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The Spain & Portugal Travel Experience September 12, 2025 – September 20, 2025

Itinerary:

Day 1 (Friday, September 12, 2025) – Arrive Lisbon. Arrive in captivating Lisbon, one of the oldest cities in Europe, and then transfer to your hotel (Add-on transfer for \$35). Most international flights arrive in the early morning and your room may not be ready for you. In this case, leave your luggage with the concierge and your Tour Manager will provide suggestions for you to begin to explore the city on your own. Your tour will begin with an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager at approximately 7 PM (for this reason, we recommend your flight arrival be no later than 5:00 pm). Welcome dinner at hotel. *Meals Included: Dinner.*

Day 2 (Saturday, September 13, 2025) – Lisbon. After breakfast, our morning city tour is set to kick off as we make our way to the pinnacle of Edward VII's Park, where we'll be greeted by sweeping panoramic views of Lisbon and the majestic River Tagus. Next, we'll visit two landmarks rich in Portugal's maritime history, the revered Belém Tower, a magnificent testament to 16th-century architectural prowess, and the awe-inspiring Monument of Discoveries, a monumental tribute to the brave explorers who charted new courses and unlocked the mysteries of the world's oceans. You'll have the afternoon at your leisure to explore Lisbon's streets, wander through charming neighborhoods, indulge in delectable cuisine, or simply relax! *Meals Included: Breakfast*.

Day 3 (Sunday, September 14, 2025) – Lisbon to Seville. Good morning, travelers! Today we bid farewell to Lisbon after breakfast and set our sights on the sun-kissed landscapes of southern Portugal and Spain. Our route will take us through the captivating region of Alentejo, where rolling hills, flourishing vineyards, and majestic cork oak trees paint a picture-perfect tableau against the horizon. Crossing over the Spanish border, into the heart of Andalucía and onward to the radiant city of Seville, the birthplace of the mesmerizing art form known as Flamenco. *Meals Included: Breakfast*.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Evening Flamenco Show, delve into soul-stirring melodies, electrifying performances, and mesmerizing movements of the dancers - \$75.

Day 4 (Monday, September 15, 2025) – Seville. After breakfast, our adventure begins with a splendid Seville City Tour, where each moment is a testament to the city's rich history and vibrant culture. Our first stop takes us to the iconic Plaza de España, a breathtaking architectural masterpiece nestled within the verdant embrace of Maria Luisa Park. Next, we embark on a leisurely stroll through the enchanting Barrio Santa Cruz, once the heart of Seville's Jewish Quarter, labyrinthine streets lined with whitewashed houses adorned with vibrant bougainvillea. Our journey continues with a visit to the aweinspiring Cathedral of Seville, a towering edifice that stands as a testament to the city's religious heritage. As you step inside this architectural marvel, take a moment to pay homage at the burial site of the famed explorer Christopher Columbus, whose legacy looms large over the city's skyline. *Meals Included: Breakfast*.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: A captivating afternoon tour of the Palacio de las Dueñas. Step back in time as you explore this opulent palace, dating back to the 15th century and adorned with Renaissance, Gothic, and Moorish influences. Following the visit to the palace, a walk through the charming streets of Seville's Old Town - \$75.

Day 5 (Tuesday, September 16, 2025) – Seville to Cordoba to Madrid. We'll enjoy breakfast together before we bid adieu to the sun-drenched landscapes of Andalucía and the enchanting city of Seville and set our sights on the vibrant metropolis of Madrid. Our journey northward takes us first to Cordoba, founded by the Romans and steeped in centuries of history, Cordoba beckons with its storied past and architectural marvels. Our first stop in Cordoba is a true masterpiece of cultural fusion – the Mezquita de Cordoba. This grand mosque, a testament to Moorish ingenuity and Islamic artistry, which was transformed into a soaring cathedral during the 16th century, a harmonious blend of Islamic and Christian influences that grace its hallowed halls. Next, we embark on a walking tour of the city, in labyrinthine streets of the ancient Jewish Quarter. Keep an eye out for the 14th-century Synagogue on Calle de los Judios, a poignant reminder of Cordoba's rich Jewish heritage. Continuing our journey northward, we traverse the legendary region of La Mancha, immortalized in the pages of Cervantes' masterpiece, Don Quixote. Finally, we'll arrive in the bustling capital city of Madrid, where a warm welcome awaits us at our hotel. Check-in, unwind, and prepare to immerse yourself in the vibrant energy of this dynamic city. *Meals Included: Breakfast*.

Day 6 (Wednesday, September 17, 2025) – Madrid and Toledo. Our morning starts with breakfast before we head out on a city tour of Madrid. We'll take a scenic drive along the iconic Gran Via, and then make our way through the Opera District, Plaza de Colon, and catch a glimpse of the majestic Royal Palace. Our journey continues as we pass through the storied Plaza de Cibeles and the magnificent Puerta de Alcala Gate, two landmarks that stand as proud symbols of Madrid's rich heritage and cultural legacy. In the afternoon, we set our sights on the timeless city of Toledo, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and former capital of Spain. A walking tour through the city takes us to the revered St. Tome Church, home to one of El Greco's masterpieces – a testament to the city's rich artistic heritage. Next, we visit the Santa Maria la Blanca Synagogue, a stunning example of Moorish architecture that stands as a testament to Toledo's multicultural past. Enjoy the evening at your leisure back in Madrid. *Meals Included: Breakfast*.

Day 7 (Thursday, September 18, 2025) – Madrid to Zarzagoza to Barcelona. Today after breakfast, we'll head to Spain's second largest city, Barcelona with a stop in captivating Zaragoza, nestled along the banks of the mighty Río Ebro along the way. Upon our arrival, we'll embark on an orientation tour of the city, with its majestic cathedrals, charming squares, and picturesque streets, Zaragoza offers a delightful blend of old-world charm and modern-day allure. After the tour you can continue exploring the city at your leisure and perhaps indulge in some local cuisine for lunch. We'll then continue to Barcelona with world-renowned museums and galleries, where you can take a leisurely stroll along Las Ramblas, Barcelona's famous pedestrian walkway. Here, amidst the hustle and bustle of street performers and colorful stalls, you'll find yourself immersed in the vibrant energy of the city. *Meals Included: Breakfast.*

Day 8 (Friday, September 19, 2025) – Barcelona. Our final day of sightseeing promises to be a day filled with wonder and discovery as we immerse ourselves in the vibrant city of Barcelona. We'll start with breakfast before we head out on a guided Barcelona City tour, offering you a captivating introduction to the city's rich history and landmarks. From the architectural marvels of the Gothic Quarter to the vibrant energy of La Rambla, each moment promises to be a journey through the heart and soul of this dynamic city. You can enjoy the afternoon at your leisure or check out the optional Gaudi Monuments tour. As the day draws to a close, we invite you to join us for a farewell reception, where you'll have the opportunity to say 'adios' to our Tour Manager and fellow travelers. Then, cap off your Barcelona experience with a delightful farewell dinner at a local restaurant, and savor the flavors of Spanish cuisine and create lasting memories with your new friends. *Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner.*OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Accompanied by a knowledgeable guide, you'll embark on a journey to discover some of Antoni Gaudi's most important creations. Conclude the tour with a visit to Park Güell, where the colors and expressions of Gaudi's work are boldly displayed - \$75.

Day 9 (Saturday, September 20, 2025) – Depart Barcelona. After breakfast, make your way to the airport for your departure flight (Add-on transfer for \$55) or join us for our 7-night Western Mediterranean Cruise. Relax onboard Royal Caribbean's Allure of the Seas as we visit Mallorca and three Italian destinations. *Meals Included: Breakfast*.

Group Size:

This travel experience can accommodate up to 38 travelers.

Please Note: Optional tours listed require a minimum of 20 passengers or more to operate.

Pricing:

The price is \$2995 per person, based on double occupancy.

\$100 discount for past QTS tour travelers.

Single supplement is \$995.

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is due at the time of reservation. Final payment is due May 12, 2025. You can make additional payments at any time between the deposit and final payment date.

What is Included:

- 8 nights first-class accommodation
 - o 2 nights Lisbon
 - o 2 nights Seville
 - o 2 nights Madrid
 - o 2 nights Barcelona
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel porterage
- 8 breakfasts, 1 welcome dinner, 1 farewell dinner
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Professional English-Speaking Local Guides with comfortable wireless earphones
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout

What is Not Included:

- Airline flights
- Gratuities for bus driver, local guides, breakfast waitstaff, and hotel housekeeping
- Travel Protection (we'll provide you with a quote)
- Personal expenses such as shopping, meals not included in the itinerary, and alcoholic beverages
- If joining us for the Mediterranean cruise after, please note you'll need a hotel for the night of the 20th before the cruise starts on the 21st. Contact us for booking assistance.

To join us on this experience, please fill out the registration form link here:

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