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# SPAIN TOURS - GROUP PACKAGES: COSTA DEL SOL ANDALUCIA TOUR



# a journey through time in costa del sol!

# Group travel

# Treasures of Andalucia from Costa del Sol

Take a different look around Andalucía from Costa del Sol, through it's rich and stylish history and architecture.

### day 1 A city view of Málaga

For the first day start with the new Picasso Museum in Málaga and a sightseeing of Málaga. The Museum Picasso is located in the old quarter of the city, where the urban landscape is a patchwork of history. The Picasso Collection is a personal look at Picasso. The permanent collection captures the extraordinary vision of Picasso. More than 200 paintings, drawings, sculpturs, ceramics, and graphic works illuminate the entire breadth of his long and prolific career, from his first academic studies to his late paintings in the 1970s. Then, visit the majestic hill of Gibralfaro, with its Moorish castle, and the Alcazaba fortress. The museum sits beside a Roman theatre and a Renaissance – style cathedral.

# day 2 Excursion to Granada

Today is devoted to discovering one of the most famous monuments in the world. The Alhambra and its Gardens of Generalife. From the emblematic "Torre de la Vela", through to the Alcazaba, to the "Seat of the Moro". This area is rich wtih views of the city. The "Patio de los Leones" (Lions Yard), Gardens of Lindaraja and Carlos V Palace make this visit unforgettable.

#### day 3 Excursion to Córdoba

We will go today to Córdoba, capital of the Moorish Kingdom in Spain and home to the fascinating "Mezquita". Visit the intruiging old quarter and the Alcázar.

#### day 4 Excursion to Seville

Visit the Square of Spain, site of the Ibeamerican Expositions of 1929 and the Maria Luisa Park. Then, the Jewish district of Santa Cruz before we continue along the river Guadalquivir, to see the Golden Tower and the bull ring. Then you will visit the Cathedral, the world's third largest religious building, and the Alcazar, the Palace of Seville's Moorish rulers.

#### day 5 Excursion to Ronda

Built on an isolated ridge of the sierra, Ronda is split in half by a gaping river gorge (dropping130m on 3 sides). Whitewashed houses have been built along the gorge and the famous Puente Nuevo arches across the two sides. Visit Santa Maria La Mayor, situated in the central square. This cathedral church was originally the Moorish town's Friday mosque. Built in both Gothic and Renaissance styles. Visit also the bullring, the oldest in Spain.

#### day 6 Excursion to Mijas

Travelling up the hills this is a pleasurable journey. Amid the 5 different levels of whitewashed town houses there are great views down to the Costa del Sol below.

Ever present in this enchanting Andalucian Village are the "Burro-taxis" of Mijas. Scores of brightly kitted out donkeys will take you on rides around the town for a small charge. A more salubrious ride can be undertaken by horse drawn carriage.

# day 7 Excursion to Nerja / Frigiliana

Journey along the Western Costal road to Frigiliana, a beautiful Málaga village, the very essence of Andalucía. From there you will be leaving for Nerja to visit it's prehistoric cave with impressive auditoriums and galleries. Free time to enjoy the panoramic views at the foot of the Almijara mountain range.

# day 8 Departure

Free time and transfer to the airport.

# OUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 7 nights hotel accommodation on HB.
- Arrival transfer and departure transfer.
- Full day excursion to Granada, Sevilla, Córdoba and Ronda.
- Half day excursion to Málaga, Mijas and Nerja / Frigiliana.
- Lunch in local restaurants in the full day excursions.

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