



# THE ROYAL AL ÁNDALUS

Exclusive railroad journeys across Spain











## THE ROYAL AL ÁNDALUS: SPAIN BY TRAIN

Whoever said that the train in Spain stays mainly in the plain? That's inane! Rolling through rolling hills and majestic mountainscapes, the royal **AL ÁNDALUS** train pampers guests with spectacular service and exquisite culinary delights that are anything but plain.

Having served the British royal family for their vacations in the last century, the Belle Epoque-style luxury compartments and salon cars were designed to meet high standards.

They perfectly complement the wonders of Spain on a Trans-Iberian journey showing the surprisingly different cultures and landscapes of the Iberian Peninsula. With a singular route going from Andalusia in the south, home of the Flamenco, to Santiago de Compostela in the north, Europe's most popular pilgrim's destination.







## AL ÁNDALUS: A SNEAK PEAK

Royal palaces, fairy-tale castles and churches, lush gardens, many of them popular as filming locations for Hollywood movies, flamenco dancers, terraced vineyards and green hills and valleys provide the

backdrop for one of Europe's most upscale trains, the royal **AL ÁNDALUS**. Each one of our exclusive routes offers a comprehensive image of the Iberian Peninsula's most colorful—and delightful—facets.







**TOLEDO** is known as the city of three cultures, since Christians, Jews, and Muslims have left their marks here. That explains oddities like the Mosque of Christ of the Light, which was once built as a mosque, then converted into a Christian church, and is now a museum.



Welcome to **ANDALUCIA**, where there's a secret fan language to decode. The woman in the picture is covering her nose with an open fan, thus signifying "I want to see you."



The medieval **ALCAZAR PALACE OF SEVILLE** boasts wonderful gardens you might recognize as the Water Gardens of Dorne from *Game of Thrones*.





You've never been to Spain, but you know this place anyway? Well, it might be you're familiar with the City of Theed on the Planet Naboo. Because that's what the famous **PLAZA DE ESPAÑA** in Seville, built for the World's Fair in 1929, was supposed to depict in *Star Wars II*.



Who'd have thought they'd build a museum for a dance one day? But that's precisely what Seville's **FLAMENCO MUSEUM** is about.



If the **CATEDRAL DE LÉON** looks all French to you, you're spot on. It's Spain's best example of French-style Gothic architecture.





The **MULTI-COURSE MENUS** on board the Al Ándalus are as delightful as the top-notch service is.



The Roman Bridge across the Guadalquivir River in the city of **CÓRDOBA** has been in service since about 45 BC.



Up to 350,000 people per year undertake the 500-mile pilgrimage from France to the Cathedral of **SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA**.



Simply gorgeous—if you pardon the pun. The **GORGE OF SIL CANYON** has been used for growing grapevines even in Roman days. The vast terraces that were built here are named Ribeira Sacra. If you spot this name on a bottle of red wine, you can be sure it'll be exquisite.





## THE ROYAL AL ÁNDALUS: YOUR TRAIN • OUR SERVICES

Originally built for the British royal family's vacation rides to the Côte d'Azur, the **AL ÁNDALUS** features classic Belle Epoque style as well as all the amenities of modern life. Its seven sleeping cars offer two categories of cozy compartments; every compartment is equipped with air-condition, private bathroom, shower, and WC. Four spacious salon cars from the 1920s serve as bar and restaurant cars.

- ◆ Two categories to choose from: Gran Clase with two single beds, and the larger Deluxe compartment featuring a double bed
- ◆ Fabulous cuisine: à la carte breakfast, multi-course lunches and dinners in the salon cars
- ◆ Select alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages during meals on board
- ◆ Overnights in deluxe hotels in Santiago de Compostela and Seville
- ◆ No long waits or exhausting bus tours
- ◆ Shuttle service between hotel and airport on the first and the last day
- ◆ Porter service at train stations
- ◆ Entrance fees and sightseeing included







## THE BEST WAY TO TRAVEL THE IBERIAN PENINSULA

1

### A UNIQUE ROUTE

#### EXPLORE

the most significant and pleasurable places on a 10-day private journey between Spain's high north and its deepest south.

2

### BE AT HOME

#### RELAX

in the superior salons and comfy compartments of a nostalgic high-end train with today's amenities.

3

### TRANS-IBERIAN CUISINE

#### DELIGHT

in the exquisite dishes and wines from all over the Iberian Peninsula served on board.





