



Andalucía, Spain's southernmost territory, is a land of flamenco, sherry wine, the pure bred Andalusian horse and charming castles and monasteries. This is an area that has, over time, come under the influence of Iberians, Phoenicians, Carthaginians, Greeks, Romans, Vandals, Visigoths, Byzantines, Moors and of course the catholic kings who finally expelled the Moors, who had occupied the region for 500 years, in 1492.



Granada

Visit the Sacramonte district of Granada where you will find flamenco performances in whitewashed caves, typical restaurants, gypsies selling their goods and great views over the city and royal palaces.



UNESCO World Heritage

Andalucía has 7 World Heritage Sites - six cultural and one natural. Most of the cultural sites are located in cities or towns including Granada, Seville, Córdoba, Úbeda and Baeza.



Costa de la Luz

The Coast of Light is an area of unspoiled, fine, golden sand beaches with turquoise waters on the southern Andalusian coastline west of Tarifa.



Viewpoint

Above Grazalema, en route to Zahara de la Sierra, is a winding mountain road leading to an excellent viewpoint. A stop here is a must to admire the extensive panorama below.

Seville – the capital of Andalucía

With mild winters and plenty of sunshine, Seville is as an ideal, year-round destination. With narrow lanes, beautiful buildings and courtyards full of flowers, those who enjoy sightseeing and seek history and art will not be disappointed.

Las Casas de la Juderia Hotel, Seville

On the edge of the Jewish quarter, which most faithfully conserves the appearance of the city as it was and is now known as the quarter of Santa Cruz, the Duke of Segorbe has converted a former mansion into a hotel But he did not stop there Over 30 years he added to the project by converting adjacent Jewish dwellings, 47 in total, to create the most amazing complex of houses, each sensitively renovated to preserve their character into a unique hotel of 175 rooms. This is a friendly hotel, full of character, charm and adventure.

Accommodation: 175 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms. economical rooms, standard rooms, superior rooms and junior suites.

- · Airport: 12km Seville
- 4-star hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Historic centre location
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant

Guide price from £563 per person*













Vincci La Rabida Hotel, Seville

Located on the quiet Calle de Castelar in the old town and a 5 minute walk to the Cathedral, the hotel was originally an 18th century palace. The entrance opens onto a traditional, gracious and spacious inner courtyard atrium with ample, comfortable seating in a very relaxed atmosphere. The conversion of the property into a hotel has been sensitively managed with many of the original features of the palace having been preserved, especially in the grand dining room which opens onto a second patio where breakfast can also be taken.

Accommodation: 81 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, superior rooms and suites.

- · Airport: 12km Seville
- 4-star hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · City centre location
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant

Guide price from £636 per person*

Finca Buenvino, Los Marines

Sam and Jeannie Chesterton arrived in these picturesque and unknown southern hills of Spain in 1983 and decided to build a home. The house is unique, as subsequently the area was designated a nature park and no further development was allowed. This is one of the longest established B&Bs in Andalucía. Buenvino is part house, part B&B, part farm and part cookery venue. You take the family as they are: 'shabby chic' as Sam describes it. This is a wonderful place to stay for those wishing to understand the region, the seasons, and to admire wonderful landscapes.

Accommodation: 5 air-conditioned (ceiling or desk fans) rooms in the main house and two independent 2-bedroom cottages.

- · Airport: 104km Seville
- · Country house (pension)
- · Bed & Breakfast
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- · Rural location
- Swimming pool

Guide price from £512 per person*







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Parque Naturel Los Alcornocales

Head off the beaten track to an area rich in archaeological, historical and natural interest. This parkland is filled with cork-oak trees, rugged and sometimes rolling hills and is great for nature walks and other outdoor pursuits.

San Gabriel Hotel, Ronda

Twenty years ago, the parents of Ana and Jose Manuel Arnal Perez called a family meeting to discuss turning their 18th century family home in the old quarter of Ronda into a hotel. Apparently it did not take long to make the decision and the San Gabriel Hotel was born. This is a charming, elegant and perfectly located family run hotel with helpful staff. Like all Andalusian houses, there is the calming, cooling peaceful patio with plants and fountain and quaint, homely rooms and many nooks and crannies.

Accommodation: 22 air-conditioned rooms, all different, all individually decorated in classic style including standard rooms, superior rooms (one with a French balcony), junior suites

- Airports: 115km Málaga / 118km Jerez
- 4-star hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi

Guide price from £738 per person*













Fuerte Grazalema Hotel, Grazalema

The hotel nestles within the spectacular, mountainous Sierra de Grazalema Natural Park and is 5km away from the village. It is also only 20km from Ronda. Ideally located for walking, hiking, cycling, kayaking and horse riding this is a very friendly, family orientated hotel with activities for children, large rooms with extra beds and interconnecting rooms. Views from the hotel and the pool area over the Guadalete river valley and towards the village of Grazalema are breathtaking. The restaurant specialises in local gastronomy and game dishes.

Accommodation: 77 spacious rooms including classic rooms and junior suites.

- · Airports: 88km Jerez / 120km Málaga
- · 4-star rural hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- · Rural location
- Swimming pool

Guide price from £695 per person*

Los Tadeos Hotel, Zahara de la Sierra

The Tadeos is located about 500 metres from the village of Zahara and its castle. It is an excellent base for all activities in the Grazalema Natural Park which caters for walkers, hikers and horseback riders. The lake also facilitates water sports. The views from the hotel to the Lijar Mountains are panoramic, especially from the infinity swimming pool. The Tadeos is owner managed and decorated in typical Andalusian style. A very homely hotel. well located and a good centre for visiting the surrounding region as Ronda, Grazalema and other White Villages are within an easy drive.

Accommodation: 17 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms and superior rooms.

- Airports: 90km Jerez / 108km Seville / 139km Málaga
- Rural hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- · Rural location
- · Swimming pool

Guide price from £656 per person*







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The Province of Cádiz

This diverse area contains many places of interest from Jerez, famous for its sherry production and flamenco music, to the white village of Arcos with its magnificent hilltop views, and the ancient port town of Cádiz, with more than 100 watchtowers.

La Casa Grande, Arcos de la Frontera

Located right on the cliff edge of the old town, this tiny family run hotel has a Moorish charm reflected in the décor of the rooms. The property was built in 1729 in the style of former palatial houses and was converted into this friendly bed and breakfast rural inn in 1998. Following the Roman and Arab tradition, the patio is the heart of the house. At night, the candlelight transforms the patio into a magic world. Close your eyes and you could be in the 18th century.

Accommodation: 7 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms. junior suites and a suite.

- Airports: 38km Jerez / 96km Seville
- Historic hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Complimentary Wifi (courtyard only)
- Historic town centre location

Guide price from £863 per person*













Asta Regia Hotel, Jerez de la Frontera

Located at the opposite end of the old town to the Palacio Garvey Hotel, the two hotels carry many similarities in that both are in newly renovated buildings. The pedestrian areas of the town and the old walls are within a stone's throw, as are the busy squares, cafés, tapas bars, bodegas, restaurants and historic buildings. The hotel is a short taxi ride from the railway station.

Accommodation: 31 air-conditioned rooms including 16 standard rooms, 12 superior rooms and 3 junior suites.

- · Airports: 13km Jerez / 100km Seville
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- · Historic centre location
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Rooftop plunge pool

Guide price from £750 per person*

Parador de Cádiz, Cádiz

Right on the sea front and a 10 minute walk from the historic centre of the city; the Parador de Cádiz is one of the ultra modern breeds of Parador. The building is all glass, wood, marble, clean cut lines and spectacular views to the ocean, especially from the pool area which almost blends in with the ocean. The common areas are bright and spacious. The rooms are full of natural light with contemporary furnishings and large balconies or terraces. The modern spa is a delight with its indoor pool and wide range of spa treatments.

Accommodation: 124 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms and iunior suites.

- Airports: 46km Jerez / 134km Seville
- 4-star Parador (Modern)
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pools
- · Water front location

Guide price from £998 per person*







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Atlantic coastline

260 kilometres of fine sand beaches, many of them undeveloped, known as the Costa de la Luz. Here you will find virgin beaches such as El Palmar in Vejer, Los Caños de Meca in the Barbate area and Bolonia in Tarifa.

Hurricane Hotel, Tarifa

The Hurricane is set within subtropical gardens on the beach and 8km from the town of Tarifa. Built and furnished in Moorish style the hotel represents a cool, shaded oasis. Outside terraces make this an ideal summer hotel for beach and watersport lovers The hotel has its own stables with gentle Andalusian horses and the ION-Club, stocking kite and windsurfing equipment, has a shop in the hotel where tuition can also be arranged. This is also an excellent centre for mountain biking, hiking and kayaking.

Accommodation: 16 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms. 2 luxury suites and 3 family suites.

- · Airports: 45km Gibraltar / 122km Jerez / 160km Málaga
- 2-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Beachfront location
- · Complimentary WiFi
- · Swimming pools

Guide price from £803 per person*













La Breña Hotel, Los Caños de Meca

This small, personally run hotel is located across the road from two sandy, small cove beaches - in fact the whole area is sandy beach, sand dunes and umbrella pines. The views from the hotel are to the natural park, which begins 50 metres from the hotel, to the sea and to the lighthouse around which the naval battle of Trafalgar was fought. The hotel is notable for its excellent seafood restaurant. You are unlikely to want to eat elsewhere. A very popular small hotel with many repeat clients.

Accommodation: 7 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms and iunior suites.

- Airports: 86km Jerez / 98km Gibraltar / 177km Seville
- · 2-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- · Coastal location
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- · Swimming pool

Guide price from £656 per person*

La Casa del Califa, Vejer de la Frontera

Founded by a locally born tourism graduate and a surfer who arrived in Vejer in 1988, the Califa, located on the popular Plaza de España, Vejer's largest flat open space, is made up of 10 houses that have been moulded together to create a wonderful hotel of character which encompasses 7 cisterns (two still in use), 7 entrances on three different street levels, 12 stairways, 78 windows, 51 doors, 4 courtyards and a cave. The hotel has a restaurant 'El Jardin del Califa', serving Moroccan, Lebanese and Middle Eastern dishes which are Michelin Guide recommended

Accommodation: 20 air-conditioned rooms, all different shapes in the main building.

- Airports: 82km Jerez / 85km Gibraltar / 156kim Seville
- 2-star hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- · Historic centre location
- Restaurant

Guide price from £756 per person*







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Granada, Córdoba & Málaga

The region of Andalucía has much to offer including the UNESCO World Heritage cities of Granada (the Alhambra, Generalife and Albayzin) and Córdoba (the Great Mosque-Cathedral) and the escalating art scene growing in Málaga (Picasso Museum).

La Marquesa Hotel, Granada

La Marguesa Hotel, housed in a 13th century Moorish palace, is located 4.5km (c.10-15 minutes' drive) from the city of Granada. This charming property, set in well maintained gardens, offers many rooms with characterful features such as vaulted ceilings and works of art. Located at the foot of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, Granada is a vibrant city with a rich and important heritage and home to the world famous Alhambra Palace and Albayzin neighbourhood – both inscribed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Accommodation: 11 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms. superior rooms and two junior suites.

- · Airports: 25km Granada / 140km Málaga
- 4-star hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- Complimentary WiFi
- · Rural location
- · Swimming pool

Guide price from £656 per person*













Parador de Córdoba, Córdoba

Córdoba is a hot place to be in the summer and the Parador Arruzafa de Córdoba is built amongst the ruins of the summer palace of the caliph Abdu'r-Raman I, at the foot of the Córdoba mountain range. The Parador is 3km (10 minutes' drive) from the city in a hilly area and so benefits from cooler air. This is an outdoor Parador with outside dining on the terrace, ample gardens surrounding the pool and panoramic views over the city from the terrace - ideal for a pre-dinner drink

Accommodation: 94 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, superior rooms and junior suites.

- · Airports: 135km Seville / 169km Málaga
- 4-star Parador (Modern)
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- · Location on the outskirts of Córdoba
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from £914 per person*

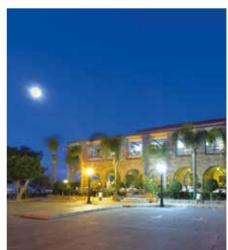
Parador de Málaga Gibralfaro, Málaga

The Parador enjoys a fabulous view, over the city of Málaga and its bay, from its position high up on the hill from which it takes its name, Mount Gibralfaro. Built next to the Gibralfaro Castle, the Parador offers a location where you are within easy reach of the city and from where you can admire the beauty of the Mediterranean. Modern in style and built out of stone, the property provides comfortable rooms and common areas, a rooftop swimming pool and a restaurant offering a cuisine from the Axarquia region of the province of Málaga.

Accommodation: 38 air-conditioned rooms including standard and superior rooms.

- · Airport: 12km Málaga
- · 4-star Parador
- Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi City location
- Restaurant
- · Swimming pool

Guide price from £941 per person*







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The Province of Jaén

Gentle landscapes of imposing natural beauty - two thirds of which are carpeted with olive groves - plus craggy mountain ranges, natural parks, lakes and reservoirs and a wealth of cathedrals, palaces and castles in Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque style await visitors to this province.

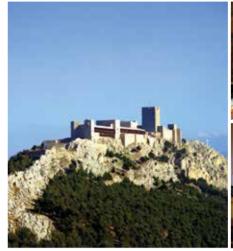
Parador de Jaén, Jaén

Dominating the hilltop of Santa Catalina, with panoramic views over the city below, is the Parador of Jaén. The interior of the Parador is grand, with vaulted ceilings in the dining room and lounge. Guest rooms vary in size and some have a four poster bed The Parador is 5km from the centre of Jaén with its old quarter, of which the highlights include the Cathedral 'Nuestra Señora de la Asunción', the Arab baths and the San Lorenzo Arch.

Accommodation: 45 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms. standard plus rooms and superior rooms.

- · Airports: 118km Granada / 214km Málaga
- 4-star Parador (Castle)
- Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- · Swimming pool

Guide price from £1,124 per person*













Parador de Úbeda, Úbeda

On one of the most impressive and monumental squares to be found in Andalucía, the Plaza de Vazquez Molina stands the palace of Dom Fernando Ortego Salido, the 16th century Dean of Málaga. The exterior facade hides a beautiful inner courtvard, typical of Andalusian palaces, with a double gallery, the upper section of which is glazed and from which the bedrooms are accessed. The upper section of the gallery is reached by a very grand staircase from the reception area.

Accommodation: 36 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, superior rooms and a junior suite.

- · Airports: 138km Granada / 250km Málaga
- 4-star Parador (Monument)
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- · Historic centre location
- Restaurant

Guide price from £897 per person*

Parador de Cazorla, Cazorla

In a prime location for nature lovers, in the heart of the Sierra de Cazorla, Segura and Las Villas National Park, is where you will find the Parador de Cazorla, surrounded with pine tree covered mountain slopes, dense vegetation and fauna, beautiful views and serenity. Providing humble accommodation, the property is perfectly placed for hiking in the mountains and other outdoor activities. The Parador restaurant, at 1400m above sea level, is the highest restaurant in the Nature Reserve and its menu includes seasonal game dishes and house specialities.

Accommodation: 34 rooms with a ceiling fan including standard rooms, superior rooms and two junior suites.

- · Airports: 211km Granada / 290km Málaga
- 3-star Parador (Modern)
- · Half Board
- · Restaurant
- Rural location
- · Swimming pool

Guide price from £722 per person*







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- Flights from London to Seville (other airports on request)
- 7-days car hire
- 2-nights Parador de Arcos, Arcos de la Frontera BB
- 2-nights Casa Shelly Hospederia, Vejer de la Frontera BB
- 3-nights Villa Jerez Hotel, Jerez de la Frontera BB

Departures

Daily (all year)

Duration 7 nights

Guide price from £767 per person*



Fortified Spain – The Frontera Towns

Itinerary: 7 days / 8 nights

The province of Cadiz has numerous 'Frontier' towns, many of whose roots date from Islamic times. Filled with narrow, cobbled streets, historic buildings and whitewashed houses, these old towns were established by Christians many centuries ago to recapture Spain from the Moors.

Day One: On arrival at Seville airport collect your hire car and self drive (c.1 hour 30 minutes) to the Parador in Arcos de la Frontera. The Parador enjoys an enviable position, at the top of the historic hilltop town of Arcos, with spectacular views over the plains and Guadalete River below.

Day Two: Day at leisure. Spend the day exploring Arcos de la Frontera starting at Plaza Cabildo. the heart of the old town, with its panoramic viewpoint and impressive church of Santa Maria de la Asuncion. Alternatively, head further afield to Jimena de la Frontera (c.2 hours). The drive takes you via country roads, through the Natural Park of Alcornocales. Jimena de la Frontera itself boasts a Moorish castle where, on a clear day, the views from its vantage point above the town are breathtaking.

Day Three: After breakfast, drive to Casa Shelly Hospederia in Vejer de la Frontera (c.1 hour 15 minutes), located in the historic pedestrianised centre (free parking is available on the outskirts of town). Vejer has a Moorish feel and retains much of its 15th century walls. Narrow cobbled streets, a castle with its small museum, two surviving original gateways, the 'Divino Salvador' church, a Jewish quarter and the Plaza de España – Vejer's pretty main square, are some of the many gems to be seen here.

Day Four: Day at leisure. Vejer is in the Costa de la Luz (Coast of Light) area of Spain, an area renowned for its spectacular unspoilt beaches which are within easy reach. Conil de la Frontera, on the Costa de la Luz, is a beach town south of Cadiz and is popular with tourists due to its atmospheric evenings. Although not best known for its monuments, there are a few which can still be seen in the old town. Slightly more inland, on a hill, you will find Chiclana de la Frontera, a historic town dating from 1303. Famous for its dolls, it is home to what is believed to be the oldest doll factory in the country – La Fábrica Museo de Muñecos Marín.

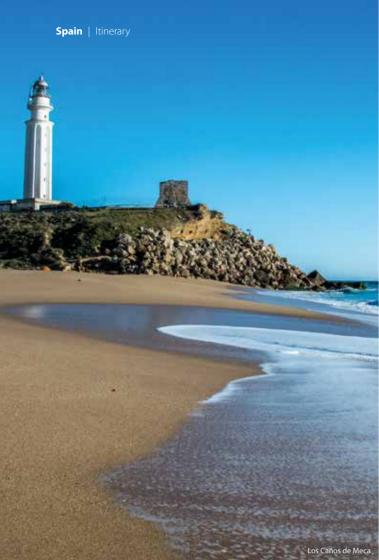
Day Five: Today, depart Vejer de la Frontera and drive to the city of Jerez de la Frontera (c.1 hour), to the Villa Jerez Hotel. Once a private residence to a sherry dynasty, the hotel is located within easy reach of the old walled town of Jerez (c.15 minute

walk) and offers free parking. The famous Spanish riding school, one of the highlights of the city, is nearby and performances take place twice weekly (Tuesdays and Thursdays).

Day Six: Day at leisure. Jerez de la Frontera is famous for its sherry and flamenco. Throughout the city you will find 'bodegas' open to the public, where it is possible to view how this fortified wine is made as well as partake in some sherry tasting. Flamenco can be seen, and most importantly felt, in some of the 'Tabancos' in Jerez, with regular events taking place. Wander around the city, there is so much to see the valuable Alcázar de Jerez, the cathedral, the 15th century Church of Santiago and picturesque squares filled with cafés, serving delicious tapas, to name

Day Seven: Day at leisure. Spend your last day re-visiting your favourite site or head to Calle Larga for a spot of shopping. This popular and long semipedestrian historic street has some of the best shops in the city. Or for a spot of pampering, seek out the Hammam (Arab Baths).

Day Eight: After breakfast, drive to Seville airport (c.1 hour 15 minutes) for your return flight to the UK.



*Guide price based on 2-sharing includes:

- Flights from London Gatwick to Seville (other airports on request)
- 7-days car hire
- 3-nights Hurricane Hotel, Tarifa BB
- · 2-nights La Breña Hotel, Los Caños de Meca BB
- 3-nights Parador de Cádiz, Cádiz BB

Departures Daily (all year)

Duration

8 nights

Guide price from £1,090 per person*



Tarifa, Los Caños de Meca and Cádiz

Itinerary: 9 days / 8 nights

The Costa de la Luz is an area of southern Spain which stretches along the coastline from Tarifa, past Cádiz, up to the Portuguese border. It is an area of spectacular long sandy beaches and hidden coves, history and tradition, beauty and ruggedness, warm summers and mild winters. Hugging the coast, the Costa de la Luz is filled with historic towns waiting to be explored, natural parks waiting to be walked and delicious gastronomy waiting to be sampled. In many ways this is truly an ideal destination.

Day One: On arrival at Seville airport collect your hire car and self drive (2 hours 30 minutes) to the Hurricane Hotel near Tarifa. Located on the Cádiz to Tarifa national road, the hotel is 8km from the town of Tarifa, in an area renowned for its pristine white sand beaches.

Day Two: Day at leisure. Outdoor activities can be arranged locally from windsurfing, kayaking and mountain biking to hiking and horse riding.

Day Three: Day at leisure. The town of Tarifa is a short drive away (5-10 minutes). Facing Morocco, its historic centre retains the well preserved Guzman

Castle, the early 16th century church of St Matthew as well as the remains of its medieval walls and one of its three gates, the Puerta de Jerez, dating from the 13th century. There are also regular ferry connections from Tarifa to Tangier and Ceuta.

Day Four: Today, head north towards Los Caños de Meca (1 hour drive). There are two possible routes that can be taken; one is via the historic hilltop town of Vejer de la Frontera; or the other, via the coastal town of Barbate which has developed from a fishing village to a popular destination for Spanish holidaymakers. La Breña Hotel can be found at the very end of Los Caños de Meca near the National Park of the same name, with its walking trails, and from where, on a clear day it is possible to see across the waters as far as Tangier.

Day Five: Los Caños de Meca, with its fine beaches, is a popular destination for water sports such as surfing and paddle surfing. It is also the scene of the famous Battle of Trafalgar, where Lord Nelson defeated a combined French and Spanish fleet, on 21 October 1805. Its lighthouse, the Faro de Cabo Trafalgar, is its most prominent feature and the headland on which it sits is a popular spot from where to watch the sun set over the Atlantic Ocean. Day Six: After breakfast, drive to the city of Cádiz (1 hour 15 minutes), to Parador de Cádiz. Located on the seafront and a 10 minute walk from the historic centre of the city, the Parador de Cádiz is an ultra modern building of glass, wood, marble, clean cut lines and spectacular views to the ocean.

Day Seven: Day at leisure. The historic centre of Cádiz consists of a labyrinth of narrow streets, baroque and neo-classical buildings, small squares and popular districts in which to lose oneself both geographically and historically. Although a city, Cádiz is also blessed with beaches for those who prefer a more relaxed pace of life and La Caleta beach is just 5 minutes walk from the hotel

Day Eight: Day at leisure. El Puerto de Santa Maria, near to Cádiz (30 minutes), has a delightful old centre filled with architecture typical of Andalucía as well as historic monuments. It also has kilometres of golden sand beaches.

Day Nine: After breakfast, drive to Seville airport (1 hour 45 minutes) for your return flight to the UK.

Seville, Jerez de la Frontera and Cádiz

Itinerary: 8 days / 7 nights

Our 7-night itinerary takes you to three exciting cities in Andalucía that are connected by train. Train travel is a wonderful way of exploring at leisure the many treasures the region has to offer. Feel free to design your own holiday as the itineraries can be as busy or as relaxed as you want them to be.

Day One – Seville: On arrival at Seville airport you will be transferred to Las Casas de la Juderia Hotel. The hotel is centrally located on the edge of the Jewish quarter, which most faithfully conserves the appearance of the city as it was in the 15th century and is now known as the quarter of Santa Cruz.

Day Two: Day at leisure. Discover the delights of this charming city with its narrow lanes, beautiful old buildings and courtyards full of flowers. The city has a strong Moorish influence and special points of interest include the UNESCO World Heritage sites of the 13th century Cathedral – the world's largest gothic church and home to the tomb of Christopher Columbus; and the incredibly ornate Royal Alcázar – a mini version of the Alhambra Palace in Granada and also one of the settings for the kingdoms of Dorne and Meereen in episodes of 'Game of Thrones'

Day Three: Day at leisure. The open top hop-on hop-off buses are a great way to get around the city. One of the first stops, not to be missed, is the magnificent square 'Plaza de España' in the Parque de María Luisa, built in 1928 for the Ibero-American Exposition of 1929.

Day Four – Jerez de la Frontera: After breakfast, self-transfer to the train station for your train to Jerez de la Frontera (c.75 minutes). On arrival, self-transfer to the Palacio Garvey Hotel. The hotel is located inside the remains of the Moorish wall of the old town which it overlooks with shops, delightful squares, restaurants and cafés all around. In the afternoon get a feel for the city and head towards the Calle Larga, a long shopping street in the heart of the town. This is where the best shops can to be found and where there are many pavement cafés to people watch and enjoy a drink with some delicious tapas.

Day Five: Day at leisure. Jerez is synonymous with sherry, equestrian tradition and flamenco. So why not pre-book an activity before you travel - see our activity sheet for prices. Visit a wine cellar 'bodega' to see how sherry wine is produced. If you like horses, there are two well-known equestrian shows worth considering - 'Carthusian Horse Studs' (Saturdays at 11:00am) or 'How Andalusian Horses Dance' (Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 noon). Alternatively, as the cradle of Flamenco, Jerez has

daily shows in Tablaos. There are also numerous Flamenco recitals in Peña Flamenca clubs dotted around the city. The traditional Bulería Festival is in September and the International Flamenco Festival in February-March each year.

Day Six – Cádiz: After breakfast, self-transfer to the train station for your train to Cádiz (c.35 minutes). On arrival, self-transfer to the Parador de Cádiz. This modern parador is located on the waterfront, a 10 minute walk from the historic centre of the city and a 5 minute walk from Caletta beach. In the afternoon there is time to explore the vibrant city of Cádiz. This once fortified ancient centre and port has an oldworld charm with an 18th century Cathedral, more than 100 watchtowers including the Torre Tavira which boasts some of the best views over the city, a maze of streets and narrow alleyways, wonderful beaches and excellent seafood.

Day Seven: Day at leisure. Why not spend the day relaxing at the beach. There are some fine sand beaches on the Costa de la Luz as well as city beaches like La Victoria. Further along the coast you will find some virgin beaches such as Los Caños de Meca east of Cape Trafalgar and El Palmar in Vejer.

Day Eight: After breakfast, self-transfer to the train station for your train to Seville (c.1 hour 40 minutes). On arrival, self-transfer to Seville airport for your flight to the UK.

*Guide price based on 2-sharing includes:

- Flight from London Gatwick to Seville (other airports on request)
- Private transfer on arrival (Day 1)
- 3-nights Las Casas de la Juderia Hotel, Seville BB
- · 2-nights Palacio Garvey Hotel, Jerez de la Frontera BB
- · 2-nights Parador de Cádiz, Cádiz BB
- Train ticket from Seville to Jerez de la Frontera (Day 4)
- Train ticket from Jerez de la Frontera to Cádiz (Day 6)
- Train ticket from Cádiz to Seville (Day 8)
- Note: Transfers to/from train stations are not included

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