



# Andalucia, Mediterranean Coast and Classic Italy (#20040)

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## Overview

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES ON SATURDAY.

## Trip Highlights

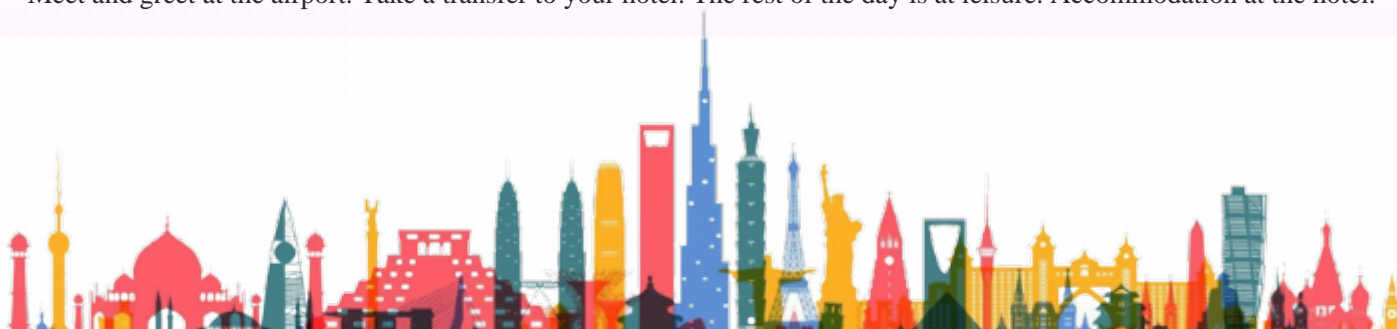
Madrid-Sevilla-Granada-Valencia-Barcelona-Rome-Florence-Venice

## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 01

### 1st Day (Sat.) MADRID

Meet and greet at the airport. Take a transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure. Accommodation at the hotel.



**Meal:** No Meal

## Day 02

### 2nd Day (Sun.) MADRID

Breakfast at the hotel. In the morning, a panoramic city tour will take us through its medieval origins, including the Arab fortress and the Barrio de la Moreria, known for its ancient buildings and traditional taverns. We will explore the district of the Hapsburgs, characterized by Phillip II and its Renaissance and Baroque buildings at Puerta del Sol, Plaza Mayor, and Plaza de la Villa. We will see the Madrid of the Bourbons and the urban planning of Charles III, including the Royal Palace, the Cibeles Fountain, the Neptune Fountain, and the Puerta de Alcalá. We will admire 19th-century landmarks such as the elegant Plaza de Oriente and the Prado Museum. We will also get to know contemporary Madrid with avenues like Gran Vía, Paseo de la Castellana, the Salamanca neighbourhood, Parque del Oeste, commercial and financial areas of Modern Madrid, and the Santiago Bernabéu Stadium. Afternoon at your leisure. Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Day 03

### 3rd Day (Mon.) MADRID – CORDOBA – SEVILLA

Breakfast at the hotel. Drive through La Mancha, Don Quixote's land. Brief stop at typical site in Puerto Lapice. Cross through the natural border of "Despeñaperros" and get into Andalusia, a region for itself that shows an enormous heritage from a splendid past. Reach Cordoba. Impressive tour of its Mosque and other sites that will ease our mind and spirit strolling through its narrow winding streets of the Jewish Quarter. In the afternoon, after a short two hour ride reach Seville. Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Day 04

### 4th Day (Tue.) SEVILLA

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning panoramic city tour visiting the Cathedral (the second largest in the Catholic world after St. Peters in Rome), Santa Cruz quarter (a natural scenario of "Carmen" as well as a precisely where the myth of "Don Juan" developed), Maria Luisa Park and Plaza de España. Afternoon at leisure for you to discover exclusive views, specific flavours of this active full of light city. Accommodation at the hotel. Optional Flamenco show.

**Meal:** Breakfast



## Day 05

### 5th Day (Wed.) SEVILLA – GRANADA

Breakfast at the hotel. Drive east through the Caliphate Road to the heart of ANDALUSIA observing an endless number of olive trees on the way to Granada and its incredible and amazing monumental environment, last stronghold of the Moorish Kingdoms up to 1492. Visit the world-renowned Alhambra complex and Generalife Gardens that have inspired several authors with its sound and sights, such as the “Tales of the Alhambra” by Washington Irving. Accommodation at the hotel. In the evening, optionally, a Flamenco Zambra show.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Day 06

### 6th Day (Thu.) GRANADA – VALENCIA

After breakfast at the hotel, departure towards the east to arrive in Valencia, one of the main capitals of the Mediterranean coast, featuring its modern City of Arts and Sciences complex, which includes six buildings: the Hemispheric, Umbracle, Science Museum, Oceanogràfic, Palau de les Arts, and Gora. Valencia is also the birthplace of the internationally renowned “Paella.” Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Day 07

### 7th Day (Fri.) VALENCIA – BARCELONA

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning city tour of this bright city including a drive through the old city showing the most prominent buildings, we will then be driven past the old riverbed of the Turia to the most avant-garde complex “Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias” to watch the emblematic exteriors of the six buildings. Early afternoon departure northward all along the Mediterranean coast to Catalunya, via Tarragona, the Roman Tarraco. Reach Barcelona principal Mediterranean city homeland of the famous architect Gaudí symbol of the Catalan modernism. Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Day 08

### 8th Day (Sat.) BARCELONA (overnight on-board)





Breakfast at the hotel. Panoramic tour of Barcelona visiting the highlights of the city. Discover the amazing views from Montjuic, the monument to Columbus and the Olympic Port as well as the most emblematic monuments of Gaudí: La Pedrera and Casa Batlló, declared World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. Free afternoon to explore on your own and to savour the typical gastronomy until your transfer pickup from the hotel to the port to board the ferry towards Civitavecchia. Night on board.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 09

### 9th Day (Sun.) CIVITAVECCHIA – ROME

Breakfast and lunch on-board the Ferry. During the time of journey you can enjoy the variety and quality of services offered by these latest generation Ferries; large outdoor space with swimming pool (adults and children), sun loungers, bar; party room; discotheque; videogame room; cafeteria (open 24 hours); self-service restaurant; a la carte restaurant; boutique; Internet room; health center and gym with techno-gym machines. Arrival in Civitavecchia at the end of the day, disembarkation, and transfer to Rome. Arrival and accommodation at the hotel. (BL)

Note: The estimated time of arrival in Rome is approximately 10:00 p.m.; therefore, we suggest you take this into account when planning your free dinner..

**Meal:** Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 10

### 10th Day (Mon.) ROME – ASSISI – SIENA – FLORENCE

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure at 7:15 AM towards Assisi. Arrival and free time to visit this small city, surrounded by walls with a distinctive medieval appearance. We recommend visiting the famous Basilica of St. Francis, featuring masterpieces by Giotto and Cimabue. (Free time for lunch, not included). Traveling along the highway that connects the Italian Peninsula from north to south, we will arrive in Siena. Monumental and entirely medieval, surrounded by powerful walls, it is known for having one of the most beautiful squares in the world: Piazza del Campo, the site of the 'Palio delle Contrade.' We will then continue our journey to Florence. Arrival, check-in at the hotel, dinner, and accommodation.

**Meal:** Breakfast and Dinner

### Day 11

### 11th Day (Tue.) FLORENCE



Breakfast at the hotel. Tour of this magnificent city, where Italian genius is displayed in all its splendour and purity. The city centre, along with the Bell Tower, the Baptistery, and the Cathedral, forms an extraordinary ensemble of white, green, and pink marbles, showcasing the transition from medieval Florentine art to the Renaissance. Visit to the Duomo of Santa Maria del Fiore, a symbol of Florence's wealth and power during the 13th and 14th centuries, with Brunelleschi's Dome contrasting with the slender silhouette of the Bell Tower, designed and begun by Giotto, and the Baptistery, a Romanesque structure famous for its Bronze Doors (including the Gates of Paradise, named so by Michelangelo). We will also visit Piazza della Signoria, the Old Palace, a Gothic building with an austere appearance, and finally, the Church of Santa Croce, which opens onto one of the oldest squares in the city. Lunch at a typical Tuscan restaurant in the heart of Santa Croce Square. Free afternoon, with the option to visit Pisa. Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 12

### 12th Day (Wed.) FLORENCE – BOLOGNA – VENICE

After a delicious breakfast in Florence, we depart for the elegant city of Bologna. Upon arrival, the charming city centre, adorned with its iconic porticoes, awaits for you to explore at your leisure. Begin your walking tour at Piazza Malpighi, which leads to the heart of the city at Piazza del Nettuno and Piazza Maggiore. Here, you can marvel at the historic Palazzo Podestà, as well as the Basilica of San Petronio, the largest Gothic church in the world built with bricks. Then, we will show you why Bologna is often considered the gastronomic capital of Italy, as you dive into its vibrant street food scene, as rich and diverse as its culinary heritage. Strolling through the medieval streets of the city, you will find a delightful variety of food stalls and markets, each offering a selection of both traditional and contemporary delicacies. As you explore the charming alleyways and bustling squares, you'll embark on a culinary adventure that goes beyond just a meal. With a light street food lunch experience provided at a local spot, this is your chance to savour the authentic flavours and unique dishes that define Bologna's renowned culinary identity. In the afternoon, arrival in Venice (Mestre) and accommodation at a hotel in Mestre.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 13

### 13th Day (Thu.) VENICE

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to St. Mark's Square for a city tour. Walking tour of St. Mark's Square, the Doge's Palace, a symbol of Venice's glory and power, the residence of the Dukes, and the seat of the government and the court of justice, connected to the Prisoners' Palace by the Bridge of Sighs, where Casanova was imprisoned. To end the tour, always accompanied by your guide, we will invite you to enjoy a typical Venetian aperitif, the famous 'cicchetti,' a variation of tapas



(light lunch), accompanied by a spritz or prosecco. Free afternoon. Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 14

### 14th Day (Fri.) VENICE – MONTEPULCIANO (Tuscany wine region) – ROME

Breakfast at the hotel and departure by coach from Piazzale Roma towards the region symbolic of Val di Chiana wines in Tuscany. This area is characterized by rolling hills and valleys with vineyards. Among them rise Romanesque churches and ancient villages. We will visit a truly historic and artistic town: Montepulciano. This beautiful medieval village is renowned for its 'Nobile' wine, a famous red wine that can be purchased in the city's wineries and shops. Montepulciano also offers stunning panoramic views and a rich cultural heritage. Lunch at a typical restaurant. After lunch, a quick stop for some free time. In the afternoon, arrival in Rome and accommodation.

**Meal:** Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 15

### 15th Day (Sat.) ROME

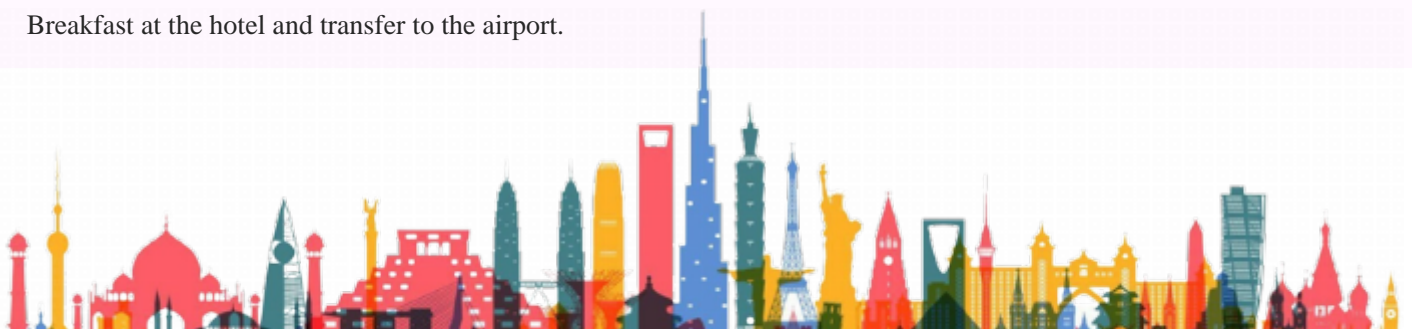
Breakfast at the hotel, and in the morning, departure at 7:45/8:00 AM for a visit to the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's Basilica. The guide will accompany you inside the Museums, which house one of the most important art collections in the world. You will walk through the various halls, visiting all the key spots you've heard of, such as the Gallery of Maps, the Gallery of Tapestries, and the Borgia Apartments. The guide will tell you all about the Raphael Rooms and their exceptional paintings, including The School of Athens, and will take you to the Sistine Chapel, whose ceiling is magnificently decorated with frescoes of The Creation and The Last Judgment. The tour wouldn't be complete, and as the grand finale, without a visit to St. Peter's Basilica! St. Peter's Basilica is not only the largest church in the world but also contains many works of Fine Art: think of the Baldachin designed by Gian Lorenzo Bernini or Michelangelo's Pietà. The tour concludes with the majestic St. Peter's Square, the open space in front of the Basilica, redesigned by Gian Lorenzo Bernini—a masterpiece of Baroque architecture. Free afternoon. Accommodation at the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 16

### 16th Day (Sun.) ROME

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport.



**Meal:** Breakfast

## Inclusions

Guided city tours with local guides in Madrid, Córdoba (with entrance to the Mosque), Seville (with entrance to the Cathedral), Granada (Alhambra and Generalife Gardens), Valencia, Barcelona, ??, Florence, Venice, Tuscany wine region and Vatican Museums (Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica) / Escort guide assistance during the circuit / Radio guide during visits in Italy / Ferry Barcelona – Civitavecchia (Rome) in standard outside cabin / Transportation by air-conditioned luxury bus / Accommodation in selected class / Daily breakfast and meals as per itinerary / Transfers as per itinerary / Travel insurance.

## Exclusions

International Airfare

Visas

Meals other than those specified in the itinerary

Beverage during meals.

Personal expenses.

Any expenses not mentioned in the itinerary.

Tipping.

## Note

### Hotels Used OR Similar

#### Superior

Madrid - Meliá Castilla / Princesa Plaza or similar

Sevilla - Catalonia Santa Justa or similar

Granada - Sabica or similar

Valencia - NH Las Artes or similar

Barcelona - Catalonia Barcelona 505 / Evenia Rocafort or similar

Rome - St. Martin / Diana Roof Garden or similar

Florence - Florence Raffaello or similar

Venice (Mestre) - Delfino / Tritone / BB Tronchetto or similar



### Superior Plus

Madrid - Meliá Castilla / Princesa Plaza or similar

Sevilla - Meliá Lebreros / Meliá Sevilla or similar

Granada - Meliá Granada or similar

Valencia - NH Las Artes or similar

Barcelona - Catalonia Barcelona Plaza / Evenia Rosselló or similar

Rome - St. Martin / Diana Roof Garden or similar

Florence - Florence Raffaello or similar

Venice (Mestre) - Delfino / Tritone / BB Tronchetto or similar

(\*) Local city taxes are not included, to be paid directly to the hotel.

(\*) This tour may be a combination of different programs. If applicable, there may be a change in tour escort and passengers between the segments of the programs.

(\*) During your stay in Madrid, the tour escort service is not available.

(\*) If the panoramic tour of Madrid cannot operate due to technical reasons, it will be replaced with the Madrid Hop-on Hop-off Bus for one day or a walking tour of the Hapsburg Quarter (as determined by the operator).

(\*) If Alhambra and Genera life tickets are not available for certain dates, alternative compensation will be offered at the operator's discretion.

(\*) During stay in Madrid and Rome, and Ferry journey, tour escort service is not available.

(\*) Passengers must pass the security checkpoint to board the Ferry with their own luggage.

(\*) Lunch provided on board the Ferry will be self-service.

(\*) Passport details are required at time of the booking.

(\*) During the Jubilee Year in Rome, certain areas of the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica may be inaccessible due to religious ceremonies. These circumstances are beyond the control of the tour operator.

(\*) Exclusive "skip the line" for sightseeing tours of St. Mark's Basilica & Vatican Museums-Sistine Chapel-St. Peter's Basilica.

(\*) Ask for accommodation in superior or suite cabins on board the ferry, with an extra charge.

(\*) The lost or damage of the headsets will be penalized directly to customers with AUD 136 / device.

**GUARANTEED DEPARTURES ON SATURDAYS.**

Optional excursions are available on request.

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

Due to the celebration of various events in some of the visited cities, we are obliged to modify the scheduled hotels on certain specific dates. The dates and cities mentioned below will have change in hotels, the originally planned hotels and





their substitutes, as well as the reasons for the changes are mentioned below.

### City - Barcelona

**Affected dates - 30/05/2025-01/06/2025**

Hotel stated in the program - Catalonia Barcelona Plaza (Superior Plus)

Relocation due to - Formula 1

**Confirmed hotel - Catalonia Barcelona 505**

## Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

## Fixed Departure

### 06 Sep, 2025

Superior

AUD 8,564 P P twin share

AUD 12,319 P P single

AVAILABLE

Superior Plus

AUD 8,862 P P twin share

AUD 12,840 P P single

AVAILABLE

### 20 Sep, 2025

Superior

AUD 8,840 P P twin share

AUD 12,596 P P single

AVAILABLE

Superior Plus

AUD 9,309 P P twin share

AUD 13,287 P P single

AVAILABLE

### 27 Sep, 2025

Superior

AUD 8,840 P P twin share

AUD 12,596 P P single

AVAILABLE

Superior Plus

AUD 9,309 P P twin share

AUD 13,287 P P single

AVAILABLE

### 04 Oct, 2025

Superior

AUD 8,840 P P twin share

AUD 12,596 P P single

AVAILABLE

Superior Plus

AUD 9,309 P P twin share

AUD 13,287 P P single

AVAILABLE

### 18 Oct, 2025

Superior

AUD 8,564 P P twin share

AUD 12,319 P P single

AVAILABLE

Superior Plus

AUD 8,862 P P twin share

AUD 12,840 P P single

AVAILABLE

