

# SCOTTSDALE'S BEST MEETUP GROUP BY DEBRA PRESENTS

## Spain & Portugal in Depth

MADRID • GRANADA • TORREMOLINOS • SEVILLE • LISBON



15 Days from **\$3995**  
tour with airfare from Phoenix

14 Days from **\$2895**  
tour Only

### OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

**BARCELONA, SPAIN**  
4 NIGHTS PRE-TRIP FROM **\$995**

**THE ISLAND OF MADEIRA, PORTUGAL**  
5 NIGHTS POST-TRIP FROM **\$895**

### IT'S INCLUDED

- Choose to **purchase Grand Circle's airfare**, and your airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges are included. Or, make your own air arrangements
- **Accommodations** for 13 nights in comfortable rooms with private baths
- **22 meals:** 13 breakfasts, 3 lunches, and 6 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Lunch)
- **12 included features:** 10 guided tours and 2 exclusive Discovery Series events: Home-Hosted Lunch • Horse-breeding farm visit
- Exclusive services of a local Grand Circle Program Director (assigned to no more than 42 travelers)
- **Gratuities** on your main trip for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- **Personal headset** for all included and optional tours on your main trip
- Private motorcoach land travel
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- **5% Frequent Traveler Credit** toward your next Grand Circle trip—an average of \$215

### ITINERARY

**AUGUST 31, 2018**

**PRE-TRIP OPTION:**  
4 nights in Barcelona, Spain

Day 1 / Depart U.S.

Day 2-4 / Madrid, Spain

**HOTEL** Hotel Courtyard by Marriott Madrid Princesa or similar

**INCLUDED TOURS** Madrid  
**OPTIONAL TOUR** El Escorial

Day 5-6 / Granada

**HOTEL** Hotel Carmen or similar  
**INCLUDED TOURS** Toledo, Alhambra

Day 7-9 / Torremolinos

**HOTEL** Hotel Sol don Pedro or similar  
**INCLUDED TOURS** Cordoba, Malaga  
**OPTIONAL TOUR** Gibraltar

Day 10-11 / Seville

**HOTEL** Hotel Sevilla Center or similar  
**INCLUDED TOURS** Ronda, Seville, *Flamenco* show

Day 12-14 / Lisbon, Portugal

**HOTEL** Hotel Mundial or similar  
**INCLUDED TOURS** Lisbon, Sintra & Cascais

Day 15 / Lisbon • Return to U.S.

**POST-TRIP OPTION:**  
5 nights in The Island of Madeira, Portugal



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PLEASE MENTION THIS  
CODE WHEN BOOKING

**G8-27996**

## WHAT TO EXPECT

### Pacing

- 5 locations in 14 days

### Physical Requirements

- Walk 2-3 miles unassisted and participate in 2-3 hours of physical activities daily, including stairs
- Two days of this trip may require 4 miles of walking and 3-4 hours of optional physical activity
- Not accessible for travelers using wheel-chairs or scooters

- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion who can assist them
- We reserve the right for Program Directors to restrict participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home, if their limitations impact the group's experience

### Terrain & Transportation

- Uneven walking surfaces, unpaved paths, steep hills, stairs, and cobblestones
- Travel by 45-seat motorcoach

### Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 51-85°F during touring season
- June-August are the warmest months
- November and December weather can be unpredictable and change quickly

## YOUR ITINERARY

### Day 1 / Depart U.S.

#### Day 2 / Arrive Madrid, Spain

You'll be greeted at the airport by a Grand Circle representative who will send you to your hotel, where you'll be joined by fellow travelers who took our optional pre-trip extension, *Barcelona, Spain*. Then you'll all gather to meet your Program Director and get to know your surroundings with an orientation walk. Tonight, sample a local restaurant for dinner on your own.

**Hotel Courtyard by Marriott Madrid Princesa or similar**

#### Day 3 / Madrid

After breakfast, enjoy an included panoramic city tour, passing by the lavish Royal Palace, Almudena Cathedral, and the monument dedicated to Don Quixote in the *Plaza de España*. The remainder of the day is yours. Tonight, gather with your fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant.

**B,D—Hotel Courtyard by Marriott Madrid Princesa or similar**

#### Day 4 / Madrid • Optional El Escorial tour

Join us on an optional tour of the imposing El Escorial, a 16th-century architectural masterpiece that served as both a royal

residence and a monastery. Or make your own discoveries this morning. The afternoon is yours to spend as you wish.

**B—Hotel Courtyard by Marriott Madrid Princesa or similar**

#### Day 5 / Madrid • Toledo • Granada

Ride to medieval Toledo, once known as the "City of Three Cultures" for the harmonious coexistence of Christian, Muslim, and Jewish communities here. Enjoy an included walking tour of Spain's former capital, famed for its castles, monasteries, historical monuments, and eclectic building styles.

After lunch on your own, depart for Granada, your next destination. Dinner is at your hotel tonight.

**B,D—Hotel Carmen or similar**

#### Day 6 / Granada • The Alhambra

After breakfast this morning, you'll tour the Alhambra, a palatial complex that is the pinnacle of Islamic design. Following your tour of this legendary monument, you'll enjoy a short walking tour of the city of Granada, with an included tapas lunch at a local restaurant. The rest of the day is yours to spend as you please.

**B,L—Hotel Carmen or similar**

#### Day 7 / Granada • Cordoba • Torremolinos

Depart after breakfast this morning for a tour of Cordoba, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. A highlight is the city's greatest monument: the *Mezquita*, the stunning mosque that was once converted to a Christian cathedral but remains a superb example of Islamic construction. Then, continue on to Spain's Mediterranean coast—the Costa del Sol—where you can settle into your hotel and enjoy dinner on your own.

**B—Hotel Sol Don Pedro or similar**

#### Day 8 / Torremolinos • Optional Gibraltar tour

Add to your discoveries when you join us on our optional full-day tour to Gibraltar. Or spend the day in Torremolinos making discoveries on your own.

**B—Hotel Sol Don Pedro or similar**

#### Day 9 / Torremolinos • Malaga • Home-Hosted Lunch

This morning's half-day included tour reveals the local highlights of Malaga, including the *Plaza de la Merced*, where Picasso was born.

## Your itinerary continued

### EXCLUSIVE DISCOVERY SERIES EVENT

Then, experience the hospitality of a Spanish family during a Home-Hosted Lunch. The rest of your day is at leisure.

**B,L—Hotel Sol Don Pedro or similar**

### Day 10 / Torremolinos • Ronda • Seville

Discover Ronda today, an ancient city with spectacular views high above a plunging river gorge. On an included tour, explore the Moorish Old Town and the 18th-century “new” town. Then enjoy time on your own. Continue on to Seville, where you can settle into your centrally located hotel before joining your fellow travelers for an included dinner.

**B,D—Hotel Sevilla Center or similar**

### Day 11 / Seville • Flamenco show

Delve into one of Spain’s most colorful and historic cities on today’s included tour. Seville hosts a wealth of magnificent buildings and monuments that attest to its Roman and Moorish heritage, as you’ll see during an included tour that features the *Barrio de Santa Cruz*. Make your own discoveries this afternoon. Tonight, enjoy a dinner performance of

the *flamenco*, the intensely emotional dance that was created here.

**B,D—Hotel Sevilla Center or similar**

### Day 12 / Seville • Lisbon, Portugal

Transfer to Portugal through the countryside before heading north to Lisbon.

### EXCLUSIVE DISCOVERY SERIES EVENT

Stop at a horse-breeding farm, where you’ll talk with the owners and learn firsthand about the types of horses bred there. You’ll sample the local cuisine during lunch at the farm.

Continue on to Lisbon. Dinner is on your own this evening.

**B,L—Hotel Mundial or similar**

### Day 13 / Lisbon

Get acquainted with Lisbon, Portugal’s capital, on an included tour this morning. You’ll see two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: the Belem Tower and the Hieronymites Monastery. You may make your own discoveries during the rest of the day. Enjoy an included dinner at a local restaurant tonight.

**B,D—Hotel Mundial or similar**

### Day 14 / Lisbon • Sintra & Cascais

This morning, embark on an excursion to Sintra and Cascais. Begin at the Royal Palace in Sintra, with time to explore the town. Then continue to the village of Cascais, a one-time humble fishing village that has grown into a lively coastal resort town. Enjoy the afternoon, then gather with your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

**B,D—Hotel Mundial or similar**

### Day 15 / Lisbon • Return to U.S.

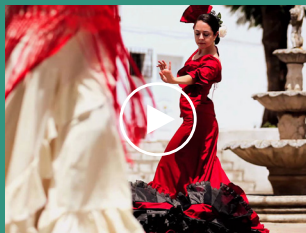
After breakfast, you will transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or begin your post-trip extension on *The Island of Madeira, Portugal*.

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Learn more about *Spain & Portugal in Depth*



## TRIP EXPERIENCE

Follow travelers as they explore hillside towns and meet locals on Spain's Costa del Sol.



## TRIP ITINERARY

Get more information about your detailed itinerary, like optional tours, exclusive Discovery Series events, and more.



## PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Meet Victor Garrido (and his cats): Learn more about his love for his hometown of Malaga and his family.



## INDEPENDENT FILM

Witness bustling marketplaces, sunny seashores, and other slices of daily life in Portugal.

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## 2018 DEPARTURES TOUR PRICES

tour only	\$2895
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DEPART FROM:	8/31/18
Phoenix	\$1100

**Deposit:** \$350 per person.

**Single Supplement: FREE.** Single accommodations are limited. If single rooms are full, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

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## RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION

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