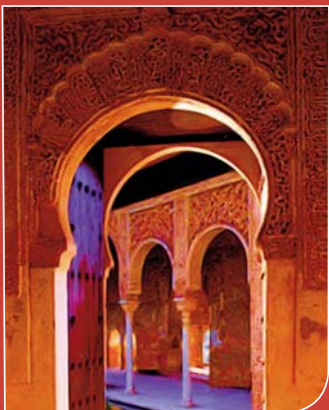
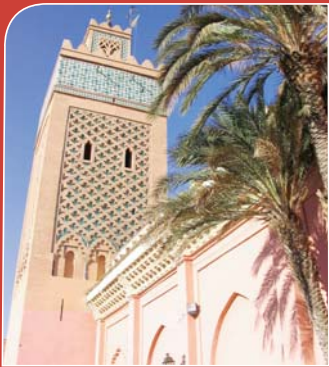




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APRIL 2012

Best of Portugal, Spain & Morocco Treasures of Portugal, Spain & Morocco

Mon 09 Fly Australia to Madrid (Spain)
with Thai Airways

Tue 10 Madrid

Upon arrival and transfer to our hotel, the rest of the day is at leisure before our welcome tapas dinner.

Overnight: ME Hotel Madrid or similar (D)

Wed 11 Madrid

Today's tour takes us past many historical parts of the city and striking modern buildings. Visit the Royal Palace with its rich collection of tapestries, ceramics and clocks.

Overnight: ME Hotel Madrid or similar (B)

Thu 12 Madrid

Exploring the surrounding countryside, we visit Escorial, a magnificent 16th century royal monastery. Continue to the Valley of the Fallen, a monument for those who died during the Spanish Civil War. Overnight: ME Hotel Madrid or similar (B)

Fri 13 Madrid – Marrakech (Morocco)

We take a short flight to Marrakech, a city of elegant palaces and ornate mansions. After lunch join a walking tour of the markets and old town square with its snake charmers and colorful souks. Overnight: Sofitel Hotel Lounge & Spa or similar (B,L,D)

Sat 14 Marrakech

Our tour of gardens, tombs, palaces and mosques includes the Majorelle Garden, once owned by Yves Saint-Laurent. After a free afternoon we enjoy a themed dinner show. Overnight: Sofitel Hotel Lounge and Spa or similar (B,L,D)

Sun 15 Marrakech – Fes

Awe-inspiring views of the Atlas Mountains greet us today as we visit the Berber village of Immouzer du Kandar before our arrival in Fes, a World Heritage-listed city.

Overnight: Riad Hotel or similar (B,L,D)

Mon 16 Fes

Founded in 808 AD, Fes is the best preserved medieval city of the Arab-Islamic world. Our tour includes the old Medina and its fascinating treasures. Overnight: Riad Hotel or similar (B,L,D)

Tue 17 Fes – Rabat

We visit the holy city of Moulay Idriss and visit the ruins of the Roman city of Volubilis. Continue to Rabat, the administrative capital of the kingdom. We see the Royal Palace, the Oudaya Kasbah, the Mohamed V mausoleum and Hassan Tower.

Overnight: Sofitel Rabat Jardin Des Roses or similar (B,L,D)

Wed 18 Rabat – Casablanca

In Casablanca, the city made famous by the 1942 Humphrey Bogart film, visit the central market, the Royal Palace, the Mohamed V square and the Hassan II mosque.

Overnight: Hyatt Regency or similar (B,L,D)

Highlights of Portugal & Spain Paths Through Portugal

Wed 18 Fly Australia to Lisbon (Portugal)

Thu 19 Casablanca – Lisbon

After a short flight to Lisbon, enjoy free time to explore this historic city.

Overnight: Tiara Park Atlantic Hotel or similar (B)

Fri 20 Lisbon

Our guided tour of this charming cobblestoned city includes the historic district of Belem and the Belem Tower, the traditional start and end point of Portuguese voyages of discovery.

Overnight: Tiara Park Atlantic Hotel or similar (B)

Sat 21 Lisbon

Our tour today will take us along the coast to Estoril with its beautiful gardens and Cabo da Roca, the most westerly point of continental Europe.

Overnight: Tiara Park Atlantic Hotel or similar (B)

Douro River Valley Cruise

Sun 22 Lisbon – Coimbra – Porto

We'll head north to Portugal's third-largest city, Coimbra, home to one of the oldest universities in Europe with books from the 12th-century. In Porto, we board Uniworld's deluxe new river cruiser, Douro Spirit. (B,L,D)

Mon 23 Porto – Guimarães – Bitetos

Cruise to historic Guimarães, the first capital of Portugal in the 12th-century and the country's birthplace. Explore the World Heritage-listed city

CRUISING THE DOURO RIVER

centre with its grand castles, monasteries, churches and town square. Later, sail to Bitetos and visit a port wine cellar. (B,L,D)

Tue 24 Régua, Pinhão

After visiting the Douro Museum, see the impressive Mateus Palace which boasts one of the most beautiful gardens in the world. Later, enjoy dinner at the family-owned, century-old winery, Quinta da Avesada, in the heart of the Douro region. (B,L,D)

Wed 25 Pinhão - Vega de Terrón (Spain)

Pinhão is the centre of port wine making so we visit a quinta to learn the history of, and sample, the country's most celebrated beverage. In the afternoon, enjoy the breathtaking scenery while sailing the remote Douro Valley. (B,L,Captain's Dinner)

Thu 26 Vega de Terrón (Salamanca, Spain)

From Vega de Terrón on the Spanish border, travel overland to the 'golden city', Salamanca, famous for its well-preserved historic buildings that boast a golden glow. Enjoy a flamenco lunch show at a local restaurant. (B,L,D)

Fri 27 Barcad'Alva - Castelo Rodrigo - Régua

Visit the 12th-century walled village of Castelo Rodrigo, a charming and captivating medieval town frozen in time. (B,L,D)

Sat 28 Porto

Sail back to Porto – another gorgeous medieval city – for a farewell dinner aboard the Douro Spirit. (B,L,D)

Sun 29 Porto – Seville (Spain)

Disembark Douro Spirit and take a flight to historic Seville in Spain.
Overnight: Gran Melia Colon Hotel or similar (B)

Paths Through Portugal

Treasures of Portugal, Spain & Morocco
Fly home, arriving Australia 30 April.

Mon 30 Seville

Our tour of Seville features visits to the cathedral, the tomb of Christopher Columbus, the treasury

and the Bell Tower of Giralda. Overnight: Gran Melia Colon Hotel or similar (B)

MAY 2012

Tue 01 Seville - Granada

We drive south to Jerez, the birthplace of sherry wine. Visit the Royal Andalusian Stables to see the famous horses and one of their famous shows. Continue to Antequera to see the dolmens – huge stone tombs built 5500 years ago.
Overnight: Hotel Alhambra Palace or similar (B)

Wed 02 Granada

We explore Granada at the foot of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Visit the Alhambra Palace. More than 1000 years old and once home to the Sultans who ruled Spain, the palace is a vast fortress with elegant water gardens. Overnight: Hotel Alhambra Palace or similar (B)

Thu 03 Granada – Toledo

We drive to Toledo, famous for its olive oil and Almagro which boasts one of Spain's largest city squares. At Consuegra we see the 'Don Quixote' windmills. Overnight: Parador Hotel or similar (B,D)

Fri 04 Toledo

Enjoy a walking tour of the city which is a fusion of Christian, Jewish and Moorish cultures. Farewell Spanish dinner tonight.
Overnight: Parador Hotel (B,D)

Sat 05 Toledo – Madrid

Transfer to Madrid airport for our flight to Australia

Highlights of Portugal & Spain

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Sun 06 Arrive Australia

INCLUSIONS

- ❖ Economy class flights incl taxes*
- ❖ Accommodation in 4/5 star hotels
- ❖ Meals & sightseeing as specified
- ❖ 7 night cruise on Douro Spirit incl port charges, all meals and entertainment and onboard gratuities
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The Facilitator will prepare and forward a written confirmation. A non-refundable deposit payment of \$1500.00 per person, per cruise will be required within 7 days of confirmation in order to secure the booking. If a deposit is not received within this period, the booking will automatically lapse. An administration fee of \$500.00 per person is retained by the Facilitator in the event of cancellation. Credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Diners Card) payments are accepted. Amex and Diners payments attract a 3% administration fee. A relevant booking form must be completed, signed and returned to the Facilitator with all deposit payments.

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Full payment is due and must be received no later than 100 days prior to your departure date (unless otherwise specified). Documentation will be distributed at a Group Pre-Departure gathering approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

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In the event of cancellation after a deposit payment is made, the cancellation must be made IN WRITING to the Facilitator. Cancellation charges apply and will be dependent upon the time at which notice of your cancellation is received and on the individual cancellation policies of the operators (eg. cruise line) involved. Cancellation fees for air tickets issued will be determined by Airline Tariff Regulations. No refund is payable for flight coupons issued but not flown. Additional cancellation fees

may be applied by airlines where special conditions apply to early ticketing time limits accepted by the passenger.

AMENDMENTS

After deposits are paid, the first amendment will be free. Should you wish to make further alterations, an amendment fee of \$100.00 will apply for each alteration.

TOUR INCLUSIONS

Economy class air flights inc. airline taxes & government charges, cruise accommodation in selected cabin grade inc. onboard gratuities, port & handling charges, group transfers, coach transportation, hotels and sightseeing where indicated, meals as specified and the services of a Tour Escort or independent Tour Guide(s) throughout the itinerary (see Tour Escort). Accommodation is on a twin-share basis unless otherwise requested and confirmed. All hotels are subject to change.

NOT INCLUDED IN TOUR COSTS

All items not specifically referred to as Tour Inclusions above including excess baggage, portage other than for one piece of baggage per person, meals, gratuities and tips except where indicated, passports, visas, travel insurance, laundry, drinks and items of a personal nature.

TOUR ESCORT

It is intended that these departures will be accompanied by at least one Tour Escort nominated by the Facilitator. However, should minimum group numbers not be reached, the Facilitator reserves the right to operate the itineraries as unescorted group departures utilising local independent Tour Guides and/or Escorts. Please note due to operational requirements your Escorts may not accompany you on the group flights.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is a condition of travelling with the Facilitator that each passenger MUST HAVE a current travel insurance policy. Because of the cancellation policies outlined above, we strongly recommend that insurance is purchased at the time of paying initial deposits, to cover cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances.

HEALTH, FITNESS AND PARTICIPATION

Passengers may NOT rely on the Tour Escort for personal physical assistance and warrant that they ARE in good health and/or fit to travel on tour. While our tours do not require a special level of fitness, for the overall benefit of the group, all tour members must possess a moderate level of mobility, including the ability to:

- negotiate airports and railway stations without wheelchair assistance
- use combined shower/bath facilities (it is not possible to guarantee walk-in shower facilities)
- undertake walking tours of 2-3 hours duration, including using stairs, walking over cobblestones and other uneven surfaces
- stand for long periods in museums and other sites
- embark/disembark coaches, trains and other methods of transportation without assistance
- handle your own luggage.

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE

All passengers are permitted to check-in luggage restricted to 20kg per person for Economy class and 30kg per person for Business class. In addition to this, passengers are also allowed one piece of carry on luggage restricted to 7kgs per person. Any additional luggage may only be carried on the understanding that passengers are personally responsible for additional portage costs and/or excess luggage charges imposed by the airline(s) and other carriers.

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