



Gardens of Portugal & Spain *With Garden Time!*

October 6 - 19, 2021

Andalucia...the name alone invokes images of flaming red flamenco dresses, dark eyes peeking over a lacy fan, bullfighters in pink satin trousers, graceful Moorish architecture and white-washed villages. And it is also a destination that hosts a stunning array of gardens, thanks to the influence of Persia, the Romans and the Moorish influence of the Al Andalus era. Beautifully incorporating fountains and pools, along with pergolas and arcades to create shade, the gardens here provide a fabulous sensory experience of refreshing coolness, humidity, sounds, greenery, and fragrance.

Join ***Garden Time*** hosts **Judy Alleruzzo and Ryan Seely** as we journey to the endlessly fascinating country of Spain...and we're throwing in a little Lisbon for fun! This colorful and cultural experience will not only take us to the beautiful gardens in Portugal and Spain, it will also include tastings of local culinary specialties and wine, spectacular architectural and historical tours, a flamenco performance, the famous prancing horses of Jerez and Fado singing. The journey concludes in Madrid, where you can easily continue your travels or fly straight home. Don't miss out! Space is limited.



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JOURNEY AT A GLANCE

3 Nights Lisbon
2 Nights Cape Sagres
3 Nights Sevilla
2 Nights Granada
3 Nights Madrid



JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

Walking tours and gardens of Lisbon, Sevilla, Cordoba and Granada ♦ Palacio dos Marquesas, Lisbon ♦ Quinta da Regaleira, Sintra ♦ Alcazar and Cathedral, Sevilla ♦ Barrio Santa Cruz, Sevilla ♦ Flamenco performance ♦ Alhambra complex and Generalife Gardens, Granada ♦ Cathedral and Royal Chapel, Granada ♦ Patio tour of Cordoba

IT'S INCLUDED!

- Travel with Judy Alleruzzo, Ryan Seely and Jeff and Therese Gustin of *Garden Time*
- Fully guided by Thibault (Tibo) Martin
- Fado evening in Lisbon, guitar concert/flamenco performance in Seville
- All entrance fees to museums, palaces, concerts, and all activities listed in itinerary
- Wine, sherry and olive oil tastings
- Historic walks of Lisbon, Cordoba, Sevilla and Granada with local guides
- A visit to an Andalusian horse farm in Jerez
- 13 nights of accommodation in superior three and four star hotels
- Transportation from Lisbon to Madrid via private coach
- All breakfasts plus 13 additional meals
- All gratuities for drivers, guides and all those assisting group activities and meals

TRIP FACTS

14 Days/ 13 Nights

\$4,995 per person double occupancy (land only) based on a minimum of 14 guests

\$1195 single supplement (*waived if willing to share a room and a roommate is found*)

Depart the USA by: October 5, 2021

Journey begins: October 6, 2021 at 6:00pm

Journey ends: October 19, after breakfast

NOT INCLUDED: Int'l airline tickets & fees and any items not mentioned in your tailor-made *Garden Time* itinerary.

WAYS TO SAVE: Earthbound and *Garden Time* travel alumni save \$100 pp ♦ Reserve before June 1, 2021 and save \$100 pp ♦ Pay final balance by check and save \$100

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Your Garden Journey Begins!

***Regarding dining in Spain and Portugal:** Traditions are alive and well in Iberia. One of these traditions is to dine late into the evening; generally, Spaniards only think of having dinner after 9:00 or 10:00 pm. With our guests in mind, we have included an abundance of multi-course lunches, knowing that most North Americans prefer a hearty lunch followed by a glass of wine and tapas for dinner.

DAY 0: Oct 5 – Depart home country for lively Lisbon!

Remember you will need to depart no later than Oct 5 to arrive in Portugal by Oct 6. A group flight option will be available soon.

DAY 1: Oct 6 – Welcome to Portugal!

Bem vindo a Portugal (Welcome to Portugal)! Plan to meet your *Garden Time* hosts, Judy Alleruzzo, Ryan Seely, Jeff and Therese Gustin, your Earthbound guide, and fellow travelers this evening for a welcome orientation and dinner. *Sleep in Lisbon (D)*

DAY 2: Oct 7- Discover Vibrant Lisbon and Palacio dos Marquesas da Fronteira

After breakfast we set out to discover Lisbon. Our journey begins in the Belém district with an in-depth tour of the Jerónimos Monastery. This is one of the most prominent examples of Portuguese late Gothic Manueline style of architecture. It is also a UNESCO World Heritage site. You will also see the Tower of Belém, which is dedicated to the great Portuguese explorers. Then we'll head to the district of Benfica, which houses the spectacular formal gardens of the 17th century Palacio dos Marquesas, also home to some of Portugal's finest tiles. *Sleep in Lisbon (B, L)*



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Discover the gardens of Sintra, Portugal

DAY 3: Oct 8 – Excursion to Sintra

Today we embark on a short journey to a village of fantasy castles nestled in lush green valleys and surrounded by exotic tropical plants. Portugal's kings and wealthy aristocrats came to Sintra to build magnificent summer homes and stunning gardens from which to while away their time gazing at the shimmering Atlantic. During this visually stunning day, we'll see the National Palace of Pena and the lovely Quinta de Monserrate. Our evening includes a festive group dinner accompanied by *fado*, a form of traditional Portuguese singing. *Sleep in Lisbon (B, D)*

DAY 4: Oct 9 – Évora Outing and Cork Farm Visit

We depart after breakfast for whitewashed Évora, famous for the Roman Temple of Évora, also called the Temple of Diana. Évora is also home to the massive Gothic 12th century cathedral Igreja de de São Francisco, which sports baroque architecture and the skeleton-adorned Chapel of Bones. As Évora is nestled among vast fields of cork and olive trees, this is the perfect afternoon to visit a cork farm and sample some olive oil! We'll then make our way to the "end of the world," the very southwestern tip of Portugal. *Sleep in Cape Sagres (B, L)*

DAY 5: Oct 10 – Cape Sagres

Spend the day relaxing on a windswept beach stretching for miles, or hike a nearby trail. There will be an optional excursion to the lighthouse at Cape St Vincent and we'll plan to meet up for an included dinner this evening. *Sleep in Cape Sagres (B, D)*



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Explore Cape Sagres, Portugal

DAY 6: Oct 11 – From the Algarve to Sevilla and the Parque Maria Luisa

Today we make the journey from Portugal to Spain, so we exchange “*bom dia*” for “*buenos dias.*” After a lunch stop en route, we arrive in Sevilla, the capital of Andalusia and the fourth largest city in Spain. Founded as a Roman city, it fell under Muslim control in the 8th century. Ferdinand Magellan famously departed from Sevilla on his first circumnavigation of the earth and, in the 17th century, Sevilla saw a resulting brilliant flowering of the city’s culture. You’ll enjoy many examples of that extraordinary era during our three night stay here. Time permitting, we’ll stroll through the Parque de Maria Luisa, a park in the “Moorish paradisiacal” style with tiled fountains, pavilions, walls, ponds and benches. With lush plantings of palms, orange trees, Mediterranean pines and stylized flower beds, this park serves as a botanical garden. Enjoy a group dinner this evening. *Sleep in Sevilla (B, D)*

DAY 7: Oct 12 – Alcazar Gardens of Sevilla and Barrio Santa Cruz

Take a walk through the Barrio Santa Cruz. The most beloved of Sevilla’s neighborhoods, Santa Cruz is filled with wrought-iron cancelas (gates), courtyards with Andalusian tiled fountains, art galleries, restaurants, cafes, flowerpots of geraniums, and winding narrow alleyways. Named after a Christian saint, Santa Cruz is the former ghetto of Sevilla’s Jews and the single most colorful part of the city. Enjoy an included group lunch today, followed by a walk through the palace gardens of the magnificent Alcazar. This evening let’s meet up for an evening of Flamenco.

Sleep in Sevilla (B, L)



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DID YOU KNOW...

“Al” is the Arabic article meaning “the;” thus “Al Andalus” means “The Vandals.” The name “Andalusia” is derived from the Germanic tribe called the Vandals, which overran Roman Spain in the 5th century.

DAY 8: Oct 13 – Cathedral of Sevilla and Cordoba Patio Tour

Before we leave this morning, we’ll take in the Cathedral of Sevilla, the world’s largest Gothic church, with Christopher Columbus’ tomb and treasury. Then we’ll head out in our coach to Cordoba. Once a regional capital, first during Roman times and then for the Moors, Cordoba boasts the best Islamic sight next to Granada’s Alhambra: the Mesquita, an extremely well-preserved 8th-century mosque.

Another highlight: The Patio Tour! Designed by the Romans to offer shade from the Andalusian sun, the patios are a visual feast of historic and colorful courtyards abundant with the classic scents of Cordoba: orange blossom and jasmine. *Sleep in Seville (B, D)*

DAY 9: Oct 14 – Spanish Horses, Sherry & Granada

Embark on a day excursion to Jerez de la Frontera, where we’ll tour an Andalusian horse farm to see these majestic creatures and learn about their deep connection to the local culture. We’ll also make a visit to a bodega for a taste of the famous sherry (the name of which is an Anglicization of the word Jerez). After lunch and a sherry tasting we continue on to Granada, the last stronghold of the Moors in Spain.

Sleep in Granada (B, L)



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Stroll through the Alhambra, Granada

DAY 10: Oct 15 – Explore Granada

The spectacular Alhambra Palace, with its surrounding gardens and splashing fountains, is a sight people have dreamt of for centuries. It's very easy to imagine yourself here, reclining on a fluffy divan with a servant feeding you grapes... We'll tour the complex and gardens with a local expert and leave time for a well-earned siesta this afternoon. Tonight, we'll enjoy a guitar concert and dinner in the Albaizin (old Moorish quarter). Be sure to find a view point to see the Alhambra lit up at night. *Sleep in Granada (B, D)*

DAY 11: Oct 16 – Granada to Madrid via Toledo

We head out early to Madrid today via Toledo, an ancient hill town in the plains of Castilla-La Mancha. Known for its medieval Arab, Jewish and Christian monuments, it was also the former home of the famous painter El Greco. We'll have lunch, enjoy a walking tour of the city and visit the botanical gardens, then jump back on the coach for about an hour drive to Madrid. *Sleep in Madrid (B, L)*

DAY 12: Oct 17 – Reina Sofia and Sabatini Gardens

We'll divide the next two days into one-part garden and one-part museum. First, we visit the lovely Reina Sofia Museum, Spain's national museum of 20th century art, then we'll stroll in the Sabatini gardens in the afternoon. The Sabatini gardens are an extension of the Royal Palace and considered a magnificent example of the legacy of the Hapsburgs. Enjoy some free time in the afternoon, followed by a group dinner. *Sleep in Madrid (B, D)*



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Enjoy an afternoon in Toledo

DAY 13: Oct 18 - Prado Museum and Botanical Gardens of Madrid

The National Museum of the Prado is widely considered to house one of the world's finest collections of European art spanning from the 12th to the early 20th centuries. Its Spanish painting collection is extraordinary and includes works by Goya, Velasquez, El Greco and many more. We'll view the highlights with a local guide, have time for lunch, then tour the Botanical Gardens of Madrid. Originally founded by King Ferdinand VI in the 18th century, the gardens were later moved to their current location by King Charles III. You'll have some free time this afternoon for independent exploration, then we'll gather tonight for our Farewell Dinner. *Sleep in Madrid (B, D)*

DAY 14: Oct 19 – Journey Ends

Our tour is over today. An airport transfer will be provided for those on the group flight. We wish you happy and safe travels! (B) *Buen viaje!*

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– Itinerary Details Subject to Change –



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Meet Your Hosts!



Judy Alleruzzo (Pictured with Ryan Seely) is the Co-Host of the *Garden Time* TV show which is in its 15th season! She also works for Al's Garden & Home as the perennial plant buyer and the houseplant buyer.

Over 20 years ago, Judy arrived in Oregon to visit friends in Canby on a glorious April day. She remembers it as a spectacular sunny day and "Everything was in bloom." Having lived in Chicago all her life, she was awed by the colorful landscape in the month of April. Of course, the Oregon weather

turned back to its true self of cool and rainy weather, but she was smitten. She returned to Chicago, packed up and returned by September.

Needing a job, she walked into Al's, then called, Al's Fruit & Shrub, and was lucky there was a job opening for a cashier. Working for what was a small company at the time, Judy was excited to learn many different jobs including stocking, planning and buying in perennials for the retail stores. Judy has an Ornamental Horticulture degree but never worked at a garden center before beginning her job at Al's. It has been a busy and rewarding job, as Al's has grown to 4 retail stores and doubled their growing facility.

Over 10 years ago, she said yes to becoming the houseplant buyer. It was a challenging job to learn and remember a whole other palette of plants. Many years ago, Judy worked for a plant rental company in Chicago during the indoor plant mania of the 80's. She is now in the middle of another indoor plant trend and not only helps to take care of the plants, but orders in tropical plants grown in Oregon, Washington, California, Hawaii and British Columbia. These days her work week is touring each store to check out the perennial and houseplant departments and meeting with the Al's Perennial Head Grower to help with the retail store's availability.

Filming *Garden Time* each week is an adventure. It allows Judy even more opportunities to learn about all kinds of plants, meet local gardeners, tour gardens around the area and overseas, visit plant festivals and learn new gardening tips.

She says it's amazing to be exposed to the depth of the horticulture and agriculture industry in the Northwest. Judy enjoys meeting the people she interviews and the people that watch the show. "Our viewers are such nice people and loyal fans of *Garden Time* and our sponsors."

Judy's two careers of talking about plants on *Garden Time* and buying and caring for them at Al's Garden & Home is a great match as she loves all kinds of plants. She is always happy to meet that next gardener or grow that new plant!



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Jeff Gustin is the president of Gustin Creative Group and the producer and owner of *Garden Time*. He has been in the broadcasting industry over 30 years as a photographer, editor, writer, producer and director. He spent most of that time at KPTV in Portland, Oregon where he helped produce numerous specials including *The Rose Festival Airshow*, *The Oregon Coast Aquarium*, and the Portland Art Museum *Oregon Trail* specials. He also worked on the *Good Day Oregon* show, the *In the Garden* show and started *Good Day Lifestyles*. In 2005, he left the station and started Gustin Creative Group. The *Garden Time* show is just one of the many parts of GCG. In addition to the show, GCG produces commercials, corporate videos and other projects.

Terese Gustin is the business manager of Gustin Creative Group. She has a degree in Horticulture from Univ. of Illinois, which helps when we need some fact checking on the *Garden Time* TV show. She has been the guiding hand on the business side of GCG. Her previous management expertise keeps the company moving in the right direction. She is also a mean continuity director and assistant on field productions and has become a legend as a fill-in talent person and hand model. When not working in the field she is also organizing our 'Gardenpalooza' and 'Subaru Garden Dayz' events in addition to editing the *Garden Time* on-line magazine.



Ryan Seely is the new co-host of *Garden Time* and excited to join us on this trip. As a 6th generation native Oregonian, he grew up in Wilsonville, and graduated from Oregon State University (go Beavs!) with a Bachelor of Science in business. Immediately following graduation, he joined with two other partners to establish a local retail garden center in the Wilsonville and North Plains locations. After fourteen years, he transitioned to the wholesale side of the garden industry and is currently the Sales Manager at Little Prince of Oregon in Aurora.

As a child, he was always drawn to farming and gardening, choosing to work out in the three acre family garden or playing in his grandfather's onion farm in Salem. After graduating from Oregon State, he furthered his plant education by taking several horticulture classes at Clackamas Community College, and has remained active in the gardening community by attending local gardening events, conferences, and trade shows. He particularly enjoys the new and emerging trends in the gardening industry.

When he's not gardening in his own yard, he enjoys spending time in the outdoors hiking, camping, skiing, and travelling with his wife Kim, and their two children. He also volunteers with the Boys Scouts of America as an Assistant Scoutmaster and the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.



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