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Lisbon, Portugal



Day 1 • Lisbon City of Kings, Gateway to Portugal Morning arrival in Lisbon. Assistance, meet and greet at the airport by your personal driver-guide. Private transportation to your selected hotel for registration. After checking into your hotel, enjoy a half-day private guided city tour of Lisbon. We will start by crossing the Vasco da Gama Bridge over the Tagus river (when possible) for some breathtaking views over Lisbon and its seven hills. Then we'll drive back into the city, where we will spend some time exploring the quarter of Belém where you will have the opportunity to admire a series of important monuments dating back to the

period of discoveries of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. We'll see Torre de Belém (declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO), a sixteenth-century fortress and the point of departure for the caravels sailing out in search of new worlds. Nearby is the Monument to the Discoveries, commemorating the 500th anniversary of the death of Prince Henry the Navigator. Later, we'll also see Jeronimos Monastery (another UNESCO World Heritage Site), a masterpiece in the Manueline style, Then, following the river Tagus, we will visit the traditional quarter of Alfama, where you can sample a glass of port in a craft shop. We will return to your hotel through the heart of Lisbon, passing through the Praça do Comercio and the Praça do Rossio and then the Avenida da Liberdade, Lisbon 's main boulevard. Lisbon has something to offer for everybody. Transportation back to your hotel. 3-Nights hotel accommodation in Lisbon.

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Estoril Coast, Portugal



Day 2 • Sintra Deluxe and Estoril Coast Tour (B/L) 08:15 take a hotel taxi to the pickup point (not included). 09:00 meet your tour guide and join us for a scenic nine-hour guided group excursion SIC along the rugged Sunny Coast, with visits to a series of picture postcard towns. Highlights also include visits to scenic coastal destinations such as Colares, Cabo da Rocha, Cascais and Estoril. Visit the fairy tale Palacio da Pena, a majestic and romantic palace located on one of the highest peaks of the Serra de Sintra, and renowned for its eclectic mixture of styles and colours. Towards the end of the morning, there is plenty of free

time to stroll through the streets of the town itself. Enjoy the many craft shops and tea rooms, and do not leave without trying the famous local pastries: Queijadas and travesseiros. Enjoy a delicious meal in a unique location, with breathtaking views of the mountains. After lunch, we head to Colares, a region famed for its table wine. Then it's onwards to the Cabo da Rocha, the westernmost point of continental Europe. Later, we pass by Guincho beach and the Boca do Inferno (Hell's Mouth), enjoying the rugged coastal scenery. Our next stop will be the cosmopolitan resort of Cascais, where you can enjoy magnificent views over its beautiful bay. On the trip back to Lisbon, we take the route along the coastline of Estoril. Take a taxi from the drop-off point back to your nearby hotel (not included). We suggest spending the night at **www.fadoinchiado.com** where you can enjoy a regional dinner and listen to folkloric Fado music.

Day 3 • Lisbon, free day (B)

Free day. Lisbon is a walker's delight; the city's principal neighborhoods abound with major sights and quiet glimpses into daily life. We suggest, explore more of the magic city on your own riding the Hop-on Hop-off bus or book one of our optional guided group excursions SIC (not included). Our recommended sightseeing trips are **Fatima** Half-Day Tour, **Evora** World Heritage Tour, **Obidos** Tour or **The Age of the Templars** Tour (itineraries and prices available upon request). For lunch, we recommend visiting **Mercado da Ribeira**. On the one hand, 24 restaurants, 8 bars, a dozen shops and a high-end music venue, all with the very best in Lisbon; on the other hand, home to some of the city's best known market vendors of meat, fish, fruit and flowers.

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Gran Via Madrid, Spain



Day 4 • Lisbon Departure • Madrid by E-Bikes (B) After breakfast, pickup up from the hotel by your personal driver and private transfer to the airport. Departure to Madrid. Assistance, meet and greet upon arrival in Madrid by your personal driverguide. Private transportation to your hotel. 14:45 pickup from the hotel by your personal driver and private transfer to the starting point at Plaza San Miguel. 15:30 Join this 3.5-hour tour of Madrid, accompanied by our official professional tour guide and don't miss out on any of its cultural and historical highlights. Enjoy an effortless route on an agile and **dynamic electric bicycles**. Ride through

the city and climb to the top of Madrid on board the Madrid Cable Car. We explore emblematic sites such as the Royal Palace, Madrid's main square (Plaza Mayor), the Prado Museum and Retiro Park. Have fun and feel unique in your experience in a Premium Small Group tour. This and a sunny climate almost all year round, makes Madrid a perfect destination for travellers on wheels. We return to Plaza San Miguel to drop-off the e-bikes. We recommend visiting **Mercado de San Miguel**. This is one of Madrid's oldest and most beautiful markets, within early-20th-century glass walls and an inviting space strewn with tables. You can order tapas and sometimes more substantial plates at most of the counter bars, and everything here (from caviar to chocolate) is as tempting as the market is alive. Put simply, it's one of our favourite experiences in Madrid. 19:00 Take a taxi back to your hotel (not included). 2-Nights hotel stay in Madrid.

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Toledo, Spain



Day 5 • Toledo and Segovia Bus Excursion SIC (B) 07:00 take a hotel taxi to the nearby pickup point (not included). 07:45 after meeting with your tour guide, discover on our group excursion SIC twogems in the Spanish capital, Toledo and Segovia, on a fabulous day trip from Madrid. Highlights visit two cities declared World Heritages by UNESCO, admire the incredible monumental composition of the "city with three cultures" It contemplate a true Roman masterpiece: the aqueduct of Segovia. Enjoy an exciting trip to an authentic outdoor museum; Toledo. In the heart of Spain and surrounded by the River Tagus, this impressive city is considered to be a second Rome and invites you to live an

unforgettable experience. Its churches, synagogues, mosques, convents, walls, bridges and turrets constitute an important artistic and cultural legacy, fueling the coexistence between Christians, Arabs and Jews for centuries. Lose yourself in its narrow streets, squares and gardens, and admire the monumental richness. The tour includes stops at the Primada Cathedral, the Mirador del Valle, the Monastery of San Juan de los Reyes and the Puente de San Martín. Also in the Castilian lands stands another of the most visited cities in Spain: **Segovia**. Among its main attractions is the Roman aqueduct, the symbol of excellence of the city. Contemplate this majestic construction that leads the water from the mountain range to the city before visiting the Alcázar, one of the most emblematic castles of the country with its surprising shape, similar to that of the hull of a boat. In your walk around the old town you will also have the opportunity to admire the beautiful cathedral and the Plaza del Azoguejo. We return to Madrid in the afternoon. 18:00 take a taxi from the drop-off point back to your nearby hotel (not included).

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AVE Speed Train Madrid-Seville



Day 6 • Madrid • Ave Train • Seville (B)

Pickup from hotel by your personal driver and private transportation to the train station. Assistance at the train terminal. Ride the **AVE Speed Train** to Seville. Assistance, meet and greet upon arrival in Seville by your personal driver. Private transportation to your selected hotel for registration. After storing your bags, transfer to the city center. Meet your tour guide and enjoy a classic private city tour of Seville in the afternoon. On this guided tour discover Seville's most emblematic monuments. We visit the Plaza of Spain,

continue to the Port of America and the Torre del Oro to arrive at the medieval Jewish quarter, and the Barrio de Santa Cruz, historic neighborhood made up of narrow streets with little courtyards and houses full of flowers. We continue to the Cathedral of Santa María de la Sede of Seville, the world's largest Gothic cathedral. Climb to the top of the undisputed symbol of the city, the Giralda, where, from nearly 100 meters high, you can enjoy unique vistas of the town. Private transfer back to the hotel. 3-Nights hotel accommodation in Seville.

Day 7 • Seville • Cordoba • Seville (B)

07:30 take a hotel taxi (not included) to nearby Av. de la Constitución 12, the pickup point for our full day excursion. After meeting your tour guide enjoy a regular guided group excursion SIC to Cordoba. Discover Cordoba's cultural heritage and historic center, a city of Arab heritage with a plentiful past. Walk the most famous streets of the Jewish quarter: flowers calleja, the plaza Maimonides, the San Rafael bridge or the synagogue. Explore spaces filled with flowers of all colors, in pots hanging from white walls illuminated by the sun. One building alone is reason enough to put Córdoba high on your itinerary: the mesmerising

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Alhambra Palace, Granada Spain



Day 7 • Cordoba Excursion (continuation)

Multiarched Mezquita. See the third largest mosque in the world, after those of Casablanca and Mecca. Cordoba is also a cradle of important figures who have left its cultural and intellectual legacy to the world. Names such as Abn Hazam, Averroes, Maimonedes, Juan de Mena, Duke of Rivas, Luis de Gongora, to name a few, remain forever in the historical memory of this wonderful city. Transfer back to Seville in the afternoon. Take a taxi from the drop-off point back to your hotel (not included).

Day 8 • Seville • Granada • Alhambra Palace • Seville (B)

07:30 Take a hotel taxi to the pickup point (not included). 08:00 meet your guide and join our regular fullday group tour to Granada SIC. Explore centuries of cultural history, take a stroll through the beautiful manicured Generalife Gardens and visit the **Alhambra Palace** www.alhambra.org, which offers breathtaking vistas of the city. Highlights: Walk in the footsteps of the Muslim Princes at the Alhambra Palace, stroll among the flowers and fountains in the Generalife Gardens and discover and explore the deep history of Granada. Admission included. Transportation back to Seville in the afternoon. Take a taxi from the Seville drop-off point to your nearby hotel (not included).

Optional (not included): After sunset, we recommend visiting **www.laazoteasevilla.com** one of Seville's stable of modern eateries with culinary ambitions. Experience also authentic Andalusian flamenco at the Tablao Flamenco El Arenal **www.tablaoelarenal.com**. Often considered one of the best flamenco bars in the world, Tablao El Arenal hosts a 1.5-hour show where up to 15 of Seville's best dancers perform a flamboyant flamenco. Sit down to watch the electrifying performance with drinks and either tapas or a 3-course dinner, the choice is yours! Overnight in Seville.

Day 9 • Seville • Ave Speed Train • Barcelona (B)

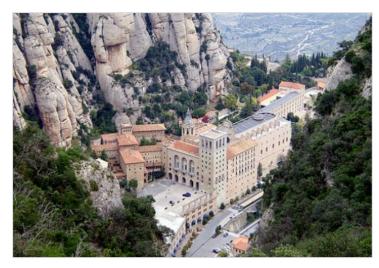
07:30 pickup from the hotel by your personal driver and transportation to the Seville train station. Assistance at the train terminal. 08:50 departure on the **AVE Speed Train** to Barcelona (5-hours). Assistance, meet and greet upon arrival in Barcelona. Private transportation to your selected hotel for registration. Balance of the afternoon at leisure. 3-Nights hotel accommodation in Barcelona.

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Park Guell, Barcelona Spain



Day 10 • Barcelona Sagrada Familia • Montserrat Cog-Wheel Train Tour (B)

09:00 pickup from your hotel by your personal driver and transfer to the pickup point. 10:00 meet your tour guide and discover the legacy of **Antoni Gaudí**, Barcelona's favourite son, on this guided tour of his most famous landmarks. Pass the beautiful modernist facades of la Pedrera and Casa Batllo as you make your way down Passeig de Gràcia to to his undoubted masterpiece, the unfinished La Sagrada Familia. Make your way up the elegant, upmarket Passeig de Gràcia lined with designer shops, major banks and

most importantly, **Casa Battlò** and **Casa Milà**, two exceptional city centre Gaudí structures. Then arrive at the highlight of the tour, **La Sagrada Familia**, the unique and iconic basilica that Gaudí commenced in 1883 and to which he dedicated the last years of his life until his untimely death in 1926. Marvel at the towering modernist spires of its exterior and then skip the line as you head inside to admire the pillars, columns and stained glass windows of the interior. Your guide will explain the building's rich history and detail the future plans for the church, including the vision of finally finishing Gaudí's masterpiece. Return transportation to the drop-off point. 12:30 take a taxi back to your nearby hotel (not included).

14:15 take a hotel taxi to the nearby pickup point (not included). 15:00 meet your tour guide and enjoy a guided group excursion SIC to **Montserrat**. Discover beauty, spectacular views and a place of pilgrimage as you ascend the sacred mountain of Montserrat, home to Santa Maria de Montserrat, a Benedictine monastery with a 1,000 years of history. Highlights meander around the mountain and see spectacular views from the rack railway, admire unique rock formations that surround the Benedictine monastery and visit the Royal Basillica, home to the Black Madonna. Admire the beauty of Montserrat Natural Park and its rare rock formations and visit the breath-taking Abbey of Montserrat. Transportation back to Barcelona. 20:00 Take a taxi from the drop-off point back to your nearby hotel (not included).

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Costa Brava, Spain

Day 11 • Costa Brava Tour (B)

07:30 take a hotel taxi to the nearby pickup point (not included). 08:00 On this full day guided group excursion SIC we will visit the coastal area of **Girona**, named a 100 years ago as **Costa Brava**. The name is due to its unique rocky, rugged and cut shape coastline, composed of small coves surrounded by pine forests and lapped by crystal water. We will discover the southern part of the Costa Brava visiting two villages that represent the essence of that coast. They are completely opposed but, at the same time, both complement each other perfectly. Consequently, we will go back to Barcelona with a complete idea of what Costa Brava is. At 15:00-hrs the tour will be finished and we will go back to Barcelona, where we will arrive at about 16:30-hrs. Take a taxi back to your nearby hotel (not included).

Optional Flamenco show and dinner at Tarantos **www.masimas.com/tarantos** (not included). Since 1963, this basement locale has been the stage for up-and-coming flamenco groups performing in Barcelona.

For beach lovers, we offer sun and sand extensions in the Costa Brava, Costa del Sol, Canary Islands, Ibiza and on any of the other Balearic Islands. Ask your travel agent for our list of our resorts and prices.

Day 12 • Barcelona Departure (B)

Pickup from the hotel by your personal driver. Private transfer to the Barcelona Airport (drop-off).

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Semi-private Tour with daily departures • 11-Nights hotel accommodation • Assistance, meet and greet in Portugal and in Spain as per program • Private transportation and private guided sightseeing tours as per program • Regular guided group excursions SIC as per program • AVE Speed Train: Seville-Madrid and Seville-Barcelona • Admissions as per program • Sagrada Familia Skip the Line pass • 12-Meals: (B) 11 Breakfasts, (L) 1 Lunch • English-speaking tour guides as per itinerary • Taxes and service fees • Local assistance by Amigo Vacations Portugal-Spain.

Not Included:

International and domestic flights. Optional meals and optional services. Travel and medical insurance. Tips for tour guides US \$5.00 pp/day and for drivers US \$2.50 pp/day.

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Prices 2019

Valid until December 20.19. Subject to availability at time of booking. Itineraries are fully customizable. Not valid during trade shows, bank holidays and other special events. Blackout periods may apply.

Option STC: Category Superior Tourist Class Hotels

3-Nights Lisbon, Portugal •

2-Nights Madrid, Spain •

3-Nights Seville, Spain •

3-Nights Barcelona, Spain •

Based on 2-participants:

Land price per person in Double... CAD \$ | EUR \$

Based on **3-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... CAD \$ | EUR \$ Land price per person in Triple... CAD \$ | EUR \$

Based on 4-participants:

Land price per person in Double... CAD \$ | EUR \$ Land price per person in Triple... CAD \$ | EUR \$

Single supplement add on double prices... CAD \$ | EUR \$

For departures from June 15 to August 31.2019, please add per person... USD \$60 | EUR \$

Option SFC: Category Superior First Class Hotels

3-Nights Lisbon, Portugal •

2-Nights Madrid, Spain •

3-Nights Seville, Spain •

3-Nights Barcelona, Spain •

Based on 2-participants:

Land price per person in Double... CAD \$ | EUR \$

Based on **3-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... CAD \$ | EUR \$

Land price per person in Triple... CAD \$ | EUR \$

Based on 4-participants:

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Domestic Flight (not included) Lisbon-Madrid