

CORDOBA-SEVILLA-GRANADA PRE CONGRESS TOUR SCHEDULE

18 August: Madrid-Cordoba-Sevilla

*Bus departure from Madrid city center to Cordoba. Estimated departure time: 08.00 (further details to be delivered at the end of June)

*Lunch in Cordoba

*Cordoba: Guided tour of the City.

*Bus departure to Sevilla

*Check in Hotel.

*Evening free

*Overnight in Sevilla

19 August: Sevilla

*Breakfast

*Seville: Guided tour of the city

*Lunch.

*Afternoon and evening free

*Overnight in Seville

20 August: Sevilla - Granada

*Breakfast

*Bus departure to Granada

*Check in Hotel.

*Afternoon free

*Granada: guided tour of the Alhambra and Generalife Garden

*Dinner

*Overnight in Granada

21 August: Granada - Madrid

*Breakfast

*Bus departure to Madrid

*Arrival to Madrid (Palacio Municipal de Congresos to register to the congress). Estimated arrival time: 14.00

Tour includes:

Transportation in deluxe motor coach

English/Spanish speaking accompanying tour guide

English/Spanish speaking local guides when applicable.

Entrance to Museums and Monuments where applicable.

Overnight in 3 /4 star hotels

Meals as mentioned

Tour does not include:

Pick up from and to the Hotel booked by each participant during the Congress

Carrying of the luggage from the bus to the room in each hotel

General Terms:

The Organization reserves the right to cancel or modify the tour programme if a minimum participation of 25 people is not reached or under certain circumstances that may occur beyond the control of the organizers.

Hotel check-out: noon (12.00 am) the day of departure.

Hotel pick/up drop not included

Hotel porters not included

CORDOBA



Situated deep in Andalusian Autonomous Region, **Cordoba** is a compendium of history and modernity. This ancient city, which has been declared **World Heritage Site**, is a living legacy of the diverse cultures that settled in it throughout history.

Very few places in the world can boast of having been the capital of Hispania Ulterior under the **Roman Empire**, and the capital of the **Umayyad Caliphate**. Such splendour is palpable in the intellectual wealth of this centre of wisdom and knowledge that has seen the birth of figures like **Seneca, Averroes and Maimonides**.

To take a stroll through the historic quarter of Cordoba is to discover a beautiful network of small streets, alleys, squares and whitewashed courtyards arranged around the **Mosque-Cathedral**, which reflects the importance of the city during medieval times and which is a real symbol of the capital.



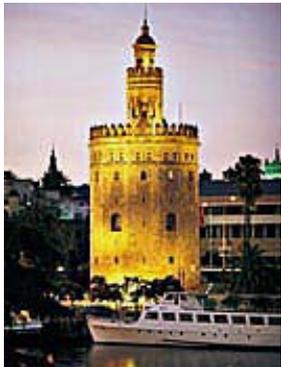
SEVILLE



Built on the banks of the Guadalquivir River, Seville is heir to a rich **Arab legacy**, and to the condition of being a prosperous **trading port** with the Americas.

Every street and square that makes up the historic quarter of the Andalusian capital bursts with joy and bustle. This area has an interesting collection of historic buildings, many of which have been declared **World Heritage Sites**, and also contains colourful districts with great popular flavour, such as **Triana** and **La Macarena**.

Seville is a remarkable southern business and service centre, having many **hotel** distributed all over the city allowing the visitor to discover the many attractions the city holds. **Museums**, arts centres, **theme parks**, cinemas, theatres, and banquet halls are only a few of the endless possibilities that a great city like Seville affords. And the numerous terraces, pubs and bars should not be forgotten because they are where one of the most deeply-rooted of all traditions of the city is carried out: the **“tapeo”**.



GRANADA



At the foot of Sierra Nevada, between the Darro and Genil rivers, lies one of the most interesting cities in **eastern Andalusia**. An impressive Andalusian legacy meets architectural gems from the Renaissance and the most modern facilities, typical of the 21st century.

Because it was the last city reconquered by the **Catholic Monarchs** in 1492, Granada has an unmistakable Arab flavour. Its cuisine, crafts and urban layout are a consequence of the city's glorious history. Fountains, viewpoints and Cármenes, the villas surrounded by gardens typical of the city, add to Granada's unforgettable charm. Not in vain was one of its oldest districts, the Albaicin, declared a **World Heritage Site**, together with the Alhambra and the Generalife. An important cultural centre for centuries, both during Muslim and Christian rule, nowadays the city boasts an enviable **calendar of cultural and leisure events**. Music, cinema and theatre seasons and festivals are listed, along with permanent and temporary exhibitions ranging over all fields of knowledge. Old Renaissance palaces are home to seminars, conferences and debates, while the most **innovative infrastructures** are ready for the bigger events.

