

16 Day Iberian Adventure: Spain, Portugal & Morocco

Madrid - Salamanca - Coimbra - Obidos - Lisbon - Seville - Rabat - Casablanca
- Marrakech - Fez - Granada

From **\$3,499** Typically \$3,560 pp Twin Share



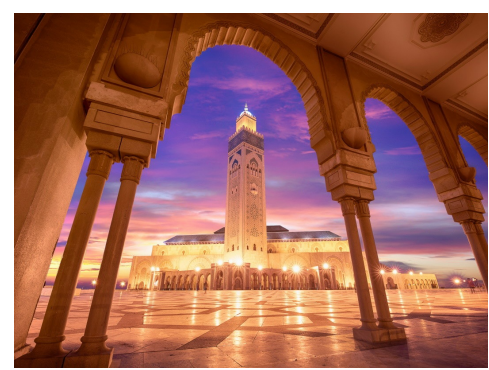
Explore the exotic markets, palaces, fondouks and deserts of Morocco

Be immersed in the vibrant nightlife & food scene in Madrid

Includes 15 nights of premium en-suite accommodation

Travel in a private, first-class, air-conditioned coach

Description



2024 Departures AVAILABLE NOW!

On our Spain, Portugal, and Morocco tour, experience the rich history and distinct cultures of these three glorious countries. Enjoy overnight stays in Madrid, Seville, Granada, and the Costa del Sol in Spain; Coimbra and Lisbon in Portugal; and Rabat, Marrakesh, and Fez in Morocco.

Starting in the gorgeous city of Madrid, enjoy the infamous nightlife, shopping and dining scenes, before journeying onward to discover Avila, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its ancient, fortified towers. Wander through beautiful Salamanca and Seville, and enjoy Portuguese pearls such as Coimbra, Obidos, Fatima with its famous Sanctuary, and the vibrant capital, Lisbon.

Continue the adventure with a journey across the Strait of Gibraltar to Morocco: situated at the tip of the African continent, step back in time in Rabat, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Morocco's capital, before continuing on to the thrilling cities of Fez, Casablanca and Marrakesh. Explore the endless, exotic palaces, madrasas, fondouks, markets and breathtaking countryside of this amazing country.

Adventure is knocking with everything you need; hand-selected accommodation, guided sightseeing and seamless transportation. Don't miss your chance to be immersed in Iberia – get in touch with us today.



Itinerary

Day 1

Madrid

Check into your hotel. Take advantage of any free time to explore lively Madrid with the help of the CosmosGO app. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2

Madrid

Spaniards say the Spanish capital, situated 2,180 feet above sea level, is the nearest thing to Heaven. It's certainly worth making the most of today by joining the included guided sightseeing tour: a full panoramic drive by way of the Calle Alcalà, Parliament Square, and a picture stop outside the Royal Palace. The optional trip to Toledo is most rewarding, too. The splendid setting of this old walled city above the Tagus was made famous in El Greco's painting, and even now it's like a great open-air museum of Spanish history and art.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

Madrid Avila Salamanca Coimbra, Portugal

Visit ancient fortified Avila with its many towers, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue to Salamanca and make sure you spend some time wandering around Plaza Mayor, the grandest square in Spain. Cross the border to Guarda, one of the most important strongholds in a set of fortifications which defended the Portuguese against Castile and Leon during the Middle Ages. From here, descend to the valleys of the Serra da Estrela to Coimbra. Today's Distance: 329 mi/ 530 km.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 4

Coimbra Fatima Obidos Lisbon, Portugal

Enjoy an orientation tour of Coimbra, celebrated for its beauty and ancient university. Later, travel southward to visit the Sanctuary of Fatima, one of Europe's most visited Marian shrines. Continue to picturesque fortified Obidos, before reaching Lisbon for two overnights. Today's Distance: 168 mi/ 270 km.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 5

Lisbon

On the included guided city tour, see the monument dedicated to Henry the Navigator, the Belem Tower, the Moorish Citadel, and the impressive Commerce Square, also known as Black Horse Square, facing the Tagus river. Spend the afternoon at leisure- maybe in the Alfama's tile-decorated streets, or take an optional excursion to the Portuguese Riviera.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 6

Lisbon Seville, Spain

From the rolling plains of the Alentejo with its woodlands of cork and eucalyptus trees, head south to the brilliant light of Andalusia. Admire its neat, white-painted villages and sundrenched plantations of olives, figs, and almonds while travelling towards magnificent Seville. Today's Distance: 261 mi/ 420 km

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7

Seville

Enjoy an included sightseeing tour of this vibrant city. Walk in the city centre, see some of the main highlights and spend time to admire the impressive Plaza d'Espana, located in the centre of the Parque de Maria Luisa. The park was designed in a "Moorish paradisaical style", with a half mile of tiled fountains, pavilions, walls, ponds, benches, and exhedras; lush plantings of palms, orange trees, Mediterranean pines, and stylised flower beds. Numerous buildings were constructed in the park to provide spaces for the Ibero-American World Fair of 1929. Afternoon at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 8

Seville Rabat, Morocco

Drive through Spain's scenic sherry wine region and head south to the coast. Here, you will embark the ferry and cruise across the Strait of Gibraltar to Morocco on the African continent. Travel along what was once the infamous Barbary Coast, then continue the drive south to Rabat, one of Morocco's imperial cities. Today's Distance: 311 mi/ 500 km

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 9

Rabat Casablanca Marrakesh

Join the included guided city sightseeing tour of the country's lively capital, and a visit to Chellah Gardens and Kasbah des Oudaias. Later, reach Morocco's westernmost city: Casablanca. Enjoy an orientation drive of this modern city and see the illustrious Hassan II Mosque. One of the largest mosques in the world, its minaret soars 689 feet into the sky. Continue on to the "red" oasis city of Marrakesh. An optional excursion this evening is the perfect ending of the day. Today's Distance: 227 mi/ 365 km.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 10

Marrakesh

Today's included city sightseeing tour with a Local Guide will make you feel like you've stepped back in time. Founded in the 9th century, Marrakesh remains a tapestry of ramparts, mosques, palaces, gardens, and vibrant public squares and souks (markets)- where buying and selling and a fascinating carnival of entertainment occurs daily. Also visit the Bahia Palace and Majorelle Gardens.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 11

Marrakesh Fez

Today, travel through the fragrant cedar forests of the Middle Atlas mountains, where a number of peaks soar above 13,000 feet in elevation. This range is home to the endangered Barbary apes, wild boars, and polecats. On your way north to Fez, enjoy glimpses of North African village life. Today's Distance: 311 mi/ 500 km.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 12

Fez

Ancient Fez is a city of outstanding scenic beauty. Visit the Medina during the included sightseeing tour this morning, and enjoy the maze of narrow streets through the colourful bazaars and exotic atmosphere. The madrasas, fondouks, palaces, residences, mosques, and fountains dating back to the 13th century are part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site. In the afternoon, explore further on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 13

Fez 🏰 Mijas, Spain

Today, an early departure takes you north for the ferry crossing back to mainland Spain to the Costa del Sol. Overnight in Mijas. Today's Distance: 323 mi/ 520 km.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 14

Mijas 🚗 Granada

Travel along the Costa del Sol to Granada in the heart of Andalusia. Enjoy an included guided visit of the Alhambra Complex*, a lavish palace and fortress built by Moorish kings. Marvel at its architectural beauty and magnificent gardens, with construction dating back to 889 AD. Today's Distance: 96 mi/ 155 km.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

*Alhambra complex: Entrance to Nasrid Palace is not guaranteed

Day 15

Granada 🚗 Madrid

On your way to Madrid, travel through the very heart of La Mancha region. It was described by Miguel de Cervantes in his 17th-century novel "Don Quixote". Visitors to the region today still can encounter the 16th-century windmills at which Cervantes's fictional would-be knight-errant "tilted," believing them to be gigantic rivals. In addition to its association with Cervantes, La Mancha is well known for its wines. Today's Distance: 267 mi/ 430 km.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 16

Madrid

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

Meals: Breakfast

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- Meals: 15 Breakfasts, 8 Dinners
 - Transport: Tour by private, air-conditioned motorcoach. Free Wi-Fi (where available)
 - 15 Nights Accommodation: all rooms with private bath or shower. Includes hotel taxes, tips and service charges
 - Ferry across the Strait of Gibraltar
 - Explore the ancient, fortified World Heritage Site of Avila
 - Guided visit to Granada's legendary Alhambra complex
 - City tours in Madrid, Seville, Lisbon, Marrakesh & more
 - Entry to the Bahia Palace & Marjorelle Gardens in Marrakesh
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Exclusions

- Items of a personal nature
- Travel insurance (recommended)
- Any visas needed
- Tipping & gratuities
- Optional excursions & activities
- Airfares

Important info

Child Policy: Children are not allowed on this particular itinerary. Get in touch with us for family friendly options!

Single Supplement: Travelling solo? Get in touch with us for a quote.

Guaranteed Departures: Not all dates are guaranteed departures and some must hit minimum numbers in order to go ahead. Get in touch with one of our team to see if your preferred departure is guaranteed!

Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).