

# **SPANISH FIESTA**

11 or 14 days | Barcelona | Valencia | Granada | Costa del Sol | Seville | Córdoba | Puerto Lápice | Madrid | Extension to Lisbon

Experience Spanish culture in all its forms. Admire the country's bold and unique architecture, from the unfinished La Sagrada Familia in Barcelona to the Seville Cathedral. Feel the emotive rhythms of the flamenco and soak up stunning Mediterranean views in Costa del Sol. In Madrid, the Palacio Real shows off Spain's regal side, while the Prado features its most celebrated artists.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

Full-time Tour Director

- **Sightseeing:** 4 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (5 *with extension*); 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director; 3 walking tours (4 *with extension*)
- **Entrances:** Park Güell; Fallas Museum; Alhambra; Seville Cathedral; Mezquita; Palacio Real; Prado; *with extension: Castelo de São Jorge; Mosteiro dos Jerónimos; Sintra*
- Experiential learning: "City Challenge" scavenger hunt

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All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 9 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms *(12 with extension)*; European breakfast and dinner daily



# Anyone can see the world.

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As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your *Tour Director* in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, *weShare*, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. *Expert local guides* will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday** 

– MELISSA, TRAVELER





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#### Day 1: Fly overnight to Spain

#### Day 2: Barcelona

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Barcelona, an art lover's dream city and the place where masters like Miró, Picasso, and Dalí flourished.
- Flower vendors and street performers greet you on a walking tour of the city.

#### Day 3: Barcelona

- Take an expertly guided tour of Barcelona. Snap photos of the twisting spires of La Sagrada Familia and the Magic Fountain of Montjuïc, which delights with dazzling light and water shows. From atop Montjuïc Hill enjoy panoramic views of the harbor below. Here you'll also find the 1992 Olympic stadium.
- Marvel at the landscaped greenery and playful Modernist mosaics on your visit to Park Güell.
- Enjoy a free evening or

### attend a Barcelona flamenco evening.

### Day 4: Barcelona | Valencia

- Travel to Valencia.
- Take a tour of Valencia.
- Visit the Fallas Museum, home to gorgeous sculptures called ninots saved from the Fallas fiesta, a yearly festival where hundreds of these creations are set aflame.

#### Day 5: Granada

Travel to Granada.

#### Day 6: Granada | Costa del Sol

- Take an expertly guided tour of Granada.
- Discover Granada through an interactive "City Challenge."
- Visit the Alhambra, Granada's crowning jewel that's widely recognized as the world's premier example of Moorish architecture. Built as an all-in-one *alcazaba* (fortress), *alcazar* (palace) and *medina* (city), the Alhambra was home to the last of the Nasrid Sultans. Elaborately embellished in the 14th century and surrounded by lush green trees, it was described by Moorish poets as "a pearl set in emeralds." See the exotic mosaics, fountains, latticed windows, arabesques, and ornamented courtyards that made this vast stronghold worthy of royal occupancy. Here, King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella agreed to finance the historic voyage of Christopher Columbus.
- Travel to Costa del Sol.

#### Day 7: Costa del Sol

Enjoy a full day exploring Costa del Sol or
visit Gibraltar.

#### Day 8: Seville

- Travel to Seville, city of bullfights, flamenco dancing, Don Juan and Carmen, and the heartbeat of Andalusian culture.
- As you take an expertly guided tour of the city, follow narrow, twisting alleys through the Barrio de Santa Cruz, where picturesque whitewashed houses, flower-filled patios, and tiled benches are pleasant reminders of an unhurried lifestyle. Pass by Maria Louisa Park to admire the mosaics and fountains of Plaza de España, centerpiece of the 1929 Ibero-American Fair.
- Visit the Moorish Alcázar and the grave of Christopher Columbus, inside Seville's Cathedral.
- On your walking tour of Seville, imagine the spectacle of a traditional Spanish bullfight at the Plaza de Toros, celebrated for its Baroque architecture and historical significance.

#### Day 9: Córdoba | Madrid

- Travel to Córdoba.
- Visit the Mezquita.
- Travel to Puerto Lápice.
- Continue on to Madrid, the capital and largest city in Spain.

#### Day 10: Madrid

- Explore Puerta del Sol, the heart of the city, on an expertly guided tour. Travel back in time to Spain's Golden Age at Plaza Mayor, where you'll learn about this grand square's history of bullfights, royal weddings, and public executions.
- Get a taste of royal Madrid on your visit to the extravagant Palacio Real, where you'll wander the fabulous palace interior and find more than 2,000 rooms decked in beautiful frescoes, delicate porcelain wares, and finely woven rugs.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid.
- Behold paintings like Velázquez's Las Meninas and Goya's paired canvases on your visit to the Prado.

#### Day 11: Depart for home

#### **©** 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Days 11-13: Madrid | Lisbon

- Enjoy free time in Madrid.
- Fly to Lisbon.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Lisbon.
- Visit the Castelo de São Jorge.
- Visit the Mosteiro dos Jerónimos.
- Take a walking tour of Lisbon.
- Travel to Sintra, the mystical summertime residence of artists and royalty.
- Tour the Quinta de Regaleira palace with an expert local guide.

#### Day 14: Depart for home



Salamander at Parque Güell. Built by Gaudi. #gaudi #parquegüell #barcelona #spain #españa #vivaespaña #eftours #iger #instagood #instalikes #instagrammer

- SHANNA, TRAVELER



Cordoba and Seville are places that I will not forget. The history and culture are embedded into everything and it has a little of what is other places and give renewed appreciation for our own history. It makes the past come to life.

– RUTH, GROUP LEADER



### TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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