GO AHEAD TOURS



Lisbon, Seville & Madrid

11 days | 13 days with Barcelona extension

Relive the Age of Discovery, when explorers brought treasures from around the world—which are now on display in Portuguese palaces and Spanish cathedrals. Uncover Roman ruins throughout the region, as well as the Moorish influences in exotic Andalusia. When your hands-on history lesson is complete, fast-forward to the present day to feast on tapas, drink sangria, and join the street life in Madrid.



Your tour package includes

9 nights in handpicked hotels
9 breakfasts
3 dinners with beer or wine
5 sightseeing tours
Expert Tour Director & local guides
Private deluxe motor coach
1 train ride

Included highlights

Monument to the Discoveries
Tower of Belém
Évora
Plaza de España
Royal Alcázar
Córdoba
Puerta del Sol
Prado Museum

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 2 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with few hills or stairs.

Group size

15–38

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day
Board your overnight flight to Lisbon today.

Lisbon → 3 nights

Day 2: Arrival in Lisbon
Included meals: welcome dinner
Welcome to Portugal! Meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Lisbon
Included meals: breakfast
Get to know the Portuguese capital on a tour with a local guide.

- Admire views of the city from Eduardo VII Park and pass the Praça Marquês de Pombal as you travel along Avenida da Liberdade
- Stop at the waterfront to discover the city's maritime heritage at the Monument to the Discoveries and Tower of Belém
- View the outside of the church at Jerónimos Monastery, built to honor voyagers
- Transfer to the bustling Time Out Market for a walk among its stalls and to enjoy free time for lunch

Enjoy free time in Lisbon or add an excursion.
+ Fado Show & Dinner

Day 4: Free day in Lisbon
Included meals: breakfast
Enjoy a free day in Lisbon or add an excursion.
+ Sintra & the Portuguese Riviera

Seville → 3 nights

Day 5: Seville via Évora
Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Travel through the unspoiled countryside of Portugal en route to Spain. Before crossing the border, stop in Évora to follow a local guide through the Church of St. Francis, known as the "Chapel of Bones."
Later, arrive in Seville, a city brimming with traditional Spanish charm, and sit down for an included dinner.

Day 6: Sightseeing tour of Seville
Included meals: breakfast
Uncover the beauty of Seville, the historic Andalusian capital, on a guided sightseeing tour.

- View the tiled pavilion of the Plaza de España
- Pass the whitewashed homes of Barrio de Santa Cruz
- See the Gothic Seville Cathedral, the third-largest church in the world
- Enter the Royal Alcázar, a palace that was once home to King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella

Enjoy free time in Seville or add an excursion.
+ Traditional Seville Flamenco Show

Day 7: Free day in Seville
Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in Seville or add an excursion.
+ Seville Tapas & Wine Tasting Tour

Madrid → 3 nights

Day 8: Madrid via olive oil farm & Córdoba
Included meals: breakfast
Leave Seville and make your way to Madrid, stopping en route to discover some of the flavors and history of Andalusia.

- Stop at an olive oil farm and join a local guide for a tour of the olive groves, mill, and cellar
- Sample some orange-infused olive oil drizzled on top of chocolate gelato
- Enjoy free time to shop
- Stop in the town of Córdoba, which was once home to 700 mosques, 900 public baths, and 70 libraries
- Enter the Mezquita, a UNESCO World Heritage site built in the eighth century as a mosque and then transformed into a cathedral during the Christian Reconquista of 1236

Later, board a high-speed train and arrive in Madrid this afternoon.
Please note: Porterage is not included for the train transfers. Travelers must be comfortable lifting and carrying all luggage over steps, onto platforms, and into luggage storage.

Day 9: Sightseeing tour of Madrid
Included meals: breakfast
Explore the Spanish capital's beautiful architecture, lively squares, and grand boulevards on today's guided sightseeing tour.

- View the Royal Palace, Spain's largest royal residence
- Pass by the Temple of Debod, a reassembled temple from ancient Egypt
- View the city's many squares, including Plaza Colón and Plaza Neptune
- Explore the Prado, a world-class art museum that began as the private collection of the Spanish monarchy and is home to the works of Goya, Velásquez, and more

Enjoy free time in Madrid or add an excursion.
+ Traditional Spanish Evening

Day 10: Free day in Madrid
Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner
Enjoy a free day in Madrid or add an excursion. Later, celebrate your trip during a farewell dinner.
+ Toledo

Flight Home

Day 11: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)
Transfer to the airport for your flight home or continue on to Barcelona.

+ Barcelona extension

Barcelona has a unique identity that practically radiates charm. Take a train ride to the Catalan capital to explore on a sightseeing tour, and let your Tour Director point you toward the city's highlights.

Barcelona → 2 nights

Day 11: Train to Barcelona
Included meals: breakfast
Board a high-speed train to beautiful Barcelona. Then, enjoy free time to explore the cultural capital of Catalonia.

Day 12: Sightseeing tour of Barcelona
Included meals: breakfast

Discover why the Catalan capital is touted for its unparalleled architectural landmarks, many of which are UNESCO World Heritage sites.

- Step inside La Sagrada Família, Gaudí's famous masterwork-in-progress
- Drive along Passeig de Gràcia, past Gaudí's "house of bones"
- Stop at Montjuïc, where the 1992 Olympic Games took place, and stroll through Mirador de l'Alcalde Park
- Pass Plaça d'Espanya

Spend a free afternoon in Barcelona or add an excursion.
This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.
+ Park Güell & La Pedrera

Flight Home

Day 13: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)
Transfer to the 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/LSM | 1-800-754-5066**

Day 3: Fado Show & Dinner
$145CAD/$155CAD* (3 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)
Spend your evening at a Lisbon tavern listening to fado. Derived from the Latin word fatum—meaning "prophecy" or "fate"—fado is Portugal's national musical treasure. Fado's traditional theme is "saudade"—a word that doesn't quite translate to English but conveys a sense of both nostalgia and longing. Dinner is included during this memorable musical evening. Please note: This excursion typically ends around 11pm.

Day 4: Sintra & the Portuguese Riviera
$135CAD (8 hours, departs in the morning)
Journey to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Sintra and learn why the poet Lord Byron once called it a "glorious Eden." Get a glimpse into royal life during a guided tour of the 19th-century, romanticist Pena Palace. Take a bus and mini-train ride up to this story-book, mountaintop site, which boasts picturesque gardens and sweeping views of the Portuguese countryside. After your tour, you'll have free time to stroll through Sintra, viewing its colorful villas, small shops, and impeccably manicured gardens. On your way back to Lisbon, take in the coastal scenery of the Portuguese Riviera. You'll also stop in the old fishing village of Cascais to enjoy free time to discover the town's winding, narrow streets, and pastel-colored buildings. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

Day 6: Traditional Seville Flamenco Show
$109CAD/$119CAD* (3 hours, departs in the evening)
Tonight, get a taste of old Seville during a live flamenco show. Flamenco is a unique and colorful Andalusian art form that combines guitar playing, singing, clapping, and dancing, and this excursion is sure to be one of the highlights of your Spanish journey. Sip an included drink as you watch the authentic performance, which allows expressive lyrics, moving instrumentals, and passionate dancing. After discovering why UNESCO has declared flamenco to be one of the Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity, enjoy free time to explore the vibrant Santa Cruz neighborhood.

Day 7: 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 9: Traditional Spanish Evening
$165CAD/$175CAD* (3 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)
Start the evening with a stroll through Plaza Mayor. Your Tour Director will tell you about the history of the square, where you'll see locals and travelers alike. On your way to dinner, walk through the illuminated streets of Madrid, taking in the local neighborhood ambiance in the evening light. Then, enjoy conversation, camaraderie, and live music at one of the oldest restaurants in the city. Between traditional Castilian courses, you'll be entertained by tuno music, an artistic tradition with its roots in Spain's universities.

Day 10: Toledo
$145CAD/$155CAD* (8 hours, departure time varies)
Today, discover Toledo, the clifftop city often referred to as La Ciudad Imperial ("The Imperial City"). Upon arrival, you'll have some free time to explore. Later in the afternoon, you'll kick off a guided tour at Toledo Cathedral: a massive Gothic structure housing a treasure trove of stained glass windows and golden artifacts. Gaze upon its sacristy, containing masterpieces by the likes of Van Dyck, El Greco, Rubens, and Titian. After exploring the labyrinth of medieval alleyways in the heart of the city, you'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé—a former mosque, dating to the 12th century, graced by one of El Greco's finest works, "The Burial of the Count of Orgaz." End your day with a stop at Santa María la Blanca, a museum that ranks as one of the oldest synagogues in Europe. Please note: This tour involves some walking over uneven terrain. Also, depending on the day of the week, the sites you visit may change.

Extension excursion options

Day 12: Park Güell & La Pedrera
$149CAD/$159CAD* (4 hours, departure time varies)
On today's excursion, discover the magnificent works of Antoni Gaudí, the famed Spanish architect known for his bold, distinct designs. Casa Milà is the first stop. Take a guided tour of this building, popularly known as "La Pedrera," which was built by Gaudí between 1905 and 1910. Everything about the building is visually unique, from its wave-like stone structure to the grandly designed roof. Next, you'll head to Park Güell, also designed by Gaudí. Your guide will lead you through the park, which contains stunning buildings, intricate stonework, and colorful mosaics. At the top of the park, marvel at the brilliant views of Barcelona.

*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