



OCCIDENS TOURS

Spain, Portugal and France

TRAVEL CATALOG





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Who we are

We are specialized in TaylorMade Groups.

As experts in tourism and cultural trips we offer unparalleled experiences enjoying excellent services and a personalized treatment.

We are in Spain, a country with a great history, rich gastronomy, Mediterranean climate, welcoming and receptive to tourism.

We combine our programs with our neighboring countries France and Portugal.

What we offer

Ocidents Tours will take care of the complete organization of your program to ensure that your expectations are met.

We have a large fleet of modern coaches and a team of guides specialized in our culture.

The hotels where you will stay have the highest ratings and evaluations.

We will also make reservations for restaurants, entrance fees and local guides. 24/7 assistance and follow-up service for the group.



Big Tour

Spain, Portugal and France

The itinerary that Occidens Tours proposes is a rich cultural and historical experience that will allow you to explore in depth the most emblematic cities and discover their main attractions. Immerse yourself in a journey full of charm and discoveries, where each destination reveals the essence and heritage that makes it unique.

15 nights

Day 1. ORIGIN - MADRID

Reception at Madrid airport, transfer to hotel.

Guided Tour in Madrid: see the emblematic **Puerta del Sol**, take pictures and enjoy the atmosphere. Explore the historic **Plaza Mayor**, taste tapas and admire the architecture. Discover the impressive and luxurious **Royal Palace**, explore the halls and gardens.

Visit the beautiful **Almudena Cathedral**, museum and crypt.

Enjoy the peaceful and picturesque **Retiro Park**, take a boat ride and relax in the

gardens. Dinner in a typical Madrid restaurant.

Overnight in Madrid

Day 2. MADRID-TOLEDO-GRANADA

After breakfast, departure to Toledo. Travel by coach from Madrid to Toledo.

Guided tour in Toledo: During the guided tour in Toledo, you will marvel at the imposing Gothic architecture of **Toledo Cathedral**, explore the military history at the majestic **Alcazar of Toledo**, immerse yourself in the cultural richness at the Synagogue of El Transito, and contemplate the serene beauty of the Monastery of San Juan de los Reyes. Lunch. Continuation to Granada.

Travel by coach from Toledo to Granada. Dinner and overnight in Granada.

Day 3. GRANADA

Breakfast. **Guided tour in Granada.**

Discover the majesty of the **Alhambra and Generalife**, with its exquisite gardens and Islamic architecture. Stop for lunch. Then on to the **Albaicin**, immerse yourself in its narrow cobblestone streets and enjoy unique panoramic views.

Visit the **Royal Chapel**, home to the remains of the **Catholic Monarchs**. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore the city at your own pace.

Dinner and overnight in Granada.

Day 4. GRANADA - MÁLAGA

Breakfast. Departure to Malaga. Travel by coach from Granada to Malaga.

Guided tour in Malaga: you will explore the majestic **Alcazaba**, an 11th century Moorish fortress with breathtaking views of the sea. Next, you will immerse yourself in history at the **Roman Theater**, an ancient stage dating back to the 1st century BC and its adjacent archaeological museum.

Lunch on the terrace of a local restaurant. Finally, marvel at the imposing **Cathedral of Malaga**, known as 'La Manquita', with its Renaissance architecture and famous altarpiece, stroll through the old town and visit the **Picasso Museum**.

Dinner and overnight in Malaga

Day 5. MÁLAGA - SEVILLA

Breakfast. Departure by coach from Malaga to Seville.

Enjoy the scenery as you travel comfortably from the coast of Malaga inland to the historic city of Seville. Guided tour: its majestic **Cathedral** and its **tower**, the **Giralda**, from where you will get panoramic views of the city.

Lunch in a traditional tapas bar. Next, visit the Real Alcazar, a palace with impressive gardens and Mudejar architecture.

Stroll through the **Plaza de España**, a masterpiece of regionalist architecture, and explore the vibrant **Barrio de Triana**, famous for its Flemish history and traditional ceramics. You can also enjoy a relaxing boat ride on the Guadalquivir River.

Dinner and overnight in Seville.

Day 6. SEVILLA - LISBOA

Breakfast. Departure to Lisbon.

Enjoy a comfortable coach ride through the beautiful Iberian countryside en route to Portugal's vibrant capital, Lisbon.

Lunch at the hotel. Then guided tour of the **Jeronimos Monastery**, a magnificent example of Manueline architecture, declared a **World Heritage Site by UNESCO**; **Belém Tower**, historic defensive tower, symbol of the Age of Discoveries; **Commerce Square**: one of the largest and most emblematic squares in Lisbon, located on the banks of the **Tagus River**.

Then stroll through the narrow and labyrinthine streets of one of the oldest and most charming neighborhoods of Lisbon: **Alfama** district.

Dinner and overnight in Lisbon.

Day 7. LISBOA

Breakfast. Further exploration of the city, including **St. George's Castle**: A historic fortress that offers breathtaking panoramic views of Lisbon and the Tagus River, in this castle you can do several activities such as: explore walls and towers, enjoy the camera obscura, stroll through the gardens, visit the museum, attend cultural shows, discover the archaeological site, take pictures, relax at the cafeteria and buy souvenirs.

Then we will visit the **Elevador de Santa Justa**: a neo-gothic elevator that connects the districts of Baixa and Chiado, providing unique views of the city. Afterwards possibility to have lunch in a local restaurant.

Free afternoon in Lisbon where you can explore the National Tile Museum to immerse yourself in the history of Portuguese tiles or take a scenic ride on Tram 28 to explore historic neighborhoods.

Dinner and lodging

Day 8. LISBOA - OPORTO

After breakfast, depart for Porto (approximately 3 hours drive). Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour that includes the picturesque **Ribeira and the iconic Don Luis I Bridge** that crosses the Douro River.

Afterwards, explore the historic Lello Bookstore. Lunch. In the afternoon, we will head to the iconic Port Wine Cellar: tour to learn about the winemaking process and enjoy tastings. You will also visit the cellars and enjoy panoramic views of the Douro River.

Dinner and overnight in Porto.

Day 9. OPORTO - SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

Breakfast and departure to historic Santiago de Compostela. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour that includes the majestic **Cathedral of Santiago**, the impressive **Obradoiro Square** and the **Monastery of San Martin Pinario**.

After the tour, we will have lunch at a charming local restaurant to sample Galician gastronomy.

In the afternoon free time to explore the narrow alleys, squares of Santiago de Compostela and visit local handicraft stores.

Dinner and overnight in Santiago.

Day 10. SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA - BILBAO

After breakfast, departure to the vibrant city of Bilbao.

Upon arrival, lunch at the hotel and then enjoy a guided tour that includes the renowned Guggenheim Museum, the charming Old Town and the impressive Vizcaya Bridge.

Dinner and overnight in Bilbao, where you can enjoy the lively nightlife and immerse yourself in the Basque culture.

Day 11. BILBAO - SAN SEBASTIÁN

Breakfast and departure to San Sebastian. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour that includes the famous **La Concha Beach**, the charming **Old Town** and the impressive **Mount Igeldo**.

Then lunch at a local restaurant, where you can enjoy the excellent gastronomy.

In the afternoon, stroll through the picturesque corners of the city, visit the Aquarium or relax on the beach.

Dinner and overnight in San Sebastian.



Day 12. SAN SEBASTIÁN - BURDEOS

After breakfast departure to the charming city of Bordeaux. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour including the **Place de la Bourse**, where you can admire the beautiful architecture of the 18th century and the **Mirror of Water**, the largest mirror of water in the world.

Lunch at a local restaurant to enjoy the gastronomy combining exceptional wines, traditional dishes such as foie gras, confit de canard and fresh local produce.

Then explore **St. Andrew's Cathedral**, an impressive gothic cathedral declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Finally, stroll through the **Saint-Pierre Quarter**, with its charming cobblestone streets lined with cafes, boutiques and historic monuments.

Dinner and overnight in Bordeaux.

Day 13. BURDEOS - CARCASSONNE

Breakfast and departure to the charming town of Carcassonne, where we will immerse ourselves in its fascinating history with a guided tour of its picturesque streets.

We will discover the imposing **Medieval Citadel**, known as **La Cité**, which towers over the city.

Here, we will explore its fortified ramparts, narrow cobblestone streets and charming squares, transporting us back to medieval times. Stop for lunch.

Next our visit will also include the **Basilica of St. Nazarius**, an impressive Gothic church with stunning architecture. In addition, we will walk across the **Old Bridge**, an ancient bridge that offers panoramic views of the city.

Dinner and overnight in Carcassonne.

Day 14. CARCASSONNE - BARCELONA

Breakfast. Departure to Barcelona where you will have the opportunity to explore one of the most exciting cities in Europe.

Lunch at a local restaurant, then in the afternoon, guided tour of the **Sagrada Familia**. Free time around the hotel. Dinner and overnight.

Day 15. BARCELONA

After breakfast, you will enjoy a day full of history, art and culture in the city with the exciting guided tour of some of the most emblematic places such as **Park Güell**, **Casa Batlló**, **La Pedrera**, the **Gothic Quarter** and **Las Ramblas** where you will have lunch. Then visit the **Mercat de la Boqueria** where you can explore food stalls and taste local products.

This is an essential experience to immerse yourself in Barcelona's gastronomic culture. We will end the day with a delicious dinner in a Barcelona restaurant, where you will taste the delicious Catalan cuisine.

Day 16. DEPARTURE TO BARCELONA.

Transfer to the airport and return to your home cities.



Madrid, Andalucía & Portugal **12** nights

Discover the magic of Andalusia and Portugal with Occidens Tours on an unforgettable journey full of history and culture. Explore the architectural gems of Seville, Cordoba and Granada, and enjoy the coastal charm of Malaga. Cross the border into Portugal to revel in the treasures of Lisbon and the picturesque region of Sintra. This tour offers you total immersion in the cultural and scenic richness of two of the Iberian Peninsula's most vibrant regions. Get ready for an experience that will awaken your senses and enrich your spirit.

Day 1. ORIGIN – MADRID

Reception at Madrid airport, transfer to the hotel. Free afternoon to rest after the trip or to explore the charming center of Madrid at your own pace.

Dinner at a traditional Madrid restaurant. Overnight in Madrid.

Day 2. MADRID

Breakfast. On the second day in Madrid, begin your day with a full guided tour and discover Madrid's magnificent treasures with visits to the imposing **Royal Palace**, **Retiro Park**, the emblematic **Plaza Mayor** and the vibrant heart of the city, **Puerta del Sol**.

Enjoy a delicious lunch at an authentic Madrid restaurant, where local flavors will delight you. In the afternoon, take advantage of free time to explore the renowned **museums such as the Prado or the Reina Sofia**, where masterpieces of art history await you.

Dinner and overnight.

Day 3. MADRID – CÓRDOBA

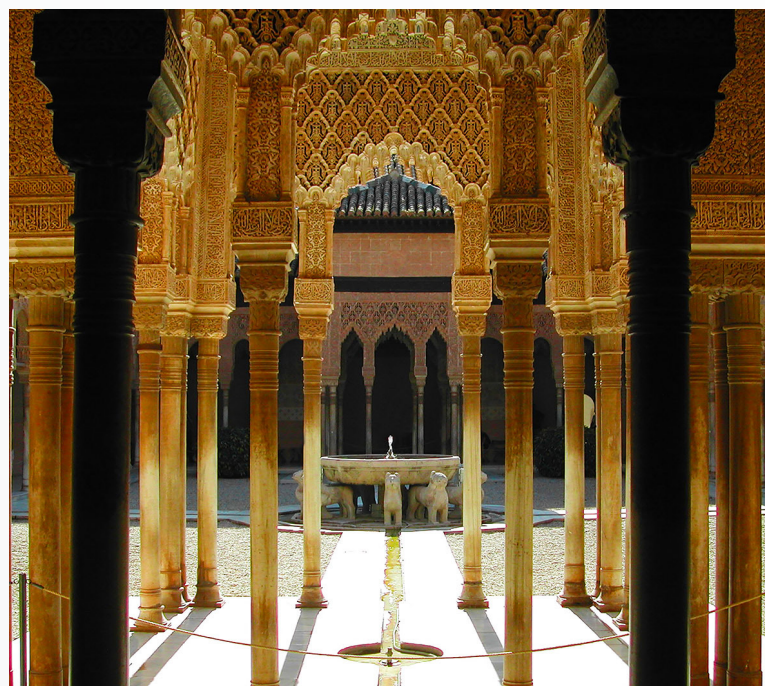
After breakfast, departure to Cordoba, a journey full of breathtaking landscapes. Upon arrival, it will be the perfect time to

enjoy a traditional Cordovan lunch and recharge your batteries for the guided tour visiting the majestic **Mosque-Cathedral** of Cordoba, where history and architecture intertwine in a unique masterpiece.

Afterwards, we will immerse ourselves in the charm of the picturesque **Jewish quarter**, exploring its narrow streets and discovering its most emblematic corners.

Then we will visit the **Alcazar de los Reyes Cristianos**, an imposing fortified palace, located next to the Guadalquivir River, an architectural jewel that combines elements of Islamic, Christian and Roman architecture and was the residence of the Catholic Monarchs.

Dinner and overnight in Cordoba.



Day 4. CÓRDOBA - GRANADA

Breakfast and departure to Granada.

Upon arrival guided tour of Granada: Explore the impressive **Alhambra and the Generalife**, famous for its exquisite gardens and stunning Islamic architecture. Then we will visit the Albaicin neighborhood, the oldest in Granada, with its cobblestone streets and enjoy unparalleled panoramic views.

Then we will visit the Royal Chapel, where the remains of the Catholic Monarchs rest. Free time at leisure until transfer to the hotel, dinner and overnight in Granada.

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Day 5. GRANADA - MÁLAGA

Breakfast and departure to Malaga. Upon arrival we will explore the **Alcazaba and Gibralfaro Castle**, two impressive fortresses that offer panoramic views of the city and the sea; then we will visit the **Picasso Museum** to admire the works of the famous artist.

Lunch and continue with a tour of the majestic **Cathedral of Malaga**. After these visits, you will have some free time to relax on the golden beaches or stroll through the charming historic center.

Dinner and overnight in Malaga.

Day 6. MÁLAGA - RONDA - SEVILLA

After breakfast departure to Ronda where upon arrival we will explore the impressive **New Bridge** and the viewpoints that offer spectacular views of the **Tajo gorge**; then we will enjoy lunch in Ronda.

We will then continue our journey to Seville for dinner and overnight in Seville.

Day 7. SEVILLA

Breakfast and start of the tour of Seville starting with a visit to the majestic **Cathedral of Seville and the iconic Giralda**;

then we will tour the impressive **Alcazar** and the charming neighborhood of **Santa Cruz**.

Lunch near Maria Luisa Park, one of the largest and most beautiful parks in Seville, where you can enjoy long walks surrounded by nature and monuments.

We will also visit the **Plaza España** located in this spectacular park.

Dinner accompanied by a vibrant flamenco show and overnight.

Day 8. SEVILLA - FARO - LISBOA

Breakfast and departure to Faro in Portugal, where we will stop for lunch and explore the historic center with its **cathedral**, symbol of its rich history.

Afterwards we will continue to Lisbon, historic and captivating. Dinner and overnight in Lisbon.

Day 9. LISBOA

After breakfast you will begin a tour of Lisbon, starting with a visit to the iconic **Belém Tower** and the majestic **Jerónimos Monastery**, then we will walk through the charming Alfama Quarter with its narrow streets and the vibrant atmosphere of the Commerce Square.

After these unique experiences, we will have lunch in a typical restaurant where you will taste the delicious local gastronomy. Free afternoon to explore the city and discover its countless charms. dinner and overnight.

Day 10. LISBOA - SINTRA - CASCAIS - LISBOA

Breakfast, then enjoy a charming excursion to Sintra with a travel time of only half an hour, starting with a visit to the impressive **Pena Palace**, an example of romantic architecture and the lush gardens that surround it.

You will then savor an exquisite lunch in the charming village of **Sintra**; continue to **Cascais** also half an hour away where you can stroll along the beautiful coastline and explore its charming streets and beaches.

Return to Lisbon. Dinner and overnight.

Day 11. LISBOA - SALAMANCA - MADRID

After breakfast, departure to Salamanca.

Upon arrival you will enjoy lunch in Salamanca and then visit the **majestic Plaza Mayor and the historic University of Salamanca** where you can admire the architectural beauty and cultural legacy of the city.

Afterwards, you will travel to Madrid.

Farewell dinner and overnight in Madrid.

Day 12. Departure to MADRID

Breakfast and free day in Madrid where you will have time for shopping or additional visits according to the group's preferences.

After making the most of your last day in the vibrant Spanish capital, transfer to the airport for your return flight, concluding this wonderful trip full of unforgettable memories and enriching experiences.



Barcelona, North of Spain & Madrid

9 nights

Day 1. Arrival in BARCELONA

Arrival in Barcelona and transfer to the hotel.

After lunch, guided tour of the impressive Sagrada Família, Gaudí's unfinished masterpiece.

Continue through the picturesque **Gothic Quarter**, a charming maze of narrow streets and historic squares, filled with medieval architecture, then explore the enchanting **Parc Güell**, where nature meets Gaudí's modernist art in a spectacular garden filled with colorful sculptures.

Finally, a stroll along **La Rambla**, famous for its stores and lively street performers. Dinner and overnight in Barcelona.

Day 2. BARCELONA

Breakfast at the hotel. Full day to continue discovering Barcelona. In the morning, tour of **Passeig de Gràcia**, where you will find Gaudí's iconic modernist buildings such as **Casa Batlló and La Pedrera**.

Lunch at a local restaurant. In the afternoon, climb to **Montjuïc**, with its parks, museums and panoramic views of the city. Free time for shopping or sightseeing. Dinner and overnight in Barcelona.

Day 3. BARCELONA - ZARAGOZA

After breakfast, departure to Zaragoza by bus. Lunch on arrival. Visit to the **Basilica del Pilar**, one of the most important sanctuaries in the Catholic world, and stroll through the Plaza del Pilar. Exploration of the **Aljafería Palace**, a majestic Islamic

fortress converted into a Christian palace, with its magnificent Mudejar architecture. Dinner and overnight in Zaragoza.

Day 4. ZARAGOZA - ORDESA & MONTE PERDIDO - JACA/TORLA

Breakfast.

Departure to **Ordesa and Monte Perdido National Park**, known for its spectacular high mountain scenery, deep canyons and impressive waterfalls.

Lunch during the excursion. Hiking and exploration in the park, enjoying the rich biodiversity and panoramic views.

Dinner and overnight in **Jaca** or **Torla**, towns close to the park with their own charm and breathtaking views.

Day 5. JACA/TORLA - PAMPLONA - SAN SEBASTIÁN

Breakfast.

Departure to **Pamplona**, known for its San Fermin festivals and its charming **Old Town** (approximately 2 hours drive).

Short visit to explore the **Plaza del Castillo** and the historic walls. Lunch in Pamplona.

Continuation of the trip to San Sebastian (approximately 2 hours drive).

Panoramic tour of the city including **La Concha Beach**, one of the symbols of San Sebastian, and **Mount Igueldo**, from where you can enjoy spectacular views of the bay.

Stroll through the **Old Town of San Sebastian**, famous for its pintxo bars and lively atmosphere.

Dinner and overnight in San Sebastian.

Day 6. SAN SEBASTIÁN - HONDARRIBIA

Breakfast. Excursion to Hondarribia, a **picturesque coastal** town with a beautiful old town and a lively port.

Lunch in Hondarribia.

Return to San Sebastian and **free afternoon** to enjoy the beaches, stroll along the Paseo Nuevo or explore **La Bretxa Market**, a traditional market located in the heart of the city.

Dinner and overnight in San Sebastian.

Day 7. SAN SEBASTIÁN - BILBAO

Breakfast. Departure to Bilbao by bus. Upon arrival, guided visit to the **Guggenheim Museum**, an impressive contemporary art museum designed by **Frank Gehry**.

Lunch in Bilbao to enjoy pintxos in the Casco Viejo, known as "**Las Siete Calles**", followed by a stroll through the area. Free time for shopping in the charming stores. Dinner and overnight in Bilbao.

Day 8. BILBAO - MADRID

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to Madrid by bus. Upon arrival, lunch in the capital. In the afternoon, immerse yourself in the charm of Madrid's historic center with a fascinating walk.

Explore the emblematic **Puerta del Sol**, where

history and modernity converge.

Continue your tour to the historic **Plaza Mayor**, admire its impressive architecture and feel the lively atmosphere that characterizes it. Dinner and overnight in Madrid.

Day 9. MADRID

Breakfast and full day to explore Madrid.

In the morning, enjoy a guided tour of the majestic **Royal Palace**, where you can marvel at its rich history, followed by the impressive **Almudena Cathedral**, which combines unique architectural styles.

At noon, lunch at a local restaurant, where you can sample authentic flavors of Madrid's gastronomy. In the afternoon, immerse yourself in the **Retiro Park**, a green oasis in the heart of the city, and then explore the magnificent works of art at the **Prado Museum**, with its extensive collection of European paintings.

Dinner and overnight in Madrid.

Day 10. DEPARTURE TO MADRID

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport for your return flight.



Madrid, Barcelona, Málaga in High Speed

9 nights

Day 1. ORIGIN – MADRID

Reception at Madrid airport, assistance and transfer to your hotel. Check in and rest.

Optional night walk through the city.

Día 2. MADRID.

CITY TOUR HISTORICAL & TRADITIONAL.

After breakfast we will start the day with a walking tour of the capital of Spain. We will learn about the history and get to know the **most emblematic places from medieval Madrid to the current city**, passing through the Madrid of the Austrias and the Bourbons.

We will enjoy mythical places such as **Puerta del Sol, Plaza Mayor, Plaza de Oriente, Palacio Real, Plaza de la Villa, Teatro Real** or **San Miguel market**.

Day 3. MADRID. BARRIO DE LAS LETRAS.

After breakfast we will delve into the **history and great literary wealth of the Spanish capital**.

Great writers such as **Cervantes, Lope de Vega, Quevedo, Góngora, Calderón de la Barca...** The Spanish Golden Age promoted literature in a very prolific way. Through a pleasant walk through the **Barrio de las Letras** of Madrid our guide will explain the mythical places.

We will discover the romantics like **Gustavo Adolfo Bécquer** and **José Zorrilla**.

Day 4. MADRID – TOLEDO & SEGOVIA – MADRID

Breakfast and departure to Toledo, known as the **City of Three Cultures** for preserving important traces of the history of the three monotheistic religions that inhabited the area for centuries.

We will enjoy the **millenary architectural, artistic and urban heritage** of the city as we walk through its narrow streets, squares and gardens. We will pass by the Cathedral of Toledo, one of the most outstanding examples of Spanish Gothic architecture, and the **Monastery of San Juan de los Reyes**, the place chosen by the Catholic Monarchs to be buried.

The next stop will be in **Segovia**, where we will have free time for lunch. We will see the **Aqueduct**, one of the best preserved monuments **left by the Romans** in the Iberian Peninsula. After some free time we will return to Madrid.

Day 5. MADRID – BARCELONA WALKING TOUR

Breakfast and transfer to Madrid Atocha central train station to take the high speed train to Barcelona. Once we arrive, we will go to our hotel to check in and start our walking tour, starting with a visit to **Plaza de Catalunya**, the nerve center of the city. First, we will walk into the **Gothic Quarter, where the ancient Roman Barcino** originated.

We will talk about the secret numbers, legends and curiosities that have circulated in this area of the city for hundreds of years. Entering the Gothic Quarter we will immerse ourselves in **medieval times**.

Here we will find places like the **Plaza de Sant Jaume**, home of the City Hall and the **Palau de la Generalitat**, the Cathedral of

Santa Eulalia and its mysterious gargoyles, the **Plaza del Rey**, where they tried to assassinate Ferdinand the Catholic or the remains of El Call, the old Jewish quarter.

The walk continues through the emblematic **Born** neighborhood, one of the most pleasant in Barcelona.

Cafes, small boutiques and cocktail bars define this area. Here you will also find the mythical **Cathedral of the Sea**.

We will admire the facade of this imposing religious temple and learn about its history.

Day 6. BARCELONA MODERNISTA

Breakfast and start of our tour in **Plaza de Catalunya**, in the heart of the city, to begin this tour of modernist Barcelona.

The first stop will be the so-called Apple of Discord.

In this area of the city we will see the exterior of **great jewels of modernist architecture: Casa Batlló, Gaudí's Pedrera, Casa Lleó i Morera and Casa Amatller**, then we will continue in our bus to go to the **Sagrada Familia**, we will marvel at the architecture of the greatest exponent of Gaudí's modernism.

Day 7. BARCELONA-MÁLAGA

Breakfast and free morning for activities of your choice such as a visit to **Park Güell** or **simply enjoy the Mediterranean Sea**.

Midday transfer to the train station to take the **high speed train to Andalusia**. Malaga. 6 hours in a comfortable and comfortable journey.

Arrival in **Malaga** and transfer to the hotel, check in and accommodation.

Day 8. CITY TOUR MÁLAGA HISTORICAL, TRADITIONAL AND ALCAZABA

Breakfast and departure to visit the wonderful Andalusian city. **Walking tour through the streets of the center**. We will be located in Larios street, the most emblematic street of the **Costa del Sol**. Our next destination will be the **Plaza del Obispo**, from where we will have

a unique view of the **Cathedral!**

We will walk to the **Plaza de la Merced** to talk about the Malaga genius par excellence: Picasso. We will contemplate his Birthplace Museum before continuing to **Alcazabilla Street**.

There we will appreciate the remains of the Roman Theater and enjoy the best view of the Alcazaba. Rest.

Day 9. FREE MÁLAGA

Breakfast and free day to enjoy different tourist cities in the province of Malaga such as Marbella, Ronda and many others.

Day 10. MÁLAGA – MADRID

After breakfast and check in we will transfer to Malaga station to take the high speed train back to the capital, Madrid.

Arrival in the city and transfer to the hotel, check in and free time or transfer to the airport to fly back home.

Spain by bus 8 nights

The itinerary proposed by **Occidens Tours** will provide you with a rich cultural experience, exploring emblematic cities of Spain and enjoying its historical and artistic heritage.

Day 1. ARRIVAL IN BARCELONA

Arrival in Barcelona and transfer to the hotel.

After lunch, guided tour of the majestic **Sagrada Familia**, Gaudi's masterpiece, the charming **Gothic Quarter** full of history and medieval architecture and the colorful **Parc Güell**, a park full of art and nature.

Before returning to the hotel, stroll along La Rambla with its stores and street artists. Dinner and overnight in Barcelona.

Day 2. BARCELONA - VALENCIA

Breakfast at the hotel.

Departure to **Valencia** by bus. Guided visit to the **Cathedral** of Valencia with its mixture of Gothic and Baroque styles and the **Barrio del Carmen**, bohemian and artistic.

Lunch and then visit of the **City of Arts and Sciences**, a futuristic architectural complex.

Dinner and overnight in Valencia.

Day 3. VALENCIA - GRANADA

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to Granada by bus. After lunch, visit the Arab palaces and gardens of the **Alhambra and the Generalife**, the **Cathedral of Granada and the Albaicin**, a medieval Arab quarter, with panoramic views and example of the **Spanish Renaissance**, now converted into a bohemian center of writers and artists.

Dinner and overnight in Granada.

Day 4. GRANADA - MÁLAGA

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to Malaga by coach.

Upon arrival, guided tour to visit the imposing **Alcazaba and Gibralfaro Castle** with its panoramic views, stroll through the charming historic center and visit the Picasso Museum. Traditional lunch in a typical Malaga restaurant before continuing with the entrance to the majestic **Cathedral** of Malaga, known as "**La Manquita**". Dinner and overnight in Malaga.

Day 5. MÁLAGA - RONDA - SEVILLA

Breakfast and departure to Ronda.

Upon arrival, guided visit to the **New Bridge, icon of the city over the Tagus**; its Bullring, the oldest in Spain and the picturesque Old Town with a **labyrinth of historic streets**.

Lunch and then continue to Seville. Dinner and overnight in Seville.

Day 6. SEVILLA

Breakfast and full day in Seville. Guided tour of the imposing **Cathedral and the Giralda**, symbols of the city and the exquisite Real Alcazar, Mudejar style palace.

Stop for lunch and then tour of the **Maria Luisa Park** with its majestic **Plaza de España**, an architectural work of the twentieth century. Dinner and overnight.

Day 7. SEVILLA - CÓRDOBA

Breakfast and transfer to Cordoba. Guided tour of the impressive **Mosque-Cathedral**, an architectural marvel combining Islamic and Christian elements; the historic **Alcazar de los Reyes Cristianos**, a palace with beautiful gardens and panoramic views; and the emblematic **Roman Bridge** over the Guadalquivir River with breathtaking views.

Lunch and free afternoon to stroll through the charming **Jewish quarter**, exploring its narrow streets and flower-filled courtyards or visit the **Plaza de la Corredera**, a lively place full of cafes and stores. Dinner and overnight in **Cordoba**.

Day 8. CÓRDOBA - MADRID

Breakfast and departure to Madrid.

Upon arrival, lunch at the hotel. In the afternoon guided tour of the lively **Plaza Mayor**, the emblematic **Puerta del Sol**, **Spain's kilometer zero**, the **Royal Palace**, official residence of the Spanish Royal Family, the prestigious **Prado Museum and the Retiro Park**, ideal for strolling, paddling in the pond and visiting the Crystal Palace. Overnight in Madrid.

Day 9. DEPARTURE TO MADRID.

Breakfast and transfer to the airport for return to your home country.

***We combine routes to your liking,
mix of cultures and flavors.
We organize your tailor-made trip!***

Spain is a country with an immense surface area dedicated to **vineyards**, **thousands of hectares make it a country of great exportation worldwide.**

An essential part of the Spanish wine identity are the so-called **Protected Designations of Origin (PDO)** of wine, a fundamental system that guarantees the quality, authenticity and origin of the wines produced in different regions of the country.



Wine Route from Madrid

6 nights

Day 1. MADRID

From Madrid we will start a great wine route to **Navalcarnero to visit its Wine Museum**, an old winery of the XIX century, restored to open its doors in 2002. At the end of the visit we will go to San Martín de Valdeiglesias.

Visit the vineyard where they will explain the varieties on the work of **viticulture and the peculiarities of the cultivation of the wine**. Then we will go to the elaboration room where we will explain the **fermentation process, the differences between the elaboration of a white and a red wine, young red wine, crianza...** to finish with a wine tasting including appetizers.

At the end of the visit we will go to a typical restaurant in the area for lunch. At the end of the tour we will return to Madrid.

Day 2. MADRID - ARANDA DEL DUERO

Departure to Aranda del Duero. Visit of the city. We will go to a **typical restaurant**, where we will visit its own winery and taste wines from the area. At the end of the visit we will go upstairs to have lunch, typical dishes of the area. At the end we will go to La VID. Accommodation.

Day 3. LA VID - LERMA - BURGOS

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit to the **vineyards** and later to the wineries.

We will finish with a **wine tasting**. We will head to Burgos for lunch. During our tour we will make a brief stop in Lerma, visit. Arrival in Burgos. Lunch and accommodation.

Day 4. BURGOS - NÁJERA

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning city tour of Burgos. We will visit the places of interest.

Continue to Nájera. Arrival and accommodation.

Day 5. NÁJERA - HARO - BRIONES - LOGROÑO

Breakfast at the hotel. We will make a **tour from Nájera to Logroño**.

During our tour we will make different stops in the most emblematic villages of La Rioja.

We will have the opportunity to **visit different wineries, where wine making is still done in the traditional way** with the treading of the grapes, thus obtaining a young wine with a spectacular taste, if we are in season, we will have the opportunity to **see how the treading of the grapes is done** and also try it ourselves. Arrival in Logroño.

Day 6. LOGROÑO - SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA

Breakfast at the hotel. City tour, we will walk around the places of interest in **Logroño**.

You will have free time to get to know this beautiful city at your own pace. Then we will go to **Santo Domingo de la Calzada**. Arrival and we will have lunch at a well-known restaurant, typical for its gastronomy. At the end we will go to the **Parador** de Santo Domingo de la Calzada. Rest of the afternoon free to stroll around this beautiful city.

Day 7. SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA - MADRID

Breakfast at the hotel. At the scheduled time, our assistant will be waiting for you at the reception of the Parador, for our return to Madrid. Arrival in Madrid.

Gastronomic delights from North of Spain

8 nights

Day 1. ORIGIN - BARCELONA

Welcome to Spain. Your adventure begins in the charming city of **Barcelona**.

Assistance by our staff and transfer to your hotel for check in. Depending on your arrival time, you will explore the streets of the **old Gothic Quarter, visit the Picasso Museum, stroll along the famous Ramblas.**

During the tour we will taste locally produced cava or vermouth in a local bar and then, following a **tapas route, tasting rustic, bite-sized Catalan dishes.** Accommodation.

Day 2. BARCELONA - LOGROÑO

Breakfast, check out and departure east to the prized vineyards of the **wine region of La Rioja and Logroño.** Logroño sits on the banks of the **Ebro River** and is the capital of Spain's most renowned wine region. It also boasts one of the country's most distinguished culinary traditions and is home to some of the **best tapas bars in all of Spain,** all squeezed into its small medieval center. Logroño is a charming **town of medieval fortifications,** where much work is being done to restore it to its full splendor.

This afternoon you will take a walking tour of the **Old Town,** strolling along Calle del Laurel and the 60 or so taperías (tapas bars) that line it.

It's the perfect **opportunity to try a bit of everything,** as each bar has its own specialty: sample grilled chorizo or wild mushrooms, and wash it all down with a glass of the region's famous red wine. Accommodation.

Day 3. LOGROÑO - SAN SEBASTIÁN

Breakfast and departure to San Sebastian stopping at the historic walled town of **Laguardia,** perched on a rock foundation. The entire center of Laguardia is free of traffic, as underground lies a labyrinth of tunnels, used to make and store wine for centuries.

Here you will tour the **wine caves of Laguardia and then enjoy a guided tasting of some of the different varietals of the region.** In the afternoon, transfer to stunning coastal San Sebastian, jewel of the Basque Country and food-obsessed city.

We will take an orientation tour of the **Parte Vieja,** a mix of narrow streets squeezed between the bay and the Urumea River.

Neighborhood streets for a **txikiteo de pintxos,** a Basque-style tapas route that will fill your senses - and your stomach - with the unique flavors of the region. **Don't forget to wash them down with txakoli, a lightly sparkling white wine that is the hallmark of the region.** Accommodation.

Day 4. SAN SEBASTIÁN

Breakfast and departure to discover one of the secrets of the success of **San Sebastian's gastronomic scene,** the obsession with local, seasonal and **high quality ingredients.**

The best way to experience this first hand is to visit the traditional markets of **La Bretxa or San Martin,** and that is precisely what you will do this morning before a Basque cooking masterclass. In this hands-on cooking class, you'll learn how to prepare some of the region's signature dishes, and you'll also taste **Basque products such as Idiazabal** - a local cheese - and txakoli - a lightly sparkling dry white wine. The afternoon is free for you

to explore more of the city or its surroundings. Perhaps take a cable car up **Mount Igueldo** for some truly spectacular views or stroll along the winding coastline to the nearby fishing village of **Getaria**.

Perhaps discover the beaches, stores and charismatic streets of San Sebastian, or dive into **pintxo bars** that range from the traditional to the experimental.

Accommodation

Day 5. SAN SEBASTIÁN – BILBAO – PARQUE NACIONAL DE LOS PICOS DE EUROPA

Breakfast and departure east to Bilbao, a city revitalized by the arrival of the **Guggenheim Museum**.

Spend some free time visiting Frank Gehry's imposing metal building and the art treasures inside and out, **then take a bus up to the Picos de Europa National Park**. The park is not what many people imagine Spain to be: it's an alpine landscape, high, cool, lush and green, with forests, deep gorges through the cliffs and meadows dotted with photogenic caramel-colored cows.

At some 647 square kilometers, Picos de Europa is **the second largest national park in Spain and spans the three provinces of Asturias, Cantabria and Leon**. For dinner, we have a classic Cantabrian dish on the menu: **Cocido Lebaniego**, a rich and hearty stew of black pudding, pork shoulder, chorizo sausage and chickpeas grown in the area.

Preparation of this dish begins the day before, so while you savor this rich and satisfying local delicacy, take a moment to learn about the ingredients and preparation. **Be sure to enjoy it with some crusty bread and a glass of cider**.

Day 6. PARQUE NACIONAL DE LOS PICOS DE EUROPA – OVIEDO

Breakfast and this morning you will have the

option of heading into the National Park, where you can take a walk or ride the funicular up into the mountains for **spectacular views of the surrounding valleys**.

Afterwards, head to the small mountain town of Potes, nestled in the National Park. Bordered by **ancient monasteries, Potes is steeped in centuries of history**, and is a picturesque tapestry of bridges, narrow streets and old houses. You'll arrive in time for the wonderful weekly food market, where you'll enjoy a market brunch.

Depending on the season, you can savor locally grown apples, cherries, tomatoes, olives, asparagus or nuts. On the way to Oviedo, the ancient capital of the region, drive to the charming hillside village of **Arenas de Cabrales**.

Here you will have the opportunity to taste the famous Cabrales cheese, a **natural blue cheese produced by farmers** following a traditional artisanal method.

Upon arrival in Oviedo, stop at an **Asturian cider house**, the traditional drink of the region.

Enjoy a glass in the local style, **poured from a bottle held high above the head into a knee-high glass to produce a natural carbonation**. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to savor any local delicacies that tempt you.

Accommodation

Day 7. OVIEDO

Breakfast and departure to stroll through the beautiful city of Oviedo, with its unique personality, its **picturesque pre-Romanesque churches**, its elegant narrow streets, its beautiful monuments and its grandiose houses. In the heart of the city is the impressive **Gothic Cathedral of San Salvador**.

You will also enjoy an introduction to the

wonderful local produce of Asturias at El Fontan market, which houses excellent fish stalls under a wrought iron and glass canopy.

This afternoon will be free for you to explore the city on your own.

Perhaps take a trip to the **port city of Gijón for fresh seafood and bakeries full of sweets**, or to the fishing village of Luanco for a relaxing drink on the waterfront.

For dinner, consider heading to **Gascona Street**, lined with lively cider houses serving a wide range of raciones (tasting plates).

Accommodation

Day 8. OVIEDO – LA CORUÑA – SANTIAGO

Breakfast and departure to A Coruña, in the region of Galicia, taking in some of the spectacular **Galician coastline** along the way.

Here you will visit the impressive **Praza de Lugo** fish market and marvel at the variety of seafood on offer. Have a **fresh seafood lunch at a nearby café**, with other delicious non-seafood options available.

Then, like thousands of pilgrims before you, end your journey in the capital of Galicia, believed to be the final resting place of the apostle St. James.

The beautiful old city of **Santiago de Compostela holds many charms within its walls**, all presided over by the mighty cathedral. Stroll through the night-lit old town, the arcaded stone streets, the spacious **Praza del Obradoiro** and the imposing archbishop's palace.

Santiago is not only home to pilgrims, as the large student population at the university boosts the city's nightlife. Perhaps spend the evening in one of the cafes, bars or tapas restaurants in the old town.

Accommodation and End of Services

ROUTE of the **ACORN BERIAN HAM**

4 nights

The Iberian ham is considered a **gastronomic jewel** and Spain has four denominations of origin (D.O) and can know first hand 3 of them, to learn about **the truth of the authentic Iberian acorn ham**.

How to differentiate it from the rest and know all its thorough elaboration process, from the essential food of the pigs in the pasture.



Day 1. ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT O TRAIN STATION OF SEVILLA - ARACENA

Welcome to the Andalusian capital. You will find your **Sevillian guide** who will show you the wonders of this city. We can admire the majestic **cathedral, the Giralda and the Alcazar** and know its history and culture. We will enjoy a tapas route with bars of great charm to taste the Andalusian specialties.

Departure to **Aracena** (approx. 1h 15m). Visit to the wonders grotto. Many millions of years, 570 no less, for marbles to emerge and take such peculiar forms. **Walking through this grotto is like getting into a time tunnel Simple wonderful.**

Arrival to the hotel, check in and accommodation.

Day 2. ARACENA – ZAFRA

Breakfast and start the day enjoying a great gastronomic day. During the morning, visit to **organic cheese farm**, where you will learn about the production process, make your own cheese and chat **6 different types of cheese with wine**. Visit to Iberian ham dryer of the D.O.

From Huelva (shortly from Jabugo), great tasting, **we will see the process of elaboration and visit the pasture where they raise the Iberian pigs in freedom.**

Trip to **Zafra** (1 h.) 18:15 Visit to prestigious winery. Tasting of your wines. Check in in charming hotel. Free time.

Day 3. ZAFRA – MÉRIDA – CÁCERES

Breakfast and start of the day with a visit to the **2nd Iberian dryer D.O Extremadura** with tasting. We will continue with a trip to the spectacular **Cornalvo natural park** (approx. 1 hour) to visit the deer and black merino sheep farm. An unforgettable experience with its owners, which will end with a meal in a **typical Andalusian farmhouse or restaurant in Mérida** owned by the same owner (depending on group size).

We will visit Mérida, impressive Roman archaeological set declared a World Heritage Site. Journey to Cáceres (1 h approx.)

Check in in charming hotel. Free time.

Day 4. CÁCERES – GUIJUELO – SALAMANCA

Breakfast and start the day with a departure to **Guijuelo** (1.30h). From 11:00–14:00 visit to the 3rd Iberian winery D.O Guijuelo with a great tasting (lunch). Departure to **Salamanca** (45min.)

Guided **tour of the university city** par excellence, the place where the first grammar of Castilian was born, a monumental complex of **great beauty declared a World Heritage Site**. We will visit the grand and baroque **Plaza Mayor, the Casa de las Conchas** (with more than 300 shells on its façade), its renowned University, the oldest in Spain and its grand Cathedral.

Transfer to the winery on the banks of the Douro River. Visit with tasting. Return to Salamanca. Check in. Free time.

Day 5. SALAMANCA – SEGOVIA

Breakfast and onward journey to **Segovia**. Guided tour of the old city and Roman aqueduct, which are World Heritage Sites.

In addition to the famous aqueduct, **a multitude of Romanesque churches, the Cathedral and the Alcázar** make up a majestic landscape that dominates these Castilian lands.

Lunch at a prestigious grill restaurant with a typical roast suckling pig dish. Transfer to the airport or hotel in Madrid. End of service or possible extensions.

ROUTE OF THE ANDALUSIAN LEGACY

7 nights

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Live an unforgettable experience in Paradores.

Day 1. PARADOR DE MÁLAGA GIBRALFARO

Seven long centuries of Arab influence have left a deep mark on the vast territory baptised in the **Middle Ages as Al-Andalus**. The route starts on the Mediterranean coast. **Málaga was Arab and its Alcazaba is a beautiful example of that legacy**. It was the palace of the Nasrid kings and today is home to the Provincial Archaeological Museum. Other places of interest are the **Cathedral, the Cathedral Museum and the Sanctuary of the Virgen de la Victoria**. It is interesting to visit the Museum of Fine Arts and the birthplace and the Picasso Museum, where you will discover more than 230 works by the painter.

The capital of Málaga is a perfect place to enjoy sport - you can take advantage of the opportunity to visit the neighbouring Parador de Málaga to play a few holes on its renowned course - the sun, the white sand beaches and the nightlife in the coastal towns. And there are few pleasures like those offered by tasting the exquisite grilled fish skewers.

Day 2. PARADOR DE RONDA

We enter the interior of Malaga. The **romantic Ronda** awaits us, the cradle of bullfighting dynasties and bandits. A town of immense beauty. In each of its streets **we will perceive the Arab heritage, since Izn-Rand Onda, which means "City of the Castle"**, was one of the capitals of Muslim Spain, leaving us monuments such as the **Arab Baths, the Old Bridge, the House of the Giant and the House of Mondragón**. But there is also a Ronda with

places such as its Bullring of **the Royal Cavalry Maestranza, one of the oldest and most monumental in Spain and where the Goyesca Bullfight** is held annually, or the imposing New Bridge, built in an impressive enclave to cross a 120-meter deep cliff and next to which the parador is located, with unique views over the **Tagus**.

The natural surroundings of Ronda are no less beautiful than the city, surrounded by the **Natural Parks of Sierra de la Grazalema, Sierra de las Nieves and Los Alcornocales**.

Also worth a place on the agenda is Reservatauro, a theme park of the Mediterranean pasture, the fighting bull and the purebred Spanish horse, unique in the world; and you can discover how olive oil is extracted in a traditional olive mill or visit one of the **more than 20 wineries in the D.O. Sierras de Málaga/Serranía de Ronda**.

Days 3 and 4. PARADOR DE ANTEQUERA

The next stop is in **Antequera**. Due to its privileged geographical location, several civilizations have passed through, leaving an interesting cultural legacy.

One of the most important monuments is the **Dolmen Complex of Menga, Viera and El Romeral**, which dates back to the Bronze Age. Walking through its historic center is like traveling back in time. It is interesting to visit the **churches of San Juan Bautista and San Sebastián or to see its Alcazaba**. Also noteworthy are the Temple del Castillo del Papabellotas and the 17th and 18th century

palaces. All of them are characterized by their impressive Spanish Baroque style. In the central area you can see the **Royal Collegiate Church of San Sebastián**, which dates back to the 16th century. Don't hesitate to visit the **Convent of the Encarnación** and then visit the **Plaza del Coso Viejo**, a beautiful bullring near the convent. To regain strength from this tour, we recommend trying one of the local specialties: porra antequerana, a cold and thick tomato cream, a cousin of gazpacho.

Just over 30 kilometres north of the province, in the **Los Ardales Natural Park**, you will find the spectacular **Caminito del Rey trail**, a via ferrata previously known as one of the most dangerous in the world, but now absolutely safe to walk on. Keep an eye out for the splendid view of the **El Chorro gorge**, where the Guadalhorce River flows at a height of more than 100 metres. Another must-see just half an hour away is the unique karst **landscape of El Torcal**, with its amazing rock formations, chasms and caves.

Day 5. PARADOR DE CARMONA

A good example of the Arab influence can be found in the Sevillian town of **Carmona**. Located on the Corbones river plain, it is a city that stands out for its monumentality and for the legacy of the different cultures that have populated it. **Churches, palaces and walls form part of the important artistic heritage housed in its historic centre**, dominated by the imposing image of its fortress of Arab origin, the Alcázar del Rey Don Pedro.

A visit to **the Puerta de Sevilla, the Roman necropolis**, testimony to a splendid past, the Mudejar neighbourhood of San Felipe, the intricate **Jewish quarter and the City Museum**, which allows you to trace its history, is a must. Its location, half an hour by car from Seville, allows you to enjoy the vast monumental and artistic heritage of the Andalusian capital, such as the **Royal Alcazar, which Abd al-Rhman III** began to

build in 913. Also of interest are the Cathedral, the **Giralda, the Torre del Oro**, as well as the numerous leisure possibilities offered by the Sevillian capital.

The Arabic influence can also be perceived in the desserts and the pastries follow a long convent tradition. The most notable are the English cake, the olive oil buns, rice pudding, French toast soaked in sweet wine and honey, homemade polvorones, almond cakes and the tasty chestnut stew with cinnamon. Irresistible!

Days 6 and 7. PARADOR DE CÓRDOBA

Heading towards Córdoba, halfway we come across **Écija**, in the Genil valley, considered **one of the most important artistic centres in Andalusia**. We continue on our way to our destination: Córdoba, **the legendary city of the Caliphs that was the dream come true of Abd-al Rahman I**, capital of the Umayyad Caliphate and centre of Western wisdom during that period. A World Heritage City, its **Mosque** - with its colossal prayer hall with almost a thousand columns joined by horseshoe arches - is the most important monument in the entire Islamic West, and one of the most amazing in the world.

It is worth getting lost in the beautiful corners of one of the most complex and rich urban networks, with spaces full of charm and sensuality and letting yourself be surprised by the emblematic courtyards, with their colourful floral explosion. And don't forget to treat yourself to a good meal of salmorejo cordobés and a delicious oxtail stew.

Also worth mentioning are the **Synagogue, the city walls, the Roman bridge, the royal stables...** or such interesting museums as the **Julio Romero de Torres Museum, the Archaeological Museum, the Bullfighting Museum or the Museum of Fine Arts**.



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