

# Andalusian Fiesta

Mar 12 - Mar 21, 2020

**Group Leader:**

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**Group ID:**

243692

**Depart From:**

Phoenix



## what's included



**Round-Trip Flights**



**Centrally Located Hotels**

- ✓ Toledo Tour with Guide and Personal Headsets
- ✓ Toledo Gothic Cathedral, Synagogue, Church of Santo Tomé
- ✓ Flamenco Lesson, Dinner and Show in Granada
- ✓ Granada Tour with Guide
- ✓ Alhambra and Generalife Gardens with Personal Headsets
- ✓ Ronda Tour with Guide
- ✓ Ronda Bullring



**Daily Breakfast and Dinner (unless otherwise noted)**



**24-Hour Tour Manager**

- ✓ Seville Tour with Guide and Personal Headsets
- ✓ Seville Cathedral and Giralda Tower
- ✓ Spanish Fan Painting Workshop
- ✓ Córdoba Tour with Guide
- ✓ Córdoba Mezquita with Audio Guides
- ✓ Paella Dinner
- ✓ Madrid Tour with Guide
- ✓ Prado Tour with Reservation and Personal Headsets

## OUR promise

In educational travel, every moment matters. Pushing the experience from “good enough” to exceptional is what we do every day. Our mission is to empower educators to introduce their students to the world beyond the classroom and inspire the next generation of global citizens. *Travel changes lives.*

## cultural connections



**HIGHLIGHTS waiting to happen**

### Flamenco Lesson, Dinner and Show in Granada

In the caves of Sacromonte, learn the steps from a flamenco expert, then enjoy dinner and watch your teacher perform in a professional show.

### Spanish Fan Painting Workshop

Paint your own Spanish fan with a master artist as you learn about the history, ornamentation and many uses of this elegant accessory.

“Our tour guide was phenomenal; he went above and beyond my expectations. His knowledge of the area and the history behind it was most impressive.”

**Matthew L. Participant**



## trip itinerary - 10 days

### Mar 12, 2020: Overnight Flight

Depart from the USA.

### Mar 13, 2020: Toledo

Arrive in Madrid, meet your ACIS Tour Manager and drive the short distance to Toledo. (D)

### Mar 14, 2020: Toledo

Get to know the old Visigothic capital of Toledo. With an expert local guide giving commentary via personal headsets, explore the Medieval Synagogue, visit El Greco's great painting in the Church of Santo Tomé and have a complete tour of the treasures of the Gothic Cathedral. In the afternoon, enjoy free time to shop for Toledo Damascene ware or take time out in the main plaza for a café con leche. (B,D)

### Mar 15, 2020: Granada

Live out the famous scenes of Cervantes' Don Quixote today as you view the windmills of Consuegra. Continue to beautiful Granada, situated at the foot of the Sierra Nevada and home to Europe's greatest Moorish legacy. Tonight you will tour the fascinating caves of the Sacromonte neighborhood, stopping to learn the steps to Spain's most famous dance during a flamenco lesson. Enjoy a special dinner, then watch your instructors show you how it's done with a flamenco show. (B,D)

### Mar 16, 2020: Ronda

Your local guide provides expert commentary via personal headsets during this morning's sightseeing tour of the Alhambra, one of the greatest accomplishments of Moorish art and architecture, and the fragrant Generalife Gardens. Depart in the afternoon for Mijas, one of Spain's picturesque pueblos blancos. The white houses decorated with iron grilles make this a jewel of Andalucía. You'll also want to check out the intricate weaving, pottery and basket-making that the town is known for. Your final destination today is Ronda. (B,D)

### Mar 17, 2020: Seville

This morning's guided sightseeing tour of Ronda includes time to visit inside the 18th century bullring and then view the cathedral as well as the Puente Nuevo bridge spanning the dramatic gorge over the Guadalevín River. Then head north to Seville, capital of Andalucía. Your route may take you past several more beautiful pueblos blancos—white villages—situated on rocky crags with charming streets and whitewashed houses. (B,D)

### Mar 18, 2020: Seville

Located in the heart of Andalucía, Seville is the region's capital. During today's sightseeing tour a local expert will show you, with commentary via personal headsets, the city's immense Gothic Cathedral, burial place of Christopher Columbus, and the grand Giralda Tower with its panoramic views. In the afternoon participate in a fan painting workshop with an expert instructor from the Escuela de Bellas Artes. Then stroll the old section of the city, past the Torre de Oro or into the Parque María Luisa in the



evening. (B,D)

### Mar 19, 2020: Madrid

This morning drive to Córdoba, where sightseeing with a local expert using audio guides includes the unique striped arches of the Moorish Mezquita and the myriad narrow lanes lined with whitewashed buildings. Next journey to Madrid, Spain's modern capital for a traditional Spanish paella dinner—a spicy tango of rice, seafood and vegetables considered by many as Spain's national dish. (B,D)

### Mar 20, 2020: Madrid

Madrid's rich heritage comes alive on your guided sightseeing tour of classic Spanish boulevards, grand plazas, and the diverse architecture of modern-day Madrid. Highlights include the Plaza de España with its statue of Don Quixote, the majestic Alcalá Gate, and the famous bullring Las Ventas. Then visit the magnificent Prado (skipping the lines with a timed reservation), one of the world's premier art museums. Here, an expert provides illuminating commentary via personal headsets on the artwork of Velázquez, Goya, Raphael, Rubens, and Bosch. Even the 18th-century Neo-Classical building that houses the collection is stunning. Spend your final evening in Spain wandering to see the artists and street performers in the Plaza Mayor. (B,D)

### Mar 21, 2020: Departure

Depart for the USA. (B)

*This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.*



## learning objectives

1. Students will explore a wide-range of architectural styles from the Gothic cathedrals of Toledo and Seville to the Moorish influence of the Alhambra.
2. Students will assess the multicultural milieu of Spain as they experience a wide range of artistic traditions including the Spanish gypsy heritage of flamenco dancing.
3. Students will discover how the Spanish Inquisition shaped Spain's history.

## tour cost

### Participant Fees

Program Fee	\$3770
Early Registration Discount	\$-100
Weekend Surcharge	\$40

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Total Participant Fees <sup>2</sup>	\$3710
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<sup>2</sup> Valid through 03/01/19 with \$200 deposit.

Additional Fees (as applicable)	
Single Room Supplement	\$760
Double Room Supplement	\$400
Ultimate Protection Plan	\$300
Comprehensive Protection Plan	\$250

## notes from acis

Estimated Tipping: \$4/day for Bus Driver, \$6/day for Tour Manager

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Can travel make a difference in students' futures? It certainly can and does every single day. In fact, we surveyed 930 former ACIS travelers to see how their tours abroad as young adults influenced their choices in education and paved a way for future careers. Many of them credit travel as a defining moment in their adolescence, and below is a recap of our findings.

## education



**81%**

of those that traveled in middle school or high school continued their studies at the college level compared to the national average of 68%



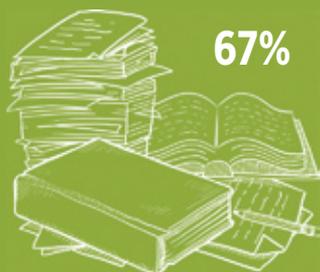
of travelers who went on to college said their travel experience influenced their field of study.



**57%**

of respondents were motivated to study abroad during college.

## language skills



**67%**

of students continued to study foreign language in college.



**73%**

of ACIS travelers say they speak one foreign language fairly well compared with 18% of the American population.

## personal development



**94%** felt more independent after their trip.

**78%** saw an increase in their problem solving skills.

**92%** noted improvement in their interpersonal skills.



**65%**

have traveled overseas again since their ACIS trip.

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