

Spain – Barcelona, Seville & Málaga

A 9-day loop through Barcelona, Seville and Málaga. Think warm evenings, rooftop views, tapas, late breakfasts and a good mix of exploring and downtime.

Day 1 – Arrive in Barcelona

- Arrive in Barcelona and check into a central hotel in Eixample or the Gothic Quarter.
- Stretch your legs with a gentle walk through the Gothic Quarter and along La Rambla.
- Early dinner of simple tapas near El Born and an early night to reset.

Day 2 – Gaudí & Rooftops

- Morning visit to Sagrada Família with pre-booked timed tickets.
- Stroll Passeig de Gràcia to see Casa Batlló and La Pedrera from the outside (or tour one).
- Late afternoon rooftop drink with views over the city.
- Casual dinner in El Born – tapas, shared plates and dessert.

Day 3 – Markets & Beach Walk

- Slow breakfast at a café.
- Visit La Boqueria market for fruit, snacks and people-watching.
- Optional visit to Parc Güell or a relaxed walk along Barceloneta beach.
- Evening train or short flight to Seville; check into hotel near the historic centre.

Day 4 – Seville Old Town

- Morning visit to Seville Cathedral and climb the Giralda tower for city views.
- Wander the Santa Cruz neighbourhood – narrow streets, patios and orange trees.
- Siesta or pool time back at the hotel.
- Tapas crawl for dinner, moving between a few classic bars.

Day 5 – Alcázar & Flamenco

- Tour the Real Alcázar with its gardens and tiled rooms.
- Light lunch in a shaded courtyard.
- Late afternoon free time for shopping or photography.
- Evening flamenco show in an intimate venue (not a huge tourist theatre).

Day 6 – Train to Málaga & Seafront Stroll

- Morning train from Seville to Málaga (around 2.5 hours).
- Check into a hotel near the historic centre or port.
- Explore the old town: Plaza de la Constitución, Calle Larios and side streets.
- Golden-hour stroll along the waterfront and dinner by the harbour.

Day 7 – Art, Views & Beach

- Visit the Picasso Museum or Centre Pompidou Málaga.
- Walk or take the lift up to Gibralfaro Castle for views over the city and port.
- Afternoon at the beach with sunbeds, books and snacks.
- Dinner at a chiringuito (beach restaurant) with non-seafood options for Jessica.

Day 8 – Day Trip or Free Day

- Optional day trip to a nearby white village like Frigiliana, or to Ronda for dramatic cliffs and a bridge.
- If you prefer to stay put: coffee, shopping and relaxed wandering in Málaga.
- Pack up, enjoy a final Spanish dinner and talk about favourite moments.

Day 9 – Departure

- Breakfast, last walk through the old town and transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Why this trip fits your answers

- You like the idea of warm cities that feel alive but not overwhelming.
- Food is a big part of the experience for you, and Spain delivers without being fussy.
- You wanted a mix of culture, atmosphere and time to relax – not a hyper-scheduled tour.
- Short hops by train or plane keep things interesting without constant travel days.
- This trip gives you easy photo moments and lots of 'sit, sip, and watch the world' time.