given the confirmed number one month before your arrival, even if you buy the trip with the ticket included we cannot guarantee entrance to the Alhambra. In such event, we would offer entry to the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar. As with the Alhambra visit, the group would be led by a local guide of the city of Granada. If the Alhambra is a very important landmark to visit for you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org as there is a larger guota for individual visits/purchases.

#### 15 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the **Costa del Sol**, we will arrive in **MALAGA** and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in **PUERTO BANUS**, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach **RONDA**, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to **SEVILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 16 WED. Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **scenic visit** of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

**17 THU. Seville.** After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 2) GREAT IBERIAN TOUR DAYS 1 - 16 AS IN OPT. 1 17 THU. Seville - Cordoba - Consuegra - Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Cordoba. Windmills in Consuegra.

We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to CORDOBA. We will visit Cordoba's great Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included) with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the Castilian lands and stop at CONSUEGRA, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to MADRID, where we will arrive towards the end of the day. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in

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- Boat: Wine and mussel tasting in a boat trip in Cambados, along Guadalquivir river in Seville.
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- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España and Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Restauradores Square in Lisbon, Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona, Bullring square in Valencia, Albaicín in in Granada, Historic center of Seville.
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- **Train**: Wine museum in Briones, Montserrat, Caravaca de la Cruz.
- Funicular: to Bom Jesus Sanctuary in Braga.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Cordoba.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Cordoba, Windmill in Consuegra.





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## FROM 413€-DAYS 4/7/12

**DEPARTURE DATES** 

#### Every two weeks on Sundays

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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# MADRID AND NORTH OF SPAIN<sup>OPTION 1</sup> SPANISH BLISS END BARCELONA<sup>OPTION 2</sup> SPANISH BLISS<sup>OPTION 3</sup> SPAIN FROM NORTH TO SOUTH<sup>OPTION 4</sup>

#### (OPT. 1) MADRID AND NORTH OF SPAIN 01 SUN, Madrid.-

Welcome to Europe!!! Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until your tour starts. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about your upcoming services such as meeting place, time and the guides name.

#### 02 MON. Madrid- Tordesillas- Leon- Oviedo.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Leon, Oviedo city tour.

We will leave in the early morning and cross Castilla and Leon. We will have a stop in **TORDESILLAS** to learn the history of this small town and have coffee at its main square. Then we will continue on to **LEON**, a historic city on the Way of St James, where we will have time for lunch and to see the fantastic Gothic cathedral.

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#### 04 WED. Santander- Bilbao- Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the Cantabrian coast; some of the scenery we will go through as we travel between the mountains and the sea is of special beauty. **BILBAO.** We will arrive in the Bask Countrys largest city and, upon arrival, we will go on a **short tour of the city** with a **local guide** which will cover: Guggenheim area, old quarter, Cathedral then there will be free time for some pintxos. After lunch, we will leave Bilbao and head to Madrid where we will be arriving at around 21.00h. **Note:** In case the group is small, the portion of the trip from Bilbao to Madrid may be done by train or regular transport. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night. **(OPT. 2) SPANISH BLISS END BARCELONA DAYS 1 - 3 AS IN OPT. 1** 

#### 04 WED. Santander- Bilbao- La Rioja- Zaragoza.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the **Cantabrian coast;** some of the scenery we will see today, as we travel between the mountains and the sea, is specially beauty. **BILBAO.** We arrive in the Basque Countrys largest city. We will go on a short **tour of the city** with a local guide which will cover: the Guggenheim area, the old quarter, the Cathedral then there will be free time to enjoy some authentic pintxos. We will then travel to La Rioja an outstanding winemaking region. We will visit the **Wine Munseum in Briones** and learn about the significance of the ancient art of winemaking. Later on we will stop in **SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA** a historic town on the famous "Camino de Santiago", whose cathedral houses a hen and a rooster. **ZARAGOZA**, we will arrive in the late afternoon.

#### 05 THU. Zaragoza- Poblet- Montserrat- Barcelona.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Zaragoza Sightseeing tour. Rack railway to Montserrat Abbey.

We include a morning **sightseeing tour** of the city of **ZARAGOZA** with a local guide. We will visit the Cathedral-Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar. We will also learn about Goya, the famous painter (and see some of his works), visit a Roman theatre, a Renaissance palace and walk by the Aljafería Palace.

After lunch, we will continue our journey and head to the **POBLET MONASTERY**, a walled monastery surrounded by beautiful scenery. It is one of the best preserved medieval monasteries in the world (ticket included). We will later travel to **MONSERRAT ABBEY** where we will board the rack railway and take in the fantastic landscapes. We will resume the trip and go to **BARCELONA**, where we will arrive in the late afternoon.

**Note:** Due to the shorter days during the winter months and, in order to reach Montserrat during daylight hours, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in this season.

#### 06 FRI. Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit



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the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air archi-tectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure. In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can

choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

07 SAT. Barcelona.-After breakfast, end of our services.

## (OPT. 3) SPANISH BLISS DAYS 1 - 6 AS IN OPT. 2

07 SAT. Barcelona- Peniscola- Valencia- Madrid.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Peniscola, Valencias City of Arts and Sciences.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea and where we have time for a stroll. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, the third largest city in Spain. After time for lunch in its historic city center, at 16.30hrs, we will continue our route to Madrid after passing through the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences of Valencia where we can take a picture. Arrival to MA-DRID at around 20: 30 / 21.00 hrs.

Note: Depending on the number of passengers, the jour-ney between Valencia and Madrid may be by high-speed train.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (OPT. 4) SPAIN FROM NORTH TO SOUTH DAYS 1 - 6 AS IN OPT. 3 07 SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Peniscola, a beautiful walled

#### town and its castle by the sea. Sightseeing in Valencia. Evening transfer.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea. After a short introduction by our guide, you can make your own way through town, discovering its fishing port, the castle and beach at your own leisure. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, where we will have time to have lunch. A **local guide** will take you on a tour of the city in the afternoon. Valencia is the third largest city in Spain where the modern blends with the historical. In the tour we will learn about its historic city centre, the fish market, the cathedral and the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences. In the evening we will have a transfer to the Plaza de Toros (bullring) area where you will have time to have dinner. Return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 08 SUN. Valencia - Alicante - Caravaca de la Cruz -Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Touristic train in Caravaca.

Today we will continue our trip and head to ALICANTE. We will have time to take a walk in this charming, coastal city and, after lunch, we will make our way to the **Mur-cia** region, where we will visit **CARAVACA DE LA CRUZ**, a town considered by the Catholic Church as one of the five holy cities. Its church holds a relic of Christs Cross. We will also take a train ride up to its historic area, which we can explore, before we continue our trip along scenic roads on our way to Andalusia. We will end the day in **GRANADA**.

#### 09 MON. Granada.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Visit the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Night transfer

We will have a full day in GRANADA. For those who booked the trip with the entrance included, in the afternoon we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gar-dens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we will visit the Albaicín in district a World Heritage site as is the Alhambra, where you can have dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish guarter. At night, you will have the option to attend a flamenco dance show in the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte. IMPORTANT NOTE: The maximum number of people allowed

to visit the Alhambra is limited by the local government. Given that the number of tickets assigned to tour operators is small, and we are only given the confirmed number one month before your arrival, even if you buy the trip with the ticket included we cannot guarantee entrance to the Alhambra. In such event, we would offer entry to the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar. As with the Alhambra visit, the group would be led by a local guide of the city of Granada. If the Alhambra is a very important landmark to visit for you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org as there is a larger quota for individual visits/purchases.

#### 10 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the Costa **del Sol**, we will arrive in **MALAGA** and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in PUERTO BANUS, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the af-ternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach **RONDA**, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to **SE**-**VILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 11 WED. Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in eville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir,** enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the historic city center area (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 12 THU. Seville.-After breakfast, end of our services.

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet. Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Oviedo, Santander, Bilbao.
  Ticket admission: National Museum of Altamira caves in Santillana.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Bilbao, Saragossa, Barcelona.
  Evening Transfer: Ramblas and Plaza de
- Catalunya in Barcelona.
- Ticket admission: Wine museum in Briones, Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona.
- Train: Wine museum in Briones, Montserrat.

#### (Additional services Opt. 3 and 4)

- Boat: along Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Valencia, Granada, Seville.
- Evening Transfer: Bullring square in Valencia, Albaicín in in Granada, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Alhambra Palace and Generalife in Granada (If it is included in your tour).
- Train: Caravaca de la Cruz.

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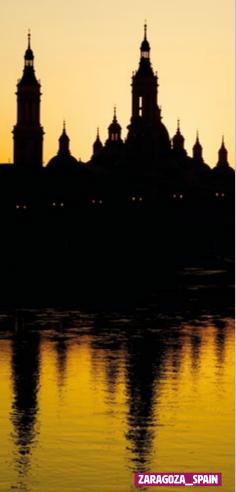
## FROM 1118 -DAYS 10/12/15

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### **Every two weeks** on Saturdays

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's **"My Trip"** page.



## SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE LANDSCAPES OPTION 1 D:26910 MADRID, PORTUGAL AND NORTH OF SPAIN OPTION 2 **TREASURES FROM SPAIN AND PORTUGAL OPTION 3** HE BEST OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL OPTION 4

(OPT. 1) SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE LANDSCAPES 01 SAT. Madrid - Arrival.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Via district. Welcome to Madrid!

Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the be-ginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 SUN. Madrid.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a comprehensive tour through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a transfer to Plaza de **Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

**03 MON. Madrid – Granada.– TODAYS HIGLIGHTS:** Lunch included. Entrance and local guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer.

We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter **Andalusia** via Despeñarros, arriving in **GRANA-DA. Lunch included**. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the Albaicín district of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: The number of people authorized to visit the Alhambra is limited by law. The number of places assigned to tour operators is small and we are only given the quota one month before arrival. Even if you buy the trip with the ticket included, we cannot guarantee a visit to the Alhambra (if these tickets cannot be offered, the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar, would be visit-ed and a sightseeing tour with a local guide of the city of Granada would also be offered). If the visit to the Alhambra is very important to you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets online from the quota for individuals on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org.

04 TUE. Granada – Malaga – Marbella – Ronda – Seville.– TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the Costa del Sol, we will arrive in MALAGA and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in PUERTO **BANUS**, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach RONDA, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to **SEVILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 05 WED. Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalguivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Gi-ralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat** trip along the river Guadalquivir, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 06 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz -Evora - Lisbon.

HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Ex-tremadura. We will stop in JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then en-ter Portugal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive Chapel of Bones (admission included), which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in LISBON toward the end of the day.

#### 07 FRI, Lisbon,-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer. In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods in-cluding the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monu-ment of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a transfer to the Restauradores Square, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the view-



point of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

**08 SAT. Lisbon- Fatima- Porto.-**

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Visit Porto and the old cellars.

We will head to the north of Portugal and visit FATIMA, an important sanctuary. We will continue on our way through to PORTO, Portugals second largest city. We will have time to have lunch and then go on a sightseeing tour of this city, which sits on the bank of the Duero river, and its historic city centre. We will also include a visit to the old cellars. Free time.

#### 09 SUN. Porto- Bom Jesus Sanctuary- Cambados- Santiago de Compostela.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Cable car ride to the Bom Jesus Sanctuary. Wine and Mussels tasting during the boat trip. Visit to Santiago de Compostela.

On this day we will travel through beautiful landscapes. In the city of BRAGA, we will get on the worlds oldest cable car to ride up to the Santuario do BOM JESUS, where we will enjoy its gorgeous views. We recommend trekking back down in order to admire its beautiful stairway. Then, we will resume our trip and head to Galicia. We will visit the his-toric town of **CAMBADOS** in Rías Baixas where we will go on a glass bottom boat trip in which we will learn about the production of mussels and oysters. Wine and mussel tasting included. At lunchtime we will arrive in SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, where we will go on a guided tour with a local guide. This town was a famous pilgrimage destination since the Middle Ages.

#### 10 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro-León-Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful landscapes. Lugo city center. León

We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile. In LUGO we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in O CEBREIRO, a small Galician stone village. Arrival in **LEON** at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic town center. We will depart Leon at around 17:00h and arrive in **MADRID** at around 21.00h. **Note:** In case the group is small, the portion of the trip from Leon to Madrid may be done by train or regular transport. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

## (OPT. 2) MADRID, PORTUGAL AND NORTH OF SPAIN

DAYS 1 - 9 AS IN OPT. 1 10 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro-Leon-Oviedo.

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful landscapes. Visit Oviedo. We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile.

In LUGO we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in **OCEBREIRO**, a small Galician stone village. Arrival in **LEON** at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic town center.

After that, we will cross the **Cantabrian Range mountains** on our way to Asturias. Arrival in **OVIEDO** in the mid-after-noon. We will include (occasionally on Tuesday mornings) an hour-and-a-half **visit of the city with a local guide** in which we will visit its 9th century cathedral, Calatrava Con-gressional Palace, Campoamor Theatre and Calle de la Rua.

#### 11 TUE. Oviedo- Covadonga- Santillana- Santander.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fantastic landscapes. Altamira National Museum. Panoramic city tour of Santander.

We will travel to Picos de Europa. We will visit Basílica de COVADONGA, which is surrounded by beautiful scenery. Then, we will resume our journey following the coastline to SANTILLANA, one of Spain's most beautiful towns, and we will visit its well-preserved medieval quarter. We will also TAMIRA (ticket included) located in the vicinity of this town. We will later travel to SANTANDER, the regions capital, a coastal city with amazing views and beaches. We will explore and learn about this elegant city and beautiful bay on the **included panoramic city tour**.

NOTE: On some high occupancy dates (especially in summer from May to mid September), some groups can be accommodated in Bilbao.

#### 12 WED. Santander- Bilbao- Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the Cantabrian coast; some of the scenery we will go through as we travel between the mountains and the sea is of special beauty. **BILBAO.** We

will arrive in the Bask Countrys largest city and, upon arrival, we will go on a short tour of the city with a local guide which will cover: Guggenheim area, old quarter, Cathedral then there will be free time for some pintxos. After lunch, we will leave Bilbao and head to Madrid where we will be arriving at around 21.00h. **Note:** In case the group is small, the por-tion of the trip from Bilbao to Madrid may be done by train or regular transport. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (OPT. 3) TREASURES FROM SPAIN AND POR-TUGAL

#### DAYS 1 - 11 AS IN OPT. 2

12 WED. Santander- Bilbao- La Rioja- Zaragoza.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the Cantabrian coast; some of the scenery we will see today, as we travel between the mountains and the sea, is specially beauty. **BILBAO**. We arrive in the Basque Countrys largest city. We will go on a short **tour of the city** with a local guide which will cover: the Guggenheim area, the old quarter, the Cathedral then there will be free time to enjoy some authentic pintxos. We will then travel to La Rioja an outstanding winemaking region. We will visit the Wine Museum in Briones and learn about the significance of the ancient art of winemaking. Later on we will stop in SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA a historic town on the famous "Camino de Santiago", whose cathedral houses a hen and a rooster. ZARAGOZA, we will arrive in the late afternoon.

#### 13 THU. Zaragoza- Poblet- Montserrat- Barcelona.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Zaragoza Sightseeing tour. Rack railway to Montserrat Abbey.

We include a morning **sightseeing tour** of the city of **ZARAGOZA** with a local guide. We will visit the Cathe-dral-Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar. We will also learn about Goya, the famous painter (and see some of his works), visit a Roman theatre, a Renaissance palace and walk by the Aljafería Palace.

After lunch, we will continue our journey and head to the **POBLET MONASTERY**, a walled monastery surrounded by beautiful scenery. It is one of the best preserved medieval monasteries in the world (ticket included). We will later travel to **MONSERRAT ABBEY** where we will board the rack railway and take in the fantastic landscapes. We will resume the trip and go to BARCELONA, where we will arrive in the late afternoon

**Note:** Due to the shorter days during the winter months and, in order to reach Montserrat during daylight hours, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in this season.

#### 14 FRI. Barcelona.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city** tour with a local expert (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the mas-terpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air archi-tectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure. In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 5 SAT. Barcelona.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

(OPT. 4) THE BEST OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL DAYS 1 - 14 AS IN OPT. 3

#### 15 SAT. Barcelona- Peniscola- Valencia- Madrid.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Peniscola, Valencias City of Arts and Sciences.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in PENISCOLA, a small walled town on the shores of the sea and where we have time for a stroll. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, the third largest city in Spain. After time for lunch in its historic city center, at 16.30hrs, we will continue our route to Madrid after passing through the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences of Valencia where we can take a pic-ture. Arrival to **MADRID** at around 20: 30 / 21.00 hrs.

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Note: Depending on the number of passengers, the journey between Valencia and Madrid may be by high-speed train.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speak-ing guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville, Wine and mussel tasting in a boat trip in Cambados.
- City tour in: Madrid, Seville, Lisbon, Porto, Santiago De Compostela.
- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Vía in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicín in in Granada, Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bulllring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens (if included in the tour) in Granada , Chapel of Bones in Evora, Old cellars in Porto.
- Funicular: to Bom Jesus Sanctuary in Braga.
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

• City tour in: Oviedo, Santander, Bilbao. • Ticket admission: National Museum of Altamira caves in Santillana.

(Additional services Opt. 3 and 4)

- City tour in: Bilbao, Saragossa, Barcelona.
- Evening Transfer: Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona.
- Ticket admission: Wine museum in Briones, Poblet Monastery, Poble Espanyol in Barcelona.
- Train: Wine museum in Briones, Montserrat.







# FROM **799**€-DAYS 7/13/15

**DEPARTURE DATES** 

**Every Saturday** 

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.



## MADRID AND MAGICAL MOROCCO END MARRAKESH OPTION 1 MADRID AND MAGICAL MOROCCO OPTION 2 MADRID, ANDALUSIA, MOROCCO AND LISBON BEST IBERIAN CITIES AND MOROCCO OPTION 4

(OPT. 1) MADRID AND MAGICAL MOROCCO END MARRAKESH 01 SAT. Madrid - Arrival.-

**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Via district. Welcome to Madrid! Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide **transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via;** a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 SUN. Madrid.-

MARRAKECH MOROCCO

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Platce. A visit to **Las Ventas Bullring (admission included)** is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 03 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

**TODAYS HIGLIGHTS:** Lunch included. Entrance and local guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer.

We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter **Andalusia** via Despeñarros, arriving in **GRA-NADA. Lunch included**. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense **Alhambra Palace** and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the **Albaicín district** of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte. **VERY IMPORTANT NOTE:** The number of people author-

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#### 04 TUE. Granada - Asilah - Rabat.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Step aboard a boat to Africa. Stop in the picturesque ocean front town of Asilah. Dinner included.

Departure from Granada. We cross the Costa del Sol. In Algeciras or Tarifa we board a **modern ferry** to cross the **Strait of Gibraltar**. The coach does not normally make the crossing, so passengers must carry their luggage. Arrival in **Morocco**. We will journey through beautiful landscapes. **ASILAH** this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in **RABAT**. **Buffet Dinner** and accommodation included.

#### 05 WED. Rabat - Casablanca - Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit in Rabat (admission fees included). Discover Casablanca. Kalesa ride and dinner in Marrakech.

We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mausoleum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. Then, we will head to MAR-RAKECH. After arriving at the hotel, you will be able to experience a traditional Kalesa ride up to the famous Djema square. Dinner buffet included.

#### 06 THU. Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided city tour. Admission fees and lunch included.

We will start the day with a guided tour of the city which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the Bahia Palace (ticket included). Lunch included. We will have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakech Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

#### 07 FRI. Marrakesh.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

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#### (OPT. 2) MADRID AND MAGICAL MOROCCO **DAYS 1 - 6 AS IN OPT. 1**

07 FRI. Marrakech - Ait Benhadou - Ourzazate -**Boulmane Dades.** 

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Scenic landscapes. Visit a vil-lage built with adobe. Buffet dinner included.

We will journey across the Atlas Mountains as their, usually snow-capped, high peaks will greet us as we say goodbye to Marrakech. Small Berber villages perch on the side of chasms. We will interrupt our journey to stop at the fortified village of **AIT BENHADDOU**, a place where several films have been filmed. At this point in our trip, our route will be going through the so-called biblical landscapes. We will spend some time in OUARZA-ZATE city with its impressive Kasbah. We will contin-ue toward the valley of Roses. BOULMANE DADES. Dinner and accommodation. NOTE: On very rare occasions (during winter), the roads

may be closed due to snowdrifts. If necessary, this section of the itinerary will be rescheduled according to our alternative itinerary. (Whether we can visit the Sahara or not will depends on road access).

08 SAT. Boulmane Dades - Todgha - Khorbat - Erfoud.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful scenery. Canyon in the eastern part of the High Atlas Mountains. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet lunch included. Feel the adrenaline on an off-road excursion of the desert sand dunes.

journey full of excitement in the Sahara Desert: the Valley of the Kasbahs; river valleys containing thou-sands of palm trees; Stone plains followed by oasis and adobe villages, powerful fortresses defending the thoroughfares. We will visit the stunningly magnificent **TODGHA GORGE**. On the way there, we shall stop at a small town built with adobe next to **KHORBAT**, visitors will be able to learn about this desert community, which is supported by the Europamundo Foundation. (Note: due to weather conditions, such as river flooding, access might not possible at times).

We will continue toward ERFOUD. Lunch included. Anyone who wishes to, can go on a field trip to visit the sand dunes of the Sahara Desert (and experience dusk among the dunes).

#### 09 SUN. Erfoud - Midelt- Azrou- Bhalil - Fez.

We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds. Stop at **MIDELT**, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle After funch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near **AZROU**, in the National Park we visit **"the house of the cedars"**, a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to **BHALLL**, meal end quiet town inhabited by Rehers of the mid small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to FES, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. Dinner included.

#### 10 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient **palace of the Medina district**. At the begin-ning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in **TANGIER** in the mid-afternoon. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

#### 11 TUE. Tangier - Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe.

We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to Spain by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to SEVILLE. Evening arrival.

#### 12 WED. Seville.

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include After breakfast, end of our services.

a boat trip along the river Guadalquivir, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the historic city center area (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 13 THU. Seville - Cordoba - Consuegra - Madrid.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Cordoba. Windmills in Consueara

We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalguivir to CORDOBA. We will visit Cordoba's great Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included) with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the Castilian lands and stop at CONSUEGRA, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to MADRID, where we will arrive towards the end of the day.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (OPT. 3) MADRID, ANDALUSIA, MOROCCO AND LIS-BON

#### **DAYS 1 - 12 AS IN OPT. 2**

#### 13 THU. Seville – Jerez de los Caballeros– Monsaraz Evora - Lisbon.-

HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave Seville and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in JEREZ DE LOS CA-BALLEROS, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. MONSARAZ, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of EVORA, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive Chapel of Bones (admission included), which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in LISBON toward the end of the day.

#### 14 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a transfer to the Restauradores Square, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 15 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 4) BEST IBERIAN CITIES AND MOROCCO **DAYS 1 - 14 AS IN OPT. 3**

#### 15 SAT. Lisbon - Fatima - Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Lunch included.

Today we will travel to the north of Portugal and visit FATIMA, an important sanctuary (a pilgrimage site). We will continue on through the green lands of the center, passing into Spain and then, over grasslands, we will cross the North of Extremadura. Lunch included on route at a regional cuisine restaurant. We will travel on to MADRID where we will be arriving towards the end of the day.



#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Madrid, Granada, Rabat, Casablanca. Marrakesh.
- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España and Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicin in Granada, Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens in Granada if it is included in the tour you bought, Bahia Palace in Marrakesh.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Algeciras Tangier.
   4 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada, Rabat, Marrakesh, Marrakesh.

#### (ADDITIONAL SERVICES OPT. 2)

- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville. City tour in: Fez, Seville, Cordoba.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: House of the Cedars in Azrou, Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Cordoba, Windmill in Consuegra.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Tangier Algeciras
- 5 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Boulmane, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Tangier.

#### (ADDITIONAL SERVICES OPT. 3)

- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Seville, Lisbon.
   Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.

#### (ADDITIONAL SERVICES OPT. 4)

1 Lunch or Dinner included in: On Route from Fatima to Madrid.





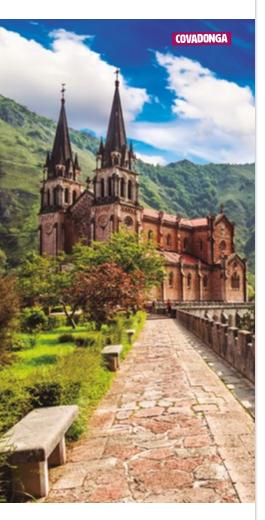


## FROM 2088€-DAYS 17/19 **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### **Every two weeks** on Saturdays

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the web-site's "My Trip" page.



**SAHARA DESERT** MOROCCO

## **OPTION 1** BERIAN'S BEST AND MYSTERIOUS MOROCCO **OPTION 2 FANTASIES FROM SPAIN AND PORTUGAL** AND MYSTERIOUS MOROCCO

(OPT. 1) IBERIAN BEST AND MYSTERIOUS MOROCCO 01 SAT. Madrid - Arrival.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Evening transport to the Gran Vía district. Welcome to Madrid!

Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, we provide transfers to the Egyptian Debod Tem-ple, Plaza de España and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 SUN. Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibe-les, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer** to Plaza de Oriente, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving dif-ferent cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

**03 MON. Madrid - Granada.-TODAYS HIGLIGHTS:** Lunch included. Entrance and local guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer.

We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter Andalusia via Despeñarros, arriving in GRANADA. Lunch included. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the **Albaicín district** of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

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04 TUE, Granada - Asilah - Rabat.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Step aboard a boat to Africa. Stop in the picturesque ocean front town of Asilah. Dinner included.

Departure from Granada. We cross the Costa del Sol. In Algeciras or Tarifa we board a modern ferry to cross the Strait of Gibraltar. The coach does not normally make the crossing, so passengers must carry their luggage. Ar-rival in Morocco. We will journey through beautiful landscapes. **ASILAH** this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in **RABAT**. **Buffet Dinner** and accommodation included.

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TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided city tour. Admission fees and lunch included.

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#### 07 FRI. Marrakech - Ait Benhadou - Ourzazate -**Boulmane Dades.-**

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Scenic landscapes. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet dinner included.

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#### SUN. Erfoud - Midelt- Azrou- Bhalil - Fes. TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Breathtaking landscapes. Discover the medieval city of Fes. Dinner included. We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between

powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shep-herds. Stop at **MIDELT**, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near AZROU, in the National Park we visit "the house of the cedars", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to **BHALIL**, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to **FES**, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. Dinner included.

#### 10 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient palace of the Medina district. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in the mid-afternoon. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

#### 11 TUE. Tangier – Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe.

We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to **Spain** by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 12 WED. Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Se-ville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **sce-nic visit of Seville** featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

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HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

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#### 14 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portu-guese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Cen-tury. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and ca-fes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 15 SAT. Lisbon- Fatima- Porto.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Visit Porto and the old cellars

We will head to the north of Portugal and visit FATIMA, an

important sanctuary. We will continue on our way through to PORTO, Portugals second largest city. We will have time to have lunch and then go on a **sightseeing tour** of this city, which sits on the bank of the Duero river, and its historic city centre. We will also include a visit to the old cellars. Free time.

#### 6 SUN. Porto- Bom Jesus Sanctuary- Cambados-Santiago de Compostela.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Cable car ride to the Bom Jesus Sanctuary. Wine and Mussels tasting during the boat trip Visit to Santiago de Compostela.

On this day we will travel through beautiful landscapes. In the city of **BRAGA**, we will get on the worlds oldest **cable car** to ride up to the **Santuario do BOM JESUS**, where we will enjoy its gorgeous views. We recommend trekking back down in order to admire its beautiful stairway. Then, we will resume our trip and head to Galicia. We will vis-it the historic town of **CAMBADOS** in Rías Baixas where we will go on a glass bottom boat trip in which we will learn about the production of mussels and oysters. Wine and mussel tasting included. At lunchtime we will arrive in SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, where we will go on a guided tour with a local guide. This town was a famous pilgrimage destination since the Middle Ages.

#### 17 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro-León - Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful landscapes, Lugo city center. León

We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile. In **LUGO** we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in **O CEBREIRO**, a small Galician stone village. Arriv-al in **LEÓN** at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic forum center. We will depart Leon stroll through the historic town center. We will depart Leon at around 17:00h and arrive in **MADRID** at around 21.00h. **Note:** In case the group is small, the portion of the trip from Leon to Madrid may be done by train or regular transport. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

## (OPT. 2) FANTASIES FROM SPAIN AND PORTUGAL AND

## MYSTERIOUS MOROCCO DAYS 1 - 15 AS IN OPT. 1 16 SUN. Porto- Bom Jesus Sanctuary- Cambados-Santiago de Compostela.-

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#### 17 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro-León-Oviedo.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful landscapes. Visit Oviedo. We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile.

In **LUGO** we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in **OCEBREIRO**, a small Galician stone village. Arrival in LEÓN at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic town center.

After that, we will cross the Cantabrian Range mountains on our way to Asturias. Arrival in OVIEDO in the mid-afternoon. We will include (occasionally on Tuesday mornings) an hour-and-a-half visit of the city with a local guide in which we will visit its 9th century cathedral, Calatrava Congressional Palace, Campoamor Theatre and Calle de la Rua.

#### 18 TUE. Oviedo- Covadonga- Santillana- Santander.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fantastic landscapes. Altamira National Museum. Panoramic city tour of Santander.

We will travel to Picos de Europa. We will visit Basílica de COVADONGA, which is surrounded by beautiful scenery. Then, we will resume our journey following the coastline to SANTILLANA, one of Spain's most beautiful towns, and we will visit its well-preserved medieval quarter. We will also visit the National Museum and Research Centre of ALTAMIRA (ticket included) located in the vicinity of this town. We will later travel to SANTANDER, the regions capital, a coastal city with amazing views and beaches. We will explore and learn about this elegant city and beautiful bay

**NOTE:** On some high occupancy dates (especially in summer from May to mid September), some groups can be accommodated in Bilbao.

#### 19 WED. Santander- Bilbao- Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the Cantabrian coast; some of the scenery we will go through as we travel be-



tween the mountains and the sea is of special beauty. BILBAO. We will arrive in the Bask Countrys largest city and, upon arrival, we will go on a **short tour of the city** with a **local guide** which will cover: Guggenheim area, old quarter, Cathedral then there will be free time for some pintxos. After lunch, we will leave Bilbao and head to Madrid where we will be arriving at around 21.00h. **Note:** In case the group is small, the portion of the trip from Bilbao to Madrid may be done by train or

regular transport. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet. Includes arrival transfer

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   Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville, Wine and mussel tasting in a boat trip in Cambados.
   City tour in: Madrid, Granada, Rabat, Casa-blanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Lisbon, Porto, Santiago De Compostela.
   Evening Transfer: Plaza Mayor in Madri, De-bod Temple and Plaza de España and Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicin in Granada, Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh, His-toric center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens in Branada if it is included in the tour you bought, Bahia Palace in Marrakech, House of the Cedars in Azrou, Chapel of Bones in Evora, Old cellars Porto
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Algeciras Tangier, Strait of Gibraltar Tangier Algeciras.
   Funicular: to Bom Jesus Sanctuary in Braga.
- 9 Lunch or Dinner inlcuded: Granada, Rabat, Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Boulmane, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Tangier.

#### (ADDITIONAL SERVICES OPT. 2)

City tour in: Oviedo, Santander, Bilbao.
 Ticket admission: National Museum of Al-tamira caves in Santillana.





## FROM 1797€-DAYS 15/17/19

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### Every Thursday

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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# SPAIN AND MAGICAL MOROCCO OPTION 1 SPAIN, MOROCCO AND PORTUGAL END LISBON OPTION 2

# SPAIN, MOROCCO AND PORTUGAL OPTION 3

#### (OPT. 1) SPAIN AND MAGICAL MOROCCO 01 THU. Barcelona.-

Welcome to Europe!!! Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to **transfer you to your hotel**. You can enjoy free time until your tour starts. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about your upcoming services such as meeting place, time and the guides name.

#### 02 FRI. Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí. Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure.

In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 03 SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Peniscola, a beautiful walled town and its castle by the sea. Sightseeing in Valencia. Evening transfer.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea. After a short introduction by our guide, you can make your own way through town, discovering its fishing port, the castle and beach at your own leisure. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, where we will have time to have lunch. A **local guide** will take you on a tour of the city in the afternoon. Valencia is the third largest city in Spain where the modern blends with the historical. In the tour we will learn about its historic city centre, the fish market, the cathedral and the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences. In the evening we will have a **transfer to the Plaza de Toros (bullring)** area where you will have time to have dinner.

#### 04 SUN. Valencia - Alicante - Caravaca de la Cruz - Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Touristic train in Caravaca.

Today we will continue our trip and head to **ALICANTE**. We will have time to take a walk in this charming, coastal city and, after lunch, we will make our way to the **Murcia** region, where we will visit **CARAVACA DE LA CRUZ**, a town considered by the Catholic Church as one of the five holy cities. Its church holds a relic of Christs Cross. We will also take a **train ride** up to its historic area, which we can explore, before we continue our trip along scenic roads on our way to Andalusia. We will end the day in **GRANADA**.

#### 05 MON. Granada.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Visit the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Night transfer.

We will have a full day in **GRANADA**. For those who booked the trip with the entrance included, in the afternoon we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we will visit the Albaicín in district a World Heritage site as is the Alhambra, where you can have dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. At night, you will have the option to attend a flamenco dance show in the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte. IMPORTANT NOTE: The maximum number of people al-

IMPORTANT NOTE: The maximum number of people allowed to visit the Alhambra is limited by the local government. Given that the number of tickets assigned to tour operators is small, and we are only given the confirmed number one month before your arrival, even if you buy the trip with the ticket included we cannot guarantee entrance to the Alhambra. In such event, we would offer entry to the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar. As with the Alhambra visit, the group would be led by a local guide of the city of Granada. If the Alhambra is a very important landmark to visit for you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line on the heritage website https://www.alhambra. org as there is a larger quota for individual visits/purchases.

#### <mark>06 TUE.</mark> Granada - Asilah - Rabat.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Step aboard a boat to Africa. Stop in the picturesque ocean front town of Asilah. Dinner included.

Departure from Granada. We cross the Costa del Sol. In Algeciras or Tarifa we board a **modern ferry** to cross the **Strait of Gibraltar**. The coach does not normally make the crossing, so passengers must carry their luggage. Arrival in **Morocco**. We will journey through beautiful landscapes. **ASILAH** this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in **RABAT**. **Buffet Dinner** and accommodation included.

#### 07 WED. Rabat - Casablanca - Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit in Rabat (admission fees included). Discover Casablanca. Kalesa ride and dinner in Marrakech.

We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mausoleum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. Then, we will head to MARRAKECH. After arriving at the hotel, you will be able to experience a traditional Kalesa ride up to the famous Djema square. Dinner buffet included.

#### 08 THU. Marrakech.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided city tour. Admission fees and lunch included.

We will start the day with a guided tour of the city which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket included).** Lunch included. We will have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakech Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

#### 09 FRI. Marrakech – Ait Benhadou – Ourzazate – Boulmane Dades.–

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Scenic landscapes. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet dinner included.

We will journey across the Atlas Mountains as their, usually snow-capped, high peaks will greet us as we say goodbye to Marrakech. Small Berber villages perch on the side of chasms. We will interrupt our journey to stop at the fortified village of **AIT BENHADDOU**, a place where several films have been filmed. At this point in our trip, our route will be going through the so-called biblical landscapes. We will spend some time in **OUARZAZATE** city with its impressive Kasbah. We will continue toward the valley of **Roses. BOULMANE DADES. Dinner and accommodation.** 

**NOTE:** On very rare occasions (during winter), the roads may be closed due to snowdrifts. If necessary, this section of the itinerary will be rescheduled according to our alternative itinerary. (Whether we can visit the Sahara or not will depends on road access).

#### 10 SAT. Boulmane Dades – Todgha – Khorbat – Erfoud.–

**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Beautiful scenery. Canyon in the eastern part of the High Atlas Mountains. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet lunch included. Feel the adrenaline on an off-road excursion of the desert sand dunes.

A journey full of excitement in the **Sahara Desert:** the **Valley of the Kasbahs**; river valleys containing thousands of palm trees; Stone plains followed by oasis and adobe villages, powerful fortresses defending the thoroughfares. We will visit the stunningly magnificent **TODGHA GORGE**. On the way there, we shall stop at a small town built with adobe next to **KHORBAT**, visitors will be able to learn about this desert community, which is supported by the Europamundo Foundation. (**Note**: due to weather conditions, such as river flooding, access might not possible at times).

We will continue toward **ERFOUD. Lunch included**. Anyone who wishes to, can go on a field trip to visit the sand dunes of the Sahara Desert (and experience dusk among the dunes).

#### 11 SUN. Erfoud - Midelt- Azrou- Bhalil - Fez.-

We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds. Stop at **MIDELT**, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near **AZ-ROU**, in the National Park we visit "**the house of the cedars**", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to **BHALIL**, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to **FES**, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. **Dinner included**.

#### 12 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient palace of the Medina district. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in the mid-afternoon. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

#### 13 TUE. Tangier - Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe. We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to **Spain** by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry.

Spain by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 14 WED. Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 15 THU. Seville - Cordoba - Consuegra - Madrid.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Cordoba. Windmills in Consuegra.

We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to CORDOBA. We will visit Cordoba's great Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included) with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the Castilian lands and stop at CONSUEGRA, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to MADRID, where we will arrive towards the end of the day.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (OPT. 2) SPAIN, MOROCCO AND PORTUGAL END LISBON DAYS 1 – 14 AS IN OPT. 1 15 THU. Seville – Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz

15 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz - Evora - Lisbon.-

#### HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones. We will leave Seville and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. MONSARAZ, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of EVORA, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive Chapel of Bones (admission included), which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in LISBON toward the end of the day.

#### 16 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a **sightseeing tour with a local guide**. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 17 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 3) SPAIN, MOROCCO AND PORTUGAL DAYS 1 – 16 AS IN OPT. 2 17 SAT. Lisbon – Fatima – Madrid.–

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Lunch included.

Today we will travel to the north of Portugal and visit **FATI-MA**, an important sanctuary (a pilgrimage site). We will continue on through the green lands of the centre, passing into Spain and then, over grasslands, we will cross the North of Extremadura. **Lunch included** in route at a regional cuisine restaurant. We will travel on to **MADRID** where we will be

arriving towards the end of the day. Then we include **transfer** to Plaza Mayor where you can enjoy at some typical taverns.

#### 18 SUN. Madrid.-

## **TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to **Las Ventas Bullring (admission included)** is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 19 MON. Madrid.-

After breakfast, end of our services.



#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Barcelona, Valencia, Granada, Rabat, Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Cordoba.
- Evening Transfer: Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona, Bullring square in Valencia, Albaicín in in Granada, Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakech, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Poble Espanyol in Barcelona, Alhambra Palace and Generalife in Granada if it is included in your tour., Bahia Palace in Marrakech, House of the Cedars in Azrou, Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Cordoba, Windmill in Consuegra.
- Train: Caravaca de la Cruz.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Tangier Algeciras.
- 8 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Rabat, Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Boumalne Dades, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Tangiers.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Se-
- ville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon. • Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.
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- (Additional services Opt. 3)
- City tour in: Madrid.
- Evening Transfer: Plaza de Oriente in Madrid.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid.





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**DEPARTURE DATES** 

#### Every Thursday

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

The high-speed trains included in your trip has a maximum luggage allowance of 20 k/ person.



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## **SPAIN AND MAGICAL MOROCCO** END MARRAKESH OPTION 1 **OPTION 2** PEARLS OF SPAIN AND MYSTERIOUS MOROCO BARCELONA, MADRID, OPTION 3 MYSTERIOUS MOROCCO AND LISBON

(OPT. 1) SPAIN AND MAGICAL MOROCCO END MAR-RAKESH

01 THU, Barcelona.-

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#### 02 FRI. Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure. In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas

and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 03 SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia - Madrid.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Peniscola, Valencias City of Arts and Sciences. Evening transfer in Madrid.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea and where we have time for a stroll. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, the third largest city in Spain. After time for lunch in its historic city center, at 16.30hrs, we will continue our route to Madrid after passing through the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences of Valencia where we can take a picture. Arrival to MA-DRID at the end of the day and transfer to the Plaza Mayor where we can relax at some typical taverns.

Note: Depending on the number of passengers, the journey between Valencia and Madrid may be done by high-speed train.

#### 04 SUN. Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an ele-gant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 05 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

TODAYS HIGLIGHTS: Lunch included. Entrance and local

guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer. We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter **An**dalusia via Despeñarros, arriving in **GRANADA**. Lunch in-cluded. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the en-trance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the Albaicín district of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish guarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte. VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: The number of people authorized

to visit the Alhambra is limited by law. The number of places assigned to tour operators is small and we are only given the quota one month before arrival. Even if you buy the trip with the ticket included, we cannot guarantee a visit to the Alham-bra (if these tickets cannot be offered, the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar, would be visited and a sightseeing offered). If the visit to the Alhambra is very important to you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line from the quota for indiduals on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org . 06 TUE. Granada - Asilah - Rabat.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Step aboard a boat to Africa. Stop in the picturesque ocean front town of Asilah. Dinner in cluded.

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Departure from Granada. We cross the Costa del Sol. In Alge-ciras or Tarifa we board a **modern ferry** to cross the **Strait of Gibraltar**. The coach does not normally make the crossing, so passengers must carry their luggage. Arrival in **Morocco**. We will journey through beautiful landscapes. **ASILAH** this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an apricent port and a base for pirstee. Today the city is full an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in RABAT. Buffet Dinner and accommodation included.

#### 07 WED. Rabat - Casablanca - Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit in Rabat (admission fees included). Discover Casablanca. Kalesa ride and dinner in Marrakech.

We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mausoleum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. Then, we will head to **MARRAKECH**. After arriving at the hotel, you will be able to experience a **traditional Kalesa ride** up to the famous Djema square. **Dinner buffet included**.

#### 08 THU. Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided city tour. Admission fees and lunch included.

We will start the day with a **guided tour of the city** which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket included). Lunch included**. We will have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a fa-mous Marrakech Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

#### 09 FRI. Marrakesh.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

(OPT. 2) PEARLS OF SPAIN AND MYSTERIOUS MOROCCO DAYS 1 - 8 AS IN OPT. 1 09 FRI. Marrakech - Ait Benhadou - Ourzazate - Boulmane Dades.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Scenic landscapes. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet dinner included.

We will journey across the Atlas Mountains as their, usually snow-capped, high peaks will greet us as we say goodbye to Marrakech. Small Berber villages perch on the side of chasms. We will interrupt our journey to stop at the for-tified village of **AIT BENHADDOU**, a place where several films have been filmed. At this point in our trip, our route will be going through the so-called biblical landscapes. We will spend some time in **OUARZAZATE** city with its im-pressive Kasbah. We will continue toward the valley of **Poses BOULMANE PADES**. Dipper and accommodation Roses. BOULMANE DADES. Dinner and accommodation. NOTE: On very rare occasions (during winter), the roads may be closed due to snowdrifts. If necessary, this section of the itinerary will be rescheduled according to our alter-native itinerary. (Whether we can visit the Sahara or not will depends on road access).

10 SAT. Boulmane Dades - Todgha - Khorbat - Erfoud.-**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Beautiful scenery. Canyon in the eastern part of the High Atlas Mountains. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet lunch included. Feel the adrenaline on an off-road excursion of the desert sand dunes.

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We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds.
Stop at MIDELT, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near AZROU, in the National Park we visit "the house of the cedars", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to BHALIL, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to FES, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. Dinner included.

#### 12 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient **palace of the Medina district**. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in **TANGIER** in the mid-afternoon. **Dinner** and hotel accommodation included

#### 13 TUE. Tangier - Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe.

We will have some free time in Tangier, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to Spain by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 14 WED. Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Se-ville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beau-tiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir,** enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonda, XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 15 THU. Seville- Zaragoza - Poblet - Montserrat - Barcelona.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: High-speed train from Seville to Zaragoza; Monastery of Poblet, rack train to Montserrat.

Leaving Seville in the early morning, you will be transferred to the train station to take a comfortable **high-speed** train to Zaragoza. In a little under four hours, you will cover the 850 km between Seville and Zaragoza.

In **ZARAGOZA** you will join the group and have free time to visit this impressive Pilar Basilica and enjoy the city center. We continue to the Monastery of Poblet, surrounded by its walls in a beautiful site that is one of the best-preserved medieval monasteries in the world (entrance and guided tour included) . We then proceed to the Monastery of Montserrat where you will go up the mountain on a rack train to see its fantastic scenery. Following this we will continue to **BARCELONA**, arriving in the late- afternoon. Note: In the winter months, from November to March, due to the shorter days, we will not visit the Monastery of Poblet in order to reach Montserrat in the daylight. Note: The guide will only travel on the train if the group is

over 15 passengers.

#### 16 FRI. Barcelona.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 3) BARCELONA, MADRID, MYSTERIOUS MOROC-CO AND LISBON DAYS 1 - 14 AS IN OPT. 2

#### 15 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz -Evora - Lisbon.-

HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave Seville and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Ex-tremadura. We will stop in JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Nuñez de Balboa was born. We will then envillages in Portugal **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of EVORA, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission includ**ed), which was built using the bones from over 5000 skel-etons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

#### 16 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a transfer to the Restauradores Square, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 17 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.



#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Barcelona, Madrid, Granada, Rabat, Casablanca, Marrakesh.
- Evening Transfer: Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona, Plaza de Ori-ente in Madrid, Albaicín in Granada, Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakech.
- Ticket admission: Poble Espanyol in Barcelona, Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens in Granada if it is included in the tour you bought, Bahia Palace in Marrakech.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Algeciras Tangier. 4 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada, Rabat, Marrakesh, Marrakesh.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- Boat: along Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Fez, Seville.
  - Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville. Ticket admission: House of the Cedars in Azrou, Poblet Monastery.
  - Train: Montserrat.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Tangier Algeciras.
- High Speed Train: Seville- Zaragoza.
- 5 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Boumalne Dades, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Tangiers.

#### (Additional services Opt. 3)

- City tour in: Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.





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**DEPARTURE DATES** 

#### Every two weeks on Thursdays

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#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

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- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: along Guadalquivir river in Seville, Wine and mussel tasting in a boat trip in Cambados.
- City tour in: Barcelona, Madrid, Granada, Rabat, Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Lisbon, Porto, Santiago De Compostela, Oviedo, Santander, Bilbao, Saragossa.
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- Train: Wine museum in Briones, Montserrat.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Algeciras Tangier, Strait of Gibraltar Tangier – Algeciras.
- Funicular: to Bom Jesus Sanctuary in Braga.
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# THE BIG TOUR OF SPAIN, MOROCCO AND PORTUGAL

#### 01 THU. Barcelona.-

SPAIN

Welcome to Europe!!! Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until your tour starts. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about your upcoming services such as meeting place, time and the guides name.

#### **02 FRI. Barcelona.**-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at your own leisure.

In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 03 SAT. Barcelona – Peniscola – Valencia – Madrid.– TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Peniscola, Valencias City of Arts and Sciences. Evening transfer in Madrid.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea and where we have time for a stroll. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, the third largest city in Spain. After time for lunch in its historic city center, at 16.30hrs, we will continue our route to Madrid after passing through the avant-garde **City of Arts and Sciences** of Valencia where we can take a picture. Arrival to **MADRID** at the end of the day and **transfer to the Plaza Mayor** where we can relax at some typical taverns. **Note**: Depending on the number of passengers, the journey between Valencia and Madrid may be done by high-speed train.

#### 04 SUN. Madrid.-

## **TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to **Las Ventas Bullring (admission included)** is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 05 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

guide in the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Evening transfer.

We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a manchego village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter **Andalusia** via Despeñarros, arriving in **GRANADA**. Lunch included. In the afternoon, if you bought the trip with the entrance included, we will visit with a local guide the immense **Alhambra Palace** and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the **Albaicín district** of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alhambra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance show and the traditional neinbhorhood of Sarromonte

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#### 06 TUE. Granada - Asilah - Rabat.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Step aboard a boat to Africa. Stop in the picturesque ocean front town of Asilah. Dinner included.

Departure from Granada. We cross the Costa del Sol. In Algeciras or Tarifa we board a **modern ferry** to cross the **Strait of Gibraltar**. The coach does not normally make the crossing, so passengers must carry their luggage. Arrival in **Morocco**. We will journey through beautiful landscapes. **ASILAH** this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in **RABAT**. **Buffet Dinner** and accommodation included.

#### 07 WED. Rabat - Casablanca - Marrakech.

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit in Rabat (admission fees included). Discover Casablanca. Kalesa ride and dinner in Marrakech.

We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mausoleum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. Then, we will head to MARRAKECH. After arriving at the hotel, you will be able to experience a traditional Kalesa ride up to the famous Diema square. Dinner buffet included.



#### 08 THU. Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided city tour. Admission fees and lunch included.

We will start the day with a guided tour of the city which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket included).** Lunch included. We will have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakech Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

#### 09 FRI. Marrakech – Ait Benhadou – Ourzazate – Boulmane Dades.–

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Scenic landscapes. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet dinner included.

We will journey across the Atlas Mountains as their, usually snow-capped, high peaks will greet us as we say goodbye to Marrakech. Small Berber villages perch on the side of chasms. We will interrupt our journey to stop at the fortified village of **AIT BENHADDOU**, a place where several films have been filmed. At this point in our trip, our route will be going through the so-called biblical landscapes. We will spend some time in **OUARZAZATE** city with its impressive Kasbah. We will continue toward the valley of Roses. **BOULMANE DADES**. Dinner and accommodation. **NOTE:** On very rare occasions (during winter), the roads may be closed due to snowdrifts. If necessary, this section of the itinerary will be rescheduled according to our alternative itinerary. (Whether we can visit the Sahara or not will depends on road access).

#### 10 SAT. Boulmane Dades - Todgha - Khorbat - Erfoud.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful scenery. Canyon in the eastern part of the High Atlas Mountains. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet lunch included. Feel the adrenaline on an off-road excursion of the desert sand dunes.

A journey full of excitement in the **Sahara Desert:** the **Valley of the Kasbahs;** river valleys containing thousands of palm trees; Stone plains followed by oasis and adobe villages, powerful fortresses defending the thoroughfares. We will visit the stunningly magnificent **TODGHA GORGE**. On the way there, we shall stop at a small town built with adobe next to **KHORBAT**, visitors will be able to learn about this desert community, which is supported by the Europamundo Foundation. (**Note:** due to weather conditions, such as river flooding, access might not possible at times).

We will continue toward **ERFOUD. Lunch included**. Anyone who wishes to, can go on a field trip to visit the sand dunes of the Sahara Desert (and experience dusk among the dunes).

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We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds. Stop at **MIDELT**, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near **AZROU**, in the National Park we visit "the **house of the cedars**", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to **BHALIL**, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to **FES**, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. **Dinner included**.

#### 12 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient palace of the Medina district. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in the mid-afternoon. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

#### 13 TUE. Tangier - Seville.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe.

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walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones. We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic

beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in **JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS**, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission included)**, which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

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#### 17 SAT. Lisbon- Fatima- Porto.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Visit Porto and the old cellars.

We will head to the north of Portugal and visit FATIMA, an important sanctuary. We will continue on our way through to **PORTO**, Portugals second largest city. We will have time to have lunch and then go on a **sightseeing tour** of this city, which sits on the bank of the Duero river, and its historic city centre. We will also include a **visit to the old cellars**. Free time.

#### 18 SUN. Porto- Bom Jesus Sanctuary- Cambados-Santiago de Compostela.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Cable car ride to the Bom Jesus Sanctuary. Wine and Mussels tasting during the boat trip. Visit to Santiago de Compostela.

On this day we will travel through beautiful landscapes. In the city of **BRAGA**, we will get on the worlds oldest **cable car** to ride up to the **Santuario do BOM JESUS**, where we will enjoy its gorgeous views. We recommend trekking back down in order to admire its beautiful stairway. Then, we will resume our trip and head to Galicia. We will visit the historic town of **CAMBADOS** in Rías Baixas where we will go on a **glass bottom boat trip** in which we will learn about the production of mussels and oysters. **Wine and mussel tasting included**. At lunchtime we will arrive in **SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA**, where we will go on a guided tour with a **local guide**. This town was a famous pilgrimage destination since the Middle Ages.

#### 19 MON. Santiago de Compostela- Lugo- O Cebreiro- León- Oviedo.-

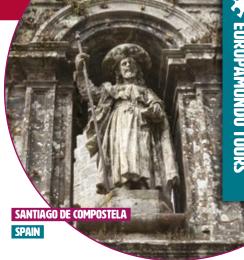
#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful landscapes. Visit Oviedo. We will travel along the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) to Castile.

In **LUGO** we will have time to visit the historic town center and Roman walls, which were declared a UNE-SCO World Heritage Site. We will make a stop on route in **OCEBREIRO**, a small Galician stone village. Arrival in **LEON** at lunchtime, where we will have time to visit the Gothic cathedral with its stained-glass windows and to stroll through the historic town center.

After that, we will cross the **Cantabrian Range mountains** on our way to Asturias. Arrival in **OVIEDO** in the mid-afternoon. We will include (occasionally on Tuesday mornings) an hour-and-a-half **visit of the city with a local guide** in which we will visit its 9th century cathedral, Calatrava Congressional Palace, Campoamor Theatre and Calle de la Rua.

#### 20 TUE, Oviedo- Covadonga- Santillana- Santander.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fantastic landscapes. Altamira National Museum. Panoramic city tour of Santander.

We will travel to Picos de Europa. We will visit Basílica de COVADONGA, which is surrounded by beautiful scenery.



Then, we will resume our journey following the coastline to SANTILLANA, one of Spain's most beautiful towns, and we will visit its well-preserved medieval quarter. We will also visit the National Museum and Research Centre of ALTAMIRA (ticket included) located in the vicinity of this town. We will later travel to SANTANDER, the regions capital, a coastal city with amazing views and beaches. We will explore and learn about this elegant city and beautiful bay on the included panoramic city tour.

**NOTE:** On some high occupancy dates (especially in summer from May to mid September), some groups can be accommodated in Bilbao.

#### 21 WED. Santander- Bilbao- La Rioja- Zaragoza.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Bilbao. Wine Museum in La Rioja. Santo Domingo de la Calzada.

We will follow the motorway along the **Cantabrian coast;** some of the scenery we will see today, as we travel between the mountains and the sea, is specially beauty. **BILBAO**. We arrive in the Basque Countrys largest city. We will go on a short **tour of the city** with a local guide which will cover: the Guggenheim area, the old quarter, the Cathedral then there will be free time to enjoy some authentic pintxos. We will then travel to **La Rioja** an outstanding winemaking region. We will visit the **Wine Museum in Briones** and learn about the significance of the ancient art of winemaking. Later on we will stop in **SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA** a historic town on the famous "Camino de Santiago", whose cathedral houses a hen and a rooster. **ZARAGOZA**, we will arrive in the late afternoon.

#### 22 THU. Zaragoza- Poblet- Montserrat- Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Zaragoza Sightseeing tour. Rack railway to Montserrat Abbey.

We include a morning **sightseeing tour** of the city of **ZARAGOZA** with a local guide. We will visit the Cathedral-Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar. We will also learn about Goya, the famous painter (and see some of his works), visit a Roman theatre, a Renaissance palace and walk by the Aljafería Palace. After lunch, we will continue our journey and head to

After lunch, we will continue our journey and head to the **POBLET MONASTERY**, a walled monastery surrounded by beautiful scenery. It is one of the best preserved medieval monasteries in the world **(ticket included)**. We will later travel to **MONSERRAT AB-BEY** where we will board the rack railway and take in the fantastic landscapes. We will resume the trip and go to **BARCELONA**, where we will arrive in the late afternoon. **Note:** Due to the shorter days during the winter months

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OPT 2

**OPTION 1** 

RABAT MOROCCO

## FROM 782€-DAYS 7/8

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#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### **Every Wednesday**

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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- Includes arrival transfer
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- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakech.
- Ticket admission: Bahia Palace in Marrakech, House of the Cedars in Azrou.
- 7 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Boumalne Dades, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Tangiers.

(Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Rabat, Casablanca.
- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakech.
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Rabat.



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## D:26891 FROM MARRAKESH TO TANGIER ID:26885 FABLE OF MOROCCO OPTION 2

#### . 1) FROM MARRAKESH TO TANGIER (OPT. 1) FROM MARR. 01 WED. Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Kalesa ride. Dinner included

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#### 02 THU. Marrakech.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided city tour. Admission fees and lunch included.

We will start the day with a **guided tour of the city** which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket includ**-col) two its included. No will have come from the **ed). Lunch included**. We will have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakech Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

#### **O3 FRI.** Marrakech – Ait Benhadou – Ourzazate – **Boulmane Dades.-**

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Scenic landscapes. Visit a vil-lage built with adobe. Buffet dinner included.

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#### 04 SAT. Boulmane Dades - Todgha - Khorbat - Erfoud.

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Beautiful scenery. Canyon in the eastern part of the High Atlas Mountains. Visit a village built with adobe. Buffet lunch included. Feel the adrena-line on an off-road excursion of the desert sand dunes.

A journey full of excitement in the Sahara Desert: the Valley of the Kasbahs; river valleys containing thou-sands of palm trees; Stone plains followed by oasis and adobe villages, powerful fortresses defending the thoroughfares. We will visit the stunningly magnificent **TODGHA GORGE**. On the way there, we shall stop at a small town built with adobe next to **KHORBAT**, visitors will be able to learn about this desert community, which is supported by the Europamundo Foundation. (Note: due to weather conditions, such as river flooding, ac-cess might not possible at times). We will continue toward **ERFOUD**. Lunch included An-

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**O5 SUN. Erfoud - Midelt- Azrou- Bhalil - Fes.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS:** Breathtaking landscapes. Discover the medieval city of Fes. Dinner included. We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds. Stop at **MIDELT**, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near **AZROU**, in the National Park we visit **'the house of the cedars'**. a small museum that illustrates house of the cedars", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to **BHALIL**, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the mid-dle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to **FES**, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. Dinner included.

#### 06 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admis-sion included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient **palace of the Medina district**. At the begin-ning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in **TANGIER** in the mid-afternoon. **Dinner** and hotel accommodation **included**.

**07 TUE. Tangiers.**– After breakfast, end of our services.

# (OPT. 2) FABLE OF MOROCCO DAYS 1 – 6 AS IN OPT. 1 07 TUE. Tangier- Asilah – Rabat.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Stop in the picturesque, ocean front town of Asilah. Dinner included.

We will journey through beautiful landscapes. ASILAH this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in **RABAT**. **Dinner buffet** and accommodation included.

#### 08 WED. Rabat - Casablanca - Marrakech.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit in Rabat (admission fees included)

Discover Casablanca. We will go on a scenic tour of Discover Casablanca. We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mausoleum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. Then, we will head to MARRAKECH.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.



## **OPTION 1** FROM MARRAKESH TO MADRID **OPTION 2** FROM MARRAKESH TO LISBON

#### (OPT. 1) FROM MARRAKESH TO MADRID

01 WED, Marrakech

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to the hotel. Kalesa ride. Dinner included

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#### 02 THU, Marrakech.-

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#### 06 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fes. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fes with an informative scenic tour. We will or the Media district. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in the mid-afternoon. Dinner and hotel accommodation included. 07 TUE. Tangier – Seville.–

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe.

We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to **Spain** by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 08 WED, Seville,-

## TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Se-ville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **scenic visit** of **Seville** featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neigh-borhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the** river Guadalquivir, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the historic city center area (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 09 THU. Seville – Cordoba – Consuegra – Madrid.–

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Cordoba. Windmills in Consuegra.

**TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS:** visit Cordoba. Windmills in Consuegra. We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to CORDOBA. We will visit Cordoba's great Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included) with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flow-ered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the Castilian lands and stop at CONSUEGRA, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to MADRID, where we will arrive towards the end of the day. End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

## (OPT. 2) FROM MARRAKESH TO LISBON DAYS 1 - 8 AS IN OPT. 1 09 THU, Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz lishon

HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic beau-ty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extrema-dura. We will stop in **JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS**, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vas-co Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portuco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portu-gal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Herit-age Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission included)**, which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

#### 10 FRI. Lisbon.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer. TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer. In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a local guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portu-guese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Cen-tury. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discov-eries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores** Square, a public square with plenty of restaurants and ca-fes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 11 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.





## FROM **1086**€-DAYS 9/11

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

#### Every Wednesday

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's **"My Trip"** page.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville. • City tour in: Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Cordoba.
- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakech, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Bahia Palace in Marrakech, House of the Cedars in Azrou, Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Cordoba, Windmill in Consuegra.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Tangier Algeciras.
- 7 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Boumalne Dades, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Tangiers.

(Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.





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## FROM 1010€-DAYS 8

**DEPARTURE DATES** 

**Tuesday from May** to March

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Ouzoud gorges.
- City tour in: Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Meknes, Rabat.
- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh.
- Ticket admission: mosque of Hassan II in Casablanca, old cistern in El Jadida, Bahia Palace in Marrakesh, archaeological site of Volubilis, Dar Jamai Museum and Mausoleum of Moulay Ismail in Meknes.
- 9 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Casablanca, Safi, Agadir, Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Ouzoud, Fez, Fez, Meknes.



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# **IMPERIAL CITIES AND** Moroccan Atlantic

#### 01 TUE. Casablanca

Welcome to Morocco! Arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel. Our guide will contact you at the end of the day. Dinner included.

**O2 WED. Casablanca - El Jadida – Safi.-**This morning we include a **visit with a local** guide to get to know the largest city and economic center of Morocco. We will walk through its great avenues; we will walk through the beautiful square of Mohamed V with its fountain Moorish buildings and palm trees and through the park of the Arab league. We also visit little Medina. We include the **entrance and visit t**o the huge mosque of Hassan II (the only mosque in Morocco where non-Muslims are allowed to enter), located next to the sea, with its 210-meter-high minaret with laser lights on top pointing to Mecca. After that a free time for lunch in the pleasant maritime area of "la corniche".

After lunch we travel to **EL JADIDA**, its citadel (Maza-gan) has been declared a World Heritage Site. It was built by the Portuguese in the early sixteenth century. Its powerful walls dominating the ocean, its picturesque streets that preserve numerous traces of the Portuguese era -such as the church of the Assumption of Manueline style-, we will stroll and include the entrance to the old cistern of the sixteenth century. We continue to SAFI, arrival in the late afternoon. Din-

ner included.

**03 THU. Safi – Essauira – Taghazout - Agadir.-**With our guide we visit **SAFI**, this city is known for its production of ceramics, highly demanded throughout Morocco for its quality and bright colors. We will photograph the castle of the sea, the wall with its power-ful fortress, we will walk through its attractive Medina and we will visit the "hill of the ceramists" with its many shops.

We continue after that towards **ESSAUIRA**, its walled Medina, facing the sea, has been declared a World Heritage Site by Unesco. The magnificently preserved city is chosen by artists and painters. Free time for lunch and stroll through its narrow streets, whitewashed houses and powerful walls lashed by the waves.

After lunch we continue following the Atlantic coast, with magnificent landscapes in some places. A brief stop in TAGHAZOUT, a picturesquew small town that lives from fishing and tourists who come to practice surfing. Con-tinuation to **AGADIR**, arrival, **dinner included**.

#### 04 FRI. Agadir - Marrakesh.-

Free time during the morning in the most popular desti-nation for 'beach tourism' in the country. You can enjoy its immense beaches, stroll along the promenade or go shopping in its many shopping areas.

After lunch we continue our route, magnificent highway crossing the Atlas mountain range.  $\ensuremath{\textbf{MARRAQUECH}}$  . After arriving at the hotel we include a **carriage ride** to the famous Djemaa El Fna square with its endless activity. Dinner included.

#### 05 SAT, Marrakesh.-

We will start the day with a guided tour of the city which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tow-er. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket included).** Lunch included. We sill have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakesh Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

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#### 06 SUN. Marrakesh – Ouzoud - Fez.-

Our stage today is longer, we leave early to the **OUZOUD** WATERFALLS, we will be surprise with such a peaceful place in Morocco, with the highest waterfalls in North Africa (110 meters), located in the Middle Atlas and in an area between spectacular gorges. We have included a short boat ride and lunch in a restaurant with a beautiful view of the waterfall, were we can enjoy watching the macaques (monkeys of Morocco) that inhabit this area.

We continue our route south of the Atlas. Arrival at FEZ, before going to the hotel we admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs (according to sunlight can be seen the next day at the beginning of the visit). **Dinner** included.

#### 07 MON. Fez – Volubilis – Mulay Idris – Meknes.-

We include a visit of FEZ, we enter through the Bronze doors of the Royal Palace, Jewish quarter, its lively souks, the tanners' quarter. The cultural capital of the country houses the oldest university in the world. The city of Fez was founded in the ninth century is known for its impressive Medina that preserves like no other the traditional Arab atmosphere. At the end of the visit, we include lunch in an old palace of the Medina.

After lunch we travel to the archaeological site of **VOLUBILIS**, declared a World Heritage Site, founded in the third century BC, the city of Volubilis, capital of Mauritania Tingitana, was an important military outpost of the Roman Empire in which multiple monuments of great beauty were erected. Entrance included-. Very close to MULAY IDRIS, holy city and place of pilgrimage for Mus-lims in Morocco (city closed to non-Muslims until 1912 -until 2005 non-Muslims were not allowed to spend the night-), here is buried Mulay Idris, great-grandson of the prophet Muhammad, founder of the first royal dynasty of Morocco.

Continuation to MEKNES, dinner included.

#### 08 TUE. Meknes- Rabat - Casablanca.-

Visit of MEKNES, another fascinating city declared a World Heritage Site, founded for military purposes in the eleventh century by the Almoravids, was the cap-ital of the kingdom in the time of Sultan Muley Ismaíl (1672-1727), founder of the Alaouite dynasty. This sovereign built an impressive city of Spanish-Moorish style, surrounding it with high walls, marked by monumental doors. We will be astonished by the immense gate of Bab el Mansur, the activity in the square el Hedim (reminis-cent of the D, Jemaa square of Marrakesh). We include entrance to the magnificently restored Dar Jamai Museum (dedicated especially to Moroccan music) and the Mausoleum of Moulay Ismail.

After the visit, free time and continuation by motorway; time for lunch in the service area and arrival in **RABAT**, **panoramic tour** of the capital of the Kingdom. We visit the powerful fortress of the Oudaia, the Hassan tow-er where the mausoleum of King Mohamed V is located, the walls of the Andalusians, the outer enclosure of the Royal Palace and the modern quarters of embassies. After our visit, free time and continuation of route. CASA-BLANCA -Arrival at the end of the day.-

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.



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# NEW ATLANTIC MOROCCO<sup>OPTION 1</sup> MOROCCAN HALLMARKS<sup>OPTION 2</sup>

#### (Opt. 1) Atlantic Morocco 01 MON. Tangier.-

Welcome to Tangier!!!. On arrival at the airport we shall be waiting to transfer you to the hotel. You can enjoy free time until your tour starts, information about the meeting place and start time can be found on the information boards in the hotel reception area. **Dinner included** and hotel accommodation.

#### 02 TUE. Tangier- Asilah - Rabat.-

We will journey through beautiful landscapes. **ASILAH** – this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in **RABAT**. **Dinner buffet** and accommodation included.

#### 03 WED. Rabat- Casablanca- El Jadida- Safi.-

We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mausoleum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. After that a free time for lunch in the pleasant maritime area of "la corniche". After lunch we travel to **EL JADIDA**, its citadel (Mazagan) has been declared a World Heritage Site. It was built by the Portuguese in the early sixteenth century. Its powerful walls dominating the ocean, its picturesque streets that preserve numerous traces of the Portuguese era -such as the church of the Assumption of Manueline style-, we will stroll and include the entrance to the old cistern of the sixteenth century.

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#### 05 FRI. Agadir.-

Free time during in the most popular destination for "beach tourism" in the country. You can enjoy its immense beaches, stroll along the promenade or go shopping in its many shopping areas.End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

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#### (Opt. 2)Moroccan Hallmarks Days 1 - 4 as in Opt. 1

**05 FRI. Agadir - Marrakesh.-**Free time during the morning in the most popular destination for "beach tourism" in the country. You can enjoy its immense beaches, stroll along the promenade or go shopping

in its many shopping areas. After lunch we continue our route, magnificent highway crossing the Atlas mountain range. **MARRAQUECH**. After arriving at the hotel we include a **carriage ride** to the famous Djemaa El Fna square with its endless activity. **Dinner included**.

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We continue our route south of the Atlas. Arrival at **FEZ**, before going to the hotel we admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs (according to sunlight can be seen the next day at the beginning of the visit). **Dinner included**.

#### 08 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

We will discover Fez with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient palace of the Medina district. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in evening. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

**09 TUE. Tangier.**-After breakfast, end of our services.

## FROM **477**€-DAYS 5/9

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

Monday from May to March

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Rabat, Casablanca.
- Ticket admission: mosque of Hassan II in Casablanca, old cistern in El Jadida.
- **4 Lunch or Dinner Included in**: Tangier, Rabat, Safi, Agadir.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- Boat: Ouzoud gorges.
- City tour in: Marrakesh, Fez.
- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh.
- Ticket admission: Bahia Palace in Marrakesh.
- 6 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Ouzoud, Fez, Fez, Tangier.





## FROM 963€-DAYS 8/10

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

### Wednesday from May to March

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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# **SURPRISING MOROCO** FROM THE OCEAN TO DESERT OPTION 2

#### (Opt. 1) Surprising Morocco 01 WED. Marrakesh.-

AGADIR

MOROCCO

Welcome to Marrakesh!!!. On arrival at the airport we shall be waiting to transfer you to the hotel. You can enjoy free time until your tour starts, information about the meeting place and start time can be found on the information boards in the hotel reception area. At the end of the afternoon you will be able to experience a traditional Kalesa ride up to the famous Djema square. Dinner buffet included. Hotel accommodation.

#### 02 THU. Marrakesh.-

We will start the day with a **guided tour of the city** which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket included). Lunch included**. We sill have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakeh Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

## **O3 FRI.** Marrakesh – Ait Benhadou – Ourzazate – Boulmane Dades.-

We will journey across the Atlas Mountains as their, usually snow-capped, high peaks will greet us as we say goodbye to Marrakesh. Small Berber villages perch on the side of chasms. We will interrupt our journey to stop at the fortified village of **AIT BENHADDOU**, a place where several films have been filmed. At this point in our trip, our route will be going through the so-called biblical landscapes. We will spend some time in **OUARZAZATE** city with its impressive Kasbah. We will continue toward the valley of Roses. BOULMANE DADES. Dinner and accommodation.

**NOTE:** On very rare occasions (during winter), the roads may be closed due to snowdrifts. If necessary, this section of the itinerary will be rescheduled ac-

cording to our alternative itinerary. (Whether we can visit the Sahara or not will depends on road access).

## **04 SAT.** Boulmane Dades - Todgha - Khorbat - Erfoud.-

A journey full of excitement in the **Sahara Desert:** the **Valley of the Kasbahs**; river valleys containing thousands of palm trees; Stone plains followed by oasis and adobe villages, powerful fortresses defending the thoroughfares. We will visit the stunningly magnificent **TODGHA GORGE**. On the way there, we shall stop at a small town built with adobe next to **KHOR-BAT**, visitors will be able to learn about this desert community, which is supported by the Europamundo Foundation. (**Note**: due to weather conditions, such as river flooding, access might not possible at times).

We will continue toward **ERFOUD. Lunch included**. Anyone who wishes to, can go on a field trip to visit the sand dunes of the Sahara Desert (and experience dusk among the dunes).

#### 05 SUN. Erfoud - Midelt- Azrou- Bhalil - Fez.-

We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds. Stop at MIDELT, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near AZROU, in the National Park we visit "the house of the cedars", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to BHALIL, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to FEZ, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. Dinner included.



**06 MON. Fez – Volubilis – Mulay Idris – Meknes.-**We include a **visit of FEZ**, we enter through the Bronze doors of the Royal Palace, Jewish quarter, its lively souks, the tanners' quarter. The cultural capital of the country houses the oldest university in the world. The city of Fez was founded in the ninth century is known for its impressive Medina that preserves like no other the traditional Arab atmosphere. At the end of the visit, we include **lunch in an old palace of the Medina.** 

After lunch we travel to the **archaeological site of VOLUBILIS**, declared a World Heritage Site, founded in the third century BC, the city of Volubilis, capital of Mauritania Tingitana, was an important military outpost of the Roman Empire in which multiple monuments of great beauty were erected. Entrance included-. Very close to **MULAY IDRIS**, holy city and place of pilgrimage for Muslims in Morocco (city closed to non-Muslims until 1912 -until 2005 non-Muslims were not allowed to spend the night-), here is buried Mulay Idris, great-grandson of the prophet Muhammad, founder of the first royal dynasty of Morocco. Continuation to **MEKNES**, dinner included.

#### 07 TUE. Meknes- Rabat - Casablanca.-

Visit of MEKNES, another fascinating city declared a World Heritage Site, founded for military purposes in the eleventh century by the Almoravids, was the capital of the kingdom in the time of Sultan Muley Ismaíl (1672-1727), founder of the Alaouite dynasty. This sovereign built an impressive city of Spanish-Moorish style, surrounding it with high walls, marked by monumental doors. We will be astonished by the immense gate of Bab el Mansur, the activity in the square el Hedim (reminiscent of the D, Jemaa square of Marrakesh). We include entrance to the magnificently restored Dar Jamai Museum (dedicated especially to Moroccan music) and the Mausoleum of Moulay Ismail.

After the visit, free time and continuation by motorway; time for lunch in the service area and arrival in **RABAT, panoramic tour** of the capital of the Kingdom. We visit the powerful fortress of the Oudaia, the Hassan tower where the mausoleum of King Mohamed V is located, the walls of the Andalusians, the outer enclosure of the Royal Palace and the modern quarters of embassies.

After our visit, free time and continuation of route. **CASABLANCA** -Arrival at the end of the day. **Dinner** included.-

#### 08 WED. Casablanca- Marrakesh.-

This morning we include a visit with a local guide to get to know the largest city and economic center of

Morocco. We will walk through its great avenues; we will walk through the beautiful square of Mohamed V with its fountain Moorish buildings and palm trees and through the park of the Arab league. We also visit little Medina. We include the entrance and visit to the huge **mosque of Hassan II** (the only mosque in Morocco where non-Muslims are allowed to enter), located next to the sea, with its 210-meter-high minaret with laser lights on top pointing to Mecca. After that a free time for lunch in the pleasant maritime area of "la corniche".

#### Then, we will head to MARRAKESH.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (Opt. 2) From the Ocean to Desert Days 1 – 7 as in Opt. 1 08 WED. Casablanca –El Jadida – Safi.-

This morning we include a **visit with a local** guide to get to know the largest city and economic center of Morocco. We will walk through its great avenues; we will walk through the beautiful square of Mohamed V with its fountain Moorish buildings and palm trees and through the park of the Arab league. We also visit little Medina. We include the **entrance and visit to** the huge mosque of **Hassan II** (the only mosque in Morocco where non-Muslims are allowed to enter), located next to the sea, with its 210-meter-high minaret with laser lights on top pointing to Mecca. After that a free time for lunch in the pleasant maritime area of "la corniche".

After lunch we travel to **EL JADIDA**, its citadel (Mazagan) has been declared a World Heritage Site. It was built by the Portuguese in the early sixteenth century. Its powerful walls dominating the ocean, its picturesque streets that preserve numerous traces of the Portuguese era -such as the church of the Assumption of Manueline style-, we will stroll and include the **entrance to the old cistern** of the sixteenth century.

We continue to SAFI, arrival in the late afternoon. Dinner included.

#### 09 THU. Safi – Essauira – Taghazout - Agadir.-

With our guide we visit **SAFI**, this city is known for its production of ceramics, highly demanded throughout Morocco for its quality and bright colors. We will photograph the castle of the sea, the wall with its powerful fortress, we will walk through its attractive Medina and we will visit the "hill of the ceramists" with its many shops.

We continue after that towards **ESSAUIRA**, its walled Medina, facing the sea, has been declared a World

Heritage Site by Unesco. The magnificently preserved city is chosen by artists and painters. Free time for lunch and stroll through its narrow streets, whitewashed houses and powerful walls lashed by the waves.

After lunch we continue following the Atlantic coast, with magnificent landscapes in some places. A brief stop in **TAGHAZOUT**, a picturesque small town that lives from fishing and tourists who come to practice surfing. Continuation to **AGADIR**, arrival, **dinner included**.

#### 10 FRI. Agadir - Marrakesh.-

Free time during the morning in the most popular destination for "beach tourism" in the country. You can enjoy its immense beaches, stroll along the promenade or go shopping in its many shopping areas.

After lunch we continue our route, magnificent highway crossing the Atlas mountain range. MAR-RAQUECH.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### **THE PRICE INCLUDES**

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- City tour in: Marrakesh, Fez, Meknes, Rabat, Casablanca.
- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh.
- Ticket admission: Bahia Palace in Marrakesh, House of the Cedars in Azrou, archaeological site of Volubilis, Dar Jamai Museum and Mausoleum of Moulay Ismail in Meknes, mosque of Hassan II in Casablanca.
- 8 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Boumalne Dades, Erfoud, Fez, Fez, Meknes, Casablanca.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Casablanca.
   Ticket admission: mosque of Hassan II in
- Casablanca, old cistern in El Jadida. • 2 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Safi, Agadir.





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**DEPARTURE DATES** 

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#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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#### **OPTION 1 MUSLIM SPAIN AND MOROCCO** D:27405 **OPTION 2** ANDALUSIA, LISBON AND MOROCCAN CAPITALS

#### (Opt. 1) Muslim Spain and Morocco SAT. Madrid - Arrival.-

Upon arriving at the airport we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. You can enjoy free time until the beginning of your tour. Please, check the informative posters placed at the hotel reception area which have all the information about the welcome meeting with your guide and fellow travelers. Towards the end of the day, e provide transfers to the Egyptian Debod Temple, Plaza de España and Gran Via; a vibrant district where you can dine at your preferred restaurant: Indian, Chinese, Spanish and Middle Eastern are some of the options available.

#### 02 SUN, Madrid,-

RABAT MOROCCO

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tour** through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Ci-beles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission in-Palace **cluded)** is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the "corridas" at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a transfer to Plaza de Oriente, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 03 MON. Madrid - Granada.-

We leave Madrid in the early morning. We travel to the south across La Mancha, stopping in **PUERTO LAPICE**, a 'manchego' village evoking the figure of Don Quixote. We will enter **Andalusia** via Despeñaperros, arriving in **GRANADA. Lunch included.** In the afternoon, we will will be been used to be a superior of the second s visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we visit the **Albaicín district** of Granada, a World Heritage site along with the Alham-bra, where you can enjoy dinner in the narrow winding

streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish guarter. Tonight, you have the option to attend a flamenco dance

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show and the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** The maximum number of people allowed to visit the Alhambra is limited by the local government. Even if you buy the trip with the ticket included we cannot guarantee entrance to the Alhambra. In such event, we would offer entry to the Reales Alcázares in Seville, which is similar.

#### 04 TUE. Granada - Asilah - Rabat.-

Departure from Granada. We cross the Costa del Sol. In Algeciras or Tarifa we board a modern ferry to cross the Strait of Gibraltar. The coach does not normally make the crossing, so passengers must carry their lug-gage. Arrival in **Morocco**. We will journey through beau-tiful landscapes. **ASILAH** this small and picturesque walled city on the shores of the Atlantic was an ancient port and a base for pirates. Today the city is full of life. Time for lunch before we will resume our trip. Arrival in RABAT. Buffet Dinner and accommodation included.

#### 05 WED. Rabat- Casablanca- El Jadida- Safi.

We will go on a scenic tour of Rabat in which we will visit the immense Royal Palace, the Mohamed V Mauso-leum and the mighty Kasbah of the Udayas. At midday, we will travel to CASABLANCA, where we will have a short but informative tour of the city. The tour includes a visit to the outside of what is considered one of the most important mosques in the Arab world, the great Hassan II mosque. After that a free time for lunch in the pleasant maritime area of "la corniche".

After lunch we travel to **EL JADIDA**, its citadel (Mazagan) has been declared a World Heritage Site. It was built by the Portuguese in the early sixteenth century. Its powerful walls dominating the ocean, its picturesque streets that preserve numerous traces of the Portuguese era -such as the church of the Assumption of Manueline style-, we will stroll and include the entrance to the old cistern of the sixteenth century. We continue to SAFI, arrival in the late afternoon. Din-

ner included.





#### 06 THU. Safi – Essauira – Taghazout - Agadir.-

With our guide we visit SAFI, this city is known for its production of ceramics, highly demanded throughout Morocco for its quality and bright colors. We will photograph the castle of the sea, the wall with its powerful fortress, we will walk through its attractive Medina and we will visit the 'hill of the ceramists' with its many shops.

We continue after that towards ESSAUIRA, its walled Medina, facing the sea, has been declared a World Heritage Site by Unesco. The magnificently preserved city is chosen by artists and painters. Free time for lunch and stroll through its narrow streets, whitewashed houses and powerful walls lashed by the waves.

After lunch we continue following the Atlantic coast, with magnificent landscapes in some places. A brief stop in TAGHAZOUT, a picturesque small town that lives from fishing and tourists who come to practice surfing. Continuation to AGADIR, arrival, dinner included.

#### 07 FRI. Agadir - Marrakesh.-

Free time during the morning in the most popular destination for "beach tourism" in the country. You can enjoy its immense beaches, stroll along the promenade or go shopping in its many shopping areas.

After lunch we continue our route, magnificent highway crossing the Atlas mountain range.  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MARRAQUECH}}$  . After arriving at the hotel we include a carriage ride to the famous Djemaa El Fna square with its endless activity. Dinner included.

#### 08 SAT. Marrakesh.-

We will start the day with a guided tour of the city which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the Bahia Palace (ticket included). Lunch included. We sill have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakesh Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional).

#### 09 SUN. Marrakesh – Ouzoud - Fez.-

Our stage today is longer, we leave early to the **OUZOUD** WATERFALLS, we will be surprise with such a peaceful place in Morocco, with the highest waterfalls in North Africa (110 meters), located in the Middle Atlas and in an area between spectacular gorges. We have included a short boat ride and lunch in a restaurant with a beautiful view of the waterfall, were we can enjoy watching the macaques (monkeys of Morocco) that inhabit this area.

We continue our route south of the Atlas. Arrival at **FEZ**. before going to the hotel we admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs (according to sunlight can be seen the next day at the beginning of the visit). Dinner included.

#### 10 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

We will discover Fez with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient **palace of the Medina district**. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in evening. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

#### 11 TUE. Tangier – Seville.–

We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to **Spain** by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 12 WED. Seville.-

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a scenic visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a boat trip along the river Guadalquivir, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 13 THU. Seville – Córdoba – Consuegra – Madrid.-

We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalqui-vir to **CÓRDOBA**. We will visit Córdoba's great **Cathe**dral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both **is included)** with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the **Castilian lands** and stop at **CONSUEGRA**, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to **MADRID**, where we will arrive towards the end of the day.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (Opt. 2) Andalusia, Lisbon and Moroccan Capitals Days 1 – 12 as in Opt. 1 13 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz

#### Evora – Lisbon. We will leave Seville and set out on a stage of scenic

beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in JEREZ DE LOS CABALLE-ROS, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Nuñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. MONSARAZ, is one of the most piccastle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of EVORA declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-paint-ed streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive Chapel of Bones (admission included), which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in LISBON toward the end of the day.

#### 14 FRI. Lisbon.-

In the morning we will have a sightseeing tour with a **local guide**. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free after-noon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a transfer to the Restauradores Square, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafez. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 15 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Ouzoud gorges, Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Madrid, Granada, Rabat, Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Córdoba.
- Evening Transfer: Debod Temple and Plaza de España and Plaza de Oriente in Madrid, Albaicin in Granada, Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid, Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens in Granada if it is included in the tour you bought, mosque of Hassan II in Casablanca, old cistern in El Jadida, Bahia Palace in Marrakesh, Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Córdoba, Windmill in Consuegra.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Algeciras Tangier, Strait of Gibraltar Tangier - Algeciras.
- 10 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Granada, Rabat, Safi, Agadir, Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Ouzoud, Fez, Fez, Tangier.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.





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#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

**Tuesday from** May to March

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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## ATLANTIC MOROCCO, SEVILLE AND MADRID<sup>OPTION 1</sup> **OPTION 2** ATLANTIC ROUTE, FROM CASABLANCA TO LISBON

#### (Opt. 1) Atlantic Morocco, Seville and Madrid 01 TUE. Casablanca.

Welcome to Morocco! Arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel. Our guide will contact you at the end of the day. Dinner included.

#### 02 WED. Casablanca - El Jadida - Safi.-

**EL JADIDA** MOROCCO

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After lunch we travel to EL JADIDA, its citadel (Mazagan) has been declared a World Heritage Site. It was built by the Portuguese in the early sixteenth century. Its powerful walls dominating the ocean, its picturesque streets that preserve numerous traces of the Portuguese era -such as the church of the Assumption of Manueline style-, we will stroll and include the entrance to the old cistern of the sixteenth century.

We continue to SAFI, arrival in the late afternoon. Dinner included.

#### 03 THU. Safi – Essauira – Taghazout - Agadir.-

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After lunch we continue following the Atlantic coast, with magnificent landscapes in some places. A brief stop in TAGHAZOUT, a picturesque small town that lives from fishing and tourists who come to practice surfing. Continuation to AGADIR, arrival, dinner included.

#### 04 FRI. Agadir - Marrakesh.-

Free time during the morning in the most popular desti-nation for "beach tourism" in the country. You can enjoy its immense beaches, stroll along the promenade or go shopping in its many shopping areas.

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HORSE CARRIAGE IN MARRAKESH, MOROCCO

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We continue our route south of the Atlas. Arrival at **FEZ**, before going to the hotel we admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs (according to sunlight can be seen the next day at the beginning of the visit). **Dinner included**.

#### 07 MON. Fez - Tangier.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Guided City Tour of Fez. Admission included. Lunch and dinner included.

We will discover Fez with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient palace of the Medina district. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in TANGIER in evening. Dinner and hotel accommodation included.

#### **08 TUE.** Tangier - Seville.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Travel via ferry from Africa to Europe.

We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to **Spain** by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 09 WED. Seville.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **scenic visit of Seville** featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

**10 THU. Seville - Córdoba - Consuegra - Madrid.** We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to CÓRDOBA. We will visit Córdoba's great Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included) with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the **Castilian lands** and stop at **CONSUEGRA**, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to **MADRID**, where we will arrive towards the end of the day.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (Opt. 2) Atlantic Route, From Casablanca to Lisbon Days 1 - 9 as in Opt. 1

#### 10 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz - Evora - Lisbon.-

**HIGHLIGHTS:** a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in **JEREZ DE LOS CABALLE-ROS**, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Nuñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission included)**, which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

#### 11 FRI. Lisbon.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a **sightseeing tour with a local guide**. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafez. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 12 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

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CASABLANCA

AGADIR

SEVILLE

TANGIER FEZ

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- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
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- City tour in: Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Córdoba.
- Evening Transfer: Djema Square with horse carriage in Marrakesh, Historic center of Seville.
- Ticket admission: mosque of Hassan II in Casablanca, old cistern in El Jadida, Bahia Palace in Marrakesh, Cathedral-mosque and ancient synagogue of Córdoba, Windmill in Consuegra.
- Ferry: Strait of Gibraltar Tangier Algeciras.
- 9 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Casablanca, Safi, Agadir, Marrakesh, Marrakesh, Ouzoud, Fez, Fez, Tangier.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
- Ticket admission: Chapel of Bones in Evora.



## FROM 1330€-DAYS 10/12

#### **DEPARTURE DATES**

Tuesday from May to March

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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## MOROCCAN CAPITALS, SEVILLE AND MADRID<sup>OPTION 1</sup> OPTION 2 MOROCCAN CAPITALS, SEVILLE AND LISBON

#### (Opt. 1) Moroccan capitals, Seville and Madrid 01 TUE. Casablanca.-

Welcome to Morocco! Arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel. Our guide will contact you at the end of the day. Dinner included.

#### 02 WED. Casablanca- Marraquech.-

CASABLANCA MOROCCO

This morning we include a **visit with a local guide to** get to know the largest city and economic center of Morocco. We will walk through its great avenues; we will walk through the beautiful square of Mohamed V with its fountain Moorish buildings and palm trees and through the park of the Arab league. We also visit little Medina. We include the entrance and visit to the huge **mosque of Hassan II** (the only mosque in Morocco where non-Muslims are allowed to enter), located next to the sea, with its 210-meter-high minaret with laser lights on top pointing to Mecca. After that a free time for lunch in the pleasant maritime area of "la corniche".

Then, we will head to **MARRAKESH**. After arriving at the hotel, you will be able to experience a traditional **kalesa** ride up to the famous Djema square. **Dinner included**.

#### 03 THU. Marrakesh.-

We will start the day with a **guided tour of the city** which gave the country its name. We will get to know the great walls of the city, the bustling Jemaa square, walk through the colorful Medina and see the Kutubia tower. We will visit to the **Bahia Palace (ticket included). Lunch included**. We sill have some free time to relax at the pool or discover a famous Marrakesh Souk (local market). In the evening, you can experience a Fantasia dinner and cultural show (optional). 04 FRI. Marrakesh - Ait Benhadou - Ourzazate -Boulmane Dades.-

We will journey across the Atlas Mountains as their, usually snow-capped, high peaks will greet us as we say goodbye to Marrakesh. Small Berber villages perch on the side of chasms. We will interrupt our journey to stop at the fortified village of **AIT BENHADDOU**, a place where several films have been filmed. At this point in our trip, our route will be going through the so-called biblical landscapes. We will spend some time in **OUARZAZATE** city with its impressive Kasbah. We will **continue toward the valley of Roses. BOULMANE DADES. Dinner and accommodation.** 

**NOTE:** On very rare occasions (during winter), the roads may be closed due to snowdrifts. If necessary, this section of the itinerary will be rescheduled according to our alternative itinerary. (Whether we can visit the Sahara or not will depends on road access).

## **05 SAT.** Boulmane Dades - Todgha - Khorbat - Er-foud.-

A journey full of excitement in the Sahara Desert: the Valley of the Kasbahs; river valleys containing thousands of palm trees; Stone plains followed by oasis and adobe villages, powerful fortresses defending the thoroughfares. We will visit the stunningly magnificent TODGHA GORGE. On the way there, we shall stop at a small town built with adobe next to KHORBAT, visitors will be able to learn about this desert community, which is supported by the Europamundo Foundation. (Note: due to weather conditions, such as river flooding, access might not possible at times).

We will continue toward ERFOUD. Lunch included. Anyone who wishes to, can go on a field trip to visit the



sand dunes of the Sahara Desert (and experience dusk among the dunes).

#### 06 SUN. Erfoud - Midelt- Azrou- Bhalil - Fez.-

We will leave Erfoud early, crossing the Atlas between powerful gorges and stunning landscapes. We then cross a high and cold plateau area inhabited by nomadic shepherds. Stop at MIDELT, in the center of this region. After lunch we continue our route towards the Middle Atlas, the landscape changes completely, we are in a region with forests and where it snows frequently in winter. Near AZROU, in the National Park we visit "the house of the cedars", a small museum that illustrates about the region, we will be amused by the colonies of monkeys that inhabit this area. We continue to **BHALIL**, small and quiet town inhabited by Berbers of the middle Atlas with a very picturesque old city center with colorful streets, traditionally the population lived in caves, today these caves have been integrated into the houses. Continue to FEZ, before going to the hotel we will admire the view of the city from the Saadian tombs. Dinner included.

#### 07 MON. Fez - Tangier.-.

We will discover Fez with an informative scenic tour. We will conclude the visit with an included lunch at an ancient **palace of the Medina district**. At the beginning of the afternoon, we will travel towards the north of Morocco. Arriving in **TANGIER** in evening. **Dinner** and hotel accommodation included.

#### **08 TUE.** Tangier - Seville.-

We will have some free time in **Tangier**, a good chance for some last-minute shopping, perhaps? We will return to **Spain** by ferry. The coach will not travel on board the ferry, therefore, each passenger will be required to carry their own piece of luggage with them. We will arrive in Algeciras or Tarifa and continue on to **SEVILLE**. Evening arrival.

#### 09 WED. Seville.-

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **scenic visit of Seville** featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beautiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat trip along the river Guadalquivir**, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the **historic city center area** (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from. **10 THU. Seville - Córdoba - Consuegra - Madrid.-**We leave Seville following the valley of the Guadalquivir to **CÓRDOBA**. We will visit Córdoba's great **Cathedral-Mosque and the Synagogue (entrance to both is included)** with a local guide. Take a stroll in the old district with its famous flower patios and will have free time to discover its flowered alleys. After lunch, we will continue our trip towards the **Castilian lands** and stop at **CONSUEGRA**, with its 12 giant windmills next to the castle. We will take advantage and visit the Gastromolino Windmill whilst we are in the area of the La Mancha plains. Continuing then on to **MADRID**, where we will arrive towards the end of the day.

End of our services. Please, check the time of your flight in case you might need an additional night.

#### (Opt. 2) Moroccan capitals, Seville and Lisbon Days 1 – 9 as in Opt. 1

#### 10 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz - Evora - Lisbon.-

We will leave **Seville** and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extremadura. We will stop in **JEREZ DE LOS CABALLE-ROS**, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Nuñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission included)**, which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

#### 11 FRI. Lisbon.-

In the morning we will have a **sightseeing tour with a local guide**. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Portuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free afternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafez. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 12 SAT. Lisbon.-

After breakfast, end of our services.





#### **THE PRICE INCLUDES**

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer
- Boat: Guadalquivir river in Seville.
- City tour in: Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez, Seville, Córdoba.
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#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lisbon.
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## FROM 937€-8/10/15/17

**DEPARTURE DATES** 

#### Every two weeks on Saturdays from April to November

#### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

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# PARIS, LOURDES AND BARCELONA OPTION 1 PARIS, LOURDES AND MADRID OPTION 2 FRANCE, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL OPTION 3 THREE COUNTRIES OPTION 4

## (OPT. 1) PARIS, LOURDES AND BARCELONA

**O1 SAT. Paris – Arrival.– Welcome to Paris!** On arrival at the airport we shall be waiting to **transfer** you to the hotel. You can enjoy your free time until the tour starts, information about the meeting place and start time can be found on the information boards in the hotel reception area.

#### 02 SUN. Paris.-

PARIS FRANCE

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Transfer to Versailles Palace. Funicular ride included to Montmartre district. City tour in Paris.

Early in the morning, we will leave for **Versailles**, the immense palace of the kings of France. After that, we will return to Paris at lunch time where we provide a transfer to the **Montmartre district**. We will ascend **by funicular** to the hill and admire the spectacular view of Paris from the top. This neighborhood is known for its painters, artists, and its cabarets Sit down for lunch and enjoy a magical atmosphere. Then, a **scenic guided tour** to discover the history, main boulevards and the breathtaking monuments of Paris will take place. Return to hotel.

#### 03 MON. Paris- Tours.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Optional activities or free time in Paris. Travel to Tours, beautiful historic town.

Today, our guide will offer you some optional activities to complete your visit to Paris: the Louvre Museum or a boat trip on the Seine river. Otherwise, you can use this time to explore at your own leisure.

At around 17:30h we will leave Paris for the Loire Valley. We will arrive in **TOURS**, regional capital of the Loire, in the late afternoon. We recommend you use your time here to take a stroll and dine in the beautiful historic downtown.

#### 04 TUE. Tours- Bordeaux- Lourdes.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Lourdes. Dinner included.

Today we will travel to the south of France across fragrant vineyards. We arrive in **BORDEAUX** whose town centre was declared a World Heritage Site. Here we will have time to have lunch and explore. We suggest that you visit the Port of the Moon and St Andrews Cathedral. We will then continue our trip and head towards the Pyrenees. **LOURDES**, arrival in the late afternoon. You can attend the candle procession (which takes place from late March until the end of October) and visit places of worship. We include the **dinner** at the hotel for all of our passengers.

#### 05 WED. Lourdes- Saint Bertrand- Carcassonne-Andorra.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Medieval villages of St. Bertrand and Carcassonne. Dinner included.

Skirting the Pyrenees, we will stop in **SAINT BERTRAND**, a medieval village perched on the mountainside, dominat-

ed by its great cathedral. Time for a stroll before travelling on to **CARCASSONNE**, a city surrounded by beautiful walls. We continue through the Pyrenees on a journey between the, often, snow-capped summits, and cross into the small country of **ANDORRA**. **Dinner included**.

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## 06 THU, Andorra- Montserrat- Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Catalonia region. Montserrat Monastery. Rack train climb.

We will have free time in **ANDORRA** for shopping and exploring. After lunch, we will continue our trip and head to Catalonia. The mountain countryside leads us to the impressive site of the **MONTSERRAT MONASTERY**, where you will go up the mountain on a **rack train** to see its fantastic scenery. Following this we will continue to **BARCELONA**, arriving in the late afternoon.

#### 07 FRI. Barcelona.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Barcelona city tour. Spanish Village visit and evening transfer to Las Ramblas district.

Today we will explore Barcelona, an impressive city right on the Mediterranean Sea. Starting by an informative **city tour with a local expert** (note: If the group has fewer than fifteen people, explanations can be given by our guide.) We will also visit the citys historic central area with its Gothic neighborhood dating back to the Middle Ages. We will visit the area where the Olympic Games took place. We will also get the chance to see La Sagrada Familia Basilica, the masterpiece designed by the architect Gaudí.

Following this, we include the **entry ticket to visit Poble Espanyol** (meaning Spanish Village). This open-air architectural museum is situated in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona. Enjoy the Spanish craftsmanship and discover the architectural styles, traditions and folklore of the different regions that make up Spain. You will then have some free time to explore the city at vour own leisure.

In the evening we provide a transfer to Las Ramblas and the Plaza Catalunya area for dinner, where you can choose from a wide variety of restaurants. We will return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 08 SAT. Barcelona.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 2) PARIS, LOURDES AND MADRID

#### DAYS 1 - 7 AS IN OPT. 1

08 SAT. Barcelona – Peniscola – Valencia – Madrid.– TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Peniscola, Valencias City of Arts and Sciences. Evening transfer in Madrid.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea and where we have time for a stroll. We will then travel to **VALENCIA**, the third largest city

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in Spain. After time for lunch in its historic city center, at 16.30hrs, we will continue our route to Madrid after passing through the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences of Valencia where we can take a picture. Arrival to MADRID at the end of the day and transfer to the Plaza Mayor where we can relax at some typical taverns.

**Note:** Depending on the number of passengers, the journey be-tween Valencia and Madrid may be done by high-speed train.

#### 09 SUN. Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a transfer to Plaza de Oriente, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 10 MON. Madrid.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 3) FRANCE, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL DAYS 1 - 7 AS IN OPT. 2 08 SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: visit Peniscola, a beautiful walled town and its castle by the sea. Sightseeing in Valencia. Evening transfer.

We will journey south along the Mediterranean, making a special stop in **PENISCOLA**, a small walled town on the shores of the sea. After a short introduction by our guide, you can make your own way through town, discovering its fishing port, the castle and beach at your own leisure. We will then travel to VA-**LENCIA**, where we will have time to have lunch. A **local guide** will take you on a tour of the city in the afternoon. Valencia is the third largest city in Spain where the modern blends with the historical. In the tour we will learn about its historic city centre, the fish market, the cathedral and the avant-garde City of Arts and Sciences. In the evening we will have a transfer to the Plaza de Toros (bullring) area where you will have time to have dinner. Return to the hotel in the late evening.

#### 09 SUN. Valencia - Alicante - Caravaca de la Cruz -Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Touristic train in Caravaca.

Today we will continue our trip and head to ALICANTE. We will have time to take a walk in this charming, coastal city and, after lunch, we will make our way to the **Murcia** region, where we will visit **CARAVACA DE LA CRUZ**, a town considered by the Catholic Church as one of the five holy cities. Its church holds a relic of Christs Cross. We will also take a train ride up to its historic area, which we can explore, before we continue our trip along scenic roads on our way to Andalusia. We will end the day in **GRANADA**.

#### 10 MON. Granada.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Visit the Alhambra (if you bought the trip with the entrance included). Night transfer.

We will have a full day in GRANADA. For those who booked the trip with the entrance included, in the afternoon we will visit with a local guide the immense Alhambra Palace and its beautiful Generalife gardens, built in Arabian times. In the evening we will visit the Albaicín in district a World Her-itage site as is the Alhambra, where you can have dinner in the arrow winding streets of this captivating Medieval Moorish quarter. At night, you will have the option to attend a flamenco dance show in the traditional neighborhood of Sacromonte.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The maximum number of people allowed to visit the Alhambra is limited by the local government. Given that the number of tickets assigned to tour operators is small, and we are only given the confirmed number one month before your arrival, even if you buy the trip with the ticket included we cannot guarantee en-trance to the Alhambra. In such event, we would offer entry to the Reales Alcáceres in Seville, which is similar. As with the Alhambra visit, the group would be led by a local guide of the city of Granada. If the Alhambra is a very important landmark to visit for you, we suggest you purchase the trip without tickets (the lowest price) and book your tickets on-line on the heritage website https://www.alhambra.org as there is a larger quota for individual visits/purchases.

#### 11 TUE. Granada - Malaga - Marbella - Ronda - Seville.-TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Costa del Sol and the Andalusian village of Ronda.

Departing from Granada and travelling towards the **Costa** del Sol, we will arrive in MALAGA and explore its historic city center, with its cathedral and the Picasso Museum. After this we will continue along the coastal motorway with beautiful views of the Mediterranean. Stopping in **PUERTO BANUS**, Marbella, a beautiful resort known as the playground of Europes rich and famous. In the afternoon we will continue through the hills until we reach **RONDA**, a very beautiful white town with its large gorge that divides it in two. Then we will travel onward to **SEVILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

#### 12 WED. Seville.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Guided visit with local expert in Seville. Boat trip along the river Guadalquivir. Night transfer to the historic center.

After breakfast, a local expert will guide you on a **scenic** visit of Seville featuring the Cathedral and its famous Giralda (bell tower), the banks of the Guadalquivir River, popular neighborhoods of Santa Cruz and Triana and the beau-tiful Plaza de España. After the visit, we will include a **boat** trip along the river Guadalquivir, enjoying the panoramic views from the boat. Afterwards, you will have free time to explore at your own leisure. At the end of the afternoon, we will go to the historic city center area (Calle Alfonso XII) where there are many different types of restaurants for you to choose from.

#### 13 THU. Seville - Jerez de los Caballeros- Monsaraz -- Lisbon.

#### HIGHLIGHTS: a beautiful scenery where we will visit walled villages. Evora Chapel of bones.

We will leave Seville and set out on a stage of scenic beauty. Through hills and olive tree groves we will enter Extrema-dura. We will stop in **JEREZ DE LOS CABALLEROS**, this town once belonged to the Knights Templar and is where Vasco Núñez de Balboa was born. We will then enter Portugal. **MONSARAZ**, is one of the most picturesque villages in Portugal with old fortified walls, a castle, great views and white-painted streets brimming with flowerpots. We will then travel to the city of **EVORA**, declared a World Heritage Site thanks to its white-painted streets, Renaissance palaces and cathedral. Time for lunch. We will also visit the impressive **Chapel of Bones (admission included)**, which was built using the bones from over 5000 skeletons! We will arrive in **LISBON** toward the end of the day.

#### 14 FRI. Lisbon.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: City Tour of Lisbon. Evening transfer.

In the morning we will have a **sightseeing tour with a local** guide. We will visit the traditional neighborhoods including the Belem district, which is the birthplace of the great Por tuguese navigators who sailed the oceans in the Fifteenth Century. We will have a look around the Monument of the Discoveries, Belem Tower, and the beautiful Jeronimos Mon-astery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the free af-ternoon when you are free to explore the city at your own leisure. In the late afternoon, we will have a **transfer to the Restauradores Square**, a public square with plenty of restaurants and cafes. We suggest you ride the Elevador Da Gloria funicular that takes you to the viewpoint of San Pedro with beautiful views over Lisbon and the Bairro Alto. Return to the hotel.

#### 15 SAT, Lisbon,-

After breakfast, end of our services.

#### (OPT. 4) THREE COUNTRIES DAYS 1 - 14 AS IN OPT. 3 15 SAT. Lisbon - Fatima - Madrid.-

TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Fatima Shrine. Lunch included.

Today we will travel to the north of Portugal and visit **FA-**TIMA, an important sanctuary (a pilgrimage site). We will continue on through the green lands of the centre, pass-ing into Spain and then, over grasslands, we will cross the North of Extremadura. Lunch included in route regional cuisine restaurant. We will travel on to **MADRID** where we will be arriving towards the end of the day. Then we include **transfer to Plaza Mayor** where you can enjoy at some typical taverns.

#### 16 SUN. Madrid.-

#### TODAYS HIGHLIGHTS: Madrid city tour. Stroll through the Retiro Park. Visit to the Las Ventas bullring. Evening transfer.

The morning starts with a **comprehensive tou**r through the center of Madrid including the Paseo del Prado, Cibeles, Neptuno, the Gate of Alcalá, Plaza de Colón and Plaza Mayor. We then will visit Retiro Park, an oasis in the city center, where we will see the lake and the Glass Palace. A visit to Las Ventas Bullring (admission included) is next. This is one of the most famous bullrings in the world where we will learn about the tradition of the corridas at the Bullfighting Museum. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. At sunset we will provide a **transfer to Plaza de Oriente**, opposite the Royal Palace, an elegant and bustling area with many restaurants serving different cuisines, such as local Spanish food, international and Chinese. Enjoy a pleasant dinner of your choice. At the end of the evening we will return to the hotel.

#### 17 MON. Madrid.-

After breakfast, end of our services.

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#### THE PRICE INCLUDES

• Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.

- Includes arrival transfer
  Excursion: Versailles in Paris.
- City tour in: Paris, Barcelona.
- Evening Transfer: Ramblas and Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona.
- Transfer: Montmartre in Paris. • Ticket admission: Poble Espanyol in
- Barcelona. • Train: Montserrat Monastery in Mont-
- serrat.
- Funicular: Montmartre in Paris.
- 2 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Lourdes, Andorra.

#### (Additional services Opt. 2)

- City tour in: Madrid.
- Evening Transfer: Plaza de Oriente in Madrid.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid.

#### (Additional services Opt. 3)

- Boat: along Guadalquivir river in Seville. • City tour in: Valencia, Granada, Seville, Lisbon.
- Evening Transfer: Bullring square in Valencia, Albaicín in in Granada, Historic center of Seville, Restauradores Square in Lishon.
- Ticket admission: Alhambra Palace and Generalife in Granada (If it is included in your tour)., Chapel of Bones in Evora.
- Train: Caravaca de la Cruz.

#### (Additional services Opt. 4)

- City tour in: Madrid.
- Evening Transfer: Plaza de Oriente in Madrid.
- Ticket admission: Las Ventas bullring in Madrid.
- 1 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Fatima.



