# **GRAND TOUR OF SPAIN**

**Escorted Motor-Coach Tour** 

## 8 days / 7 nights: 3 nights in Lisbon, 1 night in Fatima, 1 night in Coimbra, 3 nights in Porto

Accommodation	Meals	Tours	Transportation	Transfer	Also includes
<b>Madrid</b> Santos Agumar or similar	Daily breakfast in each city.	Guided tours as per itinerary	Modern air-conditioned	Airport transfers	Professional tour director
Santiago de Compostela	in cach city.		motorcoach or	departure is on the	director
Tryp Santiago or similar	3 dinners	Whisper technology	minibus	scheduled days	Luggage handling
Oviedo		enhanced touring		,	
Gran Hotel Espana or similar				Transfer on days other	Service charge &
Bilbao				than scheduled \$55	hotel tax
Ercilla or similar				per person/one way	
Pamplona					
Albret or similar					
Barcelona					
EXE Laietana Palace or similar					

Land Rates 2021 US\$ per person					
Sun through Sun	Twin	Single			
Apr 11 - Apr 23	\$3,290	\$4,230			
May 16 - May 28	\$3,290	\$4,230			
Sept 5 - Sept 17	\$3,290	\$4,230			
Oct 10 - Oct 22	\$3,290	\$4,230			
Pre and post nights available upon request.					

#### INSURANCE

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance.

Take advantage of our low cost insurance option through Travelex.

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#### Day 1.

Welcome to Madrid! You will be met and transferred to your hotel. The day is at leisure to begin exploring. Later, join your fellow travelers and your tour director for a welcome reception.

#### Day 2.

We begin with a **guided half-day city tour** of Madrid. Our drive takes us through the Gran Vía and the Passeo de Castellana, past the Plaza de España, Plaza de Oriente, Plaza Mayor, Puerta del Sol, Atocha Station, the fountain of Neptune, Cibeles fountain, the Bullring, the Santiago Bernabeu soccer stadium, and many more. **The afternoon is at leisure**. Optional tour: Prado Museum **(B)** 

#### Day 3.

We visit Toledo, a city with a wealth of monuments. It is known as the "city of the three cultures", because Christians, Arabs and Jews lived here together for centuries. During our guided tour we visit the Santo Tome Church and the Synagogue of Santa María. From Toledo we return to Madrid where the afternoon is at leisure. Optional tour: Flamenco show with dinner. (B)

#### Day 4.

We Depart for **Santiago de Compostela**. On the way, we stop in Salamanca, an ancient city famous for its university founded by Alfonso IX in the early 1200's. There is time for lunch on your own and thereafter, we continue to Santiago de Compostela along the Camino. **The evening is at leisure.(B)** 

#### Day 5.

Santiago de Compostela's center is called "Casco Histórico" (old town), an area once surrounded by walls. We visit **all the major sights**. In the afternoon we visit Cap Finisterre. The day finishes with an early seafood dinner accompanied by Albariño wine. **(B,D)** 

#### Day 6.

After breakfast we head to **North Galicia**. Our scenic drive takes us past the Cabo Ortegal and the Asturian coast to Oviedo. **(B)** Day 7.

A half-day guided city tour of Oviedo takes us to the Cathedral, the Palacio de Valdecarzana, the ruins of the San Tirso Church, and the Porlier Plaza which is flanked by the El Conde de Toreno and Camposagrado Palaces. The afternoon is at leisure. **Optional tour: Visit of the cider house with dinner. (B)** 

#### Day 8.

After breakfast we continue our journey towards **Bilbao**. On the way, we stop in Santillana del Mar, one of the North Coast's most picturesque villages. After our visit, we proceed to Santander where we have free time for lunch on your own. From there, we continue to Bilbao where we have a tasting of local tapas called pintxos. **(B)** 

#### Day 9.

On our visit of Bilbao, we see the vibrant old town with many shops, squares and typical Basque tavernas. We enter the Guggenheim Museum. The **reminder of the day is free**. Optional tour: Visit of the Basque coast. **(B)** 

#### Day 10.

After breakfast, we depart for **San Sebastian**. En route, we visit Getaria, a charming Basque coastal village. Upon arrival in San Sebastian we see the Maria Cristina Hotel. It is at here, at the Kursaal, that the film festival takes place. We also see La Concha beach, a crescent shaped urban seaboard. In the afternoon we arrive in Pamplona. **Dinner is served later that night. (B,D)** 

#### Day 11.

After breakfast, we have a **half-day guided sightseeing tour of Pamplona** featuring the Ciudadela, the City Walls, parks and gardens. We will hear about the 'Running of the Bulls' race, part of the San Fermin festival. From Pamplona we continue to Zaragoza for lunch on your own. Later that afternoon, we arrive in Barcelona and the rest of the day is at leisure. **Optional tour: visit of Montserrat. (B)** 

#### Day 12.

#### Our guided half-day sightseeing tour

includes Barcelona's mostimportant artistic sights: Gaudi's Batlló, Casa Milá, the Cathedral Sagrada Familia, and Guell Park, declared an artistic monumentand mankind's heritage by the UNESCO. In the afternoon you are **free to explore** more on your own. Join your

fellow travelers andyour tour director for the farewell dinner. **(B, D)** 

#### Day 13.

Transfer to Barcelona airport after breakfast for your **departure flight. (B)** 

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