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CULTURE IN SPAIN & PORTUGAL

10 or 12 days | Madrid | Salamanca | Coimbra | Fátima | Lisbon | Extension to Cascais and Sintra

Behold the magnificent artwork in Madrid's Prado and then venture into the Spanish capital for a taste of Madrid's bohemian spirit. Relive medieval times in Ávila and delve into centuries of academia in Salamanca. Then experience the easygoing nature of Portugal with visits to Coimbra, Porto, and the coastal capital of Lisbon.

YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



Sightseeing: 6 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (7 with extension); 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director; 2 walking tours



Entrances: Prado; Royal Palace; Salamanca University; Torre dos Clérigos; Douro River cruise; New Cathedral; Cathedral Vieja; University Library Coimbra; Batalha Monastery; Castelo de São Jorge; Mosteiro dos Jerónimos; with extension: *Palacio Nacional de Sintra*



Personalized learning guide: Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.



All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (10 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily



Anyone can see the world.

YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday

— MELISSA, TRAVELER



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What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly overnight to Spain

Day 2: Madrid

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Madrid, the capital and largest city in Spain.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid and travel back to Spain's Golden Age; Puerta del Sol, the heart of the Spanish capital; Plaza Mayor, where you'll learn about the grand square's history of bullfights, royal weddings, and public executions; and Mercado de San Miguel.
- Visit the Prado, where you can behold paintings like Velázquez's *Las Meninas* and Goya's paired canvases.

Day 3: Madrid

- Take a sightseeing tour of Madrid and see the Gran Vía, Calle Mayor, and Paseo del Prado.
- Visit the extravagant Royal Palace for a taste of royal Madrid. Wander the fabulous interior of this palace, which contains more than 2,000 rooms decked in extravagant frescoes, delicate porcelain wares, and finely woven rugs.
- Time to see more of Madrid or
 - ➦ enjoy a Madrid flamenco evening and lessons.

Day 4: Madrid

- Time to see more of Madrid or
 - ➦ visit Toledo.

Day 5: Madrid | Ávila | Salamanca

- Travel to Ávila.
- Take a tour of Ávila.
- Continue on to Salamanca, sometimes called the land of Spanish scholars. Today, it is an exuberant blend of age-old academic tradition and contemporary student life.

Day 6: Salamanca | Coimbra

- Take a guided tour of Salamanca and take in the distinctive sandstone architecture present in the heart of the city.
- Visit Salamanca University to see the halls, courtyards, and classrooms of Spain's most prestigious university. Learn about the academic legends and superstitions that persist among Salamanca's students even today.
- Visit the New Cathedral.
- Visit the Old Cathedral.
- Travel via Ciudad Rodrigo to Coimbra.

Day 7: Porto | Coimbra

- Take a guided excursion to Porto.
- Visit Torre dos Clérigos.
- Enjoy a Douro River cruise.

Day 8: Coimbra | Fátima | Lisbon

- Take a guided tour of Coimbra.
- Visit the Coimbra University Library.
- Travel via Fátima to Lisbon.
- Take a tour of Fátima.
- Visit the Batalha Monastery.

Day 9: Lisbon

- Take an expert-led tour of Lisbon and experience the Old World atmosphere as you make your way through the labyrinth of winding streets in Lisbon's Alfama district. Discover the hidden balconies, archways, terraces, and courtyards of this hillside medieval quarter as you explore Lisbon's former center of Moorish aristocracy.
- During a photo stop, enjoy a panoramic view of Lisbon's red-tiled roofs.
- Visit the Castelo de São Jorge.
- Visit Mosteiro dos Jerónimos.
- Take a walking tour of Lisbon. Recall the Age of Discovery at the Monument to Discoveries and the Belém Tower. It was from here that many adventure-seeking navigators, including Bartolomeu Dias, set sail.
- Time to see more of Lisbon or
 - ➦ enjoy a Lisbon fado evening.

Day 10: Depart for home

➦ 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

Days 10–11: Cascais | Sintra

- Travel to Cascais.
- Take a guided excursion to Sintra and Cascais.
- Visit Palácio Nacional de Sintra.
- See Boca do Inferno.

Day 12: Depart for home

I traveled for the first time with EF when I was a junior in high school to Spain. It was the best thing that ever happened to me! I am now a high school Spanish teacher, and I just took my first group of students to Spain this year with EF. I know they had an amazing time, and I was so happy to pass on the experience of traveling! Traveling changed my life and made me who I am today!

– MELISSA, GROUP LEADER



On my EF tour to Spain and Portugal, I was able to immerse myself into new cultures and see places I had only ever dreamed of seeing.

– VICTORIA, TRAVELER



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My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.

—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER

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