



# CULINARY JOURNEY IN ANDALUSIA

## 10 days/09 nights with rental car HALFBOARD

 fly & drive

*The southern part of Spain is a treasure trove of sights. Between stunning landscapes are located old cities with a great history. The ancient Greeks and Romans knew how to enjoy this landscape and evidence of this long cultural development are visible everywhere. Also, the culinary art of southern Spain has much to offer. The dramatic history of Andalusia reflects its rich and varied cuisine, highlighted by gazpacho that was introduced during the domination of the Roman Empire, as well as peppers and tomatoes brought to Spain during the Conquest of America. The Moors influenced also very much the region by planting orange, olive and almond trees. They also introduced spices such as cumin, cinnamon, nutmeg and saffron plus vegetables and fruits like aubergine, spinach, pomegranate and quince. With all this influence, Andalusian gastronomy has a lot to offer; in addition to a variety of "tapas", the region is also known for Serrano ham and olive products. World famous are the wines of Jerez de la Frontera and Sanlucar de Barameda or dessert wines from Malaga. It will be an honour to bring you up into this route, one of the finest gastronomies and wine regions in Spain. Our offer is based on private services and a rental car of your choice. All visits and excursions will be made with local guides.*

### DAY 1 (Friday) FLIGHT TO MALAGA – FRIGILIANA - NERJA

Flight from home to Malaga. Immediately after being greeted by our representative at the airport, you will get your rented car after all formalities. He/she will help you with all formalities and solve your doubts before you start traveling along the coast of the Costa del Sol to Nerja. On the way you will visit the mountain village of Frigiliana, one of the white villages that are located in the district of Axarquía in Malaga. It is one of the most beautiful villages and has won several awards for this. There, you can walk through the narrow streets of this idyllic village and visit a small wine cellar restaurant where you will also have lunch. In the afternoon you will continue to the famous Nerja Caves, which are among the most impressive show caves in Spain and declared a National Monument. After the visit, drive to the Hotel in Nerja for registration and a small rest. On your free time you can visit the famous Balcony of Europe, which has a beautiful view to the mountains and the coast. Overnight. **(B) (L)**

### DAY 2 (Saturday) NERJA - ALPUJARRAS- GRANADA

After breakfast you drive from the Costa del Sol in the mountains of the legendary Sierra Nevada to the valleys of the Alpujarras in Granada province. Drive across the mighty Poqueira Canyon to Pampaneira where you can taste the delights of the area. e.g. the Serrano ham, goat cheese and almond cheese, a kind of marzipan. After lunch, continue to Granada driving on Lanjaron, one of the famous mineral springs in Spain. Stay for a while here before you continue to the hotel in Granada for overnight. **(B) (L)**

### DAY 3 (Sunday) GRANADA

The highlight of every Andalusia tour is the visit to the palace of the Alhambra and the beautiful gardens of the Generalife. This former summer residence of the Moorish rulers can still be imagined from the glamor of that era. With the expulsion of the last Moorish king Boabdil, 1492 a nearly 800-year long Islamic era in Spain came to an end. This unique palace of Alhambra shows the high standard of art and culture of the time. After visiting the Alhambra with your local guide, you can come back to Granada walking through its old town, where you can visit the Cathedral and the King's chapel where the Catholic kings are buried. Then you go to the hotel for a rest and dinner. Overnight. **(B) (D)**

PRICE PER PERSON IN  
DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

**EUR 2.092.-**

Surplus single room **EUR 493.-**

Car rental from EUR 200.- (1-4 Pax)

**PRIVATE TOUR 2023**

**DEPARTURES ON REQUEST**

**APRIL THROUGH NOVEMBER**

If you have a group we will be very happy to send you a special offer with bus or rental cars

#### INCLUDED SERVICES

- 9 nights accommodation in hotels of your choice category 3 \*\*\*, 4 \*\*\*\* and / or 5\*\*\*\*\*
- 9 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 4 dinners.
- Wine tasting and cellar visits in Montilla, Jerez de la Frontera and Malaga.
- Visit La Alhambra and Gardens (+ entrance fee)
- Tickets for all scheduled visits in Seville, Nerja Caves, Cordoba and Malaga
- Tickets for the horse show at the Andalusian Riding School in Jerez de la Frontera
- Travel Money Security Certificate

#### NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic Flights
- 10-days rental car in the category of your choice. We will help you with pleasure selecting the car you want.
- Parking fees at the hotels and visits
- Meals or other Tours not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Personal expenses
- Tips for guides, drivers and porters





#### DAY 4 (Monday) GRANADA - CORDOBA

After breakfast you will drive to Cordoba, a city with history and Muslim past. Cordoba was once the Roman capital of the province of Hispania Ulterior, and later the capital of the caliphate. In the middle ages the city was a center of science and culture. Immediately upon arrival, check-in at the hotel and time to rest. At the given time, you will meet the local guide. You will walk through the old Jewish quarter with its synagogue, and with its flowered patios and streets. You will visit the world-famous Mezquita, the Great Mosque of the Umayyad, which was later extended to the Christian cathedral. The great forest of columns is one of the great sights of Spain. Here you can clearly feel the former wealth and the art of Islamic craftsmen and builders. Then free time for lunch and in the afternoon, you will drive to Montilla. This town is nestled between olive groves and vineyards in the region Montilla-Moriles. Here is mainly the Pedro Ximenez grape grown. At the end of the 20th Century has also started to produce red wines. We visit here the Perez-Baquero winery, followed by a tasting of various tapas from around Cordoba. After that, return to Cordoba. **(B) (D)**

#### DAY 5 (Tuesday) CORDOBA - CARMONA - SEVILLA

After breakfast you will drive to Carmona. This city is located only 30 km from Seville on the main line of Alcoras Height dominating the so-called "Vega del Corbones", one of the most fertile areas of Andalusia. Its core belongs to one of the most beautiful smaller cities of Andalusia. After a short stay you will drive to Seville, where you will have free time. Dinner in the Michelin Abantal restaurant with an Andalusian tasting menu. If you want to include a wine pairing please let us know to give you the extra cost. Return to the hotel for the night. **(B) (D)**

#### DAY 6 (Wednesday) SEVILLA

After breakfast, visit with a local guide the turbulent capital of Andalusia and at the same time the fourth-largest city in Spain. The great monuments like the Royal Alcazares, the Cathedral with the Giralda are evidence of the Islamic and the time of sailors, in which the city was the largest trading center of the New World. In addition to the many parks, the Plaza de España is very special, a monument which was built for the first world exhibition and well worth seeing. A stroll through the romantic old town of Santa Cruz goes through traditional houses decorated with flowers and narrow winding squares with orange and palm trees. Beautiful streets with many tapas bars. Leisure and ride to the hotel for overnight stay. **(B) (L)**

#### DAY 7 (Thursday) SEVILLA – JEREZ DE LA FRONTERA - SEVILLA

After breakfast you will go to Jerez de la Frontera to watch the horses show "*How the Andalusian Horses dance*" at the Royal Andalusian Riding School in Jerez. The show is a ballet on horseback with Spanish music and costumes as they wore in the 18th century. The choreography comes from the classical and cowboy dressage and also from other works of the traditional riding. Followed by free time in the old town Jerez for lunch, you will visit in the afternoon a winery, the winery Gonzalez Byass to know about the production of sherry on a guided tour. Jerez de la Frontera is the hometown of the famous sherry wine. Then you drive back to the hotel for overnight. **(B) (L)**

#### DAY 8 (Friday) SEVILLA - RONDA - MALAGA

After breakfast, your Journey to Malaga continues and you will visit Ronda in between. Ronda is undoubtedly one of the most spectacular cities in Andalusia. One of the cities that swings between reality and legend. Remote once by its geographic location, the cradle of today's bullfight and city of bandits and target of various people who were fascinated by them, Ronda is now a bustling town in an important area of Malaga, where you can visit and enjoy a variety of monuments. The gastronomy, fiestas, and the atmosphere contribute to intensify the myth in this city. We suggest you to stroll through the old town of Ronda and the Wine Museum. Followed by a free time in the afternoon, you will drive to Málaga to the hotel. In the evening we will invite you to a private cooking experience to learn about this delicious cuisine. We will drive you to one "cortijo" a farmhouse outside of Málaga.



There, you will meet a local family for a cooking class. The farmhouse offers you beautiful countryside views. You will then take part in a private hands-on cooking class; under the guidance of a cooking instructor, you'll be welcomed to cook and feast on a delicious menu, in a laid-back atmosphere. You will have the choice on what you want to learn, either one of the most popular local dishes like the fresh fried seafood platter known as pescaito frito or other typical recipes like seafood rice, monkfish with potatoes, noodle casserole.... After tasting what you have cooked and of course have tasted the local wine, back to the hotel. Overnight. **(B) (L)**

#### **DAY 9 (Saturday) MALAGA**

Breakfast at the hotel. In the morning you will have time on your own to visit Malaga at your pace. Take a walk on and pass the Plaza la Merced, the birthplace of Picasso and coming through the old Jewish quarter of the city go to the Moorish fortress of Alcazaba, Roman Theatre, the Cathedral and the Picasso Museum. In the afternoon we will visit the winery Quitapenas. Here is produced the famous Moscatel wines of the region. After an informative guided tour, you will taste the local wines with different tapas. Then we drive back to the city where the local guide will show you the capital of the Costa del Sol. We take a city tour with the bus and drive to the viewpoint of the Moorish castle Gibralfaro. Dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Málaga. **(B) (D)**

#### **DAY 10 (Sunday) MALAGA – AIRPORT – FLIGHT HOME**

After breakfast, you can enjoy the hotel facilities or go for a stroll on the city before you drive on-time to the airport to return the car and for your flight back home. End of our services. **(B)**

**(B)** Breakfast **(L)** Lunch **(D)** Dinner