



# Journey through Andalusia: Seville, Granada & Málaga

11 days | 13 days with Costa del Sol extension

With its Moorish architecture, whitewashed villages, dazzling beaches, and rugged mountains, Southern Spain is a feast for the eyes. On this tour, you'll treat the rest of your senses to the region's many riches, too. Shock your tastebuds awake with the bright, bold flavors of Andalusian cuisine and Spanish wine in Seville. Feel smooth, centuries-old cobblestones underfoot in the streets of Córdoba's Jewish Quarter. Revel in the scent of salty, sea air as you explore the port city of Málaga. And let the joyful buzz of busy tapas bars and taverns fill your ears in Granada. This is Southern Spain at its artistic, scenic, and culinary best.



## Your tour package includes

- 9 nights in handpicked hotels
- 9 breakfasts
- 1 lunch
- 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 2 food tastings
- 6 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

## Included highlights

- Seville Cathedral
- Córdoba Mezquita
- Olive oil tasting
- Úbeda
- Alhambra
- Sierra Nevada mountains
- Alcazaba fortress
- Ronda
- Casa Museo Don Bosco

## Tour pace

You will walk for at least 2.5 hours daily across moderately uneven terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with some hills.

## Group size

15-32

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## Overnight Flight → 1 night

### Day 1: Travel day

*Included meals: breakfast*

Board your overnight flight to Seville today.

## Seville → 3 nights

### Day 2: Arrival in Seville

*Included meals: welcome dinner*

Welcome to Spain! Meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at a welcome dinner tonight.

### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Seville

*Included meals: breakfast*

Uncover the beauty of Seville, the historic Andalusian capital, on a guided sightseeing tour.

- Pass the Guadalquivir river, the site of the 1992 World Expo, and the 13th-century Torre del Oro watchtower.
- View the tiled pavilion of the Plaza de España before strolling through the Murillo Gardens.
- Wander among the whitewashed homes of Barrio de Santa Cruz.
- Enter the Gothic Seville Cathedral, the third-largest church in the world.

Spend a free evening in Seville or add an excursion.

+ Seville Tapas & Wine Tasting Tour

### Day 4: Free day in Seville

*Included meals: breakfast*

Enjoy a free day in Seville or add an excursion.

+ Cádiz & Sherry Tasting

## Córdoba → 1 night

### Day 5: Transfer to Córdoba & sightseeing tour

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch*

Leave Seville and make your way to Córdoba, Europe's largest medieval city, and discover its history on a guided tour.

- Sit down for an included lunch at a local restaurant.
- View the Roman bridge of Córdoba, with its 16 arches, and the adjacent Albolafia watermill, which was built during the ninth century.

- Enter the Mezquita, a UNESCO World Heritage Site built in the eighth century as a mosque and then converted into a cathedral during the Reconquista—a long period of conflict between Christians and Muslim Moors over control of the Iberian Peninsula.
- Walk through the Old Town and the Jewish Quarter.

## Granada → 2 nights

### Day 6: Granada via Úbeda

*Included meals: breakfast, tasting, dinner*

Travel to Úbeda, an UNESCO-listed town renowned for its Renaissance architecture, handicrafts, and olive groves.

- Stop at an olive oil farm and join a local guide for a tour of the olive groves, mill, and cellar.
- Enjoy a tasting of the farm's own olive oils, as well as free time to shop for local products.
- Head into Úbeda to explore its narrow streets, pottery shops, and palaces.

Continue on to Granada and sit down for an included dinner.

### Day 7: Sightseeing tour of the Alhambra

*Included meals: breakfast*

Take a guided tour of the UNESCO-recognized Alhambra, the Moorish sultans' last stronghold in Spain.

- Walk along the Cypress Promenade to view the upper and lower gardens of Generalife Palace, once the Nasrid dynasty's summer home.
- Enjoy panoramic views of Granada and its surrounding countryside.
- View the unique curved, Roman-style courtyard inside the Palace of Charles V.
- Admire the blend of Western art and Islamic design as you stroll through ornamented courtyards.
- Enter the Nasrid Palaces and see the Mexuar, where the Council of Ministers met.
- See where the royal family lived during visits to Comares Palace and the Palace of the Lions.

*Please note: The order of activities is subject to change.*

Spend a free evening in Granada or add an excursion.

+ Granada Flamenco Show

## Málaga → 3 nights

### Day 8: Málaga via Alpujarra villages of the Sierra Nevada Mountains

*Included meals: breakfast, tasting*

Visit several Alpujarra villages in the Sierra Nevada mountain range, which is home to the highest peak on the Iberian Peninsula.

- Meet your local guide in the town of Órgiva, a bustling market town that has become a melting pot of various communities living the Spanish lifestyle.
- Travel to Pampaneira, a mountain village known for its ceramics, leather, and clothing.
- Make your way to Trevélez, one of the highest villages in the Sierra Nevada and a region known for its ham, or jamón, production.
- Stop for a tasting of locally produced Jamón Serrano.
- Pay a visit to the seaside town of Nerja, where you can take in sweeping vistas of the Mediterranean Sea from a popular, clifftop viewing point known as the Balcony of Europe.

Continue on to Málaga and settle in at your hotel.

### Day 9: Sightseeing tour of Málaga

*Included meals: breakfast*

Discover the port city of Málaga on a guided sightseeing tour this morning.

- View the Málaga Cathedral, nicknamed the One-Armed Woman for its incomplete second tower.
- Learn of the city's ancient past as you explore the ancient Roman theatre.
- Visit the hilltop, fortified Moorish palace of Alcazaba and take in panoramic views of the city.

Spend a free afternoon in Málaga or add an excursion.

+ Picasso Museum Málaga & Jardín Botánico Histórico

### Day 10: Sightseeing tour of Ronda

*Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner*

Set off to explore the famous cliffside town of Ronda with a local guide.

- Admire the town's picturesque, white buildings and pass the Plaza de Toros, which was constructed in the late 1700s.
- View the staggering Puente Nuevo, an 18th-century bridge that spans a deep gorge.
- Walk by Mondragón Palace and enter Casa Museo Don Bosco, an historic home with beautiful views over the surrounding countryside.

Afterward, visit the unique town of Setenil de las Bodegas, part of which has been built into rock overhangs. Take time to walk through the town and its hilltop fortress, which was built by the Moors.

Return to Málaga and celebrate your trip with your group at tonight's farewell dinner.

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## Flight Home

### Day 11: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or continue on to explore Costa del Sol.

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## + Costa del Sol extension

Take in the dramatic beauty of southern Spain's Sierra Nevada mountains and glittering seaside as you travel to Costa del Sol. Alongside your Tour Director, explore charming mountain villages renowned for their high-quality handicrafts and food products, and sip local wines paired with regional breads, cheeses, olive oil, and—of course—Spain's sought-after jamón.

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## Costa del Sol → 2 nights

### Day 11: Costa del Sol via Marbella

*Included meals: breakfast, tasting, wine tasting*

Head to Costa del Sol, a stretch of fashionable towns and beaches hugging the Mediterranean, stopping along the way to enjoy some traditional Andalusian flavors.

- Join a local guide in the city of Marbella and set off on a walking tour through the Old Town.

- Walk by Renaissance-era, whitewashed buildings, flower-draped balconies, and narrow, winding streets.
- View the Marbella Castle walls, which were once part of an enclosed Moorish citadel.
- See the lively Plaza de los Naranjos, Ermita de Santiago church, and bronze sculptures by Salvador Dalí.
- Visit a local shop and taste wines paired with cheese, ham, bread, and olive oil.

Enjoy a free afternoon to relax along the Costa del Sol.

### Day 12: Free day on Costa del Sol

*Included meals: breakfast*

Spend a free day on the beaches of Costa del Sol or add an excursion.

This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

+ A Day in Gibraltar

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## Flight Home

### Day 13: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the Málaga airport for your flight home.

# Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.\* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: [goaheadtours.ca/AND](http://goaheadtours.ca/AND) | 1-800-754-5066

## Day 3: Seville Tapas & Wine Tasting Tour

\$145CAD/\$155CAD\* (4 hours, departure time varies)

Head to central Seville and meet up with a local guide. You'll set off on a food-themed walking tour through the charming Triana neighborhood that will mix history, traditions, and gastronomy together along the way. As you stroll along the river, learn the history of tapas and about Andalusian gastronomy before entering your first tapas bar. From the history of Barrio, the birthplace of flamenco, to the beautiful ceramic tiles, you'll be sure to gain a new insight on this amazing city while you feast on delicious plates of tapas.

## Day 4: Cádiz & Sherry Tasting

\$149CAD/\$159CAD\* (10 hours, departs in the morning)

Travel to the ancient port city of Cádiz and get to know one of western Europe's oldest inhabited cities. Meet up with a local guide and stroll through the Old Town, admiring varying architecture styles from different cultural groups who have called the city home. Pass Plaza de San Juan de Dios and the old Roman Theatre, then enter Cádiz Cathedral, which took more than 116 years to complete. If you're up for it, climb to the top of the cathedral's tower, where you can enjoy views of the city. Pay a visit to the Mercado Central for free time to enjoy lunch or shopping. Afterward, travel to Jerez, where Sherry, the famous fortified wine, is made. Tour of a Sherry house, or bodega, to learn how this famous fortified wine is produced, then enjoy a tasting.

## Day 7: Granada Flamenco Show

\$105CAD/\$115CAD\* (3 hours, departs in the evening)

Flamenco is a unique and colorful Andalusian art form that combines guitar playing, singing, clapping, and dancing. UNESCO declared flamenco to be one of the Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity and tonight, you'll get a taste of this one-of-a-kind art form in the region where it was created. Make your way to a traditional cave dug into the hillsides where you'll sip an included drink as you watch the authentic performance, which allows expressive lyrics, moving instrumentals, and passionate dancing.

## Day 9: Picasso Museum Málaga & Jardín Botánico Histórico

\$159CAD/\$169CAD\* (4 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Visit the Museo Picasso Málaga and view the collection showcasing 80 years of Pablo Picasso's work. Explore the museum with a local guide, and learn more about the artist who hailed from Málaga and spent his childhood there until the age of ten. Later, head to the Jardín Botánico Histórico, a designated historical-artistic garden created in 1855. Set off on a leisurely walking tour through the sub-tropical landscape to hear about and see the more than 1,000 species that call the garden home.

## Extension excursion options

### Day 12: A Day in Gibraltar

\$219CAD/\$229CAD\* (8 hours, departs in the morning with lunch)

Make your way along the Costa del Sol to Gibraltar, a pocket of British culture in the Mediterranean. This overseas territory of Great Britain is most famously home to the iconic Rock of Gibraltar. Today, you'll get a close-up look during a visit to the Gibraltar Nature Reserve, established in 1993 to protect native wildlife. Here, get to know the resident population of semi-wild Barbary macaques while keeping an eye out for the many species of migratory birds that use the rock as a resting place. Then, take in sweeping views of the ocean (and Africa on a clear day) as you journey to sites such as St. Michael's Cave, Spur Battery, and Europa Point Lighthouse. End with an included lunch and pint at a local pub and some free time in town before transferring back to Costa del Sol. Please note: As Gibraltar is a territory of the United Kingdom, you must show your passport to enter. Make sure you have yours with you before this excursion departs.

\*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at [goaheadtours.ca/terms](http://goaheadtours.ca/terms)