Spanish Vistas
with Allison Gibbons-Brown and Michael Gibbons-Brown

what’s included

Round-Trip Flights
Daily Breakfast and Dinner (unless otherwise noted)
24-Hour Tour Manager
3- or 4-Star Hotels
Centrally Located Hotels
Start Exploring
Global Network
Personal Headsets Included Throughout Tour
Madrid Tour with Guide
Prado Museum with Guide and Reservation
Toledo Tour with Guide
Toledo Gothic Cathedral, Synagogue, Church of Santo Tomé
Granada Tour with Guide
Alhambra and Generalife Gardens Tour with Guide

Jun 13 - Jun 22, 2022
Group Leader:
Allison Gibbons-Brown
Group ID:
262580
Depart From:
Midland/Odessa

our promise

In educational travel, every moment matters. Pushing the experience from “good enough” to exceptional is what we do every day. Our mission is to empower educators to introduce their students to the world beyond the classroom and inspire the next generation of global citizens. Travel changes lives.

cultural connections

Flamenco Lesson, Dinner and Show in Granada
Triana Ceramic Tile Workshop

“Our tour guide was phenomenal; he went above and beyond my expectations. His knowledge of the area and the history behind it was most impressive.”

Matthew L. Participant

HIGHLIGHTS waiting to happen

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trip itinerary - 10 days

Jun 13, 2022: Overnight Flight
Depart from the USA.

Jun 14, 2022: Madrid
¡Bienvenidos a España! Arrive in Madrid, meet your ACIS Tour Manager and settle in before exploring the wide avenues and open plazas of Spain’s capital city. (D)

Jun 15, 2022: Madrid
Madrid’s rich heritage comes alive on your guided sightseeing tour of classic Spanish boulevards, grand plazas, and the diverse architecture of modern-day Madrid. Highlights include the Plaza de España with its statue of Don Quixote, the majestic Alcalá Gate, and the famous bullring Las Ventas. Then visit the magnificent Prado (skipping the lines with a timed reservation), one of the world’s premier art museums. Here, an expert provides illuminating commentary on the artwork of Velázquez, Goya, Raphael, Rubens, and Bosch. Even the 18th-century Neo-Classical building that houses the collection is stunning. Tonight, you may decide to sample churros y chocolate for dessert as you stroll down to see the artists and street performers in the Plaza Mayor. (B,D)

Jun 16, 2022: Granada
A journey to Spain’s old capital of Toledo includes a visit to El Greco’s great painting in the Church of Santo Tomé, the treasures of the Gothic Cathedral and the Medieval Synagogue accompanied by a local guide. Then drive through Andalucía’s sunflower fields and olive groves to Granada, the former seat of Spain’s Moorish kingdom, in time for dinner. (B,D)

Jun 17, 2022: Granada
A local guide provides commentary during your sightseeing tour as you visit the legendary Alhambra, the most magnificent of all the Moorish palaces in Spain, and wander through the aromatic Generalife Gardens. Spend the afternoon exploring the city’s multicultural roots, perhaps by admiring the architecture and souvenirs in the Alcaicería, the former Muslim silk bazaar. Tonight you will tour the fascinating caves of the Sacromonte neighborhood, stopping to learn the steps to Spain’s most famous dance during a flamenco lesson. Enjoy a special dinner, then watch your instructors show you how it’s done in a show. (B,D)

Jun 18, 2022: Seville
Journey today to Andalucía’s capital, Seville. A sightseeing tour with a local expert includes its immense Gothic Cathedral, burial place of Christopher Columbus, and the grand Giralda Tower. The rest of the afternoon is free for you to explore more of Seville at your own pace. Perhaps practice your Spanish as you shop for souvenirs, visit the Torre de Oro or stroll in the Parque María Luisa. (B,D)

Jun 19, 2022: Seville
This morning, you’ll learn about the historic Triana neighborhood’s famed ceramic tiles, or azulejos, and decorate your own piece in a ceramic tile workshop. Later you may choose to take an optional journey to the Moorish city of Córdoba, where you can roam through narrow lanes lined with whitewashed buildings and see the unique striped arches of the Mezquita. Otherwise enjoy time to explore more of Seville as you please. Perhaps wander through Santa Cruz, the old section of Seville, or visit the beautiful Alcázar. (B,D)

Jun 20, 2022: Barcelona
Journey by high-speed AVE train to Barcelona. Founded by the Romans in the 3rd century BC, it’s known for its artistic treasures and fine architecture from Gothic to Modernist. Take time to wander through the narrow cobbled streets, peaceful squares and towering old buildings that characterize Barri Gòtic (the city’s Gothic Quarter) which was at times home to both Picasso and Joan Miró. Tonight’s feast is a traditional Spanish paella dinner—a spicy tango of rice, seafood and vegetables considered by many as Spain’s national dish. (D)

Jun 21, 2022: Barcelona
Begin your day with a panoramic sightseeing tour. Our local expert will point out all the major highlights of Barcelona, including the unique Gaudi-designed houses. Antoni Gaudi, one of Catalonia’s most famous sons, was a Modernist architect whose distinctive style is revered to this day. After, you’ll be able to study the intricate design inside and out of his still-unfinished Sagrada Familia and stroll whimsical Parc Güell. Then spend the rest of the day discovering more of Barcelona, perhaps practicing your Spanish while mingling with locals in Plaça Reial, a popular city square, or engaging all your senses at the world famous La Boqueria food market. Whatever you decide, your memories of your Spanish sojourn will stay with you forever. (B,D)

Jun 22, 2022: Departure
Departure for the U.S. (B)

This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.
what you’ll learn

1. Independence: Take charge of yourself and your schedule as you gain the courage to navigate new destinations, test your language skills in real-world situations, and manage your time and money.

2. Flexibility: Develop skills to adapt and acclimate as you step outside your comfort zone, experiencing the cultural adjustments that come with new places, new foods, dynamic schedules and the wonderful idiosyncrasies of travel.

3. Teamwork: Learn respect, communication and collaboration—new settings and shared activities allow you to gain confidence at working together with both familiar faces and new acquaintances.

tour cost

Participant Fees

Program Fee $5036
Early Registration Discount $-100
Full day excursion to Cordoba, with sightseeing $120
Value Trip Discount through 4/1/21 $-200

Total Participant Fees² $4856

² Valid through 04/01/21, with initial deposit of $200.

Additional Fees (as applicable)

Adult Surcharge $100
Single Room Supplement $760
Double Room Supplement $400
Ultimate Protection Plan $300
Comprehensive Protection Plan $250

notes from acis

*Recommended tipping is $6/day per person for your Tour Manager and $4/day per person for your Bus Driver.

• Save $50 off your Total Participant Fees if you pay for your trip by E-Check or through our Automatic Payments Plan.

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• Adult travelers age 21 and older should add in the Adult Surcharge and Double or Single Room Supplement to calculate their Total Participant Fees.

• This educational travel program is not school or district sponsored unless expressly stated by the Group Leader.

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Travel Changes Lives

Can travel make a difference in students’ futures? It certainly can and does every single day. In fact, we surveyed 930 former ACIS travelers to see how their tours abroad as young adults influenced their choices in education and paved a way for future careers. Many of them credit travel as a defining moment in their adolescence, and below is a recap of our findings.

**education**

- 81% of those that traveled in middle school or high school continued their studies at the college level compared to the national average of 68%.
- 37% of travelers who went on to college said their travel experience influenced their field of study.
- 57% of respondents were motivated to study abroad during college.

**language skills**

- 67% of students continued to study foreign language in college.
- 73% of ACIS travelers say they speak one foreign language fairly well compared with 18% of the American population.

**personal development**

- 94% felt more independent after their trip.
- 78% saw an increase in their problem solving skills.
- 92% noted improvement in their interpersonal skills.
- 65% have traveled overseas again since their ACIS trip.

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