



A truly kaleidoscopic adventure that takes you from some of the most cosmopolitan cities of Europe, to an exotic and vivid land of medinas and minarets.



Lisbon's Monument to the Discoveries, overlooking the Belem waterfront

# Treasures of Spain, Portugal and Morocco

## TOUR PACE

This tour moves at a comfortable, pace with two-night stays in five cities: Madrid, Lisbon, Seville, Fes and Marrakesh. The driving days are of a reasonable length with frequent stops. Enjoy a free day in Seville entirely at your leisure.

## HOTELS

This tour stays in predominantly modern hotels. Many reflect the regional character, as evidenced in the arabesque inspired Moroccan properties. Elsewhere, hotels range from the elegant Marriott Lisbon and the beachfront Melia Costa del Sol, to the classic marble and woodwork of the Alameda Palace in Salamanca.

**DAY 1 – MADRID AT LEISURE.** Welcome to Madrid - Europe's highest capital! On arrival at Madrid Airport, your *airport transfers* leave for the tour hotel at 09:00, 11:00, 13:30 and 16:00. As evening falls, get to know your fellow passengers over a *Welcome Drink*. Hotel: Conde Duque.

**DAY 2 – MADRID SIGHTSEEING.** Take a *guided tour* down the wide avenues. See the *Puerta del Sol*, *Gran Via*, *Paseo de la Castellana*, *Cibeles Fountain* and *Cervantes Monument* in the *Plaza de España* before visiting the *state apartments of the Royal Palace*. In the afternoon, you are at leisure. (BB)

**DAY 3 – MADRID – TOLEDO – SALAMANCA.** *Walk through Toledo's maze of cobbled streets to see the Cathedral and admire El Greco's masterpiece in the chapel of Santo Tomé.* Continue on past the *walls of Avila* en route to *Salamanca*. See the *Plaza Mayor*, the *New and Old Cathedrals* and the *university buildings* in the *Plaza de Anaya*. Hotel: Alameda Palace. (BB,D)

**DAY 4 – SALAMANCA – FATIMA – LISBON.** From Salamanca, drive across the Portuguese frontier to *Fatima* to visit the *great white Basilica* before continuing to the capital, *Lisbon*. Hotel: Marriott Lisbon. (BB)

**DAY 5 – LISBON SIGHTSEEING.** Sightseeing with your *local guide*, shows you *Sao Jorge Castle*, the *Monument to the Discoveries* and the *Belem Tower*, starting point for Portugal's great navigators and explorers, and the *famous Jeronimo's Monastery*. This afternoon is at leisure. (BB)

**DAY 6 – LISBON – SEVILLE.** Leave Lisbon via the modern *Tagus Bridge* and cross the border to reach *Seville*. *A tour with a local guide includes the immense Cathedral, burial place of Christopher Columbus, and the slender Giralda Tower.* Tour the *Santa Cruz Quarter* with its flower-decked wrought iron balconies and see the *Alcazar*. *Tonight settle back for a Highlight Dinner and entertainment featuring a fiery Flamenco show.* Hotel: Melia Lebreros (BB,HD)

**DAY 7 – SEVILLE AT LEISURE.** The *day is free* to take in more sights of your choice. Perhaps take an optional excursion to Cordoba, or enjoy a Sevilliano dinner at a local restaurant. (BB)

**DAY 8 – SEVILLE – GIBRALTAR – TANGIER.** Cross into *Gibraltar*, a British territory since 1704. *Visit the Rock of Gibraltar, St. Michael's Cave and see the Barbary Apes!* Then set *sail to exotic Morocco*. Hotel: Andalucia Golf. (BB,D)

**DAY 9 – TANGIER – FES.** On a *sightseeing tour of Tangier*, see the famous *Medina* and the *Casbah* before continuing to Fes, the most ancient of Morocco's cities. *Enjoy a superb Moroccan Dinner and a Folklore Show with drums and belly dancing.* Hotel: Atlas Fes. (BB,HD)

**DAY 10 – FES SIGHTSEEING.** During a *guided tour* visit the *Medina* and the *walled city of hidden courtyards, mosques and tiny workshops, the ancient bazaar* and a *carpet co-operative*. Afterwards, you are at leisure. (BB,D)

**DAY 11 – FES – MARRAKESH.** Travel via the *Atlas Mountains*, past mud-walled villages to *Marrakesh*. Hotel: Atlas Medina & Spa. (BB,D)

**DAY 12 – MARRAKESH SIGHTSEEING.** On a *guided tour*, see the *Koutobia Minaret*, visit the *Saadi Tombs*, and explore the *Medina* with its many souks. The tour ends in *Jemaa el Fna Square* where acrobats, dancers and fortune tellers entertain you. Perhaps try a traditional *Tajine* dish tonight? (BB)

**DAY 13 – MARRAKESH – RABAT.** Did Humphrey Bogart really say 'Play it again Sam'? Find out on an *orientation tour of Casablanca*. Continue to *Rabat* to see the *Royal Palace and Hassan Tower*. Hotel: Golden Tulip. (BB,D)

**DAY 14 – RABAT – COSTA DEL SOL.** *Sail back across the Straits of Gibraltar* to Spain and travel along the sun drenched *Costa del Sol*, past exclusive resorts to your hotel. Hotel: Melia Costa Del Sol. (BB)

**DAY 15 – COSTA DEL SOL – GRANADA.** Drive *past olive groves to hilltop Granada*. *Tour the fabulous Alhambra Palace with a local guide and visit the exotic water gardens of the Generalife.* This evening *choose from a selection of restaurants for your dining pleasure*. Hotel: Saray. (BB,DA)

**DAY 16 – GRANADA – MADRID.** Travel through *La Mancha*, via the wine centre of *Valdepeñas*, its roads lined with 'bodegas' and *hear an informative tutorial about the wines that make this region so famous*. This evening, *join us for a celebration farewell dinner and bid 'hasta la vista' to your new-found friends*. Hotel: Melia Galgos. (BB,HD)

**DAY 17 – DEPART MADRID.** Your tour draws to a close today. *Departure transfers* arrive at Madrid Airport at 07:00, 09:00 & 11:00. (BB)



Koutobia Minaret, Marrakesh



St Michael's Cave, Gibraltar

**Key**

- PREMIUM HIGHLIGHTS
- PERSONAL INSIGHTS
- DINE-AROUND & HIGHLIGHT DINNERS
- WELCOME DRINK
- GUIDED SIGHTSEEING OR ORIENTATION TOUR
- CENTRAL HOTELS + NIGHTS
- SCENIC HOTELS + NIGHTS



Visit Christopher Columbus' tomb in the Cathedral

Dinner plus a fiery flamenco show in Seville

Join a guided tour of the Alhambra Palace and the gardens of the Generalife

Choose from a selection of restaurants on our Dine-Around evening

A taste of the exotic - enjoy dinner complete with folklore show and belly dancing

**Included Premium Highlights**

- Visit the city of Toledo to admire the Cathedral, and visit the chapel of Santo Tomé to see *The Burial of Count Orgaz* by El Greco
- Visit the tomb of Christopher Columbus in Seville's Gothic Cathedral, built in the 15th century
- Visit the Rock of Gibraltar, St. Michael's Cave and see the Barbary Apes!
- Enjoy a guided tour of the fabulous Alhambra Palace and exotic water gardens of the Generalife
- Experience the monumental grandeur of the state apartments in Madrid's Royal Palace

**Included Personal Insights**

- Enjoy a short tutorial on the wines from the Meseta regions

**Included Other Excursions & Sights**

- See the Plaza Mayor, Cathedrals and University buildings in Salamanca
- Visit the Basilica in Fatima, one of the most important Catholic centres of faith
- View the modern Monument to the Discoveries and ancient Belem Tower in Lisbon
- View the Alcazar, Giralda Tower, and fashionable Santa Cruz quarter in Seville
- See the Medina and Casbah of Tangier
- Visit the Medina and shop for Moroccan carpets in Fes
- Visit the Saadi Tombs and see the Koutobia Minaret in Marrakesh
- View the Royal Palace and Hassan Tower in Rabat
- Pass through the famous wine centre of Valdepeñas
- See Madrid's Cibeles Fountain and drive the Gran Via and Puerta del Sol
- See Don Quixote at the Cervantes Monument in the Plaza de España, Madrid
- Scenic Drives – Atlas Mountains, Costa del Sol, Sierra Nevada

**Included First Class Services**

- Escorted by a professional Tour Director
- Headsets for all guided visits and walking tours
- Luxury air-conditioned 40 seat coach with extended leg room and on-board restroom
- Insight Hotels include all service charges, taxes and portorage
- Insight Traveller document wallet, Welcome on Tour book and information pack
- Airport arrival and departure transfers at scheduled times on Day 1 and Day 17

*(Should your flights not coincide with these arrival and departure transfers, please make your own way to/from the airport or see page 58 to purchase a transfer)*

**Included Quality Dining**

- Dine Around evening at a selection of restaurants in Granada. (DA)
- Highlight Dinner featuring full Flamenco in Seville (HD)
- Highlight Dinner, folklore show & belly dancing in Fes (HD)
- Highlight Dinner, bid farewell to your new found friends in Madrid (HD)
- 16 Buffet Breakfasts (BB), 5 three-course table d'hôte Dinners, or Buffets, plus tea or coffee (D)
- Departures on tour for New Year's Eve, enjoy a festive celebration dinner

**TOUR CODE:** W942 **Save up to US\$335 p.p. - see reductions below**

Starts Madrid	Ends Madrid	Twin Share p.p.	Single Supp. Option	Triple Room Reduction	Starts Madrid	Ends Madrid	Twin Share p.p.	Single Supp. Option	Triple Room Reduction
Fri 04 Nov	Sun 20 Nov	\$3350	\$810	\$100	Fri 13 Jan	Sun 29 Jan	\$3350	\$810	\$100
Fri 11 Nov	Sun 27 Nov	\$3350	\$810	\$100	Fri 10 Feb	Sun 26 Feb	\$3350	\$810	\$100
Fri 25 Nov	Sun 11 Dec	\$3350	\$810	\$100	Fri 24 Feb	Sun 11 Mar	\$3350	\$810	\$100
Fri 02 Dec	Sun 18 Dec	\$3350	\$810	\$100	Fri 02 Mar	Sun 18 Mar	\$3435	\$810	\$100
◆ Fri 16 Dec	Sun 01 Jan	\$3815	\$810	\$100	Fri 09 Mar	Sun 25 Mar	\$3435	\$810	\$100
◆ Tue 27 Dec	Thu 12 Jan	\$3525	\$810	\$100	Fri 16 Mar	Sun 01 Apr	\$3435	\$810	\$100
<b>2012:</b>					Fri 23 Mar	Sun 08 Apr	\$3435	\$810	\$100
Fri 06 Jan	Sun 22 Jan	\$3350	\$810	\$100	Fri 30 Mar	Sun 15 Apr	\$3535	\$920	\$100

**Extra Accommodation**

Per person, per night	Twin	Single	Triple
Conde Duque, Madrid	\$126	\$207	\$121
Melia Galgos, Madrid	\$115	\$167	\$111

**Reductions**

SAVE \$335 per person with Young Traveller Discount

SAVE up to \$191 per person with 2nd Tour Discount

SAVE up to \$191 per person with Frequent Traveller Discount

**Early Payment Discount**

SAVE per person	10 months	6 months
	\$250	\$165

For additional information regarding Insight's great Savings & Discounts, please see page 8.

**Festive Highlights**

◆ New Year's Eve festive celebration dinner included

**Notes**

All prices are in US dollars.

**Additional Visa Requirements:** Passengers who require visas for the UK will also need a separate visa for Gibraltar

**DEF**  **Definite Departures (DEF)**

These are regularly updated and listed on our website [www.insightvacations.com](http://www.insightvacations.com) (see page 8 for details).

**Dine-Around, Highlight Dinners & Included Sightseeing are worth approximately US\$776**

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