

Spain Seville & Ronda Pre-Trip Extension

5 Days



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While in Andalucia, why not take a few days before your adventure in Granada and the Sierra Nevada to explore the cultural wonders of Seville and Ronda? In Seville, visit its mighty UNESCO-listed cathedral and Alcazar palace, before exploring narrow medieval streets and hidden plazas scented with orange blossoms. Then continue on to Ronda, a marvelous town steeped in history and perched atop a cliff. Explore the old city, La Ciudad, see its stunning bridge spanning the gorge, and enjoy magnificent sweeping views of the valley. Stay at top-end accommodations including the beautiful Parador de Ronda! With guides leading the way, you can enjoy an immersive experience that takes you to the heart of these bucket-list destinations.

Details

Testimonials

"A prominent reason we have chosen MT Sobek as our favorite adventure travel company has been the excellent travel guides."

Carol & Burt D.

"MT Sobek took care of everything for our extended family vacation. Not a hiccup in the planning, the itinerary, the lodging or the guide. Everything in life should be so easy."

Activity Level:

Minimum Age:

Arrive:

Depart:

Duration:

Group Size:



Seville, Spain

Ronda, Spain

5 Days

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Why Take This Trip With Us?

REASON #01

MT Sobek has been leading treks in Spain for over 40 years, working with top-notch local experts. REASON #02

This pre-trip extension has been designed to fit perfectly with our active adventure Granada and the Sierra Nevada mountains.

REASON #03

We hand-pick the best regional accommodations including luxury hotels in the heart of the city and beautiful paradors.

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ACTIVITIES

Immersive historical and cultural tours including ancient cathedrals, medieval streets, and a famous bullring in Ronda.



What to Expect

LODGING

A luxurious historic hotel in Seville and a stunning clifftop parador in Ronda, both with excellent dining options.



CLIMATE

Expect a warm Mediterranean climate with hot and dry summer days, cooler nights, and a chance of rain in spring.

Meet Our Guides

Our expert guides and trip leaders are truly the key to our trips' success. Many are locals who live in-country year-round; others have made it their second home—all are passionate, enthusiastic and endlessly knowledgeable. Meet two of the guides that might be on your trip.

Leo was born in the mountains of Spain's Basque Country and made his home in Jaca, in the heart of the Pyrenees, where he spends his winters on backcountry skis. He has been guiding in the Pyrenees for many years, as well as in Nepal, Morocco, Tanzania, Peru, Chile, Venezuela, Pakistan, India, and the French Alps. He has also taught skiing in Colorado. He is an International Certified Mountain Guide (UIAGM) and a professional ski instructor (ISIA). Leo is fluent in English, French, and Basque.

Leo San Sebastian

Itinerary

DAY 1 ARRIVE IN SEVILLE

Welcome to Andalucia! An MT Sobek representative will transfer you from the airport or train station to your hotel. Enjoy your first guided tour of Seville before your welcome dinner at the hotel this evening.

Accommodation: Alma Sevilla Hotel Palacio de Villapanes, Seville

Activity: 1.5-hour guided walking tour

Meals: D

DAY 2 EXPLORE SEVILLE

Discover Seville's historic wonders on an immersive guided walking tour. Marvel at the city's impressive 15thcentury cathedral, the largest Gothic church in the world! Then climb the stairs of the Giralda bell chamber for stunning views and visit the royal palace of Alcazar. Finally, explore the narrow alleyways of barrio Santa Cruz, Seville's medieval Jewish quarter. In the afternoon, visit the Museo de Bella Arts, one of Spain's most important art museums or take a stroll by the Guadalquivir River. Explore Seville's many excellent dining options at lunch and dinner. Guides will give you recommendations for restaurants.

Accommodation: Alma Sevilla Hotel Palacio de Villapanes, Seville

Activity: 3-hour guided walking tour

Meals: B

DAY 3 JOURNEY TO RONDA & TOUR THE OLD CITY

After breakfast, transfer to the stunning mountain-top city of Ronda. Settle into your beautiful parador hotel, and then enjoy lunch at your leisure. Your guide will give you recommendations for restaurants in the area. In the afternoon, meet up with your guide to explore the magical sights, including El Tajo de Ronda, a deep gorge connected by an ancient stone bridge; the Real Maestranza de Caballería de Ronda, one of Spain's oldest and most famous bullrings; and the hand of Saint Therese of Jesus, one of the most important holy relics in Spain. Explore Seville's many excellent dining options at dinner.

Accommodation: Hotel Parador Nacional de Ronda, Ronda

Activity: 1.5-hour guided walking tour Meals: B

DAY 4 SEE LA CIUDAD RONDA

After breakfast, meet up with your guide to explore the magical sights, including the ancient Muslim part of the city, La Ciudad, which retains its medieval character and twisting narrow streets. Walk across the majestic Puente Nuevo (New Bridge) to the other side of the gorge and explore Barrio de San Francisco and the leafy Parque del la Alameda. Later, explore Ronda's many excellent dining options at lunch and dinner.

Accommodation: Hotel Parador Nacional de Ronda, Ronda Activity: 3-hour guided walking tour

Meals: B

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DAY 5 JOURNEY TO GRANADA

Bid farewell to Ronda and transfer to Granada to begin your <u>Spain Best of Andalucia Hiking</u> trip. Meet your MT Sobek group and Guides at the hotel at 5pm.

Meals: B

Dates

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Inclusions & Exclusions

PRICE INCLUDES

- Transfers to/from airport or train station on day 1
- Meals as noted in the itinerary (4 breakfasts, 1 dinner)
- 1 Glass of wine per person with dinner on Night 1
- Private guided tours at historic sites and select
 attractions noted in the itinerary, led by local tour guides in Seville and Ronda
- Private group transfer from Sevilla to Ronda; and from Ronda to Granada
 - Accompaniment of an MT Sobek guide during
- activities and transfers, and services of local tour guides

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Alcoholic beverages (1 glass of wine per person is included with dinner on Night 1)
- Gratuities for your MT Sobek guide, local tour guides, hotel staff, and drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses
- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees

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