



## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Spain & Portugal: A Journey Across Iberia 2024

14 days from \$13,795 per person

Limited to 18 guests

Explore the best of the entire Iberian peninsula on one spectacular journey, discovering how Moors, Jews and Europeans influenced the culture, cuisine and arts of Spain and Portugal.

### Included With Every Luxury Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director<sup>®</sup> and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy<sup>®</sup> Luggage Handling
- Breakfast in Bed on Select Days
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Your Choice of Activity on Design Your Day<sup>®</sup>
- Traveller's Valet<sup>®</sup> Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

### A&K Advantages

Experience two Gehry-designed architectural masterpieces, exploring the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao and staying for two nights at the Hotel Marqués de Riscal. Savor a private dinner and a superb flamenco performance at a palace in Seville, on an A&K-exclusive experience. Roam the medieval streets of Córdoba's Jewish Quarter and view the stunning interior of the city's Grand Mosque. Taste a variety of culinary treats on a tapas adventure in Madrid, partaking in a delectable Spanish cultural tradition. Learn the secrets to baking a Portuguese dessert specialty, and then indulge in your creation, on a private, hands-on pastry-making workshop in Lisbon.

# Itinerary

## DAY 1 ARRIVE LISBON, PORTUGAL

Arrive in Lisbon, capital of Portugal, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Settle in and then join your A&K Resident Tour Director for a welcome drink, followed by dinner at your hotel.

Olissippo Lapa Palace | Meals: Dinner

## DAY 2 LISBON | PRIVATE PASTRY-MAKING WORKSHOP

This morning, set out panoramic review of the city, including Jerónimos Monastery. Afterward, try your hand at creating the famous Portuguese speciality, pastel de nata (custard tart). Learn the art of making this delicious, sweet treat from start to finish, guided by professional chefs during a private workshop in the Alvalade district of Lisbon. The class takes place in a tea house specializing in Portuguese desserts. Complete your experience by taking a mindful moment to savor your pastry, complemented by a cup of tea or coffee. The rest of your day is at leisure.

Olissippo Lapa Palace | Meals: Breakfast

## DAY 3 ÉVORA | WALLED MEDIEVAL CITY

Journey to Évora, a beautifully preserved medieval city, stopping for a wine tasting en route. On arrival, visit the historic town center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to view an ancient Roman Temple, the Gothic 13th-century Sé Cathedral with its Romanesque architectural influences, and the striking city walls.

Convento do Espinheiro | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 4 MÉRIDA, SPAIN & SEVILLE | ANCIENT MÉRIDA

Today, drive eastward into Spain, stopping in Mérida to view its Roman amphitheater, inaugurated in 8 BC to host theatrical performances and gladiatorial combat. Also see an ancient 82-foot-tall aqueduct built from stone and brick. Afterward, continue into Spain's storied Andalusia region for a two-night stay in vibrant Seville. Once there, ride a horse-drawn carriage to a palace where the owners host your private dinner, followed by a performance of flamenco dancing and singing on the patio of this historic home.

Hotel Alfonso XIII | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## DAY 5 SEVILLE | GOTHIC CATHEDRAL & JEWISH QUARTER

Set out on a guided excursion through Seville, including a visit to the largest Gothic cathedral in the world. Proceed to the Jewish Quarter, with its labyrinth of narrow streets dating to the time of Moorish rule. Then, relax during an afternoon and evening at leisure.

Hotel Alfonso XIII | Meals: Breakfast

## DAY 6 GRANADA | THE MOORISH ARCHITECTURE OF ALHAMBRA

After breakfast, travel to Granada and take in the city. Visit Alhambra, a vast palace and UNESCO World Heritage Site that exemplifies Moorish architecture. Tonight, dine at a local restaurant overlooking the site.

Hotel Palacio de Santa Paula | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 7 CÓRDOBA & MADRID | JEWISH QUARTER & MEZQUITA

Travel to Córdoba, where you visit this city's historic Jewish neighborhood and roam its narrow streets, and then enter the former Great Mosque, now known as the Mezquita, to view its breathtaking Moorish-influenced interior. Enjoy time to explore before boarding a high-speed AVE train, as you Ride Like a Local to Madrid. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel. Cap off your day of exploring with a fun tapas tour for dinner.

Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## DAY 8 MADRID | ROYAL SPLendor

Set out on a city tour that includes the Royal Palace, with its rich decor comprised of marble, stucco and mahogany. Break for lunch at a local restaurant. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure.

Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 9 MADRID & TOLEDO | DESIGN YOUR DAY

Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

**See Madrid on a Parks & River Bike Tour**, cycling in a vast, beautiful city park and along the Manzanares River.

**Discover Toledo**, a place in medieval Europe where Muslim, Jewish and Christian communities coexisted.

**Tour the Prado Museum**, viewing works by El Greco, Velázquez and Goya, guided by a local expert.

Spend your evening at leisure in Madrid, free to sample the city's many culinary attractions.

Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá | Meals: Breakfast

## DAY 10 ELCIEGO | AN ENCHANTING FOOD & WINE EXPERIENCE

Today, journey to La Rioja, stopping en route for a tour, followed by a Chef's Table experience featuring a gourmet lunch with wine pairings at the Vivanco Museum



of Wine Culture. Proceed to Elciego and check in to the Hotel Marqués de Riscal. Settle into your luxurious room and admire the hotel's amazing design, created by master architect Frank Gehry. Gaze out upon the vineyard-covered hills surrounding this contemporary retreat from one of its eight terraces and enjoy your evening at leisure.

Hotel Marqués de Riscal | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### **DAY 11 ELCIEGO | TASTING THE FRUITS OF THE RIOJA**

This morning, explore Spain's storied Rioja region, visiting an olive oil mill and sampling their oils, walking through Laguardia, and tasting wine with tapas in one of the village cellars. Return to your hotel to relax in the lush surroundings before dinner.

Hotel Marqués de Riscal | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **DAY 12 BILBAO | GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM TOUR**

Drive to Bilbao today, where you tour galleries devoted to modern and contemporary art, including the monumental sculpture The Matter of Time, at the Frank Gehry-designed Guggenheim Museum Bilbao. After lunch at a local restaurant, fly to Barcelona, settle into your hotel, and then enjoy a light dinner.

Almanac Barcelona | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **DAY 13 BARCELONA | GAUDÍ'S UNFINISHED MASTERPIECE**

This morning, set out on a panoramic city tour. See the Barcelona Pavilion, a study in minimalism built for the 1929 International Exposition, and then explore the Sagrada Família, a spectacular basilica designed by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí. This amazing structure features eight towering spires outside and an incomparably detailed vaulted ceiling inside. Begun in 1882, parts of it are still under construction. Enjoy time for lunch at leisure in the Central Market, also known as La Boqueria, one of the city's many vital marketplaces for fish, meat and produce. Spend your afternoon with time to relax or explore this colorful, vibrant city on your own. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a Scenic Sundowner followed by a festive farewell dinner.

Almanac Barcelona | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### **DAY 14 DEPART BARCELONA**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight.

Meals: Breakfast

# Extensions



## Porto Pre-Tour Extension

Cruise the Douro River in a traditional *rabelo* boat and enjoy a full-day winery tour of the Douro Region.

4 days from \$3,795 per person  
Single Supplement from \$995 per person

Available to add to select departure dates.

[See Dates & Prices For Details](#) >

### DAY 1

Arrive in Porto, Portugal, and transfer to your hotel. This evening gather with fellow guests for dinner.

The Yeatman | Meals: Dinner

### DAY 2

Explore the Cais da Ribeira, and view the Stock Exchange and Saint Francisco Church. Cruise the Douro River in a traditional *rabelo* boat.

The Yeatman | Meals: Breakfast

### DAY 3

Enjoy a full-day winery tour of the Douro region, with lunch at Quinta da Pacheca, and a tutored tasting at Crofts before dinner.

The Yeatman | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### DAY 4

Drive to Sangalhos and tour the Allianca Museum. Proceed to Coimbra to visit university buildings, ending in Lisbon.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
<b>May 03 - May 16, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Call for Availability
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>May 10 - May 23, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>May 24 - Jun 06, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Limited Availability
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure. Days 12-13 at The One Barcelona</i>				
<b>Jun 14 - Jun 27, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>Jun 21 - Jul 04, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Call for Availability
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>Jul 05 - Jul 18, 2024</b>	\$13,795	\$3,995	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>Aug 30 - Sep 12, 2024</b>	\$13,795	\$3,995	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>Sep 06 - Sep 19, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Call for Availability
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>Sep 13 - Sep 26, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				
<b>Sep 27 - Oct 10, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure. Days 12-13 at The One Barcelona</i>				
<b>Oct 04 - Oct 17, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure. Days 12-13 at The One Barcelona</i>				
<b>Oct 11 - Oct 24, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Available
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure. Days 12-13 at The One Barcelona</i>				
<b>Oct 18 - Oct 31, 2024</b>	\$13,995	\$4,295	\$270	Call for Availability
<i>Optional <a href="#">pre-tour extension</a> available on this departure.</i>				

## Journey Details

Internal Air: Economy class from \$270  
Bilbao/Barcelona

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 13.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).