



# Spain, Portugal & Morocco

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From **\$12,195** Days **27**

Enjoy the trip of a lifetime through three vastly different countries. Marvel at the architectural wonder of Barcelona and the charming cities of Porto, Coimbra and Lisbon before revelling in sunny southern Spain. Across the Strait of Gibraltar lies fascinating Morocco with its medieval towns, bustling medinas and vast desert landscapes.



Group Size — **Max 20**



Tips — Total cost includes - Tipping Made Easy, from \$395pp pre-paid



Transport — Boat, Bus & Ferry



No Hidden Extras



Admire Casablanca's glittering Hassan II Mosque, the largest in Morocco and second-largest in the world.



Cruise along the Douro River, passing under some of Porto's famous bridges and taking in the sites of the city from the river.



Tour the fascinating city of Lisbon visiting Park Edward VII and the Jeronimus Monastery, and of course tasting a traditional Portuguese tart at Antiga Confeitaria.



Admire Gaudí's masterpieces in Barcelona, including the unfinished masterpiece of La Sagrada Família and Park Güell.

## Special Experiences

Learn how authentic port is made and get to taste it at one of the many producers in Porto.

Taste the famous Portuguese custard tart at Antiga Confeitaria. No visit to Lisbon would be complete without it!

Tonight we'll experience a traditional Spanish tapas dinner.

Spend two nights in the magical town of Chefchaouen, one of the prettiest in Morocco, washed in hundreds of shades of blue.

We experience the atmosphere of Marrakesh's main square, Jemaa el-Fnaa, as we pass through a wondrous mix of food, music and entertainment, getting a taste of this fantastic city.

We'll take a cooking lesson in a beautiful Moroccan riad, then enjoy the food we've prepared for lunch.



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## Depart Australia

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## Arrive Barcelona

Welcome to Barcelona, one of the world's most stylish and cosmopolitan cities, on the cutting edge of architecture, food, fashion, style and music. The city features buildings by the genius and eccentric Antoni Gaudí, significant art collections of Picasso and Miro, and the exuberant locals will enchant you. The city's main tree-lined pedestrian mall, Las Ramblas, runs all the way from the quayside through the heart of the city and will lead you to the Gothic Quarter.

Meet your fellow travellers and Tour Director this evening for welcome drinks at the hotel.

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## Barcelona

Begin exploring the sights of Barcelona, seeing the contrast of old and new as we drive through town and visit Gaudí's unfinished masterpiece, La Sagrada Familia (Holy Family Church).

We see the famous Villa Olimpica neighbourhood and Port Olympic marina, before continuing to the Montjuic Mountain to take a scenic picture of the city.

We then drive down to the oldest part of the city and see the Gothic Quarter, former Roman village and heart of Medieval Barcelona. We also explore the Cathedral Square and lovely narrow streets lined with beautiful handicraft shops, quaint local restaurants and buildings as old as the 14th century. We then walk to Saint James Square, political heart of the city and end our tour at Catalonia Square.

The afternoon is at leisure before tonight's group welcome dinner at a local restaurant. Art lovers might like to visit the Picasso Museum which exhibits works from his 'Blue' and 'Pink' periods. Your Tour Director can help with directions.

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## Barcelona

Today we will enjoy a morning tour of Barcelona where we'll discover famous architect Antoni Gaudí's renowned buildings Casa Batlló and Casa Milà along Passeig de Gracia, one of Barcelona's largest avenues. We'll then visit the amazing Park Güell, declared an artistic monument and World Heritage site by UNESCO.

We also pass by Barcelona's monumental Bull Ring and the city park La Ciutadella, site of the international expo 1888 with the old triumphal arch of Barcelona.

The afternoon is at leisure to further explore. Why not take some time to visit the popular Las Ramblas Street with its cafés, restaurants and street artists?

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### OPTIONAL EXCURSION

*Montserrat - Montserrat is a mountain top monastery in Catalonia, Spain. This incredible rocky formation is a sacred place for the Catalan people. Atop the mountain you can enter the church to see the famous St. Moreneta (Black Madonna) and with any luck you can also hear the singing of the boys choir (weekdays around 13.00 and Sundays around 12.00, the boys choir does not sing every day as they frequently travel and perform in other churches). 4hrs - from Euro 62pp*

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## Barcelona - Valencia

This morning we depart for the coastal town of Valencia, one of the most lively and friendly cities in Spain. The city features numerous gardens and a wealth of inspiring architecture, the epitome of which is the Cathedral, making the city a living museum.

Our sightseeing this afternoon will take us to the Cathedral, Puerta del Real, Puerta de la Trinidad and Puerta de Serranos. We also

walk through the streets of Barrio de Carmen and see inside La Lonja de la Seda (The Silk Exchange). Built in the 14th century, La Lonja de la Seda is a late Valencian Gothic-style civil building and was recognised as World Heritage-listed in 1996.

The evening is for you to explore at your leisure. Valencia is the home of paella, so why not try this traditional Spanish dish while you're here? Traditionally eaten at midday, Paella Valenciana (with chicken/rabbit) or Paella de Marisco (with fish/seafood) are the most popular local variations.



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## Valencia - Madrid

After breakfast we depart Valencia for Madrid, the capital of the Spanish Empire and once the richest and most powerful city on Earth. Today, its palaces, museums and concerts are up there with the best in the world.

Along the way we stop in the historic walled city of Cuenca. Built by Moors in a strategically defensive location in the heart of the Caliphate of Cordoba, Cuenca was later conquered by the Castilians in the 12th century when it became a regal town and was blessed with impressive buildings such as Spain's first Gothic cathedral. Recognised as UNESCO World Heritage-listed, Cuenca's position allows it to tower above the splendid countryside and is famous for its casas colgadas (hanging houses) that are suspended from sheer cliffs over-looking the Huécar River. Enjoy some free time here exploring this impressively well-maintained fortified city before we continue to Madrid.

Arriving in the evening, we'll take a short orientation tour to get to know the area.



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## Madrid

It's time to explore Madrid today with a guided city tour. Our tour includes driving past the well-known avenues of Gran Vía and Castellana, and famous squares such as Plaza de España, Atocha, Neptuno, Cibeles, Puerta de Alcalá, and Colon, as well as walking through Oriente, Mayor and Puerta del Sol. Today we'll also see Oeste and Retiro Parks, Madrid's bullring and the Santiago Bernabeu soccer stadium.

The afternoon is free to enjoy at leisure. You may wish to sit back and relax at a café and be entranced by Madrid's energy as you people-watch, view eclectic architecture along the Gran Vía or savour Spanish fare in Puerta Del Sol. If you enjoy art, take some time to visit the Reina Sofia Art Museum, famous for housing Pablo Picasso's 'Guernica', or the Museo del Prado, known for having one of the finest art collections in the world.



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## Madrid - Salamanca

Our journey takes us to Salamanca today. An ancient city, Salamanca is famous for being built from golden Villamayor stone and also for its University, founded by Alfonso IX in the early 13th century. Golden Villamayor stone contains a high concentration of iron which allows fine and intricate ornamental work to be carved from its surface. The characteristic golden colour adds real character to this beautiful city.

We'll visit the town of Segovia on the way, well known for the 16 kilometre long Aqueduct built by the Romans to carry water from the mountains to the city. Whilst in Segovia we'll see the outside of the Cathedral which stands in the Plaza Mayor - the last Gothic cathedral to be built in Spain. The cathedral is considered 'the Lady of the Cathedrals' thanks to its elegance.

After an orientation tour, we'll continue to Ávila. Famous as the birthplace of Santa Teresa de Jesus, a great mystic woman of the Catholic Church, Ávila also conserves the most ancient and complete fortified complex in Spain. Its 2,500 metre wall and 90 fortified towers surround the old city, housing a great part of its monumental treasures, including many Romanesque-style churches, Gothic palaces and a cathedral from the 12th century.

We'll arrive in the historic city of Salamanca in the early evening.



## Salamanca - Porto

Porto, also known as Oporto, is located on the Douro River and is famous for the fortified wine from the nearby Douro Valley that shares its name, as well as its baroque architecture.

Before we continue to Porto, we'll enjoy a sightseeing tour of Salamanca. The tour will take us to see the Casa de las Conchas, the Roman Bridge, Plaza Mayor, the Old & New Cathedrals, and the University Quarter.

Next we'll depart Spain, crossing the border into Portugal and the coastal town of Porto.



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## Porto

It's time to explore Porto today! We will have a guided tour of the Ribeira Quarter, St Francisco Church (outside only) and the Stock Exchange.



### SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

*Learn how authentic port is made and get to taste it at one of the many producers in Porto.*

Afterwards we'll relax on board a short cruise of the Douro River, admiring the city from the water and passing under some of the city's famous bridges.

Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure to unwind or explore at your own pace.



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## Porto - Coimbra

Inhabited by Romans and Arabs, Coimbra was once the capital of Portugal. The city is divided by the Mondego River: the Cidade Baixa (lower town) is the main commercial centre and Cidade Alta (upper town) is the older part of the city where the university and many of Coimbra's main attractions are located.

After departing Porto, we first make our way to Aveiro, a city of colourful houses and numerous canals, known as the 'Portuguese Venice'. Here we'll have time to see the graceful gondola-like 'moliceiros' boats and taste the local 'Ovos Moles de Aveiro' sweets (made from egg yolks and sugar, wrapped in a thin crust and moulded into various shapes). After a short orientation tour, take some time to stroll around this very unique town before we depart for the medieval city of Coimbra.

Arriving in Coimbra, we'll enjoy a guided tour through the narrow streets of the ancient part of town and see the historic Cathedral, dating back to the 12th century. We'll also visit the historic Coimbra University and its incredibly beautiful library which was established in the early 17th century.



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## Coimbra – Lisbon

Lisbon is a cosmopolitan city situated on the banks of the River Tagus, where modern life mixes with historical buildings. Perched on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean, Lisbon is built on seven hills and is in fact Europe's second oldest capital after Athens.

As we make our way towards Lisbon, we stop in the medieval fortress village of Óbidos, still surrounded by high walls which date back to the 12th century. While here, we'll also enjoy a tasting of the renowned local liquor, Ginjinha. Made from ginja berries (a type of sour cherry), in Óbidos you'll find it comes served in a chocolate cup!

We then continue to the beautiful UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Sintra, situated on the green slopes of a mountain range. This town was once the residence of the Portuguese royal family during the middle ages. Here we will have the opportunity to visit the impressive Sintra Palace, before continuing to Lisbon.



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## Lisbon

Today we discover the sights of this amazing city. Our tour commences with a panoramic and walking tour of the most historical and traditional points including the Park Edward VII, Liberty Avenue, Restauradores Square, Rossio Square, Belém, Downtown (rebuilt after the earthquake of 1755) and Commerce Square. We'll also visit the Jerónimos Monastery. Built in Manueline style in the 16th century, this monument celebrates the power of King Manuel I and the magnificence of the empire.



### SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

*Taste the famous Portuguese custard tart at Antiga Confeitaria. No visit to Lisbon would be complete without it!*

Afterwards we continue to Alfama, one of Lisbon's oldest areas. From here you have the rest of the afternoon to enjoy at leisure.



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## Lisbon

Enjoy a full day at leisure in this charming city, to relax or explore at your own pace.



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## Lisbon - Seville

Today we journey to vibrant Seville, the birthplace of tapas, capital of Andalusia and Spain's fourth largest city. Once called 'Hispalis' by the Romans and 'Ishbiliya' by the Muslims, Seville's Roman and Muslim past is still evident today. Nowadays Seville is very much a modern city, yet it has retained much of its past. This is most prominent in the Old Town where it feels as though you have stepped back in time to an old Spanish village.

Our first stop along the way today will be in historic Evora, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed site and one of Portugal's most beautifully preserved medieval towns. This city is an open-air museum with exquisitely restored buildings and monuments. Evora achieves a great harmony across all the different époques and architectural styles that have marked its prestigious history, dating back some 2,000 years.

Gain great perspective on the town as we travel through Giraldo Square, the main focal point and social centre. Within the walled city centre we'll see the historical quarter, with the Cathedral of Evora, the Roman Temple and Saint Francis Church with its Chapel of Bones.

After some free time for lunch we continue to Seville.



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## Seville

According to legend, Seville was founded by Hercules and has origins linked to the Tartessian civilisation. Famous for its joyous and passionate locals, it is the city of Carmen, Don Juan and Figaro.

After breakfast we discover some of the highlights on a city tour. We begin at the impressive Plaza de España, characterised by its iconic semi-circular lake, twin towers and benches depicting the 48 provinces of Spain in ceramic tiles.

We visit the Royal Alcázar, a string of royal palaces built by the Catholic Kings during the 14th century which is today home to the Spanish Royal Family. We'll also see the stunning exterior of the Cathedral of Santa Maria and Giralda Bell Tower - the biggest cathedral in Spain and the site where Christopher Columbus is buried. Our sightseeing for the day concludes after exploring the historical Jewish Quarter of Santa Cruz.

This afternoon is at leisure for you to discover the delights of this beautiful city.



### OPTIONAL EXCURSION

*Flamenco Show - Located in the beautiful city of Seville is El Patio Andaluz, a place where passionate Flamenco dancers (known as bailaores or bailaoras) perform group and solo dances. The Flamenco style of dance originated in the Andalusian region and is expressed by the performer with intricate hand, arm and body movements whilst clapping their hands and rhythmically stomping their feet. The dances are usually accompanied by guitars and as the song builds so does the tempo and volume. Enjoy a traditional Flamenco show accompanied with one drink (beer, wine or soft drink) on arrival. 1hr 30mins - from Euro 44pp (no minimum number required)*

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## Seville - Granada

Located in the eastern part of the Andalusia region with a spectacular backdrop of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, Granada has long inspired the spirit of romance among its inhabitants and visitors alike. With its rich history and Moorish influences, the city boasts some breathtaking landscapes and steep, narrow streets where one could easily lose themselves amongst the numerous hidden nooks.

On the way to Granada today we'll stop in Ronda, one of Andalusia's famous 'white' villages. Perched above the Tajo del Ronda, a deep, narrow gorge that plunges 150 metres into the valley, the town's location is truly spectacular. Here we'll see the bullring and the gorge, as well as the old town full of shopping and restaurants. Enjoy some free time here to explore before continuing to Granada.



### SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

*Tonight we'll experience a traditional Spanish tapas dinner.*

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## Granada

Our sightseeing today includes a visit to the famous Alhambra Palace, a Moorish citadel and one of Spain's most famous attractions. Alhambra Palace was so named because of its reddish coloured walls (it translates to Red Castle in Arabic) and is located strategically on top of a hill with views over the whole city.

Throughout its long history the palace has served multiple purposes. It was used as a fortress during the 9th century and then became a Royal residence during the 13th century. During its time as a Royal residence many buildings were added to the complex such as a Mosque (later the site was turned into the current Church of St Mary), public baths and patios.

When the Catholic Monarch Charles V took over, he ordered the demolition of part of the complex in order to rebuild the palace with an Emperor's chamber and Queen's dressing room added. The palace was abandoned during the 18th century and sadly part of the fortress was destroyed. Restoration of the palace began in the 19th century and is still maintained today.

A short stroll away from the main Alhambra buildings are the Generalife Gardens, the tranquil 14th century summer gardens of the Kings of Granada - a place where they could escape the official affairs of the palace.

We'll also walk through the old part of the city and see the outside of the Royal Chapel, where King Ferdinand and Queen Elizabeth are buried.

The remainder of the day is free for you to enjoy at leisure.

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## Granada – Tangier – Chefchaouen

This morning we travel to Tarifa Port where we'll board the ferry to Morocco.

Our Tour Director will cross the Strait of Gibraltar with us and will introduce us to our Moroccan guide once we arrive.

Morocco is an intrinsically beautiful country, so rich with heritage that from the moment you arrive you feel completely transported to another time and place. The landscapes vary from snow-laden peaks to pristine deserts. We arrive in the port of Tangier before travelling to the magical blue city of Chefchaouen in northwest Morocco.





## SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

*Spend two nights in the magical town of Chefchaouen, one of the prettiest in Morocco, washed in hundreds of shades of blue.*

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## Chefchaouen

This morning we'll explore Chefchaouen's picturesque streets on foot on a city tour. Wandering the streets is an indulgence for the senses – the variety of colours from different wares and shops contrast with the dazzling blue buildings. This town is also the perfect place to shop for souvenirs such as woven blankets and wool that are not commonly available elsewhere in Morocco.

Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore at your own pace. Why not join your guide on hike to the Chefchaouen viewing platform and take in the incredible panoramic views?

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## Chefchaouen - Fez

Fez is arguably the symbolic heart of Morocco, set in the gentle rolling countryside of the mid Atlas Mountains. The World Heritage-listed medina of Fez el-Bali (old Fez) is one of the largest living medieval cities in the world, and its gates and walls are magnificent.

From Chefchaouen we first head to Meknes, one of the kingdom's Imperial Cities founded in the 11th century. On arrival we'll enjoy a tour of the old city known as the 'Versailles of Morocco' and visit the old medina, Royal Stables and the Bab el Mansour Gate.

After some free time, we will continue to the Roman ruins of Volubilis. Once a Roman settlement, dating from the 3rd century BC, Volubilis was a central administrative city for this part of Roman Africa, responsible for grain production and exports to Rome.

Lastly, we'll travel to our final destination of the day, the Imperial city of Fez.

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## Fez

After breakfast we'll spend the day discovering the sights of the city. We visit the famous Medina which was added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1981, where the narrow lanes and colourful traders make for some fantastic photo opportunities. This includes the Karaouine Mosque and the fountains of Carpenter's Square. The Mosque is one of the oldest of its kind in the western Muslim world and does not allow non-Muslims to enter, so the best place to view this magnificent building is from the top of Medersa Attarine (when open).

After our morning sightseeing, we'll enjoy lunch at a private palace inside the Medina.

This afternoon we'll also visit the famous operation tannery, processing the hides of sheep and goat in stone vessels filled with a range of colourful dyes.

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## Fez - Marrakesh

Departing Fez this morning we journey to Marrakesh. One of the four Imperial Cities of Morocco, Marrakesh was founded in the 11th century by the Berber dynasty, Almoravid. It soon became the capital of the Islamic Empire that stretched as far as Spain and Western Africa. During the rule of Yusef Ben Tachfine, Marrakesh was blessed with fine gardens, palaces, mosques and legendary walls and was influenced by the Almoravid conquest of southern Spain. Morocco was colonised by the French in the 20th century and the strong influences from these countries can be felt today.

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## Marrakesh

The red royal city of Marrakesh is the real heartbeat of Morocco, set within sight of the snowy peaks of the High Atlas Mountains. Our entire day is dedicated to sightseeing here.

First, we visit the 16th century monument site of the Saadian Tombs which remained sealed until 1917 when they were rediscovered. The tombs are brilliantly decorated with intricate carvings, colourful tiles and Arabic scripts.

We'll then continue to the aristocratic Bahia Palace which functions as a Royal residence. We also see the Koutoubia Mosque, considered a masterpiece of Islamic architecture.



#### SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

*We experience the atmosphere of Marrakesh's main square, Jemaa el-Fnaa, as we pass through a wondrous mix of food, music and entertainment, getting a taste of this fantastic city.*



#### SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

*We'll take a cooking lesson in a beautiful Moroccan riad, then enjoy the food we've prepared for lunch.*

We'll experience a real taste of Morocco at dinner, complete with dancers and musicians, in a local restaurant.

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## Marrakesh - Casablanca

After an early breakfast this morning we depart for Morocco's largest and most modern city, Casablanca. This city was made famous by the movie of the same name starring Humphrey Bogart. After some free time for lunch, we'll enjoy a sightseeing tour including a visit to the Hassan II Mosque - the second largest mosque in the world, the Marché Central and Ain Diab Esplanade.

Made up of white-walled stalls and green clay tiled roofs, the Marché Central or Central Market is smaller in size and therefore less chaotic than the overflowing markets in Fez and elsewhere in Morocco. Vendors here sell a range of products including argan oil, a traditional Moroccan elixir.

Tonight we'll enjoy a group farewell dinner.

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## Depart Casablanca

Today marks the end of our adventure across Spain, Portugal and Morocco. We hope you leave with fantastic memories!

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## Arrive Australia

# Inclusions



## Sightseeing

### A Spanish welcome

- Visit the Sagrada Familia Cathedral
- Tour Plaza Cataluña, Barcelona Cathedral and its cloister, and the Gothic Quarter
- Ascend Montjuic Mountain
- Explore Park Guell
- See Antoni Gaudí's Casa Batlló and Casa Milà
- Enjoy a city tour of Valencia
- Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Cuenca
- Tour the avenues of Gran Via and Castellana in Madrid
- See the 16 kilometre long aqueduct in Segovia
- Take an orientation tour of Ávila
- Tour the beautiful town of Salamanca

### Treasures of Portugal

- Enjoy a guided tour of Porto
- Learn how port is made
- Enjoy an afternoon cruise along the Douro River
- Spend some time in Aveiro
- Visit the ancient University of Coimbra
- See the breathtaking Coimbra Library
- Explore the charming town of Obidos
- Taste the local liquor known as Ginginga
- Visit beautiful Sintra Palace
- Enjoy a panoramic tour of Lisbon
- Visit Lisbon's district of Belém
- Taste the famous Portuguese custard tart
- Enjoy full day at leisure in Lisbon
- Explore the historical quarter of Evora on a walking tour
- Visit the unique Bone Chapel

### Spanish monuments and majesties

- See the exterior of the Cathedral of Santa Maria
- Visit Royal Alcázar, a string of royal palaces
- Visit the small 'white village' of Ronda
- Taste traditional Spanish Tapas in Granada
- Admire Alhambra Palace
- Stroll through Generalife Gardens
- Walk through Granada's old town
- Travel by ferry from Tarifa to Tangier

### Mesmerising Morocco

- Fall in love with Chefchaouen on a walking tour
- Walk the short trail uphill to a lookout point over Chefchaouen
- Explore Imperial Meknes
- Visit the impressive archaeological site of Volubilis
- Wander through Fez's famous medina
- See the ancient old operation of tannery in Fez
- Visit the Saadian Tombs in Marrakesh
- See Marrakesh's Koutoubia Mosque
- Take a Moroccan cooking lesson
- Feel the buzz of Marrakesh's Jemaa-el-Fnaa Square
- See the central markets and Ain Diab Esplanade, along with the impressive Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca

## Travel



- Return economy-class flights from Australia to Europe and Morocco. Taxes included
- Airport transfers on the first and last day of tour
- All touring in air-conditioned vehicles
- Ferry from Spain to Morocco
- Tipping Made Easy, \$395pp pre-paid



## Accommodation

- 24 nights in 3-4 star hotels

Properties include:

- Hotel Catalonia Diagonal Centro, Barcelona
- Catalonia Excelsior, Valencia
- Eurostars Central, Madrid
- Catalonia Plaza Mayor, Salamanca
- Eurostars Das Artes, Porto
- Hotel Dona Ines, Coimbra
- Hotel Real Palacio, Lisbon
- Catalonia Santa Justa, Seville
- Barcelo Carmen Granada, Granada
- Parador Hotel, Chefchaouen
- Barceló Fès Medina, Fès
- Kenzi Rose Garden, Marrakesh
- Onomo City Centre, Casablanca

*Hotels listed are an indication, and are subject to change without notice.*

*For single travellers - A note on our single supplement:*

*The single supplement you pay on our tours will provide you with sole use of a double room. We book the use of a double room on our European small group tours as typically the single rooms in this region are a lot smaller and in less favourable positions within the hotel themselves.*



## Meals

- 24 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 6 dinners, including group welcome and farewell dinners
- Meal highlights:
  - Granada, indulge in a traditional Spanish tapas dinner, made up of a number of bite-sized dishes
  - Marrakesh, get a taste for Moroccan culture and food, at a dinner featuring music and entertainment



## Tour Guides

- English-speaking, locally based tour directors
- English-speaking, locally based guides



## Porterage

- Porterage included where available



## Some things to note

### Please note:

- Due to the popularity of La Sagrada Familia it is becoming extremely difficult to guarantee entry inside. If by chance the tickets cannot be secured, we will include an inside visit to Casa Batlló, the famous house remodelled by Antoni Gaudí. We will still visit La Sagrada Familia, with a full guided tour outside the structure. Status of the entrance will not be known until the start of our departure and will be advised locally by our Tour Director.
- Alhambra Palace has introduced new regulations to their booking system, which in turn has created difficulties in securing entrance to the grounds. The type of entrance into Alhambra Palace on day 18 varies and full access is not guaranteed. If we are unable to secure entrance to the site at all, we will substitute this with another inclusion.
- On day 19 you will travel via ferry from Spain to Morocco. Any sharp objects are strictly prohibited on-board and are subject to confiscation upon boarding.
- You should try to stay hydrated in Morocco's dry climate. Water and fruit juice are everywhere and are perhaps the best things to drink. Freshly squeezed orange juice is a great way to start the day and nowhere is it better than in Morocco.
- Due to the narrow streets of Chefchaouen the hotel we stay in is not reachable by coach, so we will need to walk approximately 20 minutes to get there. Your guide will arrange to transport your luggage there separately so there is no need for you to carry it. The hotel we use is basic but located right in the heart of the old city, making it a perfect location to self-explore and immerse yourself in this unique place.
- On day 23 we have a long day of travel ahead of us as we make our way from Fez to Marrakesh. As such you may like to pack some drinks and snacks to enjoy on the coach.
- Ramadan is observed in Morocco from 02 April to 01 May 2022. This will impact the 19 March and 09 April departures.

### Optional Excursions:

- All optional tours are based on a minimum of 10 participants (unless otherwise stated) and are subject to availability. The length of tours advised is an approximate only. Tours can be booked on tour directly with your Tour Director or guide. We recommend arranging the booking at the beginning of the tour to avoid disappointment. Please note some optional tours may also be available on multiple or alternate days. Prices are a guide only and are subject to change without prior notice. Payment by cash is preferred as there are no guarantees that credit card facilities will be available. Please check with your Tour Director or guide locally for information relating to this. Credit card fees and exchange rates are at the discretion of your bank.



# Information

## Let's Talk Fitness

 **In the itinerary, this symbol indicates 2+ hours of walking, often across uneven ground and in areas of high altitude or heat and humidity.**

At Bunnik Tours we don't put specific age limits on our tours, but we also recognise some travellers may find our itineraries challenging.

We have a duty of care to all tour participants and the tour guides, so we do impose a firm policy on the level of fitness required by all our clients to attempt to ensure your safety and the safety of other travellers on our tours.

At Bunnik Tours our goal is for all our travellers to enjoy their tour, not struggle through it! Which is why we want to work with you to ensure you are on the best possible trip for your fitness level. We do reserve the right to refuse bookings if we feel that the requirements of the tour are too demanding.

Bunnik Tours are for independently minded travellers with good levels of mobility.

### **Our tours include:**

- 1 Generous amounts of free time
- 2 Lots of walking, minimum of 2-3 hours on uneven surfaces without the use of any walking aid, on any given day
- 3 Local and authentic experiences including various modes of transport and accommodation

### **In some regions travellers can also expect:**

- 1 Long days of travelling, at times on dirt and gravel roads in Africa
- 2 Extended periods at high altitude (3,000-4,000 metres) in South America & Africa
- 3 Extended periods of walking/hiking through humid forest areas in Africa & Central America
- 4 Limited medical facilities in remote areas

### **Bunnik Tours travellers are required to at least:**

- 1 Be able to walk for a minimum of 2-3 hours on uneven surfaces without the use of any walking aid, on any given day
- 2 Walk up multiple flights of stairs and short, steep hills
- 3 Stand for a minimum of 20 minutes without needing to sit down, often in hot/humid climates
- 4 Carry their own luggage
- 5 Get on and off various modes of transport without assistance, including small boats

Passengers 75 years or over must provide a signed Fitness to Travel declaration form (Part 2) from their doctor within one month of making their booking.

While we will still confirm your place on your tour, flight tickets cannot be issued until both completed forms have been received. Additional costs may be incurred if completed forms are not received by Bunnik Tours within these time frames.

Bunnik Tours generally does not accept bookings for single travellers 80 years of age and over without a travelling companion. Neither our Tour Director nor your fellow travellers are equipped to act as a carer.

Passengers must inform us and the service provider of any medical conditions which may affect your ability to participate in the tour.

At our discretion we, including the service provider, can exclude you from a tour or in any activity if we consider that you are unable to safely participate in that tour or activity or if we consider your participation may place the safety of other guests at risk.

We reserve the right to cancel your booking if any changed or non-disclosed medical conditions mean that you will require special assistance from our personnel which we cannot reasonably provide. We strongly suggest that your travel insurance policy includes comprehensive cancellation coverage.

We will not be liable for any damage, injury, death or loss of any kind arising from your failure to fully disclose relevant medical information or resulting from any pre-existing medical condition.

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Do you want to Travel with Confidence and be extra fit and healthy for your upcoming adventure? If so, check out our blog [here](#), where we introduce you to Linda from Embracing Fitness, Food & Life and hear how she can get you feeling like you can take on the world!

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### **Already booked your tour?**

All travellers must complete Part 1 of this disclaimer within seven days of booking.



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04 Jun 22

ENDS

30 Jun 22

TOUR PRICE

**\$12,295**

STATUS

On Request

CALL

STARTS

30 Jul 22

ENDS

25 Aug 22

TOUR PRICE

**\$12,195**

STATUS

Available

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20 Aug 22

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15 Sep 22

TOUR PRICE

**\$12,195**

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29 Sep 22

TOUR PRICE

**\$12,395**

STATUS

Guaranteed Departure

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STARTS

10 Sep 22

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06 Oct 22

TOUR PRICE

**\$12,595**

STATUS

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24 Sep 22

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20 Oct 22

TOUR PRICE

**\$12,595**

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27 Oct 22

**TOUR PRICE****\$12,495****STATUS**

Limited Seats

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## Additional Information

**Valid from**

Sydney, Melbourne &amp; Perth

**Other departure cities**

Please contact our office for applicable pricing

**Booking Deposit**

\$750 per person

**Tipping**

Total cost includes - Tipping Made Easy, from \$395pp pre-paid

**Single Supplement**

From \$2,250

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Total cost includes air taxes