

Exclusive Spain
TAILOR-MADE TRAVEL



We have the key to open special private places and offer

exclusive out of the ordinary experiences, most of them accessible only through us

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1. Meet the insider. MADRID and SEVILLE

Meet and spend a fun evening with Her Imperial and Royal Highness LUISA DE ORLEANS E BRAGANÇA. You will be impressed by her down-to-earth way, her candidacy, and how approachable she is.

When you travel, what is the memory that you usually take along with you, in your heart, all your life? Possibly a monument? A museum? A show? A personal encounter? If the latter, we recommend you to choose this evening focusing on Spanish culture, habits and anecdotes with Luisa.

It is a tailor-made dinner focused to empower what you will see during the rest of your trip. Live the opportunity to see Spain through the eye of a broad-minded insider, understand Spanish philosophy of life.

The place: a mythic restaurant, family business, mixture of colonial and Spanish decoration, a dream place, timeless, nameless. Though if it is a Sunday, a different place will be selected!







2. Inside the bullfighting world. MADRID and SEVILLE

Meet the bullfighting world and traditions through the eye of an expert. With you host, Her Imperial and Royal Highness LUISA DE ORLEANS E BRAGANÇA, who will introduce you to a passionate expert, a bull breeder or even a bullfighter.

You will all enjoy together a fantastic lunch/dinner, tasting typical Spanish dishes and deepening through this passionate world. Depending if in Seville or Madrid, and depending on the bullfighting season, we can arrange lunch/dinners without the need to go to a corrida, or before or after going to a corrida.







3. Meet the artist, a self-made ceramist. MADRID

Our friend Ana, a self-made ceramist, will show you her atelier at her idyllic home, and offer you to practice with her – she enjoys teaching and sharing a cup of tea or coffee while answering questions.

It can be on your way to El Escorial, as this is 30 km away from Madrid in that direction, 20min from El Escorial by the old road of Galapagar which was the Imperial Route. This very beautiful road passes through the marsh of Valmayor and by the estates of cattle ranch, well worth your time.















4. Exclusive and personal gourmet experience. TOLEDO

Enjoy all five senses in Toledo, in an old palace that is still currently a private home, and was the home of the prestigious Dean of the Cathedral for many centuries. A very private afternoon hosted by a very special lady with an amazingly rich and interesting background...

Veterinary, economist, consultant, entrepreneur in Africa, university teacher, all in one and the same person. She will manage to WOW you and keep you in a high all evening!

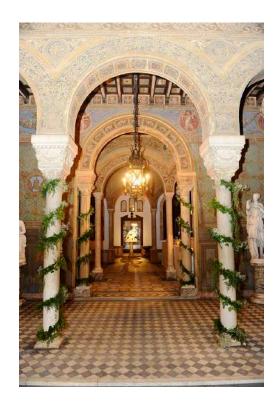
A unique house in the middle of the historical center, in front of the cathedral, ceilings from the X to the XVI century... Our host is in love with the city and history of Toledo. You will cook with her some very typical meals from Toledo, the way her mother taught her. You will combine interesting conversations with art and gastronomy. She manages to create the perfect atmosphere for our exclusive clients and as part of the experience, likes to invite some of her family members too - subject to their time and availability, of course. We find this special activity to be the perfect excuse for you to stay one night in Toledo rather than travelling back to Madrid...





5. Private palace visit by the Marquis. SEVILLE

A privately-held palace, not open to the public, one of the most important palaces in Seville. The son of the marguis, the future marguis, the owner of this wonderful palace, will show you their private residence in exclusivity. It stands in the historic center of Seville, with an unparalleled architectural, artistic and historic value, unique in Spain. This family is one of the most relevant families of the city and their heritage includes arquitectural jewels, included in famous films, and several olive farms. A story-telling visit sharing the family stories related and unrelated to this dream palace. At the end of the visit, hand in hand with the current owner(s) of the palace, a snack will be offered in one of their halls.







6. Sierra de Aracena and private country house. SEVILLE

Your tour starts in a private estate on the outskirts of Zufre, in The Sierra de Aracena. The landscape is hilly with a mixture of horse chestnut trees and dehesas with cork and oak trees where many of the Iberian pigs are bred as well as the bulls.

The Sierra of Aracena is an hour's drive from Seville. There are many charming villages and small towns in the area. The owners of this estate you will visit breed Iberian pigs and cattle, and have over 800 hectares of rolling hills. We will have a short tour of the estate to see how the pigs are reared, followed by a coffee with the owner in his lovely home. From here we will drive to a pretty village called Almonaster, again a one hour drive. We believe the Mezquita is a real must-see: built by the Moors in the 9th and 10th Centuries on top of a Visigoth church...







7. Horse carriage tour. SEVILLE, DOÑANA

Leaving Seville and driving west towards Huelva and the Doñana National Park, a World Heritage Site by Unesco since 1994, we find the charming weekend home of a family who are passionate about carriage driving. Surrounded by thousands of acres of parkland made up of pine, cork and oak forests full of sandy tracks which are great to drive along in a sports carriage pulled by beautiful horses. You will arrive late morning at the finca and will have the opportunity to look around before we set off in the carriage. Driven by an expert who will take us on a journey through the surrounding countryside: open air enjoying nature, stunning scenery, the sound of the horses hooves... Weather permitting, we will stop for a delicious al-fresco lunch under the shade of the trees: three courses, salads, meat stews, homemade desserts... Doñana is a natural reserve comprised of marshes, shallow streams and sand dunes in the delta where the Guadalquivir River flows into the Atlantic Ocean. It is considered the largest nature reserve in Europe, with biodiversity unique in Europe.







8. Private hacienda and horses. SEVILLE

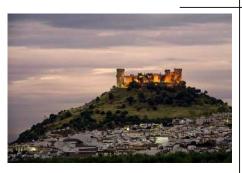
Visit a private Andalusian hacienda built over 400 years ago that still today retains the magic and charm of that time. It has been in the Bavarian Royal Family since several generations... You will be hosted by the actual owners, still nowadays belonging to the Bavarian Royal Family.

You can also do some horse back riding and/or horse carriage excursion (*). They are also breeders of Spanish horses. After your visit and/or after your horse riding promenade, you will be invited to share a mid-morning or mid-afternoon picnic with the family, before heading back to Seville in time for lunch or dinner.

Note: (*) horse riding and/or horse carriage excursion not included in standard price.







9. Castillo de Almodovar. CORDOBA

A castle from the VIII century... Situated in the province of Cordoba, 40 minutes drive from the city center, belonging to the same noble family of a Marquis since the 17th century. It has been one of the main scenarios of Game of Thrones.

In exclusivity for Exclusive Spain, we have the privilege to visit the castle on our own when it is closed to the public, guided by the director of the castle, followed by a visit to the private palace residence, never open to the public.

We offer two options:

- 1. Cultural visit of the castle, private palace residence plus a light dinner.
- 2. Cultural visit "Special Games of Thrones": same as above but with a stronger focus on the scenario of Game Of Thrones and anecdotes related to the filming. It will be followed by a visit to the private residence plus a light dinner.





9. Castillo de Almodovar. CORDOBA (CONT')

The private residence, a Neogothic palace closed to the public, will also be shown.

We will therefore visit the castle when it is closed to the public: either 9am-11am, or during lunch break 2pm-4pm, or after 8pm, which is when it officially closes.











10. Private visit to a 15th century monastery. CORDOBA

A privately held monastery and private residence, not open to the public, founded at the beginning of the 15th century, a truly unique monument that has received a title for this reason, "Bien de Interes Cultural".

We will not only visit the monastery but we will be taken, in exclusivity, to the private residence of the Marquis, where no visitors are allowed to enter, it is for use of family and friends only.

It is considered the first work of the Cordoban Gothic, an old monastery that is framed in the range of Cordoba, near Medina Azahara... and it is nowadays the private residence of a Marquise's family since 1912. The visit includes an appetizer of typical products of the area. It may also offer the opportunity to meet the Marquesis if and when they are in town – they currently live in Brussels but also spend some time in this residence, especially in the summer.





10. Private visit to 15th century monastery. CORDOBA (CONT')

As an alternative, instead of the appetizer explained in the previous page, clients might prefer to have lunch or dinner at this very special Monastery. In this case, after an appetizer in Sala In Pace, one of the private family rooms, lunch /dinner will be offered in the Refectory, the Dining Room of the Friars, and where the family has their meals when they are in the Monastery. The lunch or dinner is prepared and offered by the staff of the house, uniformed for the purpose, same style and (top) quality as when the family is around, always adjusted to special dietary needs or requests.





11. Guitar player in private patio. CORDOBA

You will be tasting many of the different wines of the Montilla Moriles D.O. with an expert of the denomination itself. Each wine is accompanied by a song with the same characteristics of the wine just explained. The event will be entertained by a very skillful guitarist.

The expert guitarist has been honored with the National Guitar Award. Of the different private patios to which we have access to, the most suitable will be selected subject to availability, date and number of guests. It may last approximately one hour and half.

After this activity we suggest enjoying lunch or dinner in the patio itself – this is of course optional only.









12. Olive oil experience in private hacienda. GRANADA

The private hacienda has belonged to this family for more than six generations. An Arab farmhouse in its origins, and therefore dated clearly prior to the 15th century, it has now become a typical Andalusian olive farm, with its traditional oil mill.

Remodeled in the mid 90's to provide it with the comforts of the 21st century, the hacienda is the perfect meeting place for family gatherings as well as for the dissemination of the culture of olive oil and the Mediterranean diet. One of its main objectives, in addition to the agricultural exploitation, has been to get the world to know about the benefits of "the liquid gold", its secrets and how this magical elixir is part of the reason for the longevity of the Mediterranean hearts.









13. Chillida Leku. SAN SEBASTIAN

We will get to know this paradise through Chillida's son and/or grandson in person. He/they will tell us anecdotes and personal stories of the artist...

The Chillida Leku Museum is the dream of one of the most influential sculptors of the 20th century, a park with more than 11 hectares located just 10 minutes from San Sebastian, hometown of the universal sculptor Eduardo Chillida.

Officially a 90 minute visit, it often extends to significant more time than this – when our clients have questions and are curious enough to keep asking the son/grandson of Chillida about all those little details...









14. Arzak experience. SAN SEBASTIAN

A special evening at legendary restaurant Arzak, with Chef Juan Mari Arzak and his daughter Elena inviting you into their Michelin three-starred kitchen. It has held the famous three stars non-stop since 1989. It has been on the list of the top 10 restaurants worldwide in multiple occasions, and ranked top 30 in 2017. Deep knowledge of their land and clientele have allowed the Arzak family to use cutting edge techniques to create delightful and refined cuisine, constantly evolving.

Prior to a specially selected tasting menu, put together for you in consultation with the chefs, we will visit not only the kitchen but also their enormous wine cellar with over 100,000 bottles, and the restaurant's research laboratory. You will be able to talk to Arzak's creative team, who in tandem with the Arzaks, is developing more than 50 completely new dishes each year. We will also peek into the test kitchen and the spice room, their "visual catalogue" during the creative process. We would like to invite you to a drink in the front of the house while the other guests arrive... and then join them in the dining room... for a memorable meal at one of the world's top restaurants!







15. Basque cooking class. SAN SEBASTIAN

Learn how to cook with one of the top 10 food guides in the world by The Wall Street Journal...

An American lady who has lived in San Sebastian for over 20 years.

Two blocks from the market... Roll up your sleeves to prepare an exquisite course meal of fabulous Basque dishes under the guidance of your private chef.

Following some hard work, enjoy the fruits of your labor in a lovely private dining room with specially chosen local wines to compliment the dishes you have prepared. It is a relaxed and intimate experience which allows a unique glimpse into the Basque kitchen.









16. Jewish Barcelona. BARCELONA

The Jewish district in the center of Barcelona conserves very old and interesting buildings. You will have the opportunity to talk and learn about its history and traditions with expert researchers from the community. We can show you the Roman wall inside a house that belonged to the family of your host, and tell you their secrets from an insider.

Who is your local host: his family has participated in the social and cultural life of this city for many generations. You will get access to very interesting and exclusive spaces and people. Being an art collector, it has allowed him to be linked with professional creators of different artistic disciplines, being able to tailor-make the visit to your own personal interests.



^{*} Optional: meet and greet a member of the Synagogue (not included in standard price).







17. Exquisite bibliophiles. BARCELONA

We will take you inside a famous private house, not open to the public. Its construction and decoration was fully designed by Gaudi and by his atelier.

It is a 1900 apartment, with an astonishing design. We will get access to one of the most important and beautiful libraries in Barcelona.

While we see wonderful books, with the background of some piano or opera music, we will learn some intriguing details and curious anecdotes.









18. Frames atelier. BARCELONA

Our host will share with us anecdotes about different art pieces that were passed from his father to him, in a well-known house in the most historical part of Barcelona... in there you will find a hidden private atelier of frames. Its client' list includes the most important museums in the world as well as large public and private art collectors from all over the world.

Our artist loves sharing with the visitor this craft but under one condition only: please, keep the secret!







19. Textile sculptor atelier. BARCELONA

We will walk through the Gothic part of Barcelona, and we will arrive in an 18th century palace of an aristocratic and scientific family of collectors, who have a fantastic cabinet of curiosities.

Right there, going up some secondary stairs towards the attic, we access a private atelier of a sophisticated textile sculptor...

He will offer us a glass of cava while he shows us how he does his work, and explains to us details about his young yet intense and successful career.









20. Private visit to a Modernist apartment. BARCELONA

This is a very unique insider's experience: we have planned for you a visit of a stunning 'Modernist' apartment. A truly unique monument that has received a title for this reason, "Bien de Interes Cultural", built by the architect Jaume Torres I Grau in 1906, contemporary of Gaudi. Grau is one of the noted architects who transformed the city of Barcelona at the beginning of the 20th century. A number of Almodovar scenes – for example from All About My Mother, 1999, with an Oscar for the best foreign English movie that year – were filmed here. They featured a number of rooms in the flat as well as the hallway and staircase leading up to the flat. You will be hosted by the hospitable current owners, a retired architect and his wife.











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