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Great Iberian Route

VALENCIA/SPAIN

01 - TUE. 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. 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 Vía**; 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.

TODAY'S 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 "corridos" 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, in-



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ternational 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.

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 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 some cases, depending on the timetable of the rack railway, the ascent to Montserrat can be done in our coach. From November to March, due to the shorter duration of the days, we will neither be ascending nor stopping in Montserrat.*

04 - FRI. Barcelona.

We include a morning **tour of the city**, Les Rambles, Gaudi's works, and the remnants of olympic venues. Free afternoon. We **include night transportation** and will attend the show of **THE MAGIC FOUNTAIN** of **Montjuich**, with its combination of lights, colors, water and music. You will have time to dine in this area.

Note: in case of having the transfer to the Magic Fountain a day that for maintenance or any other reason the show is not performed, the night transfer will be given to the Maremagnum, avant-garde leisure center with restaurants by the sea and to the Plaza Colón.

05 - SAT. Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia.-

TODAY'S 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.

TODAY'S 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 Christ's 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**.

07 - MON. Granada.

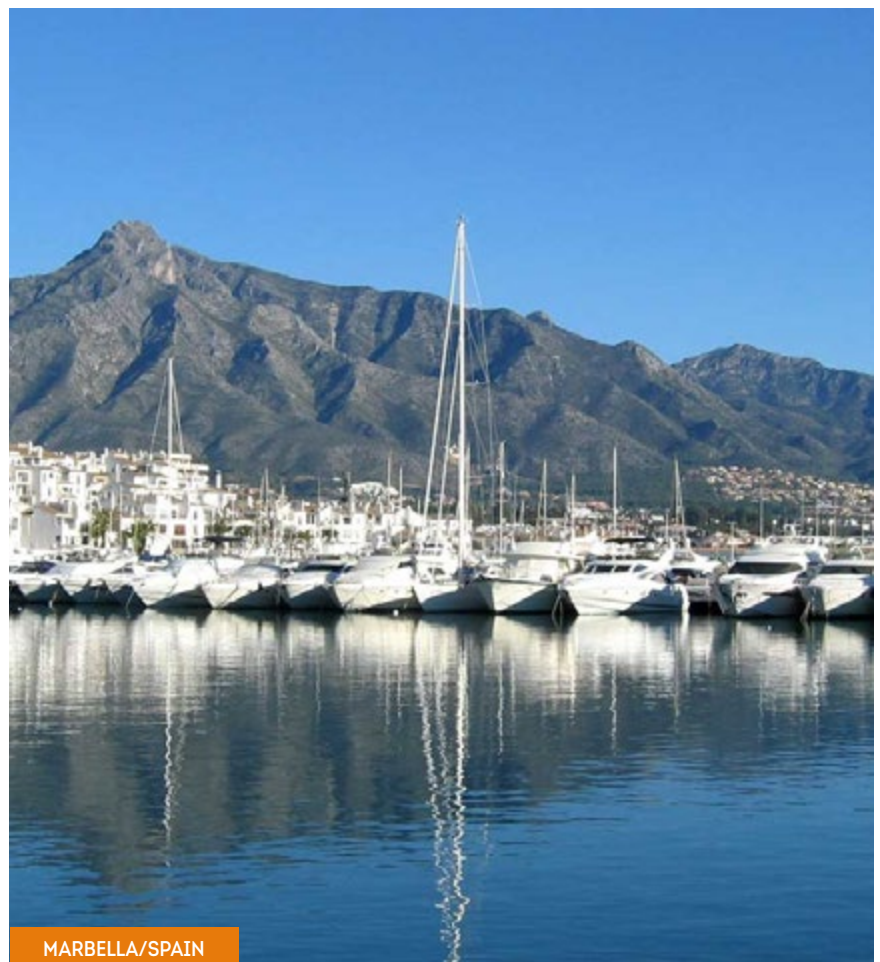
TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Visit the Alhambra . Night transfer.

We will have a full day in **GRANADA**. 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 **Albaicin 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. 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.*



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MARBELLA/SPAIN

08 - 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 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 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. Then we will travel onward to **SEVILLE**, arrival sometime in the late afternoon.

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 - 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 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 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 - Fatima - Madrid.-

TODAY'S 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.

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



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Expected Hotels

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The price includes

- **Europamundo General Services:** Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance, hotel and breakfast buffet.
- **Includes arrival transfer**
- **City tour in:** MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA, GRANADA, SEVILLE, LISBON
- **Boat:** along Guadalquivir river in Seville
- **Evening transfer:** Debod Temple and Plaza de Espana/Gran Vía in Madrid, Plaza de Oriente in Madrid , Magic Fountain in Montjuic or Plaza de Catalunya in Barcelona , Bullrign square in Valencia , Albaicin in Granada , Historic center of Seville , Restauradores Square in Lisbon
- **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. , Chapel of Bones in Evora
- **Train:** Montserrat, Caravaca de la Cruz
- **1 Lunch Included in:** FATIMA