Full Itinerary

ANDALUCIA AUTHENTICA - THE SOUL OF SOUTHERN SPAIN
EUROPEAN COLLECTION

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Monday to Friday 09:00 - 18:00 GMT

JOURNEY SNAPSHOT

ACTIVITY LEVEL:

Level 2

DESTINATION:

Andalucia Authentica - The Soul of Southern Spain

European Collection

DURATION:

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Please arrange your flights to arrive into Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport [AGP] on Day 1 and to depart on Day 7

PICKUP LOCATION:

Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport [AGP]

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7 days / 6 nights

OVERVIEW

September 2027

Andalucia- Discover the Soul of Spain

Immerse yourself in the sun-drenched soul of southern Spain, where Andalucia offers an unforgettable mix of Moorish history, vibrant culture, and stunning, diverse landscapes. Picture exploring the breathtaking Alhambra Palace in Granada, savoring authentic dishes in bustling Seville, and relaxing on the spectacular, sun-kissed cafes of Marbella—all in one trip.

The Big Journey Company's new European Collection integrates excellent dining, the flexibility of premium self-catering accommodations, and immersive excursions led by expert Tour Directors to deliver an uncompromisingly high standard of travel. Whether you're wanderlusting through white-washed villages or experiencing the passion of flamenco, this region provides the perfect, passionate escape you've been waiting for.

ITINERARY SUMMARY

DAY 1 - Welcome to Spain

DAY 2 - Alfarnatejo & Housewives Lunch

DAY 3 - Ronda & Descalzos Viejos Winery

DAY 4 - Granada & The Alhambra

DAY 5 - Málaga & the Pablo Picasso Museum

DAY 6 - Mijas Pueblo & Flamenco Evening

DAY 7 - Adios España!

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DAY 1 - WELCOME TO SPAIN

On arrival at Málaga Airport, there will be three complimentary scheduled transfers to your accommodation.

After check-in the rest of the day is at leisure to enjoy the facilities at the resort beofe joining together for a welcome dinner together this evening.

Included meals: Welcome Dinner

DAY 2 - ALFARNATEJO & HOUSEWIVES LUNCH

For our first excursion we will make our way to the town of Alfarnatejo, admiring the mountainous landscape as we travel. Passing through ancient olive groves we will visit a traditional Oil Mill to learn about the olive press process and, of course, sample the local olive oil with country bread, "Pan Cateto".

On arrival in Alfarnatejo, we will stroll through the village streets to see the beautiful church and the local cottage museum. A real highlight today is being met by a co-operative of local housewives who take us into their homes for a long lunch that they have prepared. Following family recipes, they will give us an authentic opportunity to taste a variety of typical Spanish dishes from the region. Everyone completes this experience feeling they have made a new friend in their hosts.

From here we will return to the resort and spend the evening at leisure.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY 3 - RONDA & DESCALZOS VIEJOS WINERY

Today, we head inland to Ronda. This spectacular city is surrounded by lush river valleys and sits above a deep ravine. It is one of the most beautiful and visited cities in Spain and once seen, never forgotten!

Our first stop is the beautiful setting of the Descalzos Viejos Winery, to soak in the atmosphere of this old monastery and take in the dramatic views. We learn more about the local wine making processes and have a tasting of their wines on the terrace. Today we also enjoy a long, luxurious traditional Spanish tapas lunch. If dessert hasn't arrived, the meal is not over!

Ronda has so much to offer, including the 'Real Maestranza' bullring, the oldest and most picturesque in Spain. We will take a guided walking tour to better understand this very Andalusian pastime. We will also have some free time to explore the old town, giving us time to enjoy the dramatic escarpments and views over the Serranía de Ronda mountains.

Included meals: Lunch
Accommodation: Marbella

DAY 4 - GRANADA & THE ALHAMBRA

Today we head out to Granada and explore one of Spain's most famous sites - the World Heritage designated Alhambra. With parts dating back some 1,500 years, the Alhambra is rich historical complex of fortresses, palaces, gardens and religious buildings, set against the backdrop of the Sierra Nevada mountains. We will take a guided walking tour through the garden and palaces, whose intricate design is not to be missed!

The Alhambra is one of Europe's most popular travel destinations and our tickets are for a timed entry, so we fit lunch around the booking we are given. Today is a day for wearing your most comfortable shoes and packing snacks.

Included meals: Lunch

DAY 5 - MÁLAGA & THE PABLO PICASSO MUSEUM

There is a more leisurely start to this morning before we head out to the regional capital Málaga, birthplace of Pablo Picasso. We begin our visit to Malaga with a guided walking tour, including the local market and cosmopolitan city avenues. We also enjoy a traditional tapas lunch at a bodega bar, sampling more of the culture and traditions of southern Spain.

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After lunch we will visit the Alcazaba, a moorish castle built in the 11th century on a steep hill in the middle of the city. This fort is the best-preserved of its kind in Spain and stands over the even more ancient ruins of a 2,000 year old Roman ampitheatre, which is still used for outdoor performaces today.

Málaga's Pablo Picasso Museum is the highlight of the day for many visitors. Housed in the Buenavista Palace, here you can contemplate the works of an artist who is attributed with changing the course of modern art. Walk in guided groups through the rooms and facilities visiting the Collections of Picasso to gain a real understanding of the work of this most famous artist.

We will head back to the resort in the early evening, after some time at leisure spent exploring the Avenues and lanes of Malaga's shopping and historic districts.

Included meals: Lunch

DAY 6 - MIJAS PUEBLO & FLAMENCO EVENING

This morning you may wish to stay at the resort, relaxing and enjoying it's facilities. There is also an option to take the shuttle bus to Mijas Pueblo, where it is possible to do some last-minute independent souvenir shopping or sightseeing in this picturesque village. Mijas Pueblo - the original town of Mijas is famed as one of Andalusia's best 'Pueblos Blancos' or white towns. It is easy to see why. Wander the cobbled streets between the whitewashed houses in this picturesque village, or perhaps take a carriage ride or donkey taxi to explore the sights in a more leisurely way.

The shuttle bus will return to the resort at lunch time, to allow some time for packing before heading out for the Farewell evening together.

This evening, we will experience one of Andalucia's most famous exports- flamenco dancing. With a traditional meal, this is a great finish to a packed week!

Included meals: Farewell Dinner

DAY 7 - ADIOS ESPAÑA!

Sadly, it's the end of our Spanish adventure. There are three scheduled departures from the resort to Málaga Airport.

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WHAT'S INCLUDED

- airport transfers as detailed in the itinerary
- Self-catering accommodation as detailed in the itinerary
- Transportation to and from all the events and activities as detailed in the itinerary
- All activities, visits, guides and excursions as detailed in the itinerary
- Meals as detailed in the itinerary
- Services of a Big Journey Company Tour Director

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International return flights to/from Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport [AGP]
- Airport transfers outside the tour dates or scheudled times or to/from stations
- Visas, travel or medical insurance
- Any COVID tests or related entry & exit requirements
- Any personal items and anything not mentioned under included in price above
- Any food and beverage not detailed in the itinerary
- Entrance fees to non-stipulated attractions
- Any optional activities offered
- Gratuities

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Please note, flights to/from Spain are not included in this package. The Big Journey Company would be happy to provide a quotation for your flights - please contact us for further details**
- Please let The Big Journey Company know prior to travelling if you have any medical needs or take any medication that we need to be made aware of to ensure that you have a safe and pleasant tour.
- Check in is after 2pm and check out is before 11am unless otherwise specified in the itinerary.
- Cancellation 90 – 0 days prior to departure cancellation fee is 100%. It is your responsibility to ensure the correct travel insurance in place to protect you against the need to cancel your holiday. Deposits are non-refundable and final payments are due 14 weeks prior to departure.
- Further terms and conditions apply and will be provided upon request or at the time of booking. The Big Journey Company reserves the right to withdraw any offer prior to accepting a reservation request. This does not affect your statutory rights. This offer is subject to availability and space is limited.

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BOOK YOUR JOURNEY

Choose from the list of dates below

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