

#### DAYS 1-3: MADRID

#### \*Daily Itinerary subject to Minor Changes

Day 1:

Check in at our hotel that features a lively plaza and numerous cafes located directly outside our door in the heart of the historic city center. Then we'll walk to the nearby Puerta del Sol and Saturday Plaza Mayor, stopping for something to eat at Mercado de San Miguel, an upscale food hall, before we continue our orientation walking tour to walk past the Royal Palace and National Cathedral.

Day 2: Sunday Optional morning mass at the National Cathedral; then churros & chocolate at the famous Chocolatería San Ginés; an afternoon visit to the world-famous Prado Art Museum, followed by a relaxing afternoon at the sprawling Retiro Park (Madrid's version of Central Park). Dinner on your own with recommendations provided.

Dav 3: Monday Optional day trip to the medieval city of Toledo. Enjoy the one hour drive before touring the city of Toledo and then stopping at a winery for a tour of the vineyard and wine tasting. Group dinner at one of Madrid's long-standing paella restaurants.

#### DAYS 4-6: GRANADA

Day 4: Tuesday

We take the train to Granada and check in at our hotel located a few blocks from the beautiful Plaza Bib-Rambla and the unique Arab market of the Alcaecería; we'll walk through the historical Albaicín neighborhood and head to the San Nicolás lookout to see the Alhambra at sunset; experience the free tapas tradition in Granada as we stop at various restaurants along the famous "Ruta de las Tapas".

Day 5:

Visit the Alhambra palace and Gardens. Experience the ornate Holy Week processions Wednesday as they pass through the streets of Granada. A day to shop, eat, relax!

Day 6: Thursday Have a unique spa experience at Granada's famous Arab baths; OR optional all-day trip to Córdoba and the Mezquita (additional \$200 charge); Evening free to explore Granada and its cafés, boutiques, and restaurants and enjoy the Holy Week processions.

## DAYS 7-9: SEVILLE

Day 7: Friday

We head to our final destination: magical Sevilla! Our hotel is located across the street from the world-renowned Cathedral and we have a front-row seat for the powerful Good Friday candle-light procession.

Day 8: Saturday

Visit the former Arab royal palace (Alcazar) and the impressive Plaza de España. Take in more of the holy week processions and cap off the evening with an amazing flamenco performance.

Day 9: Experience the majestic Easter Sunday celebrations right in front of our hotel. This is Sunday your last day to soak up all Spain has to offer before our final group dinner!





## DATES & COST:

DATES: Depart U.S., Friday, March 22nd (arrive in Madrid on 3/23), Return to U.S. Monday, April, 1st

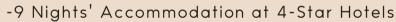
COST: \$3,300

Deposit: \$500 due by Dec. 15th

First payment of \$1650 due by January 15th Final payment of \$1150 due by March 1st

Limit; 10 people





- -Airport Transfers and Transportation to/from Train Stations
- -Train from Madrid to Granada
- -Transportation from Granada to Seville
- -Breakfast every day at hotel
- -2 group dinners (paella dinner in Madrid and farewell dinner in Seville)
- -Orientation Walking Tours by Kathleen in each city
- -Entrance fees to: Prado Museum, Alhambra Palace, Arab Bath Experience, Flamenco Show
- -Day Trip from Madrid to Toledo (includes guided tour of the medieval city of Toledo and a winery visit with wine tasting)



# **NOT INCLUDED:**

- -Airfare: You are responsible for purchasing your round-trip ticket
- -Travel/Health insurance [mandatory (about \$30) we'll provide information]
- -All meals/snacks other than breakfast and 2 dinners
- -Additional sites visited during your free time
- -Transportation to places visited on your own