



Highlights of Spain Itinerary

Get a full immersion to Spain with this fully customizable 12-day itinerary including the greatest hits of the country. The trip will begin in Barcelona to get a taste of the Mediterranean and modernism. Next, move onto Madrid where you will experience the city through its gastronomy, art and the dark song of flamenco, as well as the nearby gem of Toledo. Finally, head south to Andalucía where you will visit Córdoba and the wonder that is Granada's Alhambra before ending the trip in Sevilla to get to know the soul of the region.

Day 1 Barcelona

After recovering from your journey, meet your private guide to stretch your legs and explore Barcelona's historical quarter. Your tour will take you through the Gothic, Born and Raval neighborhoods, the Jewish Quarter and the Picasso Museum, introducing you to the medieval and modern gems of the city.

Day 2 Barcelona

Experience modernist Barcelona on a private tour of Gaudí's masterpieces. Your expert guide will take you along the luxurious Passeig de Gracia where you will see the famous Gaudí houses along with other fascinating architecture. Next, move onto the Sagrada Família for an in-depth look into the artist's mind and his most intricate work. Finally, end the visit at Parc Güell with incredible views of the city and mind-boggling structures strewn throughout. Once evening falls, enjoy a traditional tapas workshop to learn the best of the Catalan kitchen and indulge in the fruits of your labor.

Day 3 Barcelona and Costa Brava

Explore the Mediterranean in the medieval villages of the Costa Brava, including La Bisbal, Peratallada and Pals. Stop for a quick lunch before moving on to Figueres for a guided tour of the incredible Dalí Museum. At the end of the tour, transfer back to Barcelona to explore the city on your own.





Day 4 Barcelona to Madrid

Hop on a high-speed train west to the capital of Spain, Madrid. Once you arrive, take in the city at your leisure as locals do – with a stroll through the wide avenues or hopping from shop to shop in the hip neighborhoods of Chueca or Malasaña. This evening your host will pick you up for a night of tapa-hopping to get a true taste of the city and to learn about it through the eyes of a local.

Day 5 Madrid

Meet your guide in the lobby of your hotel and spend the afternoon learning about historical and artistic Madrid. Visit the Old Quarter, including Plaza Mayor, the glamorous city center and its Puerta de Alcalá or Cibeles Fountain, and finally, the world-famous Prado Museum. After a leisurely afternoon, meet your flamenco expert host who will take you to the best show on the bill in the city, as flamenco troupes are constantly coming and going from the capital making it the best place for a diverse offer of artists.

Day 6 Madrid and Toledo

Enjoy a full day excursion to Toledo, often called the city of three cultures as Christians, Jewish and Muslim cultures all thrived here. Learn about its rich cultural and historical legacy, visit the cathedral, Jewish Quarter, synagogue and Santo Tome Church. Once you've worked up an appetite, enjoy a lunch of local delicacies before heading back to Madrid.

Day 7 Madrid to Córdoba and Granada

Catch the high-speed train south to Córdoba where you will explore its best corners on a walking tour. Visit the stunning cathedral-mosque, synagogue, Old Quarter and the Alcazar with your local expert guide and enjoy traditional treats for lunch. After lunch, your car will be waiting to take you to Granada to check into your hotel.

Day 8 Granada

Get to know the place that many people call the eighth wonder of the world: the Alhambra and Generalife gardens. Learn all about Moorish history in Spain and mythical tales of the days of Al Andalus among the lush flowers and tranquil fountains of the gardens before taking on the secrets of the palace. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure, exploring the city on your own and indulging in the famous local tapa culture.





Day 9 Granada to Ronda and Sevilla

This morning you're off to Ronda, a gorgeous city that inspired Hemingway during his time in Spain. Visit the old bullring, the Old Quarter, Santa María la Mayor Church among other wonderful sites with your local guide before enjoying lunch on your own. Once your time in Ronda has ended, transfer to the beautiful city of Sevilla.

Day 10 Sevilla

Wake up and head out for a tour of the highlights of Sevilla with your local guide. Stop by the cathedral, Giralda, Alcazar and Santa Cruz Quarter, discovering all sorts of secrets along the way. Learn the secrets hidden in the winding streets of the old quarter and the lively culture of the city.

Day 11 Sevilla and Jerez

Head south for a day trip to the sherry capital of the world, Jerez de la Frontera. Your first stop will be at the Royal Equestrian School where you will visit the stunning grounds and stables before enjoying the spectacular horse show. Afterwards, your driver will take you straight on to a fabulous sherry winery for a visit while it is closed to the public, learning about how the wine is made while tasting it and indulging in local tapas. After the visit, transfer back to Sevilla for your final evening in Spain.

Day 12 Sevilla

Departure

