

NEW TOUR CLASSIC 3.8

# Spain's Classics & Portugal

14 DAYS \$4,999 pp\* Save up to \$200

## About This Tour

Embark on an Iberian adventure as you take in medieval architecture, idyllic landscapes and delectable cuisine. Explore Lisbon, Europe's second oldest capital city. View Antonio Gaudí's architectural masterpieces, including La Sagrada Familia. Become part of an authentic "paella experience." Enjoy the fascinating art form that is Flamenco. Visit the exotic and expansive Alhambra Palace. Marvel at the timeless masterpieces at the Prado Museum. Visit the Jeronimos Monastery in Belém. Visit the medieval walled town of Obidos. Explore Spain and Portugal's culture and history set against a backdrop of sunny Mediterranean shores and grand mountain ranges.

## Your Tour Includes





- 7 Handpicked Accommodations
- 20 Meals

- 2 Choice on Tour Options

## Included Highlights

- Barcelona
- La Sagrada Familia
- Valencia
- Paella Experience

### Your Tour at a Glance

<b>Stay</b>	14 Days
	13 Nights
<b>Meals</b>	20 Meals
	13 Breakfasts
	5 Dinners
<b>Activity</b>	3
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<b>Travel Style</b>	Classic
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### Customize Your Tour

<b>Pre Tour</b> 4 Night Barcelona & Costa Brava	<b>\$1,680.00 pp</b> <a href="#">View Pre Tour</a>
<b>Post Tour</b> Madeira Island Land Portion	<b>\$1,050.00 pp</b> <a href="#">View Post Tour</a>
<b>Optional Excursions</b>	<b>Starting at \$139.00</b> <a href="#">View Excursions</a>

# Itinerary

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## Day 1: Barcelona, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Spain. Begin your journey in the vibrant city of Barcelona. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers and enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
H10 Casanova	Dinner

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## Day 2: Barcelona

Start your morning with a walk from your hotel to some of Barcelona's main sights, getting to experience this amazing city as it was meant to be explored - on foot. After some free time for lunch on your own, embark on a panoramic tour of Barcelona, showcasing the Columbus Monument, Parc de Montjuic, and Antoni Gaudi's Batllo House and Casa Mila building (UNESCO). A local expert will accompany you on a visit to the awe-inspiring La Sagrada Familia\* (UNESCO), considered to be the most famous of Gaudi's work. Work on the basilica began in 1882, and it is scheduled to be completed in 2026 on the 100th anniversary of the architect's death.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
H10 Casanova	Breakfast

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## Day 3: Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia

Today, say goodbye to Barcelona! On your way to Valencia, stop in beautiful Peniscola where you will enjoy free time to explore on your own. Known as the "City in the Sea," this fortified town and its Knights Templar Castle dating back to the 13th century are a little hidden gem. End your day in Valencia, a

treasure trove of Roman and Arabic architecture, surrounded by citrus groves. Perhaps you will join an optional tour that explores the myths and legends of Valencia.

**Hotel**                      **Culinary**

SH Valencia Palace    Breakfast

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**Day 4: Valencia - Albufera - Valencia**

On a panoramic tour of Valencia, see the City of Arts and Sciences – an ultramodern educational institution. Explore the city's old town on foot, discovering the history with a local expert. View the ornate Serranos Towers before wandering through the bustling central market, where you'll shop side-by-side with the locals. Enjoy time on your own to explore as you wish. Travel to Albufera, the area where paella first originated. Enjoy a short boat ride on the canals surrounding the rice field plantations. Visit a traditional fisherman's home, known as a barraca, and enjoy a paella-making demonstration and a delicious paella lunch.

**Hotel**                      **Culinary**

SH Valencia Palace    Breakfast & Lunch

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**Day 5: Valencia - Granada**

Today you'll make your way to Granada, the last great capital of the Moors in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for dinner at a nearby restaurant.

**Hotel**                      **Culinary**

Catalonia Granada    Breakfast & Dinner

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## Day 6: Granada - Seville

This morning, join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra\*\* (UNESCO,) a stone fortress overlooking the entire city and serving as a mesmerizing example of Islamic architecture. End your day in Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital."

### Hotel

Barcelo Seville  
Renacimiento

### Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

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## Day 7: Seville

Decide how you see Seville because it's your choice! Walk the Santa Cruz Quarter with an expert guide, admiring the orange trees and white-washed houses before continuing to the Plaza de España -OR- see the city from a different perspective with a boat ride on the Guadalquivir River, drifting by timeworn bridges and towers. Later, visit the Seville Cathedral\*\*\* (UNESCO) – the largest gothic church in the world – and see Columbus' tomb and the Giralda Bell Tower. End the afternoon with a light tapas lunch, overlooking the cathedral. This evening, enjoy an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's most famous traditions.

### Hotel

Barcelo Seville  
Renacimiento

### Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

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## Day 8: Seville - Cordoba - Madrid

Travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. Upon arrival, embark on a walking tour of La Mezquita (UNESCO), an 8th-century mosque that was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's well-preserved and historical Jewish

Quarter. Then, board the AVE high-speed train to Spain's capital city, Madrid! Arrive in the late afternoon and enjoy some free time to rest or venture out and explore on your own.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
H10 Puerta de Alcala	Breakfast

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## **Day 9: Madrid**

During a locally guided panoramic tour of Madrid's historic centre, see iconic sites such as the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor, where events have been held since the 17th century. Join a local expert to explore the priceless masterpieces of the Prado Museum, which opened in 1819 and boasts some of the world's finest collections of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya. Your afternoon will be free to explore this fascinating city further.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
H10 Puerta de Alcala	Breakfast & Dinner

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## **Day 10: Madrid - Toledo - Elvas, Portugal**

Travel to Toledo (UNESCO), the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. Embark on a comprehensive tour, highlighting the magnificent Gothic cathedral. Then, visit the Church of Santo Tome and view El Greco's masterpiece painting, The Burial of Count Orgaz. Bid Spain adios and cross the border into Portugal, arriving in the off-the-beaten-path town of Elvas, a garrison town recognized as a World Heritage site.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
Vila Gale Collection Elvas	Breakfast

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### Day 11: Elvas - Lisbon

After enjoying a relaxing morning in Elvas, make your way to Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. Spend your day uncovering legends of the country's past, including visits to Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and the Tower of Belém (UNESCO). Enjoy time in the evening to settle into your new home for the next 3 nights.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
Altis Grand Hotel	Breakfast

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### Day 12: Lisbon

The day is yours! Discover the capital city on your own. Consider tasting the city's mouthwatering cuisine or taking the historic tram to the vibrant Alfama district. Perhaps you will go on an optional excursion to the Portuguese Riviera, visiting the picturesque towns of Cascais and Sintra.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
Altis Grand Hotel	Breakfast

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### Day 13: Lisbon - Obidos - Lisbon

Today, visit one of Portugal's most famed towns – Obidos! With its labyrinth of cobblestoned streets and whitewashed houses, this medieval town beckons you to linger and enjoy its charm. You may choose to try one of the local delicacies – sour cherry liquor served in chocolate cups, or simply enjoy the narrow streets and picture perfect alleyways. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain and Portugal.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Culinary</b>
Altis Grand Hotel	Breakfast & Dinner

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## Day 14: Lisbon - Tour Ends

Return home with memories of a beautiful land and a diverse cultural heritage.

**Hotel**

**Culinary**

Breakfast

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