



## Itinerary

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### Spain's Classics

Jun 22, 2019 - Jul 2, 2019

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#### Pre Night: H10 Puerta de Alcalá



Would you like to begin your vacation with an additional Hotel in Madrid?

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#### Day 1: Overnight Flight



You are on your way to a colorful cultural adventure featuring the best of Spain.

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#### Day 2: Madrid, Spain - Tour Begins



Welcome to Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner.

##### Hotel

H10 Puerta De Alcalá  
Madrid

##### Culinary

Dinner

##### Weather

High 83°  
Low 56°  
Rain 1"

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#### Day 3: Madrid - Toledo - Prado Museum - Madrid



Today we travel to Toledo, a UNESCO site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. A comprehensive tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral and the 13th-century synagogue, a testament to Toledo's Jewish heritage. Also stop in the Church of Santo Tome to view El Greco's masterpiece painting, The Burial of Count Orgaz. Later return to Madrid for a locally guided tour of Madrid's historic center, see 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 the world's finest collection of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya.

##### Hotel

H10 Puerta De Alcalá  
Madrid

##### Culinary

Breakfast

##### Weather

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## Day 4: Madrid - Cordoba - Seville



Travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. You may opt to take the AVE high-speed train to reduce travel time and increase leisure time in Cordoba. Upon arrival, embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita. This UNESCO site, an architectural marvel built by the Moors in the 8th century as a magnificent mosque, was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's well-preserved and historical old Jewish Quarter. Later, transfer to Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital."

### Hotel

Melia Sevilla  
Seville

### Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

### Weather

High 87°  
Low 62°

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## Day 5: Seville



Today you will see Columbus' tomb, the ornate cathedral (UNESCO), and the Giralda Bell Tower. Enjoy a walking tour of the quaint old Santa Cruz Quarter with its bright flowers, white-washed buildings and winding streets; then continue to Plaza de España and the beautiful Maria Luisa Park, one of the loveliest in all of Europe. This evening, enjoy an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers.

### Hotel

Melia Sevilla  
Seville

### Culinary

Breakfast

### Weather

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## Day 6: Seville - Granada



Travel along the peaceful Sierra Nevada to Granada, the last great capital of the Moors in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. Join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra,\*\*\* an immense hilltop palace (UNESCO). Also tour the Generalife, meaning "garden of the architect," where the grounds are beautifully designed with waterfalls, courtyards and smaller secret gardens.

### Hotel

Barcelo Carmen Granada  
Granada

### Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

### Weather

High 88°  
Low 56°

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## Day 7: Granada - Valencia



Today you travel through Spain's amazing landscape viewing rolling hills dotted with picturesque olive groves while en route to the Mediterranean coast. Arrive in the city of Valencia, a treasure trove of Roman and Arabic architecture, surrounded by citrus groves.

### Hotel

Sh Valencia Palace  
Valencia

### Culinary

Breakfast

### Weather

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Low 63°

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## Day 8: Valencia - Paella Experience - Valencia



It's your choice! Take a walking tour of historic Valencia to see the ornate 14th-century Serranos Tower and imposing 15th-century Quart Tower; then arrive at the bustling central market, one of the largest in Europe, where you'll shop side-by-side with the locals before concluding your tour at the impressive 13th-century Gothic cathedral -OR- explore the impressive City of Arts & Science, an ultramodern, multi-faceted educational institution, followed by a tour of the Lladro City of Porcelain to learn about the history and creative process of the world-famous, handmade Lladro figurines.\*\* Later, gather together and travel to the area where paella cuisine originated. A "paella experience" features a boat ride on the canals surrounding rice field plantations; a visit to a traditional fisherman's home known as a "barraca"; a paella-making demonstration and an authentic paella lunch. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

### Hotel

Sh Valencia Palace  
Valencia

### Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

### Weather

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Low 63°

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## Day 9: Valencia - Barcelona



Travel to Barcelona, one of Europe's most beautiful and exciting cities. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Barcelona's fascinating boulevards including the famous Las Ramblas, dotted with colorful bird and flower stalls.

### Hotel

Hotel Colon  
Barcelona

### Culinary

Breakfast

### Weather

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## Day 10: Barcelona



Today, get an in-depth look at vibrant and lively Barcelona. Your panoramic tour showcases the Columbus Monument, Parc de Montjuic, Antoni Gaudi's UNESCO World Heritage sites including La Sagrada Familia, Batllo House and the unconventional Casa Mila building with a guided visit to Parc Güell. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain!

### Hotel

Hotel Colon  
Barcelona

### Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

### Weather

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## Day 11: Barcelona - Tour Ends



You return home with vivid memories of a spectacularly beautiful land with an old, rich and diverse cultural heritage.

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## Post Night: Hotel Colon Barcelona



The Colon Hotel is centrally located in Barcelona, Spain. It is situated nearby to the Cathedral, the Plaza Catalunya, and the port of Barcelona. The Colon Hotel is an open doorway to the Gothic district, the most traditional district of Barcelona, where guests will find attractions, museums and monuments.