



Seville, Cordoba and Granada by Rail

6 Night Rail Tour

Uncover the timeless charm of southern Spain on this elegant six night rail journey through Andalucia.

Explore three of the region's most captivating cities: Seville, Cordoba, and Granada - where Moorish palaces, vibrant old quarters, and lively tapas bars bring history to life. From the soaring beauty of the Seville Cathedral to the tranquil courtyards of Cordoba and the romantic grandeur of the Alhambra, each stop reveals a different side of Andalucia's rich heritage.

Enjoy scenic rail journeys, delicious local cuisine, and unforgettable moments in some of Spain's most iconic settings.

Highlights:

- Stroll Seville's orange-lined streets and hear flamenco in the air.
- Discover Cordoba's stunning Mezquita, rich in layered history.
- Glide through Andalucia by comfortable, high-speed train.
- Watch sunset over the Alhambra from a hilltop viewpoint.
- Enjoy tapas and wine in vibrant, historic city centres.

What's included:

- Getting there: Flights to Seville, return from Malaga.
- Transport: Private airport transfers, and 1st class rail between destinations.
- Accommodation: 6 nights total duration at your chosen hotels - 2 nights Seville, 2 nights Cordoba, 2 nights Granada
- Meals included: Room only or bed and breakfast, depending on your chosen hotels

Not included:

- Any meals, drinks, tips, expenses of personal nature
- Optional excursion/tours
- Anything not mentioned in the "What's Included" column

Full Itinerary

Day 1: UK to Seville

Fly into Seville from the UK, and on arrival, transfer to your hotel in Andalucía's sun-kissed capital, where orange trees line elegant boulevards and flamenco rhythms drift through the air.

Once you have settled in, enjoy a relaxed afternoon exploring on foot. Stroll through the shaded gardens of Maria Luisa Park, admire the tiled bridges of Plaza de España, or find your way to a local rooftop terrace to enjoy panoramic views over the terracotta skyline.

This evening, enjoy a relaxed dinner at a local tapas bar serving seasonal, locally sourced dishes.

ACCOMMODATION: Any hotel in central Seville, like the 4* Melia Lebreros, Catalonia Santa Justa or H10 Corregidor Boutique Hotel



Day 2: Exploring Seville

Today is yours to explore Seville's rich heritage at your own pace.

You might wish to visit the impressive Royal Alcazar, one of Europe's oldest palaces still in use. Its cool, tiled chambers and lush gardens reflect centuries of Moorish and Christian influence. A short walk away lies the Seville Cathedral, one of the largest in the world and believed to be the final resting place of Christopher Columbus.

Later, wander through the vibrant lanes of Barrio Santa Cruz, once the Jewish quarter, now a delightful maze of cafes, craft shops and hidden plazas. Stop for an artisan ice cream made with organic ingredients or browse for hand-painted ceramics created using traditional methods.

In the evening, you may wish to experience a flamenco performance in a small, intimate venue - many of which are committed to preserving the authentic art form by supporting local dancers and musicians.

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Day 3: Seville to Cordoba by train

This morning, leave the bustle of Seville behind and board a high-speed train to Cordoba. The journey takes under an hour and glides through olive groves and golden plains; travelling by train allows you to sit back, relax, and enjoy the Andalusian countryside.

Upon arrival, check into your hotel and spend the afternoon at your leisure. You may like to explore the Juderia (Cordoba's old Jewish quarter) with its quiet cobbled lanes, flower-filled patios, and small synagogues. The Palacio de Viana, a 16th century mansion with a collection of traditional courtyards, offers a peaceful and culturally rich experience.

This evening, unwind with a sunset stroll along the Roman Bridge, where the soft glow of the Mezquita rises above the riverbank.

ACCOMMODATION: Any hotel in central Cordoba, like the 4* Hotel Madinat or 5* Hospes Palacio del Bailio



Day 4: Discover Cordoba

Enjoy a full day to soak up Cordoba's extraordinary history and slower pace of life.

A must-see is the mesmerising Mezquita-Catedral, a former mosque turned cathedral with distinctive red and white arches and layered architectural styles. Afterwards, you might choose to visit the Alcazar de los Reyes Cristianos, with its towers, pools, and orange gardens - ideal for a quiet afternoon walk. Alternatively, explore the Casa de Sefarad, a small museum dedicated to Sephardic Jewish culture, and discover the legacy of coexistence that defined medieval Cordoba.

In the afternoon, take time to unwind - perhaps at a local hammam (many of which now operate on sustainable geothermal systems) or relax at your hotel's shaded terrace.

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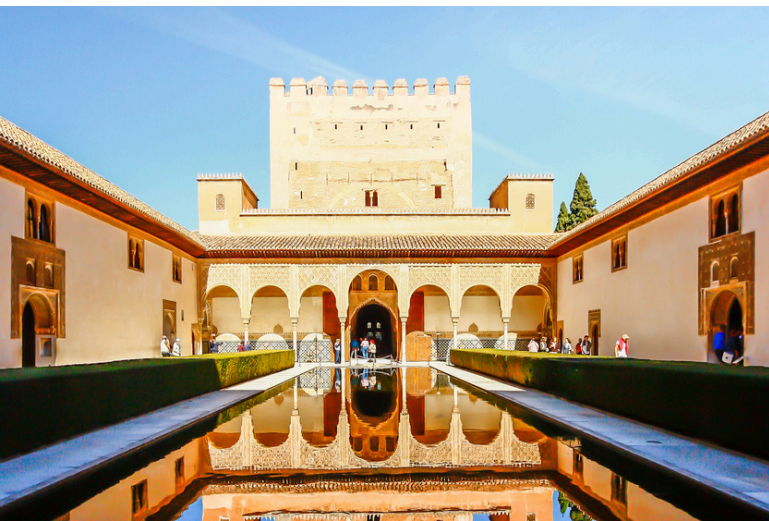
Day 5: Cordoba to Granada by train

This morning, travel onwards by rail to Granada, a city steeped in Moorish mystery and backed by the snow-capped Sierra Nevada. The train ride takes around 2.5 hours, giving you time to relax and enjoy the changing landscapes of Andalucia.

Upon arrival, check in to your hotel. This afternoon, explore the neighbourhood's charming nooks and crannies, and walk up to the Mirador de San Nicolas for an unforgettable sunset view of the Alhambra, glowing softly across the valley.

In the evening, wander back down to enjoy an atmospheric dinner, perhaps in a cave restaurant or family-run bodega known for its commitment to organic farming and waste reduction.

ACCOMMODATION: Any hotel in Granada, like the 4* NH Collection Granada Victoria, Melia Granada or Granada Center



Day 6: Granada

Enjoy a full day to immerse yourself in the wonders of Granada.

Most visitors will want to spend the morning visiting the Alhambra, one of Europe's most famous monuments. Its intricately carved palaces and serene Generalife gardens offer a tranquil insight into Moorish elegance.

In the afternoon, enjoy a slower pace: perhaps sip mint tea in a traditional tetería, browse artisan shops in the Alcaiceria, or visit the lesser-known Carmen de los Martires gardens, a peaceful green space with sweeping views of the city and surrounding hills.

In the evening, treat yourself to a final dinner celebrating Andalusian flavours - slow-roasted aubergines, honey-drizzled cheese, or locally caught fish paired with organic wines.

ACCOMMODATION: Any hotel in Granada, like the 4* NH Collection Granada Victoria, Melia Granada or Granada Center

Day 7: Granada to the UK

After breakfast, transfer to Malaga Airport for your return flight to the UK. Your holiday may be ending, but the stories, tastes and atmosphere of Andalucia are yours to keep.

If you're not quite ready to head home, why not extend your journey? Add a few days in Madrid, Spain's elegant capital or unwind by the sea in Nerja on the Costa del Sol.



FAQs

WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO TRAVEL?

The ideal time to explore Andalucia is during the spring (March to May) or autumn (September to early November), when temperatures are pleasantly warm and the cities are bathed in golden sunlight without the peak summer crowds. Spring brings fragrant orange blossoms in Seville and colourful patios in Córdoba to life, while autumn offers a milder climate perfect for strolling historic streets and hilltop viewpoints in Granada. Summers can be very hot, particularly inland, so visiting outside of July and August ensures a more comfortable and enjoyable experience.

DO I NEED A VISA?

UK passport holders do not need a visa to travel to Spain for up to 90 days in a 180 day period. Please refer to the FCDO website for more information.

DO I NEED ANY VACCINATIONS?

There are no mandatory vaccinations required to enter Spain. However, we recommend consulting your GP or a travel health clinic before you travel to ensure your routine vaccinations are up to date and to receive any personalised health advice.

TRAIN TRAVEL

You will be provided tickets for the fast-trains like the AVE train, travelling in 1st class.

RAIL STATIONS

Please note transfers from/to stations are not included. You can choose an accommodation near the station, use public transport or to call a taxi upon arrival.