

Paris Explorer

8 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Balanced Activity

Remember why you love to travel on this in-depth Paris trip. You'll learn the art of French cuisine, go behind the scenes and uncover the secrets of Montmartre's artists' quarter and imagine the charmed life of the 'Sun King' as you explore Versailles.

CLAUDE MONET'S GARDENS AT GIVERNY OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE
Available on Day 7

NORMANDY AND THE D-DAY BEACHES OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE
Available on Day 3

FRANCE

PARIS

Versailles

Day 1 Welcome to Paris Paris is yours to explore on this in-depth City Explorer. Check in to your centrally located hotel and spend the afternoon getting to know your surroundings. Wander along the leafy boulevards and winding lanes of the French capital, stopping for a leisurely café au lait while watching sophisticated Parisians go by. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a quintessentially Parisian Welcome Dinner. **(D) Hotel: Courtyard Paris Porte de Versailles**

Day 2 Paris Join your Travel Director this morning for a tour of this mesmerizing city. View the grand Champs-Élysées, Eiffel Tower, Place de la Concorde and the Arc de Triomphe, built for Napoleon in the 19th-century. Delve into the hidden squares and secret passages of one of Paris's most historic neighborhoods and a favorite local haunt that remains a secret to outsiders. Next, lunch overlooking Paris from the first floor restaurant of the Eiffel Tower. Later, ascend to the top of the Montparnasse Tower for an astonishing aerial view over Paris, including the best views of the Eiffel Tower, with a glass of French champagne. Consider an optional cruise on the River Seine. Afterwards, we'll drive through the City of Lights to see some of the fascinating sights this beautiful city has to offer. **(B, L)**

Day 3 Optional visit to the D-Day Beaches

You may wish to experience a full-day Optional Experience on the Normandy coast to uncover the poignant history of the D-Day Landings. We'll visit the battle-scarred cliffs of Pointe du Hoc, then Omaha beach, stopping at the American Cemetery on the bluffs above. You'll also visit the new Operation Overlord Museum, Juno Beach and the Canadian Cemetery (traffic allowing). Alternatively, spend the day soaking up the sights and sounds of this elegant European capital. Spend your evening at leisure. **(B)**

Day 4 A Day to Explore Versailles Tread in the footsteps of French nobility and explore the opulence and splendor of Versailles. Join a **Local Specialist** who will guide you through the palace's extraordinary Hall of Mirrors and Battles Gallery. Stroll through the picturesque Royal Gardens and visit the Petit Trianon to see first-hand how the French Royal Family lived in private, before discovering Marie Antoinette's Hamlet. Return to Paris later for an evening at leisure. Perhaps see the real-life inspiration behind the award-winning movie Moulin Rouge. You'll enjoy wine, dinner and Champagne during this unforgettable soirée at the original Parisian Cabaret. **(B)**

Day 5 Experience the Marais and French Cuisine Explore the intriguing and beautiful Marais district on a walking tour. See the mansions and courtyards of this delightful corner of Paris. On the way, stop for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience at a small fromagerie for a delicious taste of cheese,

produced using only farm-fresh ingredients and respecting the natural environment. Then, **Dive Into Culture**, savoring the exquisite flavors of French cuisine as you meet a Parisian chef for an unforgettable lunch experience. Delve into local culinary secrets, and delicious flavors and aromas, which you will have an opportunity to create yourself and then to enjoy. The included guided museum visit will either be the Louvre Museum or the Orsay Museum depending on availability. **(B, L)**



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Taste farm-fresh cheese in Paris. At a local fromagerie, discover delicious, innovative and responsible produce that supports sustainable and seasonal agriculture.

Day 6 Enjoy Montmartre A leisurely start to our morning sees us take a private street trolley car back in time to Montmartre, home to the picturesque Sacré-Cœur. **Dive Into Culture** discovering the hidden squares, artists' haunts and romantic hideaways along with ample time for shopping. Spend the rest of the day on your own embracing your inner bon vivant. **(B)**

Day 7 Paris Your Way Perhaps admire the exquisite collection of modern art in the Center Georges Pompidou or enjoy an Optional Experience to the inspirational gardens of Monet at Giverny. The gardens and home of the Impressionist master were the inspiration behind some of his most renowned paintings. The famous Japanese bridge, the magnificent waterlilies, his charming pink house - it's all there waiting for you to discover. This evening, enjoy a memorable **Be My Guest** experience and Farewell Dinner at Chez Paul, bringing you back to the Paris of the early 1900s. **(B, D)**

Day 8 Au Revoir Paris After breakfast, it's time to bid Paris au revoir as you prepare to return home after a memorable break in one of the world's greatest cities. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Departure months

Apr - Jul + Sep - Oct

Special Events & Dates

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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore the Royal Estate of Versailles including the Royal Palace, the Petit Trianon and Marie Antoinette's Hamlet 'Le Petit Hameau'.

Visit the Montparnasse Tower, the Eiffel Tower and the 'village' of Montmartre.

View Champs-Élysées, the Paris Opera House, the Arc de Triomphe and the Place de la Concorde

Be My Guest Celebrate the glamor and style of 1950s Paris when you visit Chez Paul on an exclusive Be My Guest experience with your hosts and owners, Daniel and his daughter Lucie.



"From making perfume, taking a cooking class, the Louvre and Musee d'Orsay. Johnathan, our tour guide, knew his city completely."

- Alexandra Ukmar

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As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: PARK

Treasures of France including Normandy

8 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Travel from Paris to the D-Day Landing Beaches of Normandy and on to the beautiful Loire Valley on this in-depth France and Normandy tour. Imagine life as a French noble as you are welcomed to a 17th-century château and learn about the battles that were fought here through the ages.



Day 1 Bonjour Paris Bienvenue! The 'City of Light' welcomes you as you prepare to embark on an unforgettable journey through France. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director this evening for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive to admire the glittering cityscape of Paris - past grand boulevards and iconic sites like the Champs-Élysées and the Arc de Triomphe. **(D) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel**

Day 2 Admire Normandy's Colorful Honfleur and the Bayeux Tapestry This morning, we depart Paris and venture to the city of Rouen, the tragic site where Joan of Arc was burnt at the stake. We'll travel to the enchanting harbor town of Honfleur, with its colorful shopfronts and quaint lanes. Arriving in Bayeux, we'll visit the Tapestry Museum. Here you'll **Dive Into Culture** and see the Bayeux Tapestry, depicting events before and during the Battle of Hastings in 1066. This evening, we dine at our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Mercure Omaha Beach**

Day 3 Explore the D-Day Landing Beaches Today we explore the poignant D-Day Landing Beaches in the company of our **Local Specialist**. We begin with a visit to the American Rangers Memorial at Pointe du Hoc. Pay tribute to the brave souls who lost their lives on the D-Day Landing Beach of Omaha, imagining the sense of terror and triumph felt on that fateful day when Allied forces set foot on mainland Europe. We'll stop for lunch in the seaside town of Arromanches, the setting for the Mulberry Harbor, once at the heart of the Normandy landings. Consider joining an Optional Experience of a true Norman hospitality with a visit to a family-run cider farm. **(B)**

Day 4 Journey through Picturesque Normandy and Brittany Travel through the Normandy countryside admiring the land of calvados before arriving in Brittany. An environmentalist guide introduces you to the coastal and marine heritage of Mont Saint-Michel Bay on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Perhaps join an Optional Experience taking in the stunning natural beauty of the Emerald coastline and learn about the privateer past of Saint-Malo. This port town is known for its striking medieval ramparts, handsome aristocratic houses and its famous son, Jacques Cartier, who claimed what is now Canada for the French. Join our **Local Specialist** to uncover the secrets of this "Jewel of Brittany." **(B, D) Hotel: L'Abbaye Le Tronchet**

Day 5 Continue to the Beautiful Loire Valley This morning explore the UNESCO World Heritage-listed bay of the Mont-Saint Michel. Our **Local Specialist** reveals the history of the impressive medieval Benedictine Abbey. Journey through the scenic countryside, stopping to **Connect With Locals** at a 17th-century château during a **Be My Guest** experience set within

beautiful gardens. We journey to the Loire Valley, where we will spend the next two nights. Perhaps join our **Local Specialist** for an enchanting excursion to the dream-like Old Town of Tours, including the Basilica of St. Martin and the history of Renaissance Kings. **(B, L) Hotel: Novotel Amboise**



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The Bay of Mont Saint-Michel is home to rich marine ecosystems, unique in the world. Discover the secrets of mussel and oyster culture, and protection of the coastal wildlife with an environmentalist guide.

Day 6 Discover the Stunning French Châteaux We spend our day admiring the beautiful châteaux of the Loire Valley and join a **Local Specialist** for a visit to the Amboise Royal Château, where Leonardo da Vinci was laid to rest. Our **Local Specialist** will reveal some of da Vinci's most extraordinary inventions, from submarines to helicopters. We continue with a visit to Château de Chenonceau, built on the Cher River. **(B)**

Day 7 Continue to Chartres and Paris Our first stop today is the town of Chartres. We journey back to Paris this afternoon and spend the rest of our day in the 'City of Light'. Perhaps join us for a stroll with our **Local Specialist** through Montmartre - an artists' village once home to Picasso and Toulouse-Lautrec, tucked away from the modern city. The paint will still be wet on the canvasses, as we watch apprentices work before our eyes in the famous Artist's Square. Mingle, barter, and stand in awe of Sacré Coeur Basilica in this historic, bohemian neighborhood. Celebrate with your Travel Director and newfound friends this evening at a Farewell Dinner with local wines at a Parisian bistro. **(B, D) Hotel: Renaissance La Défense**

Day 8 Farewell Paris For now it's time to say a fond au revoir to France and your fellow travelers at the end of a memorable trip. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Special Events & Dates

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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Mont-Saint-Michel and Châteaux of the Loire Valley with a Local Specialist and Normandy D-Day Landing Beaches

Discover Paris, Rouen, Honfleur, Bayeux and the Loire Valley

Visit the Bayeux Tapestry, the Normandy D-Day Landing Beaches, the monastery of Mont-Saint-Michel, the Châteaux of Amboise and Chenonceau and Chartres cathedral

View the Champs-Élysées, the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe in Paris

Be My Guest Meet aristocrats from a 17th-century Northern French family, Count Remy de Scitvaux and his wife Lydia, in their home the Château d'Eporcé



"A wonderful way to recharge with our very detail oriented Travel Director. You can really sit back and relax."

- April Lorraine Hipolito

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As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: FTOF

Wonderful France

9 Days | 2 Countries | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Combine the glamorous French capital with centuries of history and glorious sunsets on the French Riviera. This favorite French tour delivers it all in just nine days, from strolling around the Pont du Gard to soaking up the sun-kissed charm of St. Tropez and Monaco in France's glorious south.



Day 1 Bonjour France Discover romance, sophistication and French joie de vivre in Paris – the launch pad to a memorable journey through the French countryside. Explore the grand boulevards and picturesque avenues of the 'City of Light', before meeting your Travel Director and companions for a Welcome Dinner. We take to the streets this evening to see some of the city's most iconic sights, including the Champs-Élysées and Arc de Triomphe, standing in all its glorious splendor for you to admire. **(D)**
Hotel: Renaissance La Défense

Day 2 Discover the Delights of Paris Join a **Local Specialist** to explore the Latin Quarter, a vibrant student hotspot and home to the Sorbonne University. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice, then soak up the authentic atmosphere and local day-to-day life of the Parisians as you stroll through one of its most historic neighborhoods. Spend your evening embracing the pageantry of Paris and perhaps experience a traditional Parisian Cabaret. **(B)**

Day 3 Journey through Burgundy to Lyon Travel through the picture-perfect Burgundy wine region and stop in its walled regional capital, Beaune – most famous for the colorful geometric-tiled Hôtel-Dieu. We continue to the gastronomic capital of Lyon, where we spend the night. Discover the historic treasures of its well-preserved Old Town or perhaps indulge in delicious Beaujolais flavors in a local *bouchon* – the choice is yours. **(B)**
Hotel: Charlemagne

Day 4 Continue to Monaco and the French Riviera Enjoy some free time in Aix-en-Provence for lunch and perhaps a taste of the sweet flavors of calissons. Continue to the glamorous Principality of Monaco, one of the smallest and wealthiest nations on earth. View the palace, home to the Grimaldi family since the 13th-century, and the cathedral where Princess Grace and Prince Rainier were married. Enjoy a delicious Regional Dinner together in Monaco before traveling further along the sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera to our hotel, where we'll spend the next two nights. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Novotel Centre Vieux Nice**

Day 5 The French Riviera Your Way The sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera are yours to explore today. Consider relaxing on the beach with your fellow sun-worshippers or an Optional Experience could see you visit the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, a popular haunt for actors seeking a relaxing retreat. In your free time, you have the opportunity to soak up the fresh sea air and perhaps indulge in a delicious *Salade Niçoise*. **(B)**

Day 6 On to Saint-Tropez and Avignon We arrive by boat in glitzy Saint-Tropez for a leisurely morning sojourn to soak up our fashionable surrounds. Continue on to the ancient city of Avignon, once the seat of the Papacy, where we will spend the next two

nights. Our orientation of this extraordinary historic city includes views of the imposing Palace of the Popes and the famous ruined bridge straddling the Rhône, which inspired the French song, *Sur le Pont d'Avignon*. **(B)**
Hotel: Mercure Avignon Gare TGV

Day 7 Explore Ancient History in Pont du Gard and Arles This morning we visit the impressive Pont du Gard – an ancient Roman aqueduct bridge before continuing to Western Europe's largest river delta region – the Camargue. Here we will **Connect With Locals** for a home cooked **Be My Guest** lunch of original, regional dishes made with produce from local farmers and markets. Next we visit Arles to admire its Roman theater and arena. Tread in the footsteps of Vincent van Gogh with your **Local Specialist**, exploring the heritage of this town where he was inspired to produce more than 300 paintings and drawings. Later we make our way back to Avignon to enjoy an evening at leisure. **(B, L)**

Day 8 Travel By High-Speed Train to Paris The picture-perfect French countryside is our constant companion as we take the high-speed TGV train through the heart of France, past Auxerre and the sprawling vineyards of Burgundy, back to Paris where you'll have the rest of the afternoon to explore the city on your own. This evening, enjoy market fresh produce and seasonal cuisine at Maison Plisson, as we celebrate an unforgettable sojourn through France during a Farewell Dinner and **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Evergreen Laurel**



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Celebrate your journey through France at Maison Plisson, where every dish is designed with market fresh produce, seasonal flavors, hand selected ingredients and minimal food waste.

Day 9 Au Revoir Paris This morning after breakfast, it's time to bid Paris a fond au revoir as our fascinating journey through France comes to an end. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Paris and Arles with a Local Specialist

Discover Beaune, Lyon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Avignon

Visit Saint-Sulpice church in Paris and Pont du Gard

View the Eiffel Tower and the Champs-Élysées, Place Bellecour and the Basilica of Notre Dame in Lyon, the Royal Palace and Cathedral in Monaco and the Palace of the Popes in Avignon

Scenic Cruise to St. Tropez

Be My Guest lunch with Patrick at his home and enjoy a traditional meal from local produce



"My wife and I celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary on this trip and we got remarried in Paris. Trafalgar enabled us to have this memory for the rest of our lives."

- Matthew Stultz

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WWI and WWII Battlefields

11 Days | 3 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Travel to the front lines of Europe, where brave soldiers once fought for freedom. On this epic battlefield tour through the countryside of Britain, Belgium and France, you'll explore the tragedy and triumph of two World Wars.



Day 1 Welcome to London From tragic battles to tales of triumph, this special-interest exploration of two World Wars kicks off in the vibrant British capital of London. Meet your Travel Director and fellow companions this evening for a traditional English pub Welcome Dinner. **(D)**
Hotel: Crowne Plaza Kings Cross

Day 2 See the Sights of London Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey feature on this half-day introductory sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist**, which includes views of Buckingham Palace. This afternoon, we visit the Imperial War Museum, which tells the story of those whose lives were shaped by war, from World War I to today. **(B)**

Day 3 Cross the English Channel by Eurostar to Brussels We journey by Eurostar to Brussels today. Your Travel Director will show you the city's highlights. See the Atomium, designed for the 1958 Brussels World's Fair, Mannekin Pis and the exquisite Grand Place with its opulent and ornate guildhalls. **(B)**
Hotel: Marivaux Hotel

Day 4 Venture to Dunkirk, Fromelles, Vimy Ridge and Lens Today we journey to Dunkirk, then stop in Fromelles. Here, learn about the infamous combined operation between British troops and the Australian Imperial Force. Continue to the memorial at Vimy Ridge dedicated to the Canadian soldiers who fought here in 1917. **(B, D)**
Hotel: Louvre Lens

Day 5 Off to the Ypres Battlefields and Menin Gate Some of the biggest battles of World War I are explored at Ypres Salient in Belgium, where we will see such sites as Tyne Cot, Langemark and Vancouver Corner. Stop in Zonnebeke for an included visit to the Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917, where you can see a replica trench. See Essex Farm Cemetery where over 1,200 brave servicemen are buried and where Lt. Col. John McCrae wrote his immortal poem, 'In Flanders Fields'. Spend the rest of the afternoon on your own, before making your way to Menin Gate to witness the moving Last Post Ceremony that pays tribute to over 100,000 soldiers who laid down their lives more than a century ago. **(B)**

Day 6 Discover the Somme The bloody battlefields of the Somme take center stage today. Stop at the Villers-Bretonneux memorial to the Australian soldiers who lost their lives in WWI. Carry on to Thiepval to see the poignant memorial which honours the 72,337 missing British and South African men who died with no known graves. We journey to Amiens for an evening at leisure. **(B)**
Hotel: Mercure Cathedrale

Day 7 Cross Normandy to Caen Travel South through Normandy today, stop in the city of Rouen for an orientation of this city which was captured by the French in 1204 from English possession. Indulge in Rouen's

traditional and delicious apple caramel treats! This enchanting **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, satisfies your sweet tooth and provides its workers with life opportunity and empowerment. **(B)**
Hotel: Novotel Côte de Nacre



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Apple caramel candies have been a tradition in Rouen since the 16th Century. Visit a unique confectionary providing life opportunities to workers who identify as having a disability.

Day 8 Explore the D-Day Normandy Beaches Take yourself back to June 6, 1944. Imagine the terror and bravery of thousands of soldiers who landed on the beaches of Normandy to free Europe from the Nazis. This morning, we visit the Memorial de Caen to learn about the significance of Normandy and the day that changed World War II. Then journey to the historic D-Day Normandy Landing Beaches, including Juno Beach, Pointe du Hoc and Omaha Beach. Visit the American Cemetery and Memorial to learn about the Canadian, American, and Commonwealth involvement in this unbelievable battle for supremacy. **(B, D)**

Day 9 Journey to Elegant Paris Journey inland through Normandy today, bound for the grand boulevards of Paris. Perhaps join us for an optional visit to the glittering Palace of Versailles before arriving in the French capital. **(B)**
Hotel: Mercure Vaugirard Porte de Versailles

Day 10 Discover the Delights of Paris Join your **Local Specialist** to visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice, then delve into the lives of Parisians, wandering through the enchanting hidden squares and secret passages of one of Paris's oldest neighborhoods. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. Later, join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 11 Au Revoir Paris After breakfast, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore London and Paris with a Local Specialist

Discover Normandy, Amiens, the Somme Region, Ypres, Brussels and Rouen

Visit the Imperial War Museum in London, the D-Day Landing Beaches, Saint-Sulpice church in Paris, Amiens Cathedral, military cemeteries throughout northern France and Belgium, the Australian National Memorial, the Caen Memorial, WWI & WWII Battlefields, the Dunkirk War Museum and evacuation beaches, and the Memorial Museum Passchendaele

View Buckingham Palace in London, the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe in Paris and the Menin Gate



"I purchased this trip for my husbands birthday and we have a wonderful time. We made new friends!"

- Elaine Thomas

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: FBATA

Best of France

13 Days | 2 Countries | 19 Meals | Balanced Activity

Expect only the best on one of our favorite France trips, beginning and ending in Paris. Spend the night as a French lord or lady in an elegant Loire Valley château, be inspired like Cezanne was, by the beauty of Provence and visit the playground of Monaco.



Day 1 Bonjour Paris All the flavors of France come to life on this unforgettable journey that kicks off in Paris, the 'City of Light'. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and an orientation drive. **(D) Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles**

Day 2 Journey through Burgundy to Lyon We travel south to Burgundy. The colorful geometric roof tiles of the 15th-century Hospices are a sight to behold as we arrive in the medieval town of Beaune before continuing to Lyon, the gourmet capital of France. Perhaps spend your evening delving into the epicurean delights for which Lyon is justifiably famous. **(B) Hotel: Mercure Centre Saxe Lafayette**

Day 3 Onwards to Avignon, Monaco and the French Riviera Journey to the city of Avignon at the heart of Provence. See the Papal Palace and the famous bridge. Continue to Monaco. View the cathedral where Prince Rainier and Princess Grace were married, then enjoy a Regional Dinner before continuing along the Riviera to our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Nice**

Day 4 The French Riviera Your Way The sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera are yours to explore today. Consider relaxing on the beach or an Optional Experience could see you visit the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, consistently named the most beautiful hilltop town in this region. In your free time perhaps indulge in a delicious Salade Niçoise. **(B)**

Day 5 Admire Arles and Continue to Carcassonne Visit Arles with its honey-colored façades, Roman ruins and Camargue culture. Alternatively, choose an Optional Experience to gain a deeper understanding of Vincent van Gogh and local history with our resident expert, before winding your way to the fortified city of Carcassonne. **Dive Into Culture** on a guided tour of this ancient town with your **Local Specialist**, who will reveal the Cité, its double ring of ramparts and 52 towers. **(B, D) Hotel: Mercure La Cité**

Day 6 Pilgrimage to Lourdes and on to Biarritz We drive toward the Pyrenees this morning and arrive in Lourdes. You will have an opportunity to see the Basilica, perched atop St. Bernadette's Grotto. Travel west to the Basque Coast, where we spend the night **(B) Hotel: Novotel Anglet Biarritz**

Day 7 Venture to Bordeaux We arrive in the wine capital of Bordeaux whose stunning riverfront and Age of Enlightenment history and architecture have made it one of France's most visited cities. Spend some time seeing the sights during your orientation of the city. **(B) Hotel: Mercure Centre Ville**

Day 8 Discover Scenic Dordogne The lush green valleys and hills of the Dordogne take center stage today during a scenic half-day excursion. We drive to Saint-Émilion, whose wine heritage dates back to Roman times,

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after we return to Bordeaux for some free time. Perhaps, stroll through the city's historical center, admiring its beautiful architecture. **(B)**

Day 9 Explore a Château in the Loire Valley We journey on toward the 'Garden of France', stopping to **Connect With Locals** for a light lunch and **Be My Guest** experience. Enjoy a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience and visit the remarkable gardens at Château de Villandry before arriving at our hotel - one of Trafalgar's **Stays With Stories**. **(B, L, D) Hotel: Château de Beauvois**



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Visit Château Villandry in the Loire Valley and admire the exquisite Renaissance gardens that surround this elegant estate.

Day 10 Off to Mont-Saint-Michel and the Normandy Beaches Travel to Mont-Saint-Michel on the Normandy coast. Visit the island town and view its impressive abbey. Follow the Liberty Highway to St. Lô and on to Omaha Beach. Reflect on the bravery of the young men who sacrificed their lives for freedom and visit the D-Day Landing Zone to learn how the operation was planned. **(B, D) Hotel: Mercure Omaha Beach**

Day 11 Journey to Paris We travel east towards Paris, stopping at Giverny to visit the house and gardens that once inspired Claude Monet's exquisite Impressionist works of art. This evening, consider a trip to one of the city's renowned cabarets. **(B) Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles**

Day 12 Discover the Delights of Paris Join your **Local Specialist** on a journey through the historic neighborhoods of Paris. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice. This evening, we celebrate an epic adventure with your Travel Director and newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 13 Farewell Paris Bid au revoir to the Best of France and your fellow travelers. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Carcassonne and Paris
with a Local Specialist

Discover Lyon, Avignon, Monaco,
Nice, Arles, Lourdes and Bordeaux

Visit the Hospices de Beaune,
Château de Villandry, the American
Cemetery at Omaha Beach, Claude
Monet's home at Giverny and the
Saint-Sulpice Church in Paris

View the Papal Palace in Avignon,
Promenade des Anglais and Place
Massena in Nice, the Sanctuary
of Our Lady of Lourdes, the
Abbey of Mont-Saint-Michel
and the Eiffel Tower in Paris

Be My Guest Lunch with the
Montferrier Family on their farm near
the famous Château de Villandry



"Our tour guide David was really the icing on the cake. He was everybody's friend, hilarious, and made everyone with a birthday on the trip feel special. Thank you"

- Susan Colwell

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Spanish Wonder

9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Savor shared moments with locals enjoying sangria in sun-dappled courtyards, zesty paella and the sounds of the Spanish guitar. On this journey, you'll explore the wonders of Spain, from the ornate walls of the Alhambra to the Gothic Cathedral and Giralda Bell Tower in Seville.



- Key
- Start
 - End
 - 1 Overnight
 - Sightseeing

Day 1 Welcome to Madrid The country's capital is our launchpad for a memorable encounter with Spain. Relax in the lush surrounds of Buen Retiro Park, shop on Gran Vía or people-watch over churros con chocolate in the Puerta del Sol. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for an orientation drive followed by a Welcome Dinner.

(D) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding/ Melia Castilla



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Enjoy a taste of organic horchata, the local nut-based drink, from a family-run vendor using only natural ingredients and traditional production methods.

Day 2 Explore Vibrant Toledo Head to Toledo, the former capital of Spain and join a **Local Specialist** for a walking tour.

Dive Into Culture as you witness the age-old inlaid steel craft during a visit to a traditional factory. View one of El Greco's most famous paintings in the Church of Santo Tomé before returning to Madrid to admire the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain with our **Local Specialist**. Later, delve into the sights and flavors of the city with an Optional Experience. **(B)**

Day 3 Journey to Córdoba and on to Seville Journey south through La Mancha to Córdoba. Visit the Mosque of the Caliphs with a **Local Specialist** before traveling to Seville, our home for the next two nights. This evening, join the Morillo family for a **Be My Guest** experience at their olive oil farm. Learn how oil is produced from their 6,000 trees and sample some of their produce. **(B, D) Hotel: Zenit/Occidental Viapol**

Day 4 Discover Seville's Sights Join a **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour of Seville. Visit Plaza de España, the tomb of Christopher Columbus and the former Jewish Quarter. Later, consider an Optional Experience to see a flamenco show. **(B)**

Day 5 Onwards to Granada Visit the magnificent Alhambra in the company of a **Local Specialist**. Wander through the water gardens of the Generalife and admire exquisite examples of Moorish architecture. **(B) Hotel: Occidental / Catalonia** Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 6 Admire Iconic Architecture in Guadix and on to Valencia Journey to Guadix in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains. See the troglodyte dwellings in the hills and cliffs, then travel to Valencia. Embrace the city's spirit of innovation at the City of Arts and Sciences and enjoy organic horchata, the celebrated drink of Valencia, during a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. This evening, dine at your hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Silken Puerta**

Day 7 Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Barcelona Travel along the coast and stop at Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. Continue along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona. Admire Gaudí's talents as we view the exterior of his unfinished La Sagrada Família and pay tribute to the great Christopher Columbus with your **Local Specialist**. **(B) Hotel: U232/Barceló Sants**

Day 8 Uncover Gaudí's Barcelona Explore centuries of history, contemporary culture and exquisite art and architecture on your day at leisure. Ramble down the Ramblas or join an Optional Experience to Montserrat to see the mystical Black Madonna the patron saint of Catalonia. Celebrate with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 9 Farewell Spain Bid a fond adios to Spain. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** Please Note: Your coach returns to Madrid from Barcelona on day 9. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Madrid will be at the Trafalgar Madrid hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 6pm, depending on traffic conditions.

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Toledo, Madrid, Córdoba, Seville and Barcelona with a **Local Specialist**

Discover Valencia and Peniscola

Visit an inlaid steel factory, the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo, Mosque of the Caliphs in Córdoba, the Cathedral in Seville, the Alhambra Palace in Granada

View the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain in Madrid, the Cave Homes of Guadix, the Serrano and Quart Towers and the City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia and La Sagrada Família in Barcelona

Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo Family



"A sensory overload of sights and smells at the Mercat de la Boqueria on the La Rambla in Barcelona."

- Ross Getsinger

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: SPWO/WPWO

Best of Spain

15 Days | 2 Countries | 21 Meals | Balanced Activity

Don't miss a thing as you explore the Best of Spain, featuring all the travel highlights and some surprises, from olive oil tasting on an Andalusian farm and learning all about Toledo's three religions, to the treasured cities of Madrid, Seville and Barcelona.



- Key
- Start
 - End
 - 1 Overnight
 - Sightseeing

Day 1 Hola Madrid Welcome to the fiery Spanish capital. Take in the vibrant essence of Madrid before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a memorable Welcome Reception and orientation drive to see some of the city's most iconic sights. **(D) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding**

Day 2 Journey to Burgos and on to Santander Journey over the pine-clad Guadarrama Mountains to Burgos, and visit the tomb of El Cid. Cross the Ebro River and the Cantabrian Cordillera Mountains to Santander. **(B, D) Hotel: Santemar**

Day 3 Onwards to Culinary San Sebastián and Pamplona Travel to Bilbao to view the striking Guggenheim Museum, then onward to San Sebastián, Spain's gourmet capital. **(B, D) Hotel: NH Iruña Park**

Day 4 Continue to Gaudi Barcelona Continue to Zaragoza. See the Basilica of El Pilar and Cathedral of La Seo. Travel to Barcelona and admire panoramic views from atop Montjuïc. **(B) Hotel: INNSiDE Barcelona Apolo by Meliá**

Day 5 Discover Barcelona The whimsical fantasy world of Gaudí is on display this morning as we embark on a sightseeing tour and view the exterior of his unfinished La Sagrada Família. Pay tribute to the great Christopher Columbus with your **Local Specialist** as your travel through Barcelona's dynamic neighborhoods. **(B)**



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Enjoy a taste of organic horchata, the local nut-based drink, from a family-run vendor using only natural ingredients and traditional production methods.

Day 6 Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Valencia Journey along the Costa Dorada to fortified Peñíscola. Later, arrive in sunny Valencia for an orientation tour. See the old city gates and modern City of Arts and Sciences. Enjoy organic horchata,

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

the celebrated drink of Valencia, during a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. **(B) Hotel: Silken Puerta**

Day 7 Venture to Granada Journey to Granada to meet our **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Alhambra. Admire Moorish architecture and the spectacular water gardens of the Generalife. Check in to your hotel later, where we will dine tonight. **(B, D) Hotel: Occidental Access** to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 8 On the Road to Sunny Costa del Sol This morning, consider an Optional Experience in the Moorish Quarter of Granada before leaving for the shores of the Costa del Sol. **(B) Hotel: Meliá**

Day 9 Costa del Sol Your Way Indulge in la buena vida on Spain's coast. Consider an Optional Experience for a guided sightseeing tour of the Andalusian capital of Málaga. **(B)**

Day 10 Explore Gibraltar and on to Seville A scenic drive takes us to the Rock of Gibraltar for free time to explore. This evening, we dine at a **Be My Guest** experience with the Morillo family at their olive oil farm. **(B, D) Hotel: NH Plaza de Armas**

Day 11 See the Sights of Seville Join your **Local Specialist** this morning for a tour of Seville's leafy avenues. See the iconic Giralda Bell Tower, visit the Seville Cathedral and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. **(B)**

Day 12 Journey to Córdoba and Toledo Journey to Córdoba for a visit with a **Local Specialist** to the Mezquita-Cathedral. Marvel at the combination of architectural styles, then stroll through the city's labyrinthine streets. Continue to Toledo for an evening in Spain's former capital. **(B, D) Hotel: Eurostars Toledo**

Day 13 Admire Ancient Toledo then on to Madrid Your **Local Specialist** takes you on a walking tour to iconic sites of Toledo. Arrive later in Madrid. **(B) Hotel: Meliá Castilla**

Day 14 Discover Stylish Madrid On a sightseeing tour, see the Gran Vía and the Cibeles Fountain before visiting the Prado Museum with a **Local Specialist**. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 15 Farewell Madrid Our time together has come to an end. For now it's a fond *adiós* to Spain and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Departure months

Apr - Oct

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Barcelona, Seville, Córdoba, Toledo and Madrid with a Local Specialist

Discover Burgos, Santander, Bilbao, San Sebastián, Pamplona, Valencia, Peñíscola and the Rock of Gibraltar

Visit The Tomb of El Cid in Burgos, the Alhambra Palace in Granada, the Cathedral in Seville, the Mosque of the Caliphs in Córdoba, the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo and the Prado Museum in Madrid

Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo Family



"Barcelona with friends we made on a previous Trafalgar trip was especially memorable with the Sagrada Família and a scrumptious paella lunch."

- Christine Hyde

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Best of Portugal

11 Days | 1 Country | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

This Best of Portugal journey reveals a nation's proud history, warm-hearted locals and soul-warming cuisine. Starting in Lisbon, you'll travel north and south to explore a Templar stronghold, watch thoroughbreds perform at an Alentejo farm and visit the Algarve.



Day 1 Welcome to Lisbon A sea of pastel pinks, yellows and blues saturates the seven hills of the romantic Portuguese capital, which you will have an opportunity to explore today before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation. **(WR) Hotel: Turim Av Liberdade**

Day 2 Discover Colorful Lisbon Delve into Lisbon's centuries-old seafaring heritage today. With our **Local Specialist**, see the shimmering white Monument to the Discoveries, the iconic suspension bridge spanning the Tagus, and Belém Tower. **Dive Into Culture** on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. There's time to join an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. In the evening, perhaps enjoy a traditional Portuguese dinner amidst the sounds of the fado. **(B)**

Day 3 Journey to the Algarve Region We journey across the Tagus this morning and drive south towards the Serra da Arrábida Mountains and to the golden pastures of the Alentejo. The hearty aroma of Portuguese chicken fills the air at our **Be My Guest** experience as we **Connect With Locals** over a traditional lunch at a stud ranch. Our journey continues further south, bound for the sun-kissed shores of the Algarve. **(B, L) Hotel: Real Bellavista**

Day 4 Cliffs, Beaches and More in the Algarve During our morning coastal drive, admire spectacular views across Baleeira Beach, before continuing along the coast to Cape St. Vincent. We end our excursion with a visit to the resort town of Lagos. **(B)**

Day 5 Onwards to Elegant Évora Journeying north, we travel to the ancient Alentejo city of Évora. Join your **Local Specialist** and visit the elaborate cathedral, Roman temple and the Chapel of Bones. Spend the rest of your day by joining an Optional Experience to the medieval village of Monsaraz. This evening, we dine at our hotel in Évora. **(B, D) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas**

Day 6 Venture Past Mountains to Viseu Our first stop today is in the hilltop town of Castelo de Vide. Travel north towards the Serra de Estrela mountains and arrive later in Viseu. Explore the city's rich art and architectural history, and see the 12th-century Sé, standing imposingly on a hill overlooking the city. **(B) Hotel: Grão Vasco**

Day 7 Through the Douro Valley to Porto Vineyard-clad hills provide an enchanting backdrop for our journey today through the Douro Valley, where Port wine is produced. We explore the magnificent gardens at the Baroque-style Palácio de Mateus. We then continue via Guimarães for views of its impressive 10th-century castle. **(B) Hotel: Neya**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Day 8 Explore Vibrant Porto Join a **Local Specialist** today for a sightseeing tour of Porto. See the remarkable bridges and the Gothic Church of St. Francis. Visit the Stock Exchange Palace, before we **Dive Into Culture** and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of local port production at a tasting in a port cellar. Spend the rest of the afternoon strolling through the historic center of Porto. **(B)**

Day 9 On to Coimbra and Pilgrimage to Fátima Soak up the grand atmosphere of one of Europe's greatest and oldest universities with a **Local Specialist**, then stroll through the ancient streets and squares of Coimbra, before journeying to the Templar city of Tomar. We join a **Local Specialist** to visit the Convent of Christ. We arrive in the pilgrimage center of Fátima. **(B, D) Hotel: Fátima**

Day 10 Experience Village Life Returning to Lisbon En route to Lisbon, with a **Local Specialist** we stop at the imposing monastery of Batalha – a UNESCO World Heritage site. Our next stop is the fishing village of Nazaré, before we visit the medieval walled city of Óbidos. Celebrate your memorable journey through Portugal during a visit to an organic winery for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience and an unforgettable Farewell Dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: Neya/Smy Lisbon**



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Bid farewell to your Portuguese adventures at the award-winning organic vineyard Vale da Capucha. This family-ran farmhouse prides itself in producing organic and biodynamic wines.

Day 11 Farewell Lisbon Say a fond *adeus* to your fellow travelers at the end of an unforgettable Portuguese vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

Trip code: PORT/WPOR

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Departure months

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Lisbon, Coimbra, Tomar, Évora and Porto with a Local Specialist

Discover the Algarve, Lagos, Castelo de Vide, Viseu, Nazaré and Óbidos

Visit the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon, the cathedral in Évora, the Palace Gardens at Palácio de Mateus, the Stock Exchange Palace, Arabian Hall and a local port wine cellar in Porto, the University Library of Coimbra, the Convent of Christ in Tomar and the Gothic Monastery at Batalha

View the Castle of Guimarães and the Shrine at Fátima

Be My Guest Lunch with Tiago and Vera in beautiful Alentejo



"To tour through Portugal and learn so much about the vast history truly was a treat. My favorite part was our knowledgeable tour guide Pedro."

- Genevieve Francois

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Highlights of Spain and Portugal

13 Days | 2 Countries | 18 Meals | Balanced Activity

A round-trip featuring all the highlights of Spain and Portugal. Spend time in the pilgrimage center of Fátima, join a family on their stud farm in the Alentejo and explore the icons left behind by Catholic kings and Moorish sultans.



Day 1 Welcome to Madrid Embrace la buena vida and soak up the vibrant atmosphere in Madrid before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation of the city's glorious sights. **(D) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding**

Day 2 Journey to Cuenca and Valencia Witness the clifftop houses of Cuenca during your first stop today. Continue to Valencia for an orientation drive past iconic sights. Enjoy organic horchata, the celebrated drink of Valencia, during a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. (B) Hotel: Silken Puerta**



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EXPERIENCE**



Enjoy a taste of organic horchata, the local nut-based drink, from a family-run vendor using only natural ingredients and traditional production methods.

Day 3 Off to Unique Guadix and on to Granada We travel through the Sierra Nevada bound for Guadix, where we'll witness how generations of locals have carved cozy abodes into their rocky surrounds. Next, we'll drive through the jagged Mora Pass to Granada. **(B, D) Hotel: Catalonia**

Day 4 Onwards to Córdoba and Seville Join your **Local Specialist** for a visit to the Alhambra, with its amazing palaces, gardens and fountains. We leave Granada for Córdoba to join a **Local Specialist** at the mesmerizing Mezquita-Cathedral. Our final stop for the day is enchanting Seville. **(B, D) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros** Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 5 Uncover the Secrets of Seville Seville takes center stage today. We'll see the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower with a **Local Specialist**, then stroll through the imposing

Plaza de España in Maria Luisa Park and visit the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience *flamenco* performance. **(B)**

Day 6 Admire the Sights of Jerez and Cádiz Indulge in the aromatic flavors of Jerez today as we learn about traditional sherry production. The leafy boulevards and quiet plazas of Cádiz are our next stop. **(B)**

Day 7 Venture to Évora Depart Seville for Portugal's Alentejo, where the Brito Paes family await our arrival for a **Be My Guest** lunch on their traditional stud ranch. Continue to Évora for a guided sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist**. Tonight, enjoy dinner at your hotel. **(B, L, D) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas**

Day 8 On to Lively Lisbon Arrive in the seafaring Portuguese capital of Lisbon this afternoon and join a **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour. Visit the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery and the Monument to the Discoveries. **(B) Hotel: Olissippo Marquês de Sá**

Day 9 Lisbon Your Way Wander through Old Town Lisbon and the grand shopping boulevards that stretch from the shores of the Tagus and Lisbon Baixa to Rossio. Today is yours to embrace the captivating sights and sounds of the Portuguese capital on your own. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. **(B)**

Day 10 Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca Visit the century-old pilgrimage site at Fátima before leaving Portugal, bound for the golden-hued city of Salamanca. **(B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol**

Day 11 Continue to Toledo and Madrid See the walled city of Ávila, the city of Saint Teresa of Ávila. We arrive in the clifftop city of Toledo and join a **Local Specialist** for a guided walk through its streets. We'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to one of El Greco's most famous paintings – 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz' Witness local craftsmen at work creating inlaid steel pieces, then travel to Madrid. **(B) Hotel: Meliá Castilla**

Day 12 Explore Fiery Madrid A **Local Specialist** guides you through Madrid on a morning sightseeing tour. See the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. The afternoon is at leisure. This evening, join your fellow companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 13 Adiós Madrid For now it's time to say a fond farewell to Spain and Portugal at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Córdoba, Seville, Évora, Lisbon, Toledo and Madrid with a **Local Specialist**

Discover Valencia, Cádiz and Salamanca

Visit the Alhambra Palace in Granada, the Cathedral Mosque in Córdoba, Seville Cathedral, the Cathedral of Évora, the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon, Plaza Mayor in Salamanca and the Church of Santo Tomé and the Synagogue in Toledo

View the Hanging Houses of Cuenca, the Towers of Serrano and Quart and the City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia, the Shrine at Fátima and the Cave Houses of Guadix

Be My Guest Lunch with Tiago and Vera in beautiful Alentejo



"This trip bonded me and my mother more than ever. Lighting the candle at Fatima in Portugal was my favorite memory."

- Ana Bello

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As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: SHIG/WHIG

Treasures of Spain and Portugal

14 Days | 2 Countries | 19 Meals | Balanced Activity

Don't miss a thing on this most exhilarating of Spain and Portugal trips, filled with the flavors of sangria and port shared with locals, life-changing pilgrimages and the legacy of the Romans, Moors, Iberian royalty and a 'Spanish Pope' who built a 'City in the Sea'.



Key

- Start
- End
- 1 Overnight
- Sightseeing

Day 1 Hola Madrid Kick-start your epic encounter with Spain and Portugal in Europe's highest capital city, Madrid. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive past some of Madrid's most iconic sites. **(D) Hotel: Barceló Imagine**

Day 2 Admire the Sights of Toledo and Madrid Journey south for an excursion to the city of Toledo. Join a **Local Specialist** for a walking tour and see the Church of Santo Tomé. This afternoon, a sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** includes views of City Hall and the Cibeles Fountain. **(B)**

Day 3 Journey to Segovia and Zamora Venture to Segovia and see the Roman Aqueduct and the Alcázar of Segovia. Travel to the city of Zamora where you'll view the cathedral and the Church of Mary Magdalene. **(B, D) Hotel: NH Palacio del Duero**

Day 4 A Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela Travel to Santiago de Compostela, where you'll join a **Local Specialist**, who will share insights into the 'Way of Saint James'. Visit the vast Cathedral and the Praza do Obradoiro. **(B, D) Hotel: Eurostars Gran**

Day 5 Journey to Scenic Porto Embark on a sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** today in Porto. See the medieval Ribeira Quarter and the city port. Visit the Stock Exchange Palace, before you **Dive Into Culture** at a tasting in a Port cellar. **(B) Hotel: Carris Ribeira**

Day 6 Onwards to Fátima and Lisbon Follow the road taken by pilgrims over the last 100 years to the Shrine at Fátima, site of a celebrated religious miracle. Later, we arrive in colorful Lisbon. **(B) Hotel: VIP Grand**

Day 7 Discover Lisbon's Treasures We'll see the Monument to the Discoveries and Belém Tower, when we join a **Local Specialist** on a sightseeing tour of Lisbon. We'll **Dive Into Culture** at the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. **(B)**

Day 8 On to Seville We travel east through Alentejo before arriving in Seville. Explore the fine art of olive oil production at a **Be My Guest** experience and **Connect With Locals** over dinner at an olive oil farm. **(B, D) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros**

Day 9 Explore Spectacular Seville Join a **Local Specialist** for a walking tour through the city. View the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower, see the Maria Luisa Park and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. Later, we'll stroll through the historic Jewish Quarter before visiting the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. **(B)**

Day 10 Off to Granada Multicultural Granada takes center stage today as we visit the magnificent Alhambra in the company of a **Local Specialist**. **(B, D) Hotel: Abades Nevada Palace** Access to attractions within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 11 Onwards to Valencia We journey to Guadix to see the whitewashed troglodyte dwellings lodged in the ochre-colored cliffs of the surrounding area. We travel to Valencia for an orientation drive which will include views of the 14th-century Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the City of Arts and Sciences. Enjoy organic horchata, the celebrated drink of Valencia, during a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. **(B) Hotel: Silken Puerta**



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Enjoy a taste of organic horchata, the local nut-based drink, from a family-run vendor using only natural ingredients and traditional production methods.

Day 12 See the Sights of Barcelona Head north to Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. Travel along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona with its whimsical Gaudí architecture. Join a **Local Specialist** and admire the exterior La Sagrada Família during a sightseeing tour. **(B) Hotel: INNSiDE Barcelona Apolo by Meliá**

Day 13 Barcelona Your Way Embrace the charm of Barcelona, ramble through El Born or consider joining an Optional Experience to the mountaintop monastery of Montserrat. This evening, we join our fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 14 Journey Home For now it's *adios* to Spain at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Toledo, Madrid, Santiago de Compostela, Porto, Lisbon, Seville and Barcelona with a Local Specialist

Discover Segovia, Zamora and Valencia

Visit Santo Tomé and the synagogue in Toledo, the cathedral and Praza do Obradoiro in Santiago de Compostela, the Stock Exchange Palace and a local port wine cellar in Porto, the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon, Seville Cathedral, the Alhambra Palace in Granada

View the Roman Aqueduct and Alcazar in Segovia, the cathedral in Zamora, the Belém Tower in Lisbon, the Giralda Bell Tower in Seville, the cave homes of Guadix, the Serrano and Quart Towers and the city of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia, La Sagrada Família in Barcelona and the Shrine at Fátima

See the Monument to the Discoveries in Lisbon

Be My Guest Enjoy a Traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo Family



"A beautiful afternoon spent in Cascais with friends."

- Christine Fortier

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: STSP

Spain, Morocco and Portugal

16 Days | 3 Countries | 22 Meals | Balanced Activity

Every day is an adventure on this Spain, Portugal and Morocco trip, whether you're enjoying a traditional barbeque with the Albaserrada family at their farm in Andalusia, celebrating Portugal's proud seafaring heritage or venturing deep within the ancient Medina of Fes to find treasures to take home.



Day 1 Hola Madrid Kick off your unforgettable journey in the fiery Spanish capital of Madrid. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive past some of the city's most iconic sites. **(D) Hotel: Meliá Castilla**

Day 2 Explore Fiery Madrid Join your **Local Specialist** on this day of discovery, including views of the iconic Cibeles fountain and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire the Royal Palace and Retiro Park before spending the rest of the day on your own indulging in *la buena vida*. **(B)**

Day 3 Onwards to Toledo and Granada Join your **Local Specialist** for a walking tour of Toledo. **Dive Into Culture** at a local steel and Damascene workshop before continuing to Granada. **(B, D) Hotel: Occidental**

Day 4 Journey to the Sunny Costa del Sol Admire the impressive palatial city of the Alhambra. Join a **Local Specialist** for a guided visit, then continue to the Costa del Sol. **(B) Hotel: NH Marbella** Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 5 Cross the Strait of Gibraltar to Fes We travel along the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean and cross to North Africa by ferry. A memorable drive past the Rif Mountains brings us to Fes, our home for the next two nights. **(B, D) Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace**

Day 6 The Medina and More in Fes Join a **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour through the Medina of Fes. Spend the rest of your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, maybe join an Optional Experience Arabian dinner in a traditional riad. **(B)**



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The ladies of a local women's cooperative welcome you for tea and cakes at their community Café in Marrakesh.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Day 7 Off to Vibrant Marrakesh Departing Fes, journey west through the golden landscape that deepens to rusty red as we approach vibrant Marrakesh. Past and present collide in the world-famous Jemaa el-Fnaa Square. **(B) Hotel: Le Méridien N'Fis**

Day 8 Discover Marrakesh Visit Dar El Bacha during your walking tour with a **Local Specialist**. See Jemaa el-Fnaa Square in the Old Quarter. Visit a traditional Moroccan pharmacy and **Dive Into Culture**, gaining insights into the blending of creams and cosmetics using regional ingredients. Meet the inspiring ladies of a local women's cooperative over tea and cakes, on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. The rest of the day is yours to explore. **(B, D)**

Day 9 Continue to Casablanca and Tangier We journey north to Casablanca before arriving in the country's capital. Stop at the opulent Mohammed V Mausoleum before continuing to Tangier. Our unique **Stays With Stories** is El Minzah, which overlooks the Bay of Tangiers. **(B, D) Hotel: El Minzah**

Day 10 Sail the Strait to Seville Crossing the Strait of Gibraltar by ferry, we return to Spain and continue to Seville. Consider an optional Flamenco performance this evening. **(B) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros**

Day 11 Explore Spectacular Seville Join your **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour and visit the ornate tomb of Christopher Columbus in the Cathedral. **(B)**

Day 12 Venture to Lisbon Depart Seville and journey through Portugal's Alentejo region. Stop at a stud farm for a **Be My Guest** experience as you meet with Tiago and Vera for lunch in their family home. In Lisbon, see the Monument to the Discoveries and Belém Tower during a sightseeing tour. **(B, L) Hotel: Olissippo Oriente**

Day 13 Lisbon Your Way Join your **Local Specialist** for a tour of Lisbon, including the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. Consider an Optional Experience to discover Portugal's 'Golden Triangle' of Sintra, Cascais and the Estoril coast. **(B)**

Day 14 Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca We trace the path of pilgrims at the celebrated shrine in Fátima, then depart Portugal bound for Salamanca. **(B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol**

Day 15 Return to Madrid Traverse the Sierra de Guadarrama Mountains to Madrid. This evening, join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding**

Day 16 Journey Home Our epic journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal comes to an end this morning. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Explore Madrid, Toledo, Marrakesh, Fes, Seville, Casablanca and Lisbon with a Local Specialist

Discover Rabat, Tangier, Fátima and Salamanca

Visit the Alhambra in Granada, Dar El Bacha and a Moroccan pharmacy in Marrakesh, the Seville Cathedral and the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon

View the Royal Palace in Rabat, Hassan II Mosque, Belém Tower and the Shrine at Fátima

Be My Guest Visit a historic, working stud ranch in the heart of the Alentejo region for a Be My Guest experience of homemade Portuguese lunch, performance and tales of an incredible legacy



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- Jacquie Osborn

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13 Days | 5 Countries | 18 Meals | Balanced Activity

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Ease into the local love of life and good food. Sun-kissed days and sizzling nights guide you along this Mediterranean trip through coastal Spain, France and Italy. Enjoy lunch with sisters Sandra and Antonella on their Tuscan agriturismo near Vinci.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Madrid, Barcelona, Cinque Terre, Florence and Rome with a Local Specialist

Discover Arles, Avignon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Pisa

Visit Pont du Gard in Avignon, the French Riviera, Piazza della Signoria in Florence and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

View La Sagrada Família, the Papal Palace, the Palace and Cathedral in Monaco, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio in Florence

Be My Guest Enjoy Lunch in the Tuscan Hills

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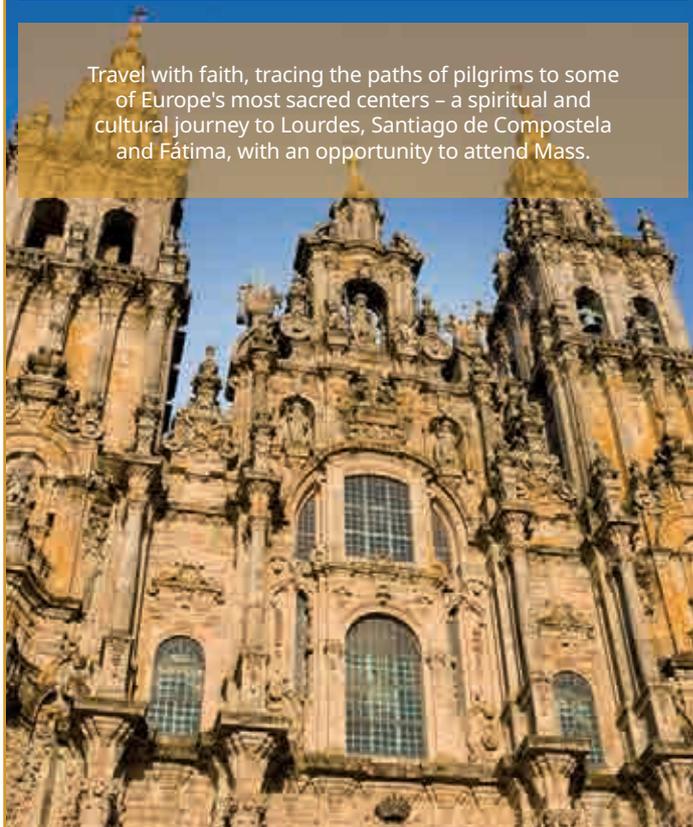
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Travel with faith, tracing the paths of pilgrims to some of Europe's most sacred centers – a spiritual and cultural journey to Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela and Fátima, with an opportunity to attend Mass.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Attend Mass in Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela and Fátima

Explore Barcelona, Carcassonne, Lourdes, Burgos, Santiago de Compostela and Lisbon with a Local Specialist

Visit La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, Burgos Cathedral, St. James Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fátima and the Hieronymites Monastery in Lisbon

Be My Guest Dine with Manuel at his family Adegas in Lisbon's Terras Vedras, featuring a local delicacy for dessert

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Northern Spain

11 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Barcelona, Pamplona, San Sebastián, Bilbao, Covadonga, Oviedo, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca, Madrid, plus more

Go beyond the normal northern Spain trip and immerse yourself in the region's distinctive culture and history. On this trip up north, you'll trace the footsteps of pilgrims, admire the architectural talents of Frank Gehry and relax on the sunny shores of Santander.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Barcelona, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca and Madrid with a Local Specialist

Discover Pamplona, San Sebastián, Bilbao, Santander and Oviedo

Visit the Holy Cave of Covadonga, St. James Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela, Luarca village and the Prado Museum in Madrid

View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao and the Cathedral and University of Salamanca

Be My Guest Enjoy lunch and Cider tasting with the Castanon family at their Cider Mill near Oviedo

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Departure months: Mar - Sep

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Great Iberian Cities

9 Days | 2 Countries | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Seville, Lisbon, plus more

Blaze a trail on this exhilarating Spain and Portugal trip, as you travel from Gaudí's Barcelona to Portugal's 'Golden Age of Discoveries' in Lisbon. See the tomb of Columbus, admire great works in the Prado Museum and enjoy sweet sangria in Andalusia.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Seville and Lisbon with a Local Specialist

Visit Plaça Catalunya in Barcelona, Prado Museum in Madrid, Church of Santo Tome and the Synagogue in Toledo, Plaza de España in Seville and Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon

View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona and the Giralda Bell Tower in Seville

Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo family

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Best of Morocco

10 Days | 1 Country | 16 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Casablanca, Rabat, Meknès, Fes, Erfoud, Dades Valley, Ouarzazate, Ait Ben Haddou, Marrakesh, Essaouira, plus more

An in-depth Morocco trip featuring all the exciting sights, sounds and flavors befitting of its status as the gateway to Africa. Explore the ancient alleyways of Fes, visit a traditional riad and learn about healing Moroccan ingredients like argan oil.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Fes and Marrakesh with a Local Specialist

Discover Rabat, Meknès, Erfoud, Ouarzazate, Essaouira and Casablanca

Visit a tannery and dye-pit, Midelt, Tafilalt Oasis, Bahia Palace and a Moroccan pharmacy

View the Royal Palace, the Todra Gorge, Ait Ben Haddou and the Hassan II Mosque

Be My Guest Enjoy Moroccan cuisine and wine at a Riad in Fes

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Departure months: Year-round

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