

Full Itinerary and Tour details for

# Spain's Andalusia 8-day Self-guided Cycling Tour Level 4



Prices starting from. 1129 €

Trip Duration.

8 days

Max Passengers.

Start and Finish.

Málaga to Seville

Activity Level.

Evnerience

**Cycling Tours Europe** 

Tour Code. #B1/2379



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## Tour Details and Description

Bullfights, tapas, fiestas, and flamenco are waiting for you in unique Andalusia. The southernmost region of Spain is a paradise full of surprises. Hardly any other landscape evokes such fascinating pictures as Andalusia: a Flamenco dancer in a flowing red dress, white villages on hills, Moorish palaces, and gloriously dressed bullfighters in crowded arenas. Experience an incomparable conglomeration of European and Arabic culture, scenic beauty harmonized perfectly with masterful architecture: Today's Andalusia combines modernity with a rich tradition. We will guide you on well-developed routes and small roads without much traffic through lush overgrown hills, green river valleys and the wild landscape of the Sierras. You will visit Seville and Cordoba, the metropolises of the spiritual life in Moorish Andalusia. In the narrow streets, in the markets, in the buildings of the Alhambra, the Real Alcazar, and the Mezquita you will travel through time and dream about days gone by, in which Andalusian scholars brought light to the darkness of the European Middle Ages. So ... come, eat and drink: cervezas, tapas, wine, and jamon iberico. Andalusia is awaiting you!

#### Tour character: Level 4

The bike routes are alternately flat and hilly. You will cycle on bike paths (former railway lines) and side roads. In some cases, you will find yourself on roads with more traffic, especially when entering or leaving a city.

## Included in the Tour:

- 7 nights' accommodation in 4\* and 3\* hotels
- Breakfast
- · Welcome briefing
- Luggage transfer between the hotels
- Well developed routes



- Detailed travel documents (route maps, route description, local attractions, important telephone numbers)
- 1 Train journey from Brenes Seville (excl. bike)
- · GPS data is available and app navigation
- · Service hotline

### Not included:

- Bike rental
- Bike insurance
- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price

## **Arrival / Parking / Departure:**

- Málaga central train station
- Málaga and Seville airport

#### Notes:

- · Departures Saturdays special dates on request
- Extra nights (price depends on date booked)
  - Antequera From 119 EUR p.p (+49 EUR single person)
  - Seville From 85 EUR p.p (+65 EUR single person)
- Rental bike PLUS -169 EUR on request

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## Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival in Antequera Walk through the historic centre of Antequera with its 30 steeples.

Day 2

Antequera – Lucena approx. 65 km Welcome briefing and bike fitting in the morning. The bike tour will begin with a ride on the old railway line through the beautiful countryside to Lucena. In one of the most important olive oil-producing regions of the world, the famous oil is pressed in the mills.

Day 3



Lucena –Dona Menica approx. 25-45 km You will continue your journey along an old railway line passing vast olive groves. Wonderful views over the hills accompany the cyclists. The inhabitants of of the region live mainly from agriculture and are very tradition-conscious people. This is also reflected in the towns of Cabra, Zuheros and Dona Mencia.

### Day 4

Baena - Córdoba approx. 60 km The Sierra Morena with its foothills frames the former European Capital of Culture. This romantic area is surrounded by pine forests and an impressive solitude. The route leads on almost empty streets mostly hilly towards Córdoba. Every now and then, you will pass farms, which specialize in the breeding of fighting bulls and enjoy a special reputation in Andalusia. In Córdoba explore the witnesses of the dazzling cosmopolitan past. With the Great Mosque Moorish architects created one of the most powerful Moorish building in Europe.

### Day 5

Córdoba – Palma del Rio approx. 60 km In the wide valley of the Guadalquivir, you will leave Córdoba on an old Roman connecting road. Ecija is the capital of horse breeding. From once important Franciscan monastery in Palma del Rio, the monks journeyed to America to proselytize.

## Day 6

Palma del Rio – Carmona approx. 55 km Also today, the Guadalquivir is the first companion. You will continue your tour through the Campiña of Seville, a gently rolling landscape of fertile farmland to the west. Carmona is a city that has not changed for 150 years, it has Baroque palaces, churches and monasteries and is surrounded by intact Moorish town walls.

### Day 7

Carmona – Seville approx. 25 km + train ride Today, you will cycle over the gently rolling plateau of Alcores to one of the most fertile agricultural areas in Andalusia. For centuries, Alcalá de Guadaira supplied Seville with bread and water and it is considered to be one of the cradles of flamenco. Former haciendas of the Kingdom of Seville, today just as large farms as in former times, line the road. Train ride starting from Brenes (where you put back the bikes) to Seville, where three of the most important operas are performed: Don Juan, the seducer, the cunning barber Figaro, and Carmen, the femme fatale, who lost her life somewhere between the tobacco factories and the bullfight arena. Two international exhibitions helped the city to futuristic buildings and great green parks.

Day 8

Departure or extension

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