SPAIN, PORTUGAL & MOROCCO

DEPARTING 13 SEPTEMBER 2019



17 DAYS | LISBON TO MADRID

\$4,845^{*}

FULLY ESCORTED TOUR!

BARCELONA EXTENSION AVAILABLE

On this Spain, Portugal, and Morocco tour, you'll experience these three glorious countries, each with a rich history and culture!

You'll overnight in Lisbon, Seville, Rabat, Marrakesh, Ouarzazate, Erfoud, Fez, the Costa del Sol, Granada, and Madrid.

After this tour, continue your journey on a Barcelona extension.

YOUR TOUR INCLUDES

- Transfers
- Breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 9 dinners
- Services of a professional Tour Director

LOCAL FAVOURITES BY GLOBUS

- Casablanca: enjoy lunch at Rick's Cafe, a guided panoramic drive, and visit Hassan II Mosque
- Erfoud: enjoy a four-wheel drive to the sand dune of Erg Chebbi, and have a traditional mint tea
- Madrid: A farewell paella dinner at a local restaurant

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DAY 1: FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2019 ARRIVE IN LISBON, PORTUGAL.

Welcome to Lisbon! At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and travelling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel. (D)

DAY 2: SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2019 LISBON.

Lisbon was the centre of Europe's longest-lived overseas empire. Portugal's imperial ambitions date back to Prince Henry the Navigator's 15th-century discoveries in West Africa. Morning sightseeing with a Local Guide features a drive through the Baixa guarter's main squares and walk along the cobblestone alleys of quaint ALFAMA, the popular quarter of the seamen and Fado singers. Drive along the grand Avenida da Liberdade up to Pombal Square, Stop for pictures of Belem Tower, quarding the mouth of the Tagus, and the Monument to the Discoveries. Also visit JERONIMOS MONASTERY with the tomb of Vasco da Gama. An optional excursion to the royal palace of Queluz is available, as well as dinner at a traditional taverna with Fadostyle entertainment. (B)

DAY 3: SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2019 LISBON-AZEITAO-SEVILLE, SPAIN.

In Azeitao, visit a traditional TILE WORKSHOP. Next, enter Spain and reach the vibrant capital of Andalusia, Seville. (B,D).

DAY 4: MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2019 **SEVILLE.**

During your sightseeing tour with a Local Guide, hear about the city's role in Roman times, its conquest by the Moors in 712 AD, and its contribution to the discovery of the New World. Admire Maria Luisa Park, the Golden Tower on the Guadalquivir River, and the university that was once the tobacco factory of Carmen fame. Also visit the magnificent CASA DE PILATOS, a mixture of Moorish and Roman architecture with a splendid collection of Roman sculptures. Then, stroll through the narrow lanes of the charming SANTA CRUZ QUARTER. For those interested, an optional extended guided visit to the cathedral is available. Tonight, for a truly Andalusian night out, reserve a seat at our optional Flamenco show. (B)

DAY 5: TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2019 SEVILLE-ALGECIRAS-RABAT, MOROCCO.

Travel through the sherry wine region of Jerez to Algeciras and enjoy a FERRY RIDE across the Strait of Gibraltar to Morocco. Follow North Africa's infamous Barbary Coast to Rabat, once a lair of the corsairs and now the country's capital. (B,D)

DAY 6: WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2019 RABAT-CASABLANCA-MARRAKESH.

Sightseeing with a Local Guide focuses on the massive medieval battlements, the Royal Palace, MAUSOLEUM OF MOHAMMED V, Hassan Tower, and the Kasbah of Oudaias. Also visit the fine ROMAN RELICS OF CHELLAH. Continue to Casablanca, Morocco's modern seaport. Lunch will be served at Rick's Café Américain, famous for the movie Casablanca with Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, and the song As Time Goes By. Your guided panoramic drive features a visit to

the HASSAN II MOSQUE, a splendid monument designed to mark the end of the century. Evening arrival in Marrakesh, beautifully situated in an oasis. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2019 MARRAKESH.

Follow your Local Guide and visit BAHIA PALACE, the 16th-century SAADIAN TOMBS (if closed, visit the BADIA PALACE instead), and to Djemaa EI-Fna, the vibrant town centre dominated by the 222-foothigh Koutoubia Minaret. In the evening, an exciting optional excursion is available. (B).

DAY 8: FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2019 MARRAKESH-OUARZAZATE.

Today, travel to Morocco's Hollywood, Ouarzazate, deep in the desert and immortalised in movies like Lawrence of Arabia, Star Wars, Gladiator, and Game of Thrones. Later, visit the KASBAH TAOURIRT, by many considered a must-see site for a glimpse into the lifestyle of people a long time ago. (B,D)

DAY 9: SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2019 OUARZAZATE-ERFOUD.

Take a fascinating drive through the desert via the Dades Valley with its oases filled with olives, dates, and figs. Then, head through Morocco's Grand Canyon, Todra Gorge, to Erfoud in the heart of the Sahara. A special treat awaits: enjoy a spectacular FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE to the sand dune of Erg Chebbi. Admire the unforgettable, romantic sunset and sip the traditional mint tea before heading back to your hotel. (B,D)

DAY 10: SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2019 **ERFOUD-ER RACHIDIA-FEZ.**

Enjoy your last views of the desert and turn northward. Stop in Er Rachidia, originally built as a French settlement, and travel via the Ziz Gorges and the Middle Atlas mountains to Fez. Blessed with an ample supply of water and strategically situated, Fez became the capital of Morocco when the country shook off foreign rule under Berber King Idris in the 8th century. To this day, Fez has remained Morocco's spiritual and artistic centre. Tonight, why not sign up for an optional folklore dinner? (B)

DAY 11: MONDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2019 **FEZ-TANGIER.**

See the magnificent entrance to the Royal Palace, drive through the Mellah, the old Jewish quarter, and travel on to Bab Bou Jeloud, the traditional entrance to Old Fez. Your Local Guide also leads you through labyrinthine MEDINA and MEDERSA BOU INANIA. Continue to Tangier, jumping-off point for the Moorish conquest of Spain, and enjoy an orientation drive of this busy seaport. (B.D)

DAY 12: TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2019 TANGIER-COSTA DEL SOL, SPAIN.

Board the FERRY for the trip back across the Strait to Europe. Continue to the elegant Costa del Sol, where you will stay for two nights. (B)

DAY 13: WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2019 COSTA DEL SOL.

Today is your chance to join an optional excursion to the Rock of Gibraltar, in British hands since 1704. Later, enjoy the sandy beaches, browse through the

trendy boutiques, or just relax. Tonight, why not try out local specialties at one of the lively restaurants? (B)

DAY 14: THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2019 COSTA DEL SOL-GRANADA.

Leave the Mediterranean coast and arrive in Granada. A guided walking tour features a visit to the ALHAMBRA COMPLEX, a fantasy of "lace in stone" surrounded by arabesque gardens and fountains, with superb views of the Old Quarter and Sacromonte. Also visit the WATER GARDENS OF THE GENERALIFE. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B.D.)

DAY 15: FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2019 **GRANADA-TOLEDO-MADRID.**

Drive via Don Quixote's La Mancha to Toledo, where a Local Guide takes you to the Moorish bridge, an early SYNAGOGUE, the CATHEDRAL, and the CHURCH OF SANTO TOMÉ with one of El Greco's most famous paintings. Visit a DAMASCENE STEEL WORKSHOP before arriving in Madrid. (B)

DAY 16: SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2019 MADRID.

The capital since 1561, Madrid today is a strikingly modern city, the showcase of a country resolutely turned towards the future. Morning sightseeing with a Local Guide takes you to the Puerta del Sol, Plaza de Espana with its monument to Cervantes, the Parliament, Cibeles Fountain, elegant Calle Alcala, and Paseo de Castellana. Then, the highlight: a visit to the palatial PRADO MUSEUM, founded in 1819, and considered to have one of the finest collections of European art of the last 8 centuries, with the works of Goya, El Greco, Rubens, Titian, and more. An optional excursion to El Escorial is available, and tonight, a special paella farewell dinner awaits at a local restaurant as a proper way to say adios to Spain! (B,D)

BARCELONA EXTENSION

DAY 17: SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2019 MADRID - BARCELONA.

Travel by HIGH-SPEED AVE TRAIN (first class) to Barcelona! Your Local Host can help you make the most of your stay. (B)

DAY 18: MONDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2019 BARCELONA.

Morning guided sightseeing includes visits to CASA BATLLÓ and the SAGRADA FAMILIA BASILICA. (B)

DAY 19: TUESDAY 1 OCTOBER 2019 BARCELONA.

Your Local Host will have many suggestions for your day at leisure. (B)

DAY 20: WEDNESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2019 BARCELONA.

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

