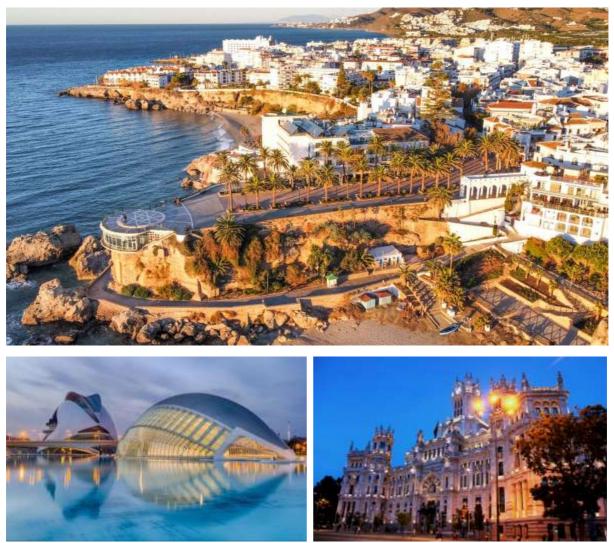


# SPECTACULAR SPAIN TOUR BY SELF DRIVE

11 Nights/12 Days

Madrid, Seville, Costa Del Sol, Granada, Valencia, Barcelona





# **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- 1. Experience the Marvel of Barcelona and Madrid.
- 2. See one of Valencia's most well-known locations, Plaza Reina.
- 3. Engage in a sightseeing tour of Toledo, the capital of Spain prior to Madrid
- 4. Explore the old quarters of Santa Cruz in a horse cart in Seville

# **ITINERARY IN BRIEF**

Day 01	Arrive in Madrid
Day 02	Madrid city tour
Day 03	Visit Toledo and transfer to Seville
Day 04	Seville Sightseeing tour
Day 05	Visit Ronda and Costa Del Sol
Day 06	Transfer to Granada
Day 07	Visit to McArthur Glen shopping outlet
Day 08	Transfer to Valencia
Day 9	Valencia leisure tour
Day 10	Transfer to Barcelona
Day 11	Barcelona City Tour
Day 12	Fly back to India



#### DAY 01: ARRIVE IN MADRID

On arrival at Madrid-Barajas Adolfo Suárez Airport, you will be met by our local representative for a brief meet and greet. You will then be transferred to your hotel in Madrid for Check-in.

Madrid is the financial, cultural and political capital of Spain. It is the third largest city in the European Union and is renowned for its elegant boulevards and manicured parks. A modern city, and a centre for gastronomy, the city has numerous museums featuring artworks by popular artists such as Goya and Picasso. The day is free to relax and roam around in Madrid on your own. Overnight stay at the hotel in Madrid.



#### HIGHLIGHTS Arrive in Madrid and Check-in at hotel.



# DAY 02: MADRID CITY TOUR

After breakfast at the hotel, we proceed for a city tour of Madrid.

During the city tour, we shall visit Madrid's royal palace and Sabatini gardens, Prado Museum, Puerto Del Sol, Plaza Mayor and Parque del Retiro. The royal palace is different from other Spanish palaces which we will see during the tour as this is the only one built by Spain's Christian monarchy. The palace is beautifully decorated with rich tapestries, splendid chandeliers and lifelike portraits. Plaza Mayor forms the centre of Old Madrid and is a lively public square with a majestic statue of King Philip III of Spain.

After the city tour, the day is free for you to explore Madrid on your own.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Madrid.



SEGV'S RECOMMENDATION – Spain has fantastic museums depicting the best paintings by some of the most renowned artists in the world. The best museums for those interested in seeing these rare artworks are – Prado National Museum and Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia. For anyone interested in history, there is the Museo Arqueologico Nacional which features articles from Hispanic pre History to the modern age.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- See the most popular sights in Madrid on a guided city tour
- Visit the magnificent museums of Madrid to savour artworks by popular artists [OPTIONAL]



# DAY 03: VISIT TOLEDO AND TRANSFER TO SEVILLE

After breakfast, we proceed to Seville. En-route, we stop at Toledo – one of the oldest cities in Spain that was the melting pot of 3 religious cultures – Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

During the city tour, we shall visit Cathedral de Toledo, a beautiful catholic church with gothic interiors. Next, we shall visit Sinagoga del Tránsito, a magnificent synagogue that provides a glimpse in the Jewish culture in Spain. Finally, we will visit a traditional sword factory in Toledo, and learn about the art of Sword Making in Toledo which is renowned for supplying weaponry across Europe.

After a tour of Toledo, we will continue our journey to Seville. Upon arrival, the day is free for you to explore Seville on your own.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Seville.



# **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Engage in a sightseeing tour of Toledo, the capital of Spain prior to Madrid
- Learn the art of Sword making at a traditional sword factory in Toledo
- Transfer to Seville, voted the best city to visit by lonely planet in 2018



#### DAY 04: SEVILLE SIGHTSEEING TOUR

After breakfast, we will begin the sightseeing tour of Seville. Seville is the capital of Andalusia region in southern Spain. It is famous for its vibrant history, culture and of course, flamenco dancing. Seville was voted as the best city to visit in 2018 by the world's most popular guidebook – lonely planet. Founded as a Roman city, it was ruled by the Moors, muslims who came from North African after the Muslim conquest. It was incorporated into the Christian kingdom in 1248 by Ferdinand III.

We will visit the spectacular Sevilla's Cathedral– which is the third largest cathedral in Europe, and appreciate its beautiful interiors and architecture. Next, we will visit Royal Alcazar – the royal palace which is a perfect example of Moorish architecture and has gorgeous manicured Gardens. The palace was used as the setting for the beautiful city of Dorne in the popular television series – Game of Thrones. During the sightseeing tour, we shall also see and appreciate the sophistication of the Metropol Parasol and learn about the history associated with the Moorish Girilda tower. We shall also see the Plaza De Torres, a stadium where bullfights are hosted even today in the month of April.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Seville.



SEGV'S RECOMMENDATION – In the evening, enjoy a horse cart ride in the old quarters of Santa Cruz and enjoy the world-famous flamenco show. A highly expressive dance form, Flamenco is characterised by fluid body movements, hand clapping and percussive footwork. The dance was made popular in the movie – Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Venture out for a city tour of beautiful Seville
- Explore the old quarters of Santa Cruz in a horse cart
- Enjoy a flamboyant Flamenco performance by local artists



## DAY 05: VISIT RONDA AND TRANSFER TO COSTA DEL SOL

After delicious breakfast at the hotel, we will leave for Costa Del Sol.

Enroute, we visit Ronda which is a small village. Here we do a village tour and learn about the old town which has Moorish architecture and the new town which was made after the christian recapture. Both the towns are connected through the iconic Puente Nuevo bridge.



After the tour to Ronda, , we drive to Marbella, on arrival free time in centre.

Overnight stay at hotel at Costa Del Sol.

## HIGHLIGHTS

• Proceed to Costa Del Sol on a scenic route that includes visit to Ronda and Marbella.



#### DAY 06: TRANSFER TO GRANADA

After breakfast, we drive to Granada and proceed for a city tour of the city.

The last Moorish stronghold in Spain, Granada is a pleasant mix of its Moorish past and Christian present. The beautiful Islamic architecture and magnificent churches go hand in hand with tapas bars and graffiti street art. Located at the foothills of Sierra Nevada mountains, Granda has a relaxed vibe, typical of previously powerful cities that are now past their prime.



During the city tour, we will visit Alhambra Palace from inside. This UNESCO world heritage site is a palace and fortress complex built in islamic style that is surrounded by GeneralLife gardens, which are manicured gardens with the choicest fruit trees, colourful flowerbeds and vegetable gardens. We shall also visit the Royal Chapel of Granada and Basílica de San Juan de Dios, a baroque Basilica that is decorated with gold and silver artwork.

After the city tour, the evening is free for you to enjoy Granada on your own.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Granada.

# HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy a guided city tour of Granada
- Evening free to enjoy Granada on your own



#### DAY 07: VISIT TO MCARTHUR GLEN SHOPPING OUTLET

After breakfast at the hotel, we will proceed to visit the McArthur Glen shopping outlet.



The premier shopping destination of its sort in the south of Spain is McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Málaga. It is situated close to the airport, three train stations from the city centre, and 10 minutes from the city centre by vehicle, precisely like the Plaza Mayor. Additionally, it is not far from places like Ronda, Nerja, and Marbella. Perfect for doing some shopping before going back to your destination!

Overnight stay at the hotel in Granada.

# HIGHLIGHTS

• Have the best time of your life in McArthur Glen shopping outlet.



## DAY 08 : TRANSFER TO VALENCIA AND CITY TOUR

Today, we drive to Valencia. On arrival, enjoy a guided city tour. See the Plaza Reina. Due to its beautifully planted spaces, the cathedral in the background, and the various restaurants on either side, the Plaza de la Reina is one of Valencia's most well-known locations and a must-see during your stay.

Proceed to see the City of Arts & Sciences, one of the more recent architectural landmarks of Valencia. One of the biggest cultural and scientific complexes in Europe is the City of Arts and Sciences in Valencia. It is comprised of striking structures like the Hemisfèric and Oceanogràfic and stands out for its cutting-edge architecture, which was created by renowned designers Santiago Calatrava and Félix Candela.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Valencia.



# HIGHLIGHTS

- Transfer to Valencia.
- See one of Valencia's most well-known locations, Plaza Reina.
- Visit the city of Arts and Sciences in Valencia



## DAY 09: DAY AT LEISURE IN VALENCIA

After breakfast at the hotel, the day is free for you to explore Valencia's Beaches on your own.



Overnight stay at the hotel .

## HIGHLIGHTS

• Free day to explore Valencia on your own



# DAY 10: TRANSFER TO BARCELONA

After breakfast at the hotel, we will catch a flight to Barcelona.

A charming sea-side city, Barcelona is one of the most famous cities in the world. Founded as a Roman city, it was once the capital of the country of Barcelona. The city has a mild and warm climate due to its proximity to the sea and has some of the best beaches in the world. Architects such as Antoni Gaudi and Lluis Demenech i Montaner have given many famous buildings which are now UNESCO world heritage sites.

Upon reaching Barcelona, we will check-in at the hotel. Rest of the day is free for you to explore Barcelona on your own.



Overnight stay at the hotel in Barcelona.

# HIGHLIGHTS

- Catch flight to Barcelona
- Check-in at the hotel and explore Barcelona on your own



# DAY 11: BARCELONA CITY TOUR

After breakfast, we will proceed for sightseeing tour of Barcelona.

During the city tour, we will visit some of the most beautiful building's in the world such as Guaudi's La Sagrada Familia, La Ramblas, Statue of Christopher Columbus and Camp Nou – the home stadium of FC Barcelona. We will also visit Montjuic Castle by taking a cable car ride to Montjuic hill.

After the city tour, you are free to enjoy the city on your own. Barcelona offers one of the best nightlife experiences in the world.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Barcelona.



HIGHLIGHTSSee the most beautiful sights in Barcelona on a half day city tour.



## DAY 12: FLY BACK TO INDIA

After breakfast, transfer to airport to board a flight to India.

We check out from the hotel to leave for Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat Airport. Arrive home with pleasant memories of your Spain Portugal tour organized by State Express Global Voyages, which we are sure you will treasure for a lifetime.

## HIGHLIGHTS

• Board flight to return to India

# **"TOUR END"**



