

# TOUR EU03 - SPAIN AND PORTUGAL 7-DAY TOUR

## **Day 1 SATURDAY: Madrid - Zaragoza**

The tour starts from the capital of Spain, Madrid, where you will pass by the Cibeles Fountain, and then arrive and visit Plaza Mayor, Piazza di Spagna, and the Royal Palace of Madrid. The Royal Palace of Madrid was built by the Spanish Royal Family, showing the magnificent and splendid former empire and its historical grandeur. Then you'll arrive at the Puerta del Sol, a public square in Madrid. You can find the Km 0 square tile on the pavement, which represents the Puerta del Sol, the center of the radial network of Spanish roads.

In the afternoon, we say farewell to Madrid and head to Zaragoza. After arriving in Zaragoza, you'll visit the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar, which is a Roman Catholic Church in the city. The Basilica venerates the Blessed Virgin Mary, praised as the "Mother of the Hispanic People". It is reputed to be the first church dedicated to Mary in history. There are a lot of coffee shops and restaurants around the Basilica.

## **Day 2 SUNDAY: Zaragoza - Barcelona**

In the morning, we drive directly to the Spanish warm and charming coastal city of Barcelona. After arrival, we will visit the Columbus Monument and La Rambla, followed by Sagrada Família, the monumental Roman Catholic Church designed by Spanish architect Antoni Gaudí. Gaudí's unique vision and out-worldly decoration can be seen throughout the city and makes it feel like one is entering the Artist's mind.

Our next photo stop is Camp Nou, the home grounds of FC Barcelona since 1957. We'll also visit Estadi Olímpic Lluís Companys, the main stadium where the 1992 Summer Olympics were located from Montjuïc, a large hill to the southwest of Barcelona which overlooks the city views. Any remaining leisure time is taken at the bustling Plaza Catalonia, where you can eat, drink and shop as the locals do.

## **Day 3 MONDAY: Barcelona - Alicante**

After having breakfast at the hotel, we leave Barcelona for Spain's third largest city, Valencia. Valencia forms the gateway to North Africa. With a history of affluent commerce and cultural ties to Moorish and Arab culture, Valencia enjoys a level of prosperity and depth thanks to its advantageous geographical location. Despite Valencia's understated position in these recent times, the port and its businesses still attract traders from all continents throughout the year.

Upon arrival, we will visit the Modernisme Plaza of the City Hall of Valencia, the Ancient City Gates, and the grand Valencia Cathedral, where you can see the true Holy Grail.

The day is completed with a drive into our next stop Alicante.

## **Day 4 TUESDAY: Alicante - Granada**

In the morning, you depart for the city of Granada on the plateau of the Andalusian province. This historic city has been ruled by the Visigoths and Arabs. It became the last stronghold of the Arab dynasty during its eight-hundred-year-long rule of the Iberian Peninsula. In the 15th century, King Ferdinand successfully expelled the Arabs and managed to unite Spain. You will have a picture moment in front of the Alhambra, a Moorish citadel and palace, also known as the Red Palace.

Then you will continue to tour the old city of Granada, with its exquisite and delicate architecture.

### **Day 5 WEDNESDAY: Granada – Seville**

In the morning, we go northbound to the largest city of the autonomous community of Andalusia, Seville. This city was the capital of the Muslim dynasty, considered to be the guardian angel of culture in Andalusia, and the birthplace of the flamenco dance. Seville is the primary setting of many operas, the best known of which is Bizet's Carmen. As the fourth largest city in Spain, it hosted the World's Fair in 1992. Upon arrival, we visit Seville Cathedral, the largest Gothic cathedral and the third-largest church in the world. Its completion was back to the early 16th century and now the cathedral halls are dedicated as the Royal Chapel, the burial place of the kings' mausoleum for over a century, and also the tomb of Christopher Columbus who discovered the New World as a credit to the great navigator.

From there onwards we see the Alcázar of Seville, which used to be a Muslim palace and the Spanish Royal Palace. The upper levels of the Alcázar are still used by the royal family as the official Seville residence, which is the oldest royal palace still in use in Europe and was registered in 1987 by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, along with the Seville Cathedral.

Then we walk through Santa Cruz, Torre del Oro (the Tower of Gold), and Maria Luisa Park, where the 1992 World Expo was located. In Plaza de España (Spain Square), we can admire a crafted porcelain painting, detailing the history and elegance of old Spain.

### **Day 6 THURSDAY: Seville - Lisbon**

Today we depart for the capital and the largest city of Portugal, Lisbon. We are expected to arrive in Cabo da Roca (Cape Roca) in the afternoon, which forms the westernmost extent of mainland Portugal and continental Europe. The cape displays the voluminous Atlantic surrounded by endless scenery. Don't forget to buy the remembrance certificate to prove once footstep was on the west point as it will be a memorable souvenir to keep.

Later we will be back to the Lisbon city center and visit Belém Tower and Jerónimos Monastery, both of which were classified as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Belém Tower played a significant role in the Portuguese maritime discoveries of the era of the Age of Discoveries. Jerónimos Monastery is one of the most prominent examples of the Portuguese Late Gothic Manueline style of architecture in Lisbon.

You will pass through Marquis of Pombal Square and then stop at Rossio Square for some free time to sample authentic Portuguese custard tarts at the century-old bakery.

### **Day 7 FRIDAY: Lisbon - Madrid**

Today we will drive back to Madrid via Toledo, a World Heritage Site declared by UNESCO in 1986 for its extensive cultural and monumental heritage. This old city is located on a mountaintop, surrounded on three sides by a bend in the Tagus River, and houses many historical sites.

We stroll across the city, overlooking the Alcázar of Toledo and visiting the grand structure of Toledo Cathedral, you will feel the grandeur of Spain of old times.

The day is concluded with a well-earned rest as you recline in our coach to catch a breathtaking landscape of Spain and enjoy its rich palette of colors in natural surroundings while on the journey to Madrid.

## 團號 EU03 - 西班牙和葡萄牙七日遊

### 第一天（周六）：馬德裏 Madrid - 薩拉戈莎 Zaragoza

早上起程前往遊覽西班牙首都馬德裏。比利斯噴泉、米約廣場、西班牙廣場、西班牙大皇宮等景點名勝，皇宮是西班牙王室鼎盛時之建築，金碧輝煌且美輪美奐，呈現出昔日帝國神聖的餘暉；而代表著西班牙中心點的「零公裏」是一塊不大不小的小正方形磁磚，就安放在太陽門的行人道上。而太陽門廣場商店林立，遍佈百貨公司，是選購西班牙特色皮革產品、服飾及各種紀念品的好去處；下午告別馬德裏前往薩拉戈莎。抵達後直往聖柱廣場，廣場上聖柱聖母聖殿主教堂，為巴洛克風格，建於 1681 年至 1872 年間，它供奉聖柱聖母，被教宗稱之為「西班牙人民的母親」，被譽為歷史上第一座聖母院；廣場上餐廳咖啡廳林立，團友可於此自由享用晚餐。住宿：薩拉戈莎或鄰近城市

### 第二天：薩拉戈莎 Zaragoza - 巴塞隆拿 Barcelona

早上起程前往西班牙著名海岸城市巴塞隆拿，抵步後遊覽熱情迷人的巴塞隆拿，景點包括：哥倫布紀念塔及藍布拉斯大道，繼往巴塞隆拿最有代表性的聖家教堂參觀，此教堂乃有「建築詩人」之稱的建築奇才高迪的曠世傑作；隨後遊覽魯營球場外觀拍照留念及購買紀念品。遊畢轉赴蒙朱伊克山丘上的奧林匹克運動會場參觀，1992 年奧林匹克運動會曾在此舉行，從山丘上更可俯瞰市區全景。餘下時間到繁華熱鬧的加泰隆尼廣場自由活動，晚餐後返回酒店。住宿：巴塞隆拿或鄰近城市

（旺季期間聖家教堂由於管制人流及排隊人群眾多，建議自行在網上預訂門票 <https://sagradafamilia.org/en/home/> 預訂參觀時間：下午 14:00-14:30 之間）

### 第三天：巴塞隆拿 Barcelona - 華倫西亞 Valencia - 亞利坎提 Alicante

早上起程沿海岸線前往西班牙第三大城市華倫西亞，歷史上華倫西亞一直充當西班牙通往地中海的門戶，是商業、文化的集中地；華倫西亞四射的光芒，吸引阿拉伯人頻繁進出，為華倫西亞注入文化交流及經貿改革的刺激，也令華倫西亞享有其他城市不曾擁有的繁榮及光彩。今日的華倫西亞雖已退卻光環，但仍是商貿展覽會舉辦的重要城市，此處全年有各種展覽會舉行。抵步後遊覽舊市內的市政廣場、古城門及華倫西亞大教堂，教堂入口的三座大門，就透露了大教堂歷經滄桑，但最引人註目的，是南翼禮拜堂所收藏的瑪瑙杯，這個杯子傳說正是耶穌最後晚餐所使用的聖杯。遊畢，朝白色海岸海灘渡假城市亞利坎提進發。住宿：亞利坎提或鄰近城市

#### **第四天：亞利坎提 Alicante - 格拉那達 Granada**

早上起程前往安達魯西亞省高原上的名城格拉那達，這是一座歷史名城，曾先後被西哥特人、阿拉伯人統治過，更是阿拉伯摩爾皇朝在伊比利亞半島統治 800 年之最後據點，十五世紀費南迪國王成功將阿拉伯人驅逐，完成統一西班牙大業，留下了多種文明和文化的遺跡，抵步後，於摩爾人在「黃金時代」所遺留下之產物「阿爾罕布拉宮」（又稱紅宮）外拍照留念。繼而前往格拉那達市中心及舊城區遊覽，精緻細膩的建築、清新脫俗的格調，美得令人讚賞。住宿：格拉那達或鄰近城市

#### **第五天：格拉那達 Granada - 塞維爾 Seville**

早上起程前往安達魯西亞地區的靈魂城市塞維爾，此城曾是回教皇朝的首都、安達魯西亞文化的守護天使、佛朗明哥舞蹈的發源地，又是作家筆下小說《卡門》故事的發生地及西班牙的第四大城市。抵步後遊覽建於十六世紀的大教堂，堂內皇室專用禮拜堂，安葬著中世紀多個國王的陵寢；在主禮祭壇旁是哥倫布的石墓，為表揚這位偉大航海家發現新大陸的功勞；遊罷造訪曾經是回教宮殿及西班牙王朝的宮殿之一的阿卡薩城堡，此宮殿於 1987 年被聯合國列入世界文化遺產，這座建築經歷回教及天主教王朝，前後的巧妙配搭形成世上最複雜及美麗建築之一，隨後漫步聖十字區、黃金塔及瑪利亞路易莎公園，此處是 1992 年世界博覽會所在地，西班牙廣場精雕細琢的瓷畫細說昔日西班牙的歷史及風采。住宿：塞維爾或鄰近城市

#### **第六天：塞維爾 Seville - 里斯本 Lisbon**

早上起程前往葡萄牙首府里斯本，預計下午首先抵達歐洲的天涯海角「大石角」，此地位於歐洲大陸最西端，團友除了感受茫茫大西洋的浩瀚氣勢外，還可購買紀念證書，證明曾經踏足歐洲西端盡頭，極具紀念價值。遊畢轉赴里斯本遊覽市內名勝貝倫古塔、象徵葡萄牙為昔日開啟航海時代的先驅及對發現新大陸的熱情的航海家紀念碑、之後前往傑若尼莫修道院，一窺十六世紀葡萄牙海權極盛時期所遺留下之曼奴爾式建築外觀，遊罷送往裏馬露茜廣場及龐布廣場一帶自由活動，團友若有興趣可於百年老餅店品嚐正宗葡式蛋撻。住宿：里斯本或鄰近城市

#### **第七天（周五）：里斯本 Lisbon - 杜麗多 Toledo - 馬德裏 Madrid**

早上起程前往馬德裏，下午途經杜麗多古城遊覽，在太加斯河及堅固的城牆圍繞下，杜麗多記錄了西班牙的歷史與文化，西班牙全盛時期皆建都於此，漫步在這古蹟密佈的城市，俯瞰亞卡沙爾城堡，參觀結構宏偉的大教堂，完全感受西班牙昔日的繁華；遊罷朝馬德裏方向進發，約於晚上八時許抵達馬德裏。