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## 1. Geographical location

Having an area of 140 square kilometres, Seville is situated on the same parallel as San Francisco, which is one of the west coast cities of the United States of America. Further east from Seville in the Mediterranean basin, it shares the same parallel as Seoul which is the capital of South Korea. The Andalusian coast contains this city, and the city itself is located a few miles inland from the coast. Being the largest city within the southern side of the Iberian Peninsula, it is situated at a relative distance from Lisbon in Portugal.

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# 2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Some Of The Neighbouring Cities Of Seville Are Cordoba And Malaga. Both Are Located At A Distance Of 122 Kilometres And 157 Kilometres Respectively. In Addition To This, Tangier And Tetuoan In Morocco Are Located At A Respective Distance Of 178 And 208 Kilometres.



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## 3. Significance

Seville has been important cities of Spain since the ancient times. As the Americas were discovered, Seville turned out to be the economic centre of the entire empire of Spain. The port of Seville helped in monopolising the transoceanic trade as well. At present, Seville houses the renowned Seville Heritage Park which is recognised as the UNESCO world heritage centre. Hispalis was a significant port on Rio Guadalquivir which is located at a distance of around 100 kilometres from the Atlantic Ocean. Seville was declared as the capital of the new Autonomous Andalucia which was situated within the boundaries of democratic Spain.

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## 4. History

During the 14th century, Seville was considered as the most imperative Castilian city. The city achieved its biggest break during the year of 1503. Reason being, it was granted a monopoly on Spanish trade with the American continent. Seville even became a magnet for priests and bankers during this time as it was one of the richest and most cosmopolitan cities on the face of the earth. During the 16th and 17th century, the city witnessed a surge in terms of art and culture and because of this, most of the renowned painters and artists like Zurbaran and Murillo were settled here.

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## 5. Cultural identity

The cultural identity of this city is simply overwhelming in terms of food and festivals. Offering a wide array of dishes, there are some common food items (tortilla, paella and curd ham) which can be found throughout the country. The cultural identity of Seville is further denoted by outdoor activities which are hosted in the Seville national park are a treat for visitors across the country. Additionally, the tapas bars and restaurants of this city have an identity of their own. Seville considered itself as the 'tapas capital' of the world for a reason. The number of these tapas outlets is increasing with every passing year.





#### 6. Natural resources

Seville is one of the provinces in the Andalusia region and this entire region is filled up with natural resources. The natural resources of this region are scattered over all the different provinces. Seville being a prominent province is home to natural resources like copper, iron, lead and zinc. Apart from this, the land of this city is considered fertile which helps in growth of huge quantities of fruits like

oranges and grapes.



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## 7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

#### 7.1. Paid

#### 7.1.1. Alcázar

The inside of Seville Alcazar is simply magical and even though it was constructed during the dark ages of Europe, the design of the castle has nothing sad or dark about it. Declared as a World Heritage site in 1987, Alcazar was originally founded as a fort for the governors of Seville in 913. The building has stood through 11 centuries and during this tenure, it has been reconstructed a lot of times. Alcazar has large gardens which consist of pools and fountains and there is a raised gallery with porticoes which were fashioned long back during the 16th century. Don't miss out on the gardens which lie east beyond a long wall, which is considered heavenly by most of the visitors.

Address : Patio de Banderas, s/n, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41004

Location: 37.3830519, -5.990225699999996

Contact: +34954502324

Website: http://www.alcazarsevilla.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Puerta Jerez Bus Station

Entry Fee : General admission to the ground floor: €9.50 For Seniors and students (17 to 25 years old): €2 For Disabled and Seville resident, Children: Free admission Open & Close Timing : October to March: Daily 09:30hrs-17:00hrs April to

September-: Daily 09:30hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.2. Hospital los Venerables

Constructed in the 17th century, it was used as a medical center for aging priests. But now, the functionality of the building has completely changed and Hospital los Venerables houses the most admirable art collections in the entire town of Seville. The masterpieces here have been anchored by Diego Velaquez Santa Rufina and these art lessons are the best offered by the city. There is provision for audio commentary as well which helps the visitors revisit the changes that took place here. The commentary explains how the darkness from the medieval period

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transformed into the hardcore Velazquezian museum.

Address : Plaza Venerables, 8, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41004

Location: 37.38519, -5.990119999999933

Contact: +34954562696

Website: http://www.focus.abengoa.es/web/es/index.html

Nearest Public Transport : Plaza De la contratacion Bus station

Entry Fee : Adults: €5.50 Children: €2.75

Open & Close Timing : Daily 10:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.1.3. Catedral la Giralda

Touted as one of the largest Christian churches in the world, Catedral stands on the site of the 12th-century Almohad mosque while the minaret of the mosque which is known as the Giralda, stands beside in all the glory. The scale of Catedral is majestic and is one of the most awe-inspiring buildings to look at. After 100 years of strenuous labour, the church was completed by the year of 1502 and till today, in terms of volume, it is considered as the largest. The church is Igothic in every possible sense as the exterior of the cathedral has a ton of gothic embellishments whereas the southern and northern chapels hold abundant sculpture and paintings. Marvel at the tomb of Christopher Columbus which is located inside the Puerta del Principe renowned as Door of the prince.

Address : Av. de la Constitución, s/n, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41004

Location: 37.3861784, -5.992613699999993

Contact: +34902099692

Website: http://www.catedraldesevilla.es/

Nearest Public Transport : Plaza Nueva Light Rail Station

Entry Fee : Adults: €9 Reduced (pensioners, students below 25): €4 Children: Free

admission

Open & Close Timing: Monday: 11:00hrs-15:30hrs (16:30 to 18:00 free audio tour with advance booking in English and Spanish) Tuesday to Saturday: 11:00hrs-17:00hrs Sunday: 14:30hrs-18:00hrs

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Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.4. Metropole Parasole

Claiming to be the largest wooden building in the world, Metropol Parasol opened in 2011 and this honeycombed roof is supported by 5 massive pillars which depict the shape of a mushroom. Because of this shape, the locals also refer it as Las Setas de La Encarnacion' which means the mushrooms of Plaza de la Encarnacion. The Roman ruins have also been carefully inscribed into different parts of the building. The phase of construction of this building uncovered remains from the Roman Period spread in an open space of around 4879 square meters and this entire area is covered by a glass membrane. Have a birds-eye view of the city from level 2 and enjoy some mouth-watering dishes at the restaurant.

Address : Pl. de la Encarnación, s/n, 41003 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41003

Location: 37.3932394, -5.991848399999981

Contact: +34954561512

Website: http://setasdesevilla.com/

Nearest Public Transport : Campana (Sierpes) Bus Station

Entry Fee: €2 Residents born in Seville, disabled with a companion, and children below 16: Free admission

Open & Close Timing: Friday and Saturday: 10:00hrs-23:30hrs Sunday to

Thursday: 10:00hrs-23:00hrs Mirador and Arranged visits: 10:00hrs-22:00hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.5. Museum of Fine Arts

Seville s Museo de bellas Artes is one of the imperative structures of the city which depicts the pertinent role of this city during the Golden Age of the 17th century. The building is housed in the Convento de la Merced and the entire flow of this museum is chronological with prominently dark and religious work. The most pleasing room is the former convent s church and there are numerous paintings reflecting the work of masters of Sevillan Baroque. Other important artists and their works here include Murillo whose Inmaculada Conception

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Grande (painted in the year of 1650) is displayed at the head of the church. In addition to this, Pacheco and Zurbaran along with sculptor Juan Martinez Montanes s works are also on display here.

Address : Pl. del Museo, 9, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41001

Location: 37.3925026, -6.000022299999955

Contact : +34955542931

Website: http://www.juntadeandalucia.es/cultura/museos/MBASE/?lng=es

Nearest Public Transport : Monsalve Bus Station

Entry Fee: Entry fee: €1.50 European Union citizens with a valid ID proof: Free

admission

Open & Close Timing: 16th September to 15th June: 09:00hrs-20:30hrs Sunday

and Public holidays: 09:00hrs-15:30hrs Closed on Monday

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.6. Hospital de la Caridad

During the year of 1810, the hospital was occupied by Napolean stroops and used to be a hospital for aged people. Founded by Miguel de Manara, the main part of the building is the decorated chapel which contains an incessant amount of paintings by the Golden Age painters mostly belonging to Murillo and Roldan. As the building was occupied by the troops, a lot of paintings were stolen and they never returned to the original building. However, their duplicates were made and as of now, they occupy the place of the originals.

Address: Calle Temprado, 3, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41001

Location: 37.383909, -5.995636999999988

Contact: +34954223232

Website: http://www.santa-caridad.es/en/

Nearest Public Transport : Paseo Colon Bus station.

Entry Fee : Audio-Guided visits: Individual ticket: €5 Groups: €4 Cultural Associations and student group: €3.20 Guided tours (by appointment): Upstairs gallery: €12 Gregorian singing: €20

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Saturday: 09:00hrs-13:30hrs and

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15:30hrs-19:30hrs Sunday: 09:00hrs-13:00hrs and 15:30hrs-19:30hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.7. Centro de Interpretación Judería de Sevilla

Housed in the Santa Cruz quarter, this Jewish history museum runs through the events that transpired during the year of 1391 and in addition to this, there are some mementos which include the documents that have been preserved over the centuries. You will also find some books and costumes which date back to the same year. Guided tours are conducted when enough people are available for €22.

Address : Ximenez de Enciso, 22-Ac, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41004

Location: 37.3862784, -5.98898829999996

Contact: +34635719796

Website: http://www.juderiadesevilla.es/

Nearest Public Transport : Menedez Pelayo Bus Station

Entry Fee : Entry fee: €6.50 Students and Seville residents: €5

Open & Close Timing: Daily. 11:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.8. Casa de Pilatos

Labeled as the most beautiful mansion in the city, Casa de Pilatos is occupied by the ducal Medinaceli family and is considered haunted by most of the locals here. The mansion is a mixture of Gothic and Renaissance style and has some amazing tilework majorly on the stairway to the upper floor. The visit to the upper floor is allowed only under supervision because this floor is still occupied by the Medinaceli family. Amongst the artwork, you can find Medinaceli portraits which have been carried from centuries.

Address : Pl. de Pilatos, 1, 41003 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41003

Location: 37.3901688, -5.987085900000011

Contact: +34954225298

Website: http://www.fundacionmedinaceli.org/monumentos/pilatos/

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Nearest Public Transport : Aguilas (casa pilatos) Bus Station

Entry Fee : Complete house ticket (with a guided tour of the upper floor): €10 For

ground floor: €8 School groups: Ask for admission fees

Open & Close Timing : November to March: 09:00hrs-18:00hrs April to October:

09:00hrs-19:00hrs Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.1.9. Plaza de Toros

When in Spain, visit a bullring! This is one of those stadiums of Seville which is known for its famous bullfighting. Built in 1758, along with the bull-ring, the structure also houses a museum which means that on days when bullfighting does not take place, visitors can check out the museum and get a taste of the scenario. The museum is inspired by the bullfighting and contains related exhibits. The edifice holds a lot of religious significance for the fans as well because it is apparently the oldest ring in the entire country. The guided visits can help you in knowing the details of the entire structure as the tours take you through the ring and its museum at the same time.

Address : Paseo de Cristóbal Colón, 12, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41001

Location: 37.3859934, -5.998400500000002

Contact: +34954224577

Website: http://www.realmaestranza.com/

Nearest Public Transport : Paseo cristobal colon Bus Station

Entry Fee : Tours for adults: €8 For children between the ages of 0-6 years and 7-11 years: €3 Senior citizens: €3 Rates not applicable on Mondays from 15:00hrs-19:00hrs

Open & Close Timing: 1st November to 31st March: 09:30hrs-19:00hrs 1st April to 31st October: 09:30hrs-21:00hrs On bullfight days: 09:30hrs-15:00hrs Normal days: 09:30hrs-20:00hrs

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

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## 7.1.10. isla magica

Isla Magica is a one-stop destination for having fun and spending the day which is an abode to different sorts of water slides and rides. The park consists of a movie theater, magic shows which are extremely amusing for people and various activities that define entertainment and fun in the best possible way. If you visit Seville with your family and kids, it is a must-visit destination. There are so many adventure rides to choose from and each one of those rides can fill you with all the adrenaline. The park also houses shops and restaurants which imply that the visitors can have the best of their time.

Address : Isla de la Cartuja, Avenida de los Descubrimientos, s/n, 41092 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41092

Location: 37.4016989, -6.004294800000025

Contact: +34902161716

Website: http://www.islamagica.es/index.php

Nearest Public Transport : Jose de Galvez Bus station

Entry Fee : For complete day: Adults: €29 Child/Senior citizen: €21 Disabled: €13 Late: Adults: €20 Child/senior citizen: €15 Disabled: €10 Night: Adults: €11 Child/senior citizen: €11 Disabled- €10 For a Group: Full day (Isla Magica): All ages and Disabled for €20 and €13 respectively Full day (Isla Magica+Water): All ages and Disabled for €24 and €20 respectively

Open & Close Timing: Hours of operations vary depending on the day of the week/month. The park usually opens at 11:00hrs and closes anywhere around 00:00hrs depending on the day of the week. It is advisable to check the same once you finalize the day of visit.

Time Required : 6 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.11. Palacio de Lebrija

Covering an area of about 2000 square meters, the building is divided into 4 parts. Originally, Palacio de Lebrija was built as a manor house in the city of Seville. After the complete restoration of the structure, the Palace has reopened its rooms to the public. There are guided tours which take you through the length and breadth of the palace wherein you can see and admire the collection of Greek

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and Roman ruins.

Address : Calle Cuna, 8, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41004

Location: 37.3921206, -5.993937200000005

Contact: +34954227802

Website : http://palaciodelebrija.com/Visitas.html Nearest Public Transport : Campana Bus Station Entry Fee : Ground floor visit: €5 Both plants: €8

Open & Close Timing: Monday to Friday: 10:30hrs-19:30hrs Saturday and

Sunday: 10:00hrs-14:00hrs and 16:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.1.12. Museo del Baile Flamenco

The Flamenco Dance Museum allows you to get the insight into the magical world of Flamenco. The artists here always try to give out an experience which offers the best of singing, dancing, and instruments like guitar. The museum is heavily inspired by flamenco and at the museum and through their exhibitions, they try their best to incorporate the aesthetics of flamenco. Built in the 18th century on the foundations of an ancient Roman temple, it is perched at one of the highest points of the city. As the entire set-up is managed by experts who believe in putting in all the passion, visiting this museum is an experience of a lifetime.

Address: C/ Manuel Rojas Marcos, 3,, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41004

Location: 37.3889387, -5.991232299999999

Contact: +34954340311

Website: http://www.museoflamenco.com/

Nearest Public Transport : Jesus de las tres caidas Bus Station.

Entry Fee : Flamenco shows: Adults: €20 Students and Seniors: €14 Kids: Free admission Museum + show: Adults: €24 Students and seniors: €18 Children: €15

Visit the Museum: Adults: €10 Students and seniors: €8 Children: €6

Open & Close Timing: Daily 10:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required: 1



Buy Ticket: No

#### 7.1.13. Torre del Oro

Built in 1220, Torre del Oro or the Golden Tower is one of the most photographed landmarks of the city. Located close to the historic center of the city, it stands as a part of the city is defense walls and used to overlook the port and regulate its access. A long chain connected this golden tower with another tower in the city and would act as a hindrance and prevent the ships from entering the city. Nowadays, people love reaching the top of the tower as it offers breath-taking views of the river Guadalquivir. The tower is made up of Golden tiles and there is a naval museum inside the tower which spreads across various floors as well. Standing tall on the banks of the river, it is a popular tourist attraction of the city.

Address: Paseo de Cristobal Colon, 41001 Seville, Spain

Zipcode: 41001

Location: 37.38241300000001, -5.996489900000029

Contact: +34954222419

Website: http://www.exploreseville.com/sites.htm Nearest Public Transport: Paseo Colon Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: €2 Students: €1

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Friday: 10:00hrs-14:00hrs Saturday and Sunday: 11:00hrs-14:00hrs Closed on Monday and during the month of August

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

# 7.1.14. Centro Andaluz de Arte Contemporáneo

Created in the year of 1990, the center houses a permanent collection of contemporary art. The permanent collection here includes amazing pieces by Luis Gordillo, Rebecca Horn, Pablo Palazeulo, Joseph Kosuth amongst others. The collection here is keen on focussing on the history of contemporary Andalusian creativity. Apart from having an eyeful of the amazing collection, the visitors can check out the historical grounds of the former monastery. The monastery includes chapels of Santa Catalina and an old chain door along with the atrium. In addition, the center organizes a series of themed exhibitions pertaining to

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different aspects of the monastery.

Address : Avenida Américo Vespucio, 2, 41092 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41092

Location: 37.3985649, -6.007904100000019

Contact: +34955037070

Website: http://www.caac.es/

Nearest Public Transport : Americo Vespucio Bus Station

Entry Fee : Visit to the monument: €1.80 Complete visit: €3 Free entry: Tuesday

to Friday: 19:00hrs-21:00hrs Saturday: 11:00hrs-21:00hrs

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Saturday: 11:00hrs-21:00hrs Sunday:

10:00hrs-15:30hrs Monday Closed

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.1.15. Ramon Sanchez-Pizjuan Stadium

The official football stadium of Seville, Ramon Sanchez was the venue for the European Cup final which was held in the year of 1986 between Steaua Bucuresti and Barcelona. Constructed in the year if 1957, the stadium has a capacity of around 42,500 and usually referred to as the La Bombonera amongst the locals. Visit every corner of the stadium and live the Seville FC.

Address: Calle Sevilla Fútbol Club, s/n, 41005 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41005

Location: 37.3840655, -5.970690200000035

Contact: +34902510011

Website: http://www.sevillafc.es/

Nearest Public Transport : Luis de Morales (Est. Sánchez Pizjuán) Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: €10 Subscribers admission: €5 Under 5: Free admission

Groups (Minimum 15 people): €6 School groups: €4

Open & Close Timing : Friday: 16:30hrs, 17:30hrs, 18:30hrs Saturday: 10:30hrs,

11:30hrs, 12:30hrs

Time Required: 1.5

Buy Ticket: No



#### **7.2. Free**

## 7.2.1. Parque de Maria Luisa

One of the best options to get away from the hustle and bustle of the city, Parque de Maria Luisa is a delightful place to visit. With duck ponds and paths carved under the cooling shade of the trees, it is an ideal picnic spot with amazing ambiance and frequently visited by the locals. The park has a variety of sites to offer and the fountains and mini-canals render it into a complete picturesque picnic spot. The southern end of the park hosts The Museo Arquelogico which is an amazing repository of Roman sculptures. It is an excellent place for children as well as it is wide and open wherein the kids can play and run around. Even though the entry is free of charge, the goodies offered inside are not. The visitors can have quad-bikes to roam around the park conveniently but they are charged at  $\P \in \mathbb{R}$  for 30 minutes.

Address : Calle de los Patos, 41013 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41013

Location: 37.3746674, -5.988678700000037

Contact: +34955471232

Nearest Public Transport : Paseo las delicias Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Daily 08:00hrs-00:00hrs

Time Required : 2.5 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.2. Museo Del Castillo De San Jorge

Castillo de San Jorge is an abode to the terrible yet important history of the bloody period of the religious persecution. It is infamous in Seville because this was the place where the inquisition court held its first ever council in 1482 and induced fear and terror for more than 300 years. Marvel at the classic architecture that has been preserved and also the excavation site that has uncovered the ruins of the castle.

Address : Plaza del Altozano, s/n, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41001

Location: 37.38567800000001, -6.003111999999987

Contact: +34954332240

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Nearest Public Transport : San Jorge Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Sunday: 10:00hrs-13:30hrs & 17:00hrs-19:30hrs

Closed on Monday Time Required : I Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.3. Basílica de la Macarena

Home of the most revered virgin in Seville, this basilica gives the best impression of the zeal inspired by the Semana Santa. The highlight of this basilica is the statue which was gifted or donated by the famous matador of the 20th century, Joselito El Gallo, known as the Macarena Virgin of Hope adorned with a golden crown along with lavish vestments like five-diamond and emerald brooches. The church also houses a museum which has been recently renovated to accommodate visitors and contains an imperative aspect of the iconography. Opposite to the church is building is Seville is 12th-century Almohad walls which is the longest surviving stretch as well. The entry to the church is free of charge but the visitor needs to pay if for checking out the museum.

Address : Calle Bécquer, 1-3, 41002 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41002

Location: 37.4025575, -5.989416900000037

Contact: +34954901800

Website: http://www.hermandaddelamacarena.es/

Nearest Public Transport : Parlamento de andalucia Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Basilica Y Tesoro: 15th September to 31st May:-09:00hrs-14:00hrs and 17:00hrs-21:00hrs Eves: 09:00hrs-14:00hrs and 17:00hrs-21:00hrs Sundays and holidays: 09:30hrs-14:00hrs and 17:00hrs-21:00hrs 1st June to 14th September: Monday to Saturday: 09:30hrs-14:30hrs and 18:00-21:00hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.4. Plaza de España

Plaza de Espana is one of the most magnificent buildings and its fountains and minicanals are the highlights of this place. The brick and tile confection which

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prominently includes Seville tile work is simply a treat for the eyes. The visitors can even hire row boats to ply through the canals in order to gather a comprehensive view of the entire place. Please note that the row boats can only be hired after paying a minimal price of **[**€5.

Address : Av de Isabel la Católica, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41004

Location: 37.37719569999999, -5.98689300000009

Website : http://www.andalucia.org/es/turismo-cultural/visitas/sevilla/otras-

visitas/plaza-de-espana-2/

Nearest Public Transport : Avenida La Borbolla Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24 hours

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.5. Plaza del Salvador

Tagged as one of the liveliest squares of Seville, Plaza del Salvador contains some of the most popular bars in the area and is thronged by tourists as well as locals. Previously, the plaza used to the forum of Roman Hispalis, however, now the area is dominated by a big church Parroquia del Divino Salvador built between the years of 1674 and 1712. Head to this square to take in a slice of traditional Sevillian unwinding.

Address: Pl. del Salvador, 41004, Sevilla, Spain.

Zipcode: 41004

Location: 37.3900436, -5.993137700000034

Nearest Public Transport : Villegas (pza. El Salvador) Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.6. Torre Schindler

Torre Schindler was originally built as an observation tower so as to keep a strict vigil during the 1992 expo. Later, this tower was added to the El Pabellon de la Navegacion in 2012 which is commonly known as the navigation museum. Rising up to 65 meters, it has 18 floors and is accessible by lifts that raise you in 24

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seconds to the topmost terrace. While in Seville, do visit this tower to get beautiful views of the river Guadalquivir as well as the city.

Address : Edificio Torre Shindler I Cartuja, 1, 41092 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41092

Location: 37.3933287, -6.007147099999999

Nearest Public Transport : Inca Garcilaso Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: April to October: 09:00hrs-19:00hrs November to March:

09:00hrs-18:00hrs Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.7. Archivo de Indias

Situated next to the Cathedral, this building is a reservoir of documents and maps pertaining to the Indies and houses Spain's entire history from the 16th, 17th and 18th century. The documentation provides the entire historical view of the mighty Spanish empire. As the documents and maps are open to the general public, there are frequent exhibitions and the documents are extremely handy for the purpose of research as well. The gallery on the ground floor has a bronze canon built in 1616 which has a rich background. In addition, the two-storey building has plenty of public spaces. In the upper part of the building, the visitor can view maps dating back to the 17th century of different Spanish colonies.

Address : Av. de la Constitución, s/n, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41004

Location: 37.3849027, -5.993094499999984

Contact: +34954500528

Nearest Public Transport : Plaza de la Contratacion Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Saturday: 09:30hrs-17:00hrs Sunday:

10:00hrs-14:00hrs Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.8. Chapel of San Jose

Declared as Bien de Interes Cultural in the year of 1912, Chapel of San Jose is considered as the jewel of Sevillian Baroque. The chapel houses representation of

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Santa Justa and Santa Rufina who are considered as the patron saints of this city. Apart from this, interesting items like the Flemish paintings and neoclassical reredos are the highlights of this place. The glass windows of the chapel combine antiquity and modernity in the best possible way. Out of these, the most pertinent belongs to the year of 1479 and the year of 1932 witnessed the most recent one.

Address : Calle Jovellanos, 10, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41001

Location: 37.38999, -5.9950000000000004

Website: https://arecasanjose.com/

Nearest Public Transport: Francisco Bruna Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Winter: 09:00hrs-12:45hrs and 18:00hrs-20:00hrs Summer: 09:00hrs-12:45hrs and 19:00hrs-21:00hrs Mass schedule: Winter: 10:00hrs, 11:00hrs, 12:00hrs, 19:00hrs Summer: 10:00hrs, 11:00hrs, 12:00hrs and 20:00hrs Guided Visits: Fridays and Saturdays: Summer hours: 21:00hrs Winter hours: 20:00hrs Saturday

and Sunday: 13:00hrs Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.9. Calle Sierpes

A favorite among foreigners and residents of Seville, Calla Sierpes is located in the heart of the city and jam-packed with bars, cafes, shops, and shopping malls as well as recreation facilities. Head here in your leisure time to fill your bags and explore the area.

Address : Calle Sierpes, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode : 41004

Location: 37.3909294, -5.9945118

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.10. Nervión Plaza

A commercial shopping complex, Nervión Plaza is a frequented shopping destination in Seville. A large number of chain stores, food joints, and a cinema with 20 screens is housed here to ensure an amazing time for you.

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Address : Calle Luis de Morales, 3, 41005 Sevilla, Spain

Zipcode: 41005

Location: 37.384137, -5.972169

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No



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## 8. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

The people of Seville love playing sports throughout the year. Soccer, Basketball, Golf are some of the common sports which are played in the city. Apart from these, the people here love indulging in water sports and cycling as well.

## • Estadio de La Cartuja:

Address : Isla de la Cartuja, 41092 Sevilla, Spa

Location: 37.4171707,-6.004632300000026

Contact No : +34954489400

Website: http://estadiocartuja.es/estadio/

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## 9. Spas and relaxation

Trip to this beautiful city cannot be completed if you have not visited the authentic spas here. A lot of hotels have spa facilities and visiting them can reduce a lot of stress and fatigue that comes with travelling to a new country. Moreover, there are so many options to choose from that the visitors have all the chances to rejuvenate their mind, body and soul.

## • Aire De Sevilla:

Address : Calle Aire, 15, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3878217,-5.990049799999952

Contact No: +34 955 01 00 24

Website: http://www.airedesevilla.com/

## Agua y Salud:

Address : Virgen De Robledo, 1, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3740817,-5.994873600000005

Contact No: +34 954 28 43 49

Website : http://www.aguaysalud.com/

## H2O Balnearios:

Address : Calle Dr. Pedro de Castro, 1, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3780668,-5.983410100000015

Contact No: +34 954 87 08 06

Website: http://h2obalneario.com/

# • Hotel Bécquer Sevilla:

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Address : Calle Reyes Católicos, 4, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.38903790000001,-6.0000201999999945

Contact No: +34 954 22 89 00

Website: http://www.hotelbecquer.com/

# Hispalis Float Center:

Address : Avenida Flota de Indias, 24, Local II, 41011 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3716599999999,-6.0021799999993

Contact No : +34 955 32 18 27

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#### 10. Events calendar

#### **Month**

# **Events Three Kings Festival**

Three Kings Parade is an integral part as the parade has been held every year since the year of 1918. During the festival, the streets are filled with carriages and this festival denotes color and display of light.

Dia de Andalucia

Celebrated on 28th February, this festival commemorates the 28th February 1980 referendum regarding the statute of Autonomy of Andalucia. Holy Week

Known as semana santa in Seville, it is considered as one of the biggest festivals of Seville. Celebrated in week before the Easter, the festival includes procession of pasos. The Seville Fair

Held in the Andalusian capital of Seville, the fair begin two weeks after Semana santa and includes



parade of carriages and riders along with other events.

Labors day

Like many other cities, Seville celebrates labour day on the 1st of May. During this event, most of the major shops are closed and restaurants run extremely busy.

Corpus Christi

A bank holiday in Seville, this festival entails religious procession around The Cathedral.
Vela de Santa Ana

Celebrated between 21st and 26th July, this day is considered as a religious holiday of the Patron Virgin and is marked with a festive character.
Assumption day

Being a religious day, it is marked by a holiday. There is a religious procession which takes place at 08:00hrs in the Plaza del triunto.
Columbus day

Being a national holiday, the day is celebrated by the locals by

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visiting their favourite restaurants and spending the evening with the loved ones. All saints day

The shops are usually closed as it is a holiday. There are market displays all over the town.

New Year's Eve

There are a lot of festivals taking place during December in Seville. One of the events taking place on this eve is a Flamenco show which includes special performances as well.

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## 11. Key local guides and tours

Monuments free tour- There are a lot of tour operators working in Seville and this is why there are plenty of tours to choose from. All the tours hold their share of importance while the monuments free tour is one of its kind. The best part about this tour is that it is free of cost and it runs for 365 days in a year. The duration is around 2.5 hours and the tour starts from 11:00hrs each day. Dealing with history of Seville, the tour covers Cathedral and Giralda. In addition, Puerta de jerez, Plaza de espana, Statue of El cid are some of the places amongst others. The refreshments are obviously not free and the tour operators leave it up to the participants to decide the value of the entire tour. Jewish Quarter Tour-Jewish Quarter Seville Tour takes you through the oldest parts of the city. The tour also gives notes on history of Seville before the year of 1492. The tour covers alcazar, Old jewish quarter, Roman columns and El Salvador church amongst others. The prices for this tour are €8 for adults whereas for kids between the age of 0-12 can avail the tour for free. The timings for the tour are different depending on the kind of month. From the month of October to March, the tour starts from 16:00hrs whereas from April to September, it starts from 18:00hrs. The starting point for the tour is the fountain which is located next to the Giralda tower.

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## 12. Transportation hubs

There are two main bus stations in the city of Seville. Both the stations- Prado de San Sebastian (37.380917, -5.986937) and Plaza de Armas (37.391948, -6.003964), are located in the centre of the city in order to ensure convenience for the locals and visitors. San Sebastian is the older among the two bus stations. It is situated within a typical Seville- yellow colored building which has high ceilings. The bus station is easily accessible by tram and metro line. Offering long-distance bus services to cities like Barcelona, Cartagena and Murcia the buses from San Sebastian cater to numerous other destination in Andalucia. Whereas, the Plaza de Armas is the one with a moder touch and is located by the river in old town of Seville. Housed in a square building made up of white concrete, buses travelling from this bus station reach out to Huelva and Costa de la Luz which falls within the Andalucian region. The buses travel to Madrid, Barcelona Alicante and different villages which are situated to the north and west of the city. Being the sixth busiest international airport catering to Western Andalusia and neighbouring provinces, the airport has flight connection to 42 different destinations. This destinations cover Europe and northern part of Africa.

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## 13. Transportation cost

Bus tickets cost 1.4 euros per trip. But there is a better option to travel within the city. If the individual buys a Tarjeta Multiviaje, which is a plastic card which has a minimum price of seven Euros. The card is rechargeable and can be recharged from kiosks and estancos. The tram starts from the centre of the city and covers around 1.4 kilomteres. The user can buy a ticket which starts from 1.2 euros and this ticket can be bought from any station or the ticket machines on the platform.



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# 14. Baggage allowance

While using public transport for travelling in and around the city, there are (usually) no extra charges for carrying extra baggage. But please be cautious enough to take a private taxi or cab if you are planning to carry a lot of luggage.



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## 15. Must try food and local savouries

In terms of food, there is no dearth of specialities in the town of Seville. The city offers different types of cuisines which should not be missed at any cost. For instance, the torrijas served in some restaurants here is impeccable and it is difficult to find the same preparation in other towns. Talking about desserts, banana toffee and blueberry cream cake deserve to be tasted every single time you

visit the city.



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# 16. Restaurant & Nightlife

There is almost an assortment of different restaurants offered by Seville. The self-proclaimed tapas capital of the world has a lot of amazing eateries to offer. The number is so generous that you can live in this city for years and still be ignorant about some of the restaurants here. With so many tapas bars, it is always a difficult decision to choose one for spending your time. It is almost improbable to compete with Seville when it comes to food. This is the kind of scale Seville offers when it comes to the gastronomical scenario.

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# La Brunilda Tapas:

Address : Calle Galera, 5, 41002 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3883325,-5.999426900000003

Contact No: +34 954 22 04 81

Website: http://www.labrunildatapas.com/carta/

Open / Close Time : Tuesday to Saturday:- 13:00hrs-16:00hrs and

20:30hrs-23:30hrs. Sunday:-13:00hrs-16:00hrs Closed on Monday.

### La Cacharreria:

Address : Calle Regina, 14, 41003 Sevilla, Spain

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Location: 37.39475460000001,-5.991471600000068

Contact No : +34 954 21 21 66

Website: http://lacacharreriadesevilla.blogspot.in/

Open / Close Time : Monday to Wednesday:- 08:30hrs-22:30hrs.

Thursday:- 08:30hrs-02:00hrs

#### La Azotea:

Address : Calle Jesús del Gran Poder, 31, 41002 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3960118,-5.9957527000000255

Contact No: +34 955 11 67 48

Website: http://laazoteasevilla.com/

Open / Close Time: Closed on Sunday and Monday Tuesday to

Saturday:- 13:30hrs-16:30hrs and 20:30hrs-00:00hrs.

### Nazca:

Address: Calle Baños, 32, 41002 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.395335,-5.998694500000056

Contact No: +34 955 22 67 28

Website: https://www.facebook.com/NazcaTapas/about/?tab=overview Open / Close Time: Monday to Wednesday:- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs and 20:30hrs-00:00hrs. Thursday to Saturday:- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs and 20:30hrs-00:30hrs. Sunday- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs and 20:30hrs-00:00hrs.

### • El Rinconcillo:

Address : Calle Gerona, 40, 41003 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3933599,-5.988297500000044

Contact No: +34 954 22 31 83

Website: http://www.elrinconcillo.es/

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Open / Close Time : Daily 13:00hrs- 01:30hrs.

#### Albarama:

Address : Pl. de S. Francisco, 5, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3885722,-5.993849599999996

Contact No : +34 954 22 97 84

Website: http://www.restaurantealbarama.com/

Open / Close Time : Daily 13:00hrs-16:15hrs and 20:15hrs-23:45hrs.

#### • Eslava:

Address: Calle Eslava, 3, 41002 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3975854,-5.9971054000000095

Contact No: +34 954 90 65 68

Website: http://www.espacioeslava.com/

Open / Close Time : Tuesday to Saturday - 12:30hrs-24:00hrs Sunday-

12:30hrs-16:00hrs Monday closed

### Vinería San Telmo:

Address : Paseo de Catalina de Ribera, 4, 41004 Sevilla, Spain

Location: 37.3854496,-5.986610400000018

Contact No : +34 954 41 06 00

Website: http://vineriasantelmo.com/index.php/en/

Open / Close Time : Daily 13:00hrs-16:30hrs and 20:00hrs-24:00hrs.

# • Enrique Becerra Restaurant:

Address: Calle Gamazo, 2, 41001 Sevilla, Spain

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Location: 37.3876298,-5.99581979999936

Contact No : +34 954 21 30 49

Website: http://enriquebecerra.com/es/

Open / Close Time : Daily 13:00hrs-16:30hrs and 20:00hrs-24:00hrs.



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# 17. Average meal cost

The city of Seville is renowned for their tapas bars and restaurants. With plenty of options to eat and drink, the cost remains an effective instrument in deciding the average of a meal or drink. Average cost of a meal is around  $\in 8$  whereas the average cost of a drink in this city is around  $\in 3$ .



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# 18. Shopping

The city of Seville can offer a lot when it comes to shopping. Even though the restaurants here are famous for their preparations, there are some shops in the city which should be visited by every single traveller. These shops offer unique goods which are a little difficult to avail from stores of other cities.



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#### 19. Tourist benefits

If you end up purchasing products in Seville, while you are not a resident of European Union, you can save up to 21 percent of the shopping amount. But to avail this tax rebate of 21 percent, you need to have total bill of more than €90.15 which also acts as a proof for claiming the refund. To avail this benefit, all you are required to do is look for stores with tax free shopping signboard, get the VAT reimbursement receipt from the store at the time of your purchase, fill it out carefully and get it stamped from the customs authorities on your final departure. Global Refund is the most common in the country. Kindly note, there is no refund without completed forms, receipts attached and customs validation. If the bill is in accordance, you can enjoy Tax Free shopping. However, this is not applicable on restaurant and hotel bills.

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## 20. Essential local apps

Sevilla app- Sevilla Tourism app is the official mobile application offered by the tourism department of Seville. Incorporating all the necessary info to ensure a convenient stay the app renders detailed info regarding the main attractions of the Seville. The applications also gives out information regarding dining places, thematic tours and calendar stating all the events taking place in the city. The 'around me' feature of the app release info regarding all the significant places and dining places in the vicinity. The highlight of the app offers detailed and exclusive info regarding the city's most prominent monuments such as the cathedral and the Archivo de Indias.

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# 21. Driving

For all the tourists or visitors planning to drive around in Seville, the individual needs to be in possession of a valid international driving permit along with legitimate driving license. If you are caught driving a vehicle without your permit and license, you might have to fill in a heavy fine.



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### 22. Travel essentials

In Seville, the electric power comes in at 220 volts and at 50 Hertz. These specifications can be found throughout Europe but in North America, the specification differ a little. So, if you are coming in from North America or any other country/continent, it is advisable to take a charger which can manage the power at 220 volts so that you can charge your phones and laptops. Although most of the charger are able to convert from one to another standard charger, still, it is advisable to carry a standard travel adapter plug.



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# 24. Local currency

Euro is the official currency here and 1 euro equals to 1,12 USD.



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# 25. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

The government has regulations in place which implies that every user who swaps an ATM card which does not belong to their network, will have to incur \$5 withdrawal charge and this will be charged on every transaction. Try using partner ATMs to avoid this charge.



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# 26. Staying connected

You always have an option of browsing the airport for locating a phone shop. But many a times, the airports offer expensive phones and they might not have sim cards from the telecom operators. Whereas malls in the city have a lot of stores which offer cheap cell phone and unlocked cell phones as well. You can probably try buying one from The Phone Shop (37.381969, -6.007282) and avail an unlocked phone or a cheap new sim. Of course, you will always have to provide with valid

identity proofs

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# 27. Time Zone

Seville falls within the central European time zone UTC+01:00



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# 28. Languages

Spanish is the prominent language spoken in the city of Seville. Almost everyone speaks Spanish but at the same time, the Sevillanos speak the same language in a very different accent which is a little hard to comprehend at times. The reason behind this is the usage of the local sevillano words which are added to the regular language by the locals as the communicate with each other. It is often said that if you can understand the Spanish spoken by people in Seville, it is easier for you to understand Spanish in any part of the world.

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### 29. Political Scenario

Seville is among the 52 electoral district which are used for the Spanish congree of Deputies meaning the lower chamber of the Parliament. Seville is also the fourth largest district in terms of electorate and it is the largest municipality as it has a total of 547,000 voters wherein the total voters stand at 1469,000.



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### 30. Economic Scenario

Being the most populated city in the southern part of Spain, Seville has the largest Gross domestic product in Andalusia. This accounts for one quarter of total region. A lot of municipalities within the metropolitan area are dependent on the economy of this city in one way or the other. It is a little difficult to detach the economic activity of Seville from its geographical counterpart.



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# 31. Religious belief

During the year of 2011, the eastern part of Seville experienced a lot of change in terms of population of non-religious and non-Christians. If we Analyse the religious affiliation of the population of Seville – taking note of the eastern part of Seville in the year of 2011compared to Yarra Ranges Council area indicates that there was a kindred proportion of people who adhered to a particular religion and a higher proportion who informed that they had no allegiance with any or any specific religion. The analyses revealed that around 55.9% of the population nominated a religion, and 35.1% said they had no religion, compared with 56.2% and 33.8% respectively for Yarra Ranges Council area. The largest single religion in Seville – Seville East was Western (Roman) Catholic, with 20.8% of the population or 668 people as adherents.

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## 32. Visa requirements

The individual's passport needs to have at least two blank pages and in addition to this, a copy of the ticket reservation is also necessary. Schengen travel insurance of a minimum 30,000€ which provides coverage within the entire country and area that falls under the Schengen. After you complete the formalities associated with obtaining a visa, you can have the permission of the Government for travelling to Barcelona. Depending on the purpose of your visit, you will have to submit documents accordingly in order to obtain the specific type of Visa.

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### 33. Essential vaccination

Travellers need to ensure that they are up-to date on routine vaccines before they commence their trip to Barcelona. You should pay a visit to your General Practioner and ask about the kind of vaccines you require. As such there are no specific vaccines you need to take before visiting the capital of Spain.



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### 34. Theft and Safety

Seville is primarily a safe city and there is not much of crime to witness on a daily basis. There is no denial about the fact that there is a little crime in the country but there is nothing really serious that every traveller needs to know about. Around the metro or train stations of the big cities you need to be aware of pickpockets because tourists are a soft target for initialising such a theft. Even during the events and festivals, tourists need to be aware of pickpocket scam artists in order to ensure a satisfactory stay.

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## 35. Embassy/Consulate

Seville has become a famous tourist destination for people around the globe. The city is thronged with visitors across the globe and the number reaches into thousands. As people from different countries started pouring in, that is why, a lot of countries have their foreign embassies here in order to ensure that their natives have a trouble free stay here. So that their countrymen can enjoy this beautiful city with all the support of their own government.



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# 36. Accessibility

In Seville, the government is trying to improve the tourist experience of all the handicap able tourists. Because of the rich history associated with the past of this city, there are a lot of museums and monuments here. The government and tourism department of Seville is trying its best to ensure that these public places have good accessibility when it comes to handicap able people. Some of the European cities even have a one-hundred percent accessible transport system. But in case of Seville, the city is constantly improving its accessibility infrastructure to ensure a smooth stay for people with disabilities.





# 37. Emergencies

The medical system of Seville is apt enough to accommodate a large number of patients. Anyone who is visiting Seville does not really need to worry about the medical infrastructure as the city has some decent hospitals and medical care units which are equipped with state of the art techniques and machinery. Hospital Victoria Eugenia is one of the major hospital in the city and there is a good possibility that a renowned hospital can accept overseas medical insurance policy as well. Emergency Numbers- Emergency- 112 Ambulance- 061 National Police- 091 Fire- 080 Local Police- 092

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### 38. Do's and Don'ts

Do's--Try to access free public wi-fi at public transport junctions. It will help you save on your mobile phone's data bill. -Make sure you buy and use a local sim card (orange) in order to save on your phone bills because roaming charges are exorbitant to say the least. Don'ts--Try to avoid carrying a lot of luggage if you are using public transport. This might cause inconvenience for other users. In case you have a lot of luggage, it is always advisable to book a cab which is ready available in Seville. - Try availing a similar network ATM card for withdrawing money. This will help you save the charges levied by Financial vendors.





## 39. Tipping basics

The Gastronomical scenario of this city is overwhelming. There are so many amazing restaurants to cover that it gets a little difficult to visit each eating joint and this is true for people who have been staying in the city for years. So in such a city where food means passion, visitors need to aware about the amount of tip they give in the restaurants. The tipping amount for obvious reasons depend on the place you are dining in. For upscale restaurants, it is advisable to give a tip equivalent to 10-15 percent of the billing amount. In a budget restaurant, it is advisable to round up the bill and if you end up liking the food and the service, you can be a little generous by throwing in extra 2-3 Euros.

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#### 40.Pet info

There are a lot of regulations to be followed if you are planning to move to or visit Seville along with your pet. You need to make sure that you carry all the correct papers, not only for Seville but for all the cities you are going to pass through. Dogs, cats and ferrets need to have a microchip in place or the pets need to have a registration number tattooed in an ear before they set foot in Seville. The regulations are strict and if you are not from the UK, you need to have a proof that your pet has been vaccinated against rabies before coming to Spain.



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## Conclusion - Why to select this destination

Seville is a beautiful city that so much to offer. Visitors have a wide option of choosing from adventure sports to the kind of events which fill up the entire city with zest and fervour. Then there are myriads of festivals which take place in the city and every single festival is celebrated by people like there is no tomorrow. The people here are spirited and like to indulge in all the customs and traditions of a particular festival. The visitors can visit this city during any part of the year and still have festivals to celebrate with the locals. This gives an authentic touch to entire trip because during festivals, the entire city with its residents emerges in a 'never seen before' manner. Seville is known as the selfproclaimed capital of Tapas bars and restaurants. There are innumerable tapas eating and drinking joints and most of the eateries have their own special dishes and preparations. It is simply a delight to check out the specialities as the chefs here take great pride in mixing the authentic andalucian cuisine with a modern touch. In addition to food and festivals, like most of the other Spanish cities, Seville is also huge on Football. The football players of this part of the country are adored and revered. The stadiums here are dedicated to individual players and the venues wherein these football matches are played hold an emotional value in the minds of the native people. Last but not the least, Seville has a rich history which the Government and the tourism department of this city have tried to preserve in the best possible way. The monuments and the museums here offer an insight into the great artists who owe their origin to this land. The museums have been maintained tastefully and they are also a source of revenue for the government. From free tours to skydiving, Seville will keep you busy during the day and night. There is so much to do in this city for every one that visiting this beautiful city is an experience in its own with the place having an apt amount of potential to turn your yearly holiday into a memorable trip.

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