

11 Day Pilgrimage to  
**SPAIN**



Avila—City Walls

**May 5-15, 2008**  
**October 6-16, 2008**  
**November 3-13, 2008**

Cost per person in twin :

**Led by (Your Name Here)**



Panorama of Santiago



Our Lady of Montserrat

**Plan now to join (your name here)** on a pilgrimage to Spain this fall visiting sacred sites ancient and modern. Travel to the cosmopolitan cities of Madrid and Barcelona. See fantastic Toledo, beautiful Avila and spend time in prayer at the famous shrines of Montserrat and Santiago de Compostela. Walk on the Pilgrim Road of St. James where millions of pilgrims have walked for over a thousand years to pray at the tomb of the apostle. Please note, there is extensive slow-paced walking each day during this pilgrimage.

**To Join,**  
**Call : Your Number Here**  
**Or Email: Your email here**

NOT INCLUDED: Items not specified above, e.g. most lunches; 3 dinners; optional sightseeing; passport fees; optional cancellation insurance; group gratuities; items of a personal nature, additional air fuel surcharges if imposed by airline.

**Cost Includes:**

- Round trip air from selected U.S. city;
- 9 Nights accommodations in twin bedded rooms with private bath at 4 and 3 star hotels as indicated on page 2;
- Continental breakfast daily; 1 festive lunch and 6 hotel dinners;
- Deluxe, private motor coach per itinerary on page 2;
- Services of English speaking escort & local guides;
- Entrance fees to sites visited; hotel taxes & services;
- Porterage of one bag per person;
- Air taxes & fuel (**amount here**), subject to change.

*Single Room Supplement: \$*

*Add optional Cancellation Insurance to above rate at time of deposit to cover cancel fees in event of medical emergency.*

**BOOKING FORM**

**Group SPAIN Pilgrimage**

Enclosed is my (our) check for \$\_\_\_\_ (\$350 deposit + optional insurance per person, **due as soon as possible to secure your space**) for \_\_\_\_ (number of persons). Final payment due (indicate final payment date here).

Check or Money Order payable to **GTA TOURS**

**MAIL TO:**  
 (Your address here)

Name (First/MI/Last)) - no nicknames—enter official name on passport

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_Twin Room    \_\_\_Single Room @    Supplement    \_\_\_Triple Room

Sharing room with: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Valid U.S. Passport Required.**

Tel: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Eve: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPAIN DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY:



Velazquez "Las Menina"  
Prado Museum, Madrid

### DAY 1/MON DEPART U.S.

### DAY 2/TUE-ARRIVE MADRID.

In the afternoon, a city orientation tour drives by the Royal Palace, Plaza Espana, Puerta del Sol and Retiro Park. (B,D)

**HOTEL PUERTA DE TOLEDO**  
[www.hotel-puertadetoledo.com](http://www.hotel-puertadetoledo.com)

### DAY 3/WED—TOLEDO.

Visit Toledo, the ancient Castilian capital spectacularly situated on a granite hill surrounded by a loop of the Tagus River. Tour includes the 13<sup>th</sup> century Gothic cathedral and Santo Tome Church, with one of El Greco's most famous paintings. Festive welcome lunch at a local restaurant is included, then return to Madrid for a tour of the world famous Prado Museum. (B,L)

**DAY 4/THU-MADRID/AVILA/SALAMANCA.** Morning visit of Avila, the beautiful walled 11<sup>th</sup> century city and birthplace of St. Teresa, reformer and founder of the Discalced Carmelites; the great mystic and Doctor of the Church. Visit Incarnation Convent and other sites associated with the Saint's life. Continue to Salamanca, the famous university town, for an afternoon walking tour to include a visit of the Cathedral. (B,D) **Hotel Rona Dalba** [www.hotelronadalba.com](http://www.hotelronadalba.com)

**DAY 5/FRI—SALAMANCA/SANTIAGO.** Today travel along the historic pilgrimage "Way of St. James" with afternoon arrival in Santiago de Compostela, the famous medieval pilgrimage center believed to be the burial site of St James the Apostle. (B,D) **Hotel Virxe Da Cerca**

[www.pousadasdecompostela.com](http://www.pousadasdecompostela.com)

**DAY 6/SAT-SANTIAGO.** Morning tour of the Cathedral and Crypt of the Saint, the Bell Tower and urn representing the life and work of the Apostle. Afternoon free. (B)

**DAY 7/SUN—SANTIAGO/LEON.** Explore more of the Way of St. James today, stopping at Astorga and arriving in Leon for a tour of the Cathedral and St. Isidoro Church. (B,D) **Hotel AC San Antonio**  
[www.ac-hoteles.com](http://www.ac-hoteles.com)

**DAY 8/MON—LEON/BURGOS/ZARAGOSA.** Enjoy another day on the Pilgrim's Way visiting the pilgrim's stop of Burgos, a medieval gem noted at the birthplace of 11<sup>th</sup> century knight, El Cid. Continue to Zaragoza, for a visit to El Pilar shrine, the oldest Shrine to Our Lady in Europe. (B,D) **Hotel Hesperia Zaragoza**  
[www.hesperia-hoteles.com](http://www.hesperia-hoteles.com)

**DAY 9/TUE—ZARAGOSA/MONTSERRAT/ BARCELONA.** Depart for the nearby Monastery of Montserrat, perched high on sheer rock rising above the Catalonian plain. Attend Mass at the world famous Shrine of the Black Madonna. In the afternoon arrive in colorful, cosmopolitan Barcelona, the great port city on the Mediterranean coast. Enjoy an orientation tour of the Gothic Quarter and magnificent Cathedral. Festive farewell dinner this evening. (B,D) **Hotel Astoria** [www.derbyhotels.es](http://www.derbyhotels.es)

**DAY 10/WED—BARCELONA.** In the morning visit Gaudi's unique and wonderful Sagrada Familia Church, a fabulous work of art in progress. Afternoon and evening is free to explore this exciting city and its entertaining pedestrian street called "Las Ramblas". (B)

**DAY 11/THU - RETURN HOME.** (B)

*B- Breakfast; L-Lunch; D-Dinner  
Itinerary Subject to Modification*

### GENERAL CONDITIONS

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Regularly scheduled economy class service on any IATA or ARC carrier. Air transportation based on fares in effect Jan 07, subject to change.

**TARIFF & EXCHANGE FLUCTUATIONS:** All tour prices herein are quoted in U.S. dollars and are based on tariffs and exchange levels in effect Jan 07. Rates are subject to adjustment in the event of any changes in these tariffs and exchange levels. Tour cost is calculated for payment only by personal check or cashier check. Mastercard or Visa payment is accepted for a service fee of 3 1/2 percent of the amount charged.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** Twin bedded rooms with private facilities throughout.

**DOCUMENTS:** Valid U.S. passport.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Refunds will be handled promptly and will be made for cancellations received in writing up to 75 days prior to departure less a \$125 administration fee. After that period, additional cancellation fees must be assessed; 75-45 days prior; \$1500; 45-10 days prior: up to total cost.

**BAGGAGE:** Limited to one checked bag (weight 50 lbs or less), plus carry on small enough to fit under aircraft seat these are GTA Tours restrictions for European coach tours.

**GROUP SIZE:** Rates herein are based on a minimum of 36 passengers.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** The travel agent and the tour operator, GTA TOURS d/b/a/ GTA TOURS, POB 1008, Madison, CT 06443, Tel: 203-245-8980, or their agents act(s) only as

agent(s) in all matters connected with the making and securing of reservations for transportation, accommodations, tours and/or other arrangements and assumes no responsibility for liability in connection with the service of any train, vessel carriage, aircraft or other conveyance which is used, either wholly or in part, in the performance of its duty to the passengers; neither this travel agency nor any of its representatives shall be, or become liable for any act, error or omission, or for any injury, loss accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of any defect in any vehicle or through neglect or default of any company or person engaged in carrying out the purpose for which ticket or coupons have been issued. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable, for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made. Additional expenses if any, shall be borne by the passengers; conversely, refund will be made to the passengers if any saving is effected thereby. Also, in the event that sufficient persons are not secured for a particular tour, we reserve the right to cancel said tour, and a refund of monies paid will release the company of any further obligation. All arrangements for accommodations, transportation and sightseeing are made by the tour operator and/or their agents. The passage contract in use by companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchase of these tours and/or passage by the airlines concerned and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their conveyance.

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