



Sevilla Secrets: History, Culture, and Cuisine

May 31st - June 2nd, 2025



Discover the magical city of Sevilla with our exciting 2-day tour, blending rich history, vibrant culture, and exquisite cuisine. Begin with a visit to the majestic Real Alcázar, where centuries-old architecture and lush gardens captivate your senses. Enjoy a scenic boat ride along the historic Guadalquivir River, learning about its pivotal role in global exploration. Relish in Sevilla's culinary delights, from traditional tapas to signature dishes, at charming local restaurants. Experience the city's romance with a horse-drawn carriage tour, exploring iconic sites like Parque de María Luisa and Plaza de España. Conclude your adventure with free time to uncover hidden gems and soak in the timeless beauty of this captivating city.

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Day 1: Saturday



Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. Private transfer from Jerez to Sevilla.

Arrive in Sevilla and check in at the 4 **** hotel; after settling in, we will enjoy the city of Seville, which has countless attractions that deserve to be visited.

Our adventure begins with a **visit to the Real Alcázar de Sevilla**, a majestic royal palace with a history that dates back to the early Middle Ages. Originally constructed as a fortress in the 10th century by the Moorish rulers of Seville, this stunning palace has been expanded and renovated over the centuries, blending Moorish, Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque architectural styles. As you wander through its opulent halls, you'll marvel at the intricate Mudejar decorations, lavish tile work, and awe-inspiring arches. The lush gardens, filled with fragrant orange trees, vibrant flowers, and trickling fountains, offer a serene escape and have been a source of inspiration for countless artists and writers throughout history.

After this historical journey, enjoy a sumptuous **lunch at a charming restaurant** (TBD), where you can savor the authentic flavors of Sevilla's cuisine. Indulge in a variety of traditional dishes such as *solomillo al whisky* (pork loin in whisky sauce), *espinacas con garbanzos* (spinach with chickpeas), and *bacalao con tomate* (codfish with tomato). Sevilla is also famed for its tapas culture, where you can try an array of small dishes like *tortilla de camarones* (shrimp fritters), *salmorejo* (a thicker version of gazpacho), and *montaditos* (small sandwiches). Pair your meal with a refreshing glass of local sherry or a robust red wine.

In the afternoon, immerse yourself in the romance of Sevilla with a **charming horse-drawn carriage ride through the city's picturesque streets**. Our guide will take us on a journey to some of Sevilla's most iconic attractions. First, we'll explore **Parque de María Luisa**, a lush green oasis filled with exotic plants, tranquil fountains, and shaded walkways, offering a serene escape from the bustling city. Next, we'll visit the breathtaking **Plaza de España**, a stunning architectural marvel with its grand semi-circular building, majestic towers, and intricate tilework. This magnificent plaza, which has graced numerous films and fashion shows, is surrounded by a beautiful moat where you can see boats gently gliding by. As we ride through these enchanting locations, you'll be captivated by Sevilla's vibrant culture and timeless beauty.

Enjoy a free evening in Sevilla. Walk through its charming, labyrinthine streets, where every corner reveals a hidden gem—a quaint tapas bar, a lively flamenco performance, or a serene plaza bathed in the soft glow of lanterns. Stroll along the Guadalquivir River, taking in the reflections of the illuminated bridges and historic buildings. Pause to enjoy the vibrant atmosphere of the city's bustling squares, where locals and visitors alike gather to socialize. Relax and soak in the timeless beauty of this beautiful city.

Day 2 Sunday



Enjoy a delicious breakfast at the hotel.

Start our day with a lovely walk to the Rio Guadalquivir for a **stylish boat ride, exploring the city from the water**. During our cruise, we will learn about the historic significance of the river. As Spain's only navigable river, the Guadalquivir has played a pivotal role in Sevilla's history, witnessing sieges, defenses, and monumental voyages. The river has been a lifeline for trade and exploration, shaping the city's fortunes through the centuries.

Relive the journey of Ferdinand Magellan, who began his circumnavigation of the Earth from Sevilla in 1519, marking an important moment in global exploration. As we glide along the river, admire the Bridge of San Telmo, which connects the city and offers stunning views of the skyline. We will also pass by the Torre del Oro, a defensive tower dating back to the 13th century that once protected the city from naval invasions. The tower's golden reflection on the river's surface adds a touch of magic to our journey. The boat ride offers a unique perspective of Sevilla, highlighting its blend of historical grandeur and modern charm.

After our maritime adventure, **enjoy free time for lunch and time to explore Sevilla's charming attractions**. Cross the Isabel II Bridge to the vibrant Barrio Triana, known for its ceramic's shops, flamenco culture, and the bustling Mercado de Triana. Alternatively, visit the modern Metropol Parasol, where you can walk along elevated pathways with panoramic views of the city. Explore the underground Antiquarium for Roman and Moorish archaeological remains. For a taste of history and tranquility, the Casa de Pilatos offers beautiful gardens and intricate tile work. Sevilla awaits with its rich tapestry of sights promising an unforgettable exploration.

As the sun sets, regroup for a **memorable farewell dinner** at a selected restaurant (TBD). Enjoy a fixed menu featuring fine wines and exquisite dishes, celebrating the end of our Sevilla adventure in style.

Day 3: Monday Departure

Enjoy a final breakfast at the hotel before your morning transfer to the airport. Safe travels!



Price for the trip:

\$1,475 (per person, double occupancy) when paid by cash or check.

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This is the trip's price for cash or by check payments.
Credit card payments will incur an additional 3% fee.

Included in the price:

- Organization of the program as detailed.
- Accommodation in specified hotels for two nights, including breakfast.
- Transportation for the group.
- An official English-speaking guide during all scheduled activities.
- All meals throughout the program, including wines.
- River cruise and horse-drawn carriage ride.
- Public liability insurance and Travel Agency insurance with AON.
- One transfer for the whole group on arrival and departure days.
- City tax.

Not included in the Price:

- Airfare
- Travel Insurance
- Free meals.
- Insurance.
- Porterage service at hotels.
- Tipping is not obligatory but appreciated for tour guides and the bus driver.