



AMAZING SPAIN AND ITALY



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TRATTATIVA RISERVATA

Relax and immerse yourself in the warm atmosphere of Spain, French Riviera and wonderful Italy. Discover the most cultural cities combined with great food and wine.

1° Day: WELCOME TO MADRID

Arrival at Madrid airport and transfer. Meet with local guide and visit along the noble avenues past the Cibeles Fountain and down the Gran Vía to the statue of Don Quixote in the Plaza de España. In the afternoon visit the Prado Museum, a magnificent palace housing works by Botticelli, Velazquez, Goya, Titian, Rubens and others.

2° Day: TOLEDO AND CORDOBA

Set off southwards for a visit to the city of Toledo, situated high above the River Tagus. This was Spain's capital during the golden era, where Arab, Jewish and Christian cultures flourished side by side in the Middle Ages. The trip goes on to the perfectly preserved Moorish city of Cordoba.

3° Day: CORDOBA AND SEVILLE

See the famous 2,000 years old bridge with a local guide. The visit goes on with the magnificent Mezquita, an 8th century mosque with a Christian church built inside it. Afterwards, there is free time to stroll through the narrow streets of the Old Jewish Quarter. Then departure to Seville, capital of Andalusia and simply one of Spain's most charming jewels. At night, enjoy the flavours of Andalusia and share in the passion of Spain's most fiery region at a Flamenco show with dinner.

4° Day: GRANADA

Breakfast and departure to Granada past gleaming white villages and olive groves that stretch as far as the eye can see. Overlooking the town, stands one of the most remarkable fortresses ever built – The Alhambra. Explore this exquisite palace; a fantasy of stone-cut lace, arabesque gardens and fountains, built as a citadel by the Moors in the 13th century.

5° Day: VALENCIA

Departure to Valencia, the City of Arts and Sciences. Visit with guide the old town, past the City Gates of Serranos and Quart to reach the hotel. Valencia is the home to one of the world's greatest dishes, paella. Learn the authentic recipe in a fun cookery demonstration and savour the flavours of classic dish for dinner, washed down with a glass of sangria.

6° Day: BARCELONA

Breakfast and departure to Barcelona, capital of Catalunya region. Meet a local guide and explore the narrow lanes and old squares behind the cathedral. See the lively Las Ramblas as you head along the Passeig de Gràcia. Continue through the Eixample district for a visit inside Gaudi's extraordinary masterpiece, the Sagrada Família.

7° Day: ALONG THE COAST TO NICE

Breakfast and departure to the famous Côte d'Azur. Unlock the secrets of the French perfume industry with a visit to a perfumery.

8° Day: ARRIVAL IN ITALY

Breakfast and short visit to Monaco to see the Royal Palace, yacht-filled harbour and the cathedral, housing the tomb of Princess Grace. Departure to Italy and stop in the surrounding of Lake Garda.

9° Day: LAKE GARDA / VERONA

Breakfast and departure to Sirmione, a little fishermen's village with its SPA and Scaliger's Castle of the 13th century. After the visit departure to Verona, the elegant city of Verona, legendary home of the Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers. Walk with local guide past the Roman Arena to the reputed famous balcony in the courtyard of the Capulet home. After free time to explore, the tour continues to Venice.

10° Day: VENICE AT LEISURE

Breakfast and transfer to Tronchetto to catch the private ferry to St. Mark's Square. See the Basilica, the Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. In the afternoon free time in Venice for your own visits and shopping. Return to Tronchetto by boat and transfer to the Hotel by bus.

11° Day: PISA AND ARRIVAL IN FLORENCE

Breakfast and drive to Pisa to see the incredible Leaning Tower. See also the splendid Cathedral and Baptistery.

12° Day: FLORENCE, BIRTHPLACE OF THE RENAISSANCE

Breakfast and meeting with local guide. The visit starts with Duomo or Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the baptistery and bell tower, piazza della Signoria (open air museum), exterior of the famous Uffizi Gallery and Ponte Vecchio the old bridge. The joys of Florence are varied so the afternoon will be free for your own personal exploration.

13° Day: TUSCANY / UMBRIA

Breakfast. Journey through the picture-perfect scenery of the tuscan hills, where deep-green cypress trees pierce blue skies and olive groves hug the rolling hillsides. Stop for a tasting for local products and wine in Tuscany. Arrival in Rome.

14° Day: ROME

Breakfast and meeting with your local guide and enjoy the very best of the city's highlights including a tour at the Vatican Museums, culminating beneath Michelangelo's famous ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. The visit ends with the visit of the magnificent St. Peter's Basilica. In the afternoon the visit goes on with the spectacular Trevi Fountain, don't forget to throw a coin in the beautiful fountain as you are guaranteed to return to Rome if you do; Navona Square, Spain Steps and the Pantheon.

15° Day: ANCIENT ROME

Breakfast and meeting with the local guide. The visit proceed to the ancient Rome with the roman Forum and the grand ruins of Colosseum, also known as Amphitheatrum Flavium. Afternoon free time for your own visits and shopping.

16° Day: ARRIVEDERCI

Bid farewell to Europe. Transfer to Fiumicino Airport.

