

Village Choir Tour VII

Portugal and Andalucía, Spain 2019

Cultural tastes of Portugal and Spain's Andalucía on a custom Village Church & Friends Tour designed by Lisa Ball Travel Design

12 Nights: May 29 – June 11, 2019

Wednesday, May 29: Departure Day

Travel day from the U.S. to Lisbon, Portugal

Thursday, May 30: In Lisbon

Private charter bus from airport to meet local guide in city center **Lisbon**; historic city tour on and off the bus.

Accommodations: 3 nights at the **Hotel da Baixa**

With a colorful and classic façade, as well as a modern interior décor, the 4-star Hotel da Baixa enjoys a prime location in Lisbon's historic downtown area. Featuring a restaurant and a bar, it just 650 feet from Rossio Square and a short walk from the iconic Santa Justa Elevator.

Stay package at this deluxe accommodation includes free WiFi and an ample breakfast buffet each morning in a vibrant area of Lisbon.

Friday, May 31 and Saturday, June 1: In Lisbon

Wonderful opportunity to explore more of Lisbon with free time to discover on your own this beautiful seafaring capital. Or consider:

* Optional Excursion*

Historic Lisbon by Boat Tour – Sailing times will be announced

* Optional Excursion*

Sintra – Royal Fairytale City by the Sea – Half-day excursion to the lovely village of Sintra with a local guide and Lunch included.

Concert in Lisbon or Lisbon Region! Our first concert will happen in the city or in a nearby smaller city. Details will be available soon.

Elegant Dinner and Entertainment at Clube de Fado! This is a special venue where you can experience the best Fado music and a fantastic dinner and wine! This will be scheduled for our second or third night in Lisbon.

Sunday, June 2:

Connect to Spain with a flight from Lisbon to Seville then private transportation takes us to:

Córdoba

Accommodations: 2 nights at the **NH Collection Amistad Córdoba**

This hotel is a converted 18th-century mansion located in Cordoba City Center, 650 feet from the cathedral. The hotel is set next to the old city walls, in the Jewish quarter of Córdoba. The stay package at this centrally-located hotel includes free WiFi and buffet breakfasts both mornings.

Monday, June 3: In Córdoba

Morning tour of the magnificent **Mezquita**, the charming Jewish Quarter and flower-filled Patios in the company of a local guide.

Afternoon: Free time in Cordoba

* Optional Evening Experience*

Andalucía Equestrian Show at the Royal Stables

Tuesday, June 4: Travel to Granada

We see more of the Andalusian countryside on our way to Granada.

Accommodations: 2 nights at the **NH Granada Centro Hotel**

Boutique hotel in the historic city center located close to the Granada Cathedral. Featuring a charming Andalusian courtyard with a fountain, the stay package at this hotel includes free WiFi and breakfast buffets each morning.

In the afternoon, we tour Granada's Grand Cathedral and Royal Chapel with local guides.

Later, hunt for free tapas at the fun restaurants and bars in the city center!

Wednesday, June 5: In Granada

Today we visit the spectacular **Alhambra**. We go in the morning following breakfast at the hotel. Full details of our visit will be communicated about the day to maximize and enhance your experience inside the Alhambra. A timed entry to see the gorgeous Nasrid Palace is also included as well as time in the terraced gardens of the Generalife

Rest of Day and Evening: Time to explore Granada on your own.

Thursday, June 6: Costa del Sol

Today we drive along the sun-drenched Costa del Sol with a stop in **Nerja** to see the views and have a fun paella **Lunch on the beach!**

Our journey continues to the most stunning of the Andalusian White Villages – **Ronda**.

Accommodations: 2 nights at the **Catalonia Ronda**

Located in Ronda Town Center, just across the bullring, the Catalonia Ronda features an infinity pool, hot tub, and a rooftop terrace with views of the square and Tajo de Ronda. Our stay package free WiFi and a nice buffet breakfast each morning.

Friday, June 7: Pueblos Blancos – Ronda

Morning Walking Tour of city center Ronda including going inside Spain's oldest bullfight ring.

Rest of day, time on your own to discover Ronda

*** The second proposed concert is in Ronda. Details will come soon.**

Saturday, June 8: On the Road to Seville

Today's drive will include seeing **Cádiz** with a stop in the pretty city of **Jerez de la Frontera** to visit a sherry bodega. Time at the bodega includes a tour of the sherry-making process and a tasting with a tapas lunch.

Later Afternoon: Arrival in **Seville**; we'll drive down Avenida de Kansas City!

Accommodations: 3 nights at the **Hotel Inglaterra**

Overlooking Plaza Nueva Square, the elegant Hotel Inglaterra is just 800 feet from Seville Cathedral. Its air-conditioned rooms feature classic-style décor, and a roof-top terrace open all-year-round with impressive views of the Sevilla skyline. Our stay package includes free WiFi and a lovely buffet breakfast each morning.

Sunday, June 9: In Seville

Today we will see Kansas City's twin city in the company of a local guide. We will see the original La Giralda Tower, the impressive Cathedral and the Alcázar, the official residence of Spain's king and queen.

Rest of Day and Evening: Time on own

Monday, June 10: In Seville

* Our third concert will be in Seville! Details will come soon.

Evening: **Celebration Dinner and Flamenco Show!**

Tuesday, June 11: Back to the U.S.

Travel back to the United States departing from Seville then back to Lisbon for the transatlantic flight.

** All mentioned venues are subject to availability*

Base Tour includes:

- Round-trip airfare from Kansas City (or your home airport*) to Lisbon, Portugal then from Lisbon to Kansas City;
- Round-trip flight from Lisbon to Seville and Seville to Lisbon;
- Ground transportation aboard a comfortable privately chartered buses;

- Hotels selected for uniqueness, location, ambiance, amenities and service: 4-star Hotel da Baixa in Lisbon (3 nights); 4-star NH Amistad Cordoba in Cordoba (2 nights); 4-star NH Granada Centro in Granada (2 nights); 4 star Catalonia Ronda in Ronda (2 nights); and 4-star Hotel Inglaterra in Seville (3 nights);
- Porterage when available at the hotels;
- Meals: On transatlantic flights – Dinner on going flight and Lunch on return flight; Breakfasts included each morning at the hotels; Lunches – In Nerja Costa del Sol and Tapas Lunch in Jerez de la Frontera; Dinners – Welcome Dinner at Clube de Fado in Lisbon; and Last Night Celebration Dinner in Seville with Flamenco Entertainment
- Sight-seeing activities for everyone: Guided tours in Lisbon, Cordoba, Granada, Ronda and in Seville (including admission to venues during tours including the Mezquita in Cordoba, Cathedral and Royal Chapel and Alhambra in Granada, Bullring in Ronda and Cathedral and Palace in Seville); visit to Nerja; and visit and sherry tour/tasting in Jerez de la Frontera
- Gratuities and taxes that apply to local guides, drivers, airfare, hotels and meals; and a carefully designed itinerary visiting sites of interest, scenic beauty and history
- Other optional tours will be offered to enhance your experience in Portugal and Spain during the 12-night base tour

Projected Base Tour Cost: \$4,800 to \$5,400 per person based on double occupancy

Single supplement and land only costs available upon request

Deposit & Payments and Travel Insurance: \$500 per person to secure your spot on this fantastic tour; deposit applies to your base tour costs.

Note: this tour does not include travel insurance; buying travel insurance is an option and a personal decision; if you wish to purchase travel insurance and you have a pre-existing medical condition, you must purchase travel insurance within 2 weeks of paying a deposit to Lisa Ball Travel Design.

* Lisa Ball Travel Design can arrange airfare from other U.S. airports or provide help with other travel extensions to this tour before or after the tour dates; an extra fee of \$50 per person will apply to make these arrangements and also any additional costs charged by the airline if another arrival or departure destination is selected by the traveler.

Payment Options: Lisa Ball Travel Design takes personal checks made out to Lisa Ball Travel Design and mailed to:
5400 Johnson Drive, Suite 246, Mission, KS 66205

Credit Card Payments: Or, you can make payments using VISA, MasterCard or American Express via PayPal through the Lisa Ball Travel Design website: www.LisaBallTravelDesign.com and click on the Pay Now button. Please note: PayPal charges a 3% transaction fee so you must increase your payment amount by 3% to cover this fee.

Monthly payments will begin September and continue through February.

September 15: \$800 per person October 15: \$800 per person
November 15: \$800 per person December 15: \$800 per person
January 15, 2019: \$800 per person

* February 15 is the final tour payment date which includes anything left to pay on the base tour and your optional tours.

Cancellation Policy: If you must cancel your participation with this tour please note January 15, 2019 is the tour cut-off date. Canceling before January 15, 2019, LBTB will cheerfully refund your deposit and any monies you have paid prior to this date. Canceling on January 15, 2019 or after, the costs of the tour and deposit are non-refundable. *Please note:* Due to their specialty nature, there can be no refunds on Optional Tours. Details on Optional Tours will be available later this fall.

Required Documents: A valid U.S. Passport; expiration date must be at least 6 months after our return date. Personal ID/Waiver and Passport forms from Lisa Ball Travel Design.

Tour Meetings & Movie Nights: A fun program of tour meetings and films/travel videos showing the places we will visit will help prepare you for this adventure!

Village Choir Staff on Tour:

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