

# ESCAPE BY TRAVEL PRESENTS **HIGHLIGHTS OF SPAIN**

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9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS | 01 August 2026



**INSIGHT VACATIONS**



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## **DAY 1: 01 AUGUST 2026**

### **Welcome to Barcelona**

Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. Transfer times will be confirmed upon the release of the 2026 brochure.

**Meal(s): Dinner with Wine.**

**Hotel(s): NH Collection Barcelona Constanza, Hilton, Barcelona**

## **DAY 2: 02 AUGUST 2026**

### **Barcelona, the City of Gaudí Relaxed Start**

With your Local Expert, drive along the Passeig de Gràcia, adorned with elegant wrought-iron street lamps and some of the most flamboyant Modernist buildings. Continue through the Eixample district for a visit inside Gaudí's extraordinary masterpiece, the Sagrada Família, to see the central nave with its giant, tree-like pillars, spectacular vaulting and the beautiful rainbows flooding in through the intricate stained-glass windows. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore or perhaps join an Optional Experience to Montserrat and The Black Madonna.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

**Hotel(s): NH Collection Barcelona Constanza, Hilton, Barcelona**

## **DAY 3: 03 AUGUST 2026**

### **Along the coast to Valencia Relaxed Start**

Follow the sunny Costa Dorada, past the rice fields of the Ebro Delta. Stop at the seaside resort of Peñíscola and see the hilltop castle used in the film 'El Cid'. Pass through the famous orange groves to Valencia and see the City of Arts and Sciences. Later see the Old City and take in its medieval charm. Valencia is home to one of the world's greatest dishes, paella. Meet the chef of a local family-run restaurant in the heart of the Old City and learn how to make this local specialty during a Cooking Demonstration. Later, indulge in the delicious flavors of this classic dish with a glass of wine at your dinner.

**Meal(s): Breakfast, Dinner with Wine.**

**Hotel(s): Barceló Valencia**

## **DAY 4: 04 AUGUST 2026**

### **Exquisite Granada and Alhambra**

Travel south toward Andalucía, passing the castle at Lorca and troglodyte dwellings hollowed out of the soft rock near Guadix. Enjoy views of the Sierra Nevada mountains from a distance as you reach glorious Granada. This historic city was a Moorish kingdom for almost eight centuries and was the last stronghold to fall to the Catholic monarchs of Spain in 1492. Overlooking Granada stands the Alhambra, one of the most remarkable fortresses ever built. Led by your Local Expert, explore this exquisite palace, built as a citadel by the Moors in the 13th century. A fantasy of arabesque gardens, fountains and stone cut like lace. Later, stroll through the elegant exotic

gardens of the Generalife, the Royal summer residence.

**Meal(s): Breakfast, Dinner with Wine.**

**Hotel(s): Gran Hotel Luna de Granada**

## **DAY 5: 05 AUGUST 2026**

### **A Scenic Drive to Seville**

The morning is at your leisure to explore as you wish. Perhaps join an Optional Experience and visit the Albaicín Quarter with a Local Expert. Here, in addition to falling in love with Granada, you will also uncover its pivotal role in European history. Continue your travels to Seville, past gleaming white villages and olive groves that stretch as far as the eye can see.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

**Hotel(s): Meliá Sevilla**

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## **DAY 6: 06 AUGUST 2026**

### **Seville, the City of Carmen Relaxed Start**

Visit the Seville Cathedral, the burial place of Christopher Columbus. Explore Seville with Insight Choice. Choose to embark on a walk through the old Jewish quarter. Alternatively, join a scenic drive around the city and enjoy panoramic views. This evening, visit the Cristina Heeren Foundation, a beneficiary of a TreadRight Foundation grant for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. This private dance school is dedicated to promoting the conservation of flamenco and supports young enthusiasts from all over the world with a special focus on new talent from the Andalusian region. Feel the passion behind the choreography as you put your rhythm to the test during a dance lesson before witnessing emotions come to life in a flamenco performance.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

**Hotel(s): Meliá Sevilla**

## **DAY 7: 07 AUGUST 2026**

### **Moorish Córdoba and on to Madrid**

Set off early along the Guadalquivir Valley, passing villages and towns studded with Moorish towers and fortresses. Stop in the perfectly preserved Moorish city of Córdoba and see the famous Roman bridge, built in the 1st century BC. Meet a local historian and visit the magnificent Mezquita, a beautiful 8th-century mosque with a Christian cathedral built inside it. Make the

most of your time at leisure and stroll the narrow streets of the city. Follow in the footsteps of Don Quixote as you travel through La Mancha and on to the capital, Madrid.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

**Hotel(s): Barceló Torre de Madrid, NH Madrid Balboa**

## **DAY 8: 08 AUGUST 2026**

### **Madrid of the Bourbons Relaxed Start**

Enjoy sightseeing with your Local Expert, as they guide you through the most historic neighborhoods in the Spanish capital. Your drive continues through the Old Quarter to discover the origins of the city. Visit the renowned Prado Museum with an art historian who will guide you through the collective works of Velázquez, Goya, Titian, Rubens and more. The afternoon is at your leisure to relax at a cafe, shop in the trendy boutiques or perhaps travel to beautiful Toledo with an Optional Experience. In the evening, join your Travel Director and newfound friends at a local restaurant in the heart of the city. Toast your adventures as you enjoy a delicious dinner of regional favorites, served with wine.

**Meal(s): Breakfast, Dinner with Wine.**

**Hotel(s): Barceló Torre de Madrid, NH Madrid Balboa**

## **DAY 9: 09 AUGUST 2026**

### **Depart Madrid**

Today, bid a fond farewell to your memorable journey through Spain as you transfer to the airport and reflect on the experiences and adventures you've had. Transfer times will be confirmed upon the release of the 2026 brochure.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

9 days from  
**\$3,275.00**  
Twin Share  
**\$850.00 Single Supplement**

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**WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED:** Airfares (unless otherwise stated), passports and applicable visa fees, charges imposed by third parties, laundry, phone calls, items of a personal nature, beverages, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, excess baggage, travel insurance. Travel Insurance is highly recommended. Ask your Travel Advisor or Group Specialist for further details.

**PRICE:** The advertised price is in US dollars, per person twin share.

**DEPOSIT:** A non-refundable deposit of \$200.00 is due at time of booking.

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