



Barrington Community School

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Escape to Seville

Our 9th Annual Superbowl Getaway

January 31 - February 4, 2007

It's early February in Seville; a breeze blows through the orange trees and sunlight warms elegant architecture and lively tapas bars. Evenings are cool and flamenco is hot in this elegant Spanish city, home to a wealth of gorgeous visual impressions—Moorish tile work, sumptuous Mudéjar arches with Gothic influences, a massive cathedral built on the site of a 12th-century mosque, and La Giralda, the famous, filigreed bell tower that looks out over Seville's synthesis of cultures.

Teeming with passion, elegance, and beauty, Seville—with its mild winters and about 3,000 hours of sun each year—is the perfect antidote to February. Join BCS Director, Sandi Tinyk, and Discover Europe's Gavin Miller on an exploration of this brilliant city that includes a visit to the nearby Royal Residence, the Real Alcázar, with its lavish rooms and spectacular gardens, and an excursion into the surrounding countryside to view the remains of Roman Italica.



Plaza de España in Seville



Roman Italica

Just east of Seville's cathedral is the Santa Cruz district, a maze of picturesque alleys, hidden plazas, and beautiful restaurants. Chic shops, tempting tapas, and deep red wines—we'll savor them all, and take in a flamenco club or two to experience what Garcia Lorca termed *duende*—a passionate evocation of joy, sorrow, and sensuality. You'll also have free time to simply lose yourself in the narrow, romantic, tree-lined streets.

For those who wish to extend their stay, there is an optional, three-day extension into the countryside, with a stay in Granada, a visit to Cordoba, and a journey through several Andalusian villages, including lovely Ronda.

The cost of this itinerary, per person, double occupancy is:

Boston departure :	\$1590
Single supplement:	\$250

The following services are included:

- Airfare:** Roundtrip air from Boston on British Airways/Iberia. All customs fees and airport taxes included.
- Hotels:** 3 nights accommodation in a first-class hotel. All hotel taxes and service charges included.
- Tickets:** Flamenco show with tapas at El Arenal.
- Coaching:** All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary.
- Meals:** Buffet breakfast daily; 1 lunch; 2 dinners.
- Guides:** Discover Europe tour director and Barrington Community School escort throughout. Local guide in Seville for half-day.
- Expenses:** Portage of one large suitcase per person.
- Entrances:** Entrance fees to all sites included in the itinerary.
- Additional:** Coach transfer from Barrington to Boston and back.

The beauty of the country is legendary, and early spring in Spain is a perfect time to celebrate with warmth and spontaneity an unforgettable adventure into the very heart of Andalusia!



The Alhambra

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Wednesday, January 31. Our private coach takes us from Barrington to Boston, where we board our British Airways flight for overnight service to London.

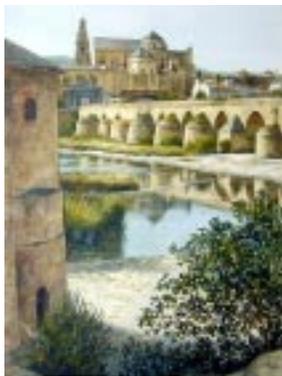
Thursday, February 1. From London we connect with our flight to Seville, where we are met by private coach and transferred to our centrally located hotel. There will be time to unpack, relax, and begin to explore before we gather for a welcome dinner at the hotel. **(D) Overnight: Seville**

Friday, February 2. After breakfast, Francisco, our local guide, takes us on a walking tour that includes the cathedral and the Alcazar, Seville's royal palace. The afternoon is free to walk up the steep ramp of the beautiful Moorish bell tower, La Giralda, for fabulous views over the city or stroll



La Giralda

through the Barrio de Santa Cruz, enjoying its tangled maze of whitewashed alleyways and tree-lined squares. You may also choose to visit the Tower of Gold and its maritime museum or walk through the Plaza de Espana. In the evening, we'll celebrate with tapas and Flamenco. **(B, D) Overnight: Seville**



Saturday, February 3. Just a few miles north of Seville, in the nearby village of Santiponce, lies Roman Italica, one of the largest, most important Roman ruins in Spain. We'll investigate the site at our leisure and have lunch; for the rest of the day, you're free to explore Seville, sampling tapas along the way! **(B, L) Overnight: Seville**

Sunday, February 4. This morning, travelers not continuing on to Granada will depart Seville on their British Airways flight to London; London to Boston; and board a private coach for transfer to Barrington. **(B) Return flight**

Optional Extension to Cordoba, Granada, and the Villages of Andalusia

Cordoba

Sunday, February 4. Bidding farewell to travelers not continuing on to Granada, we depart for Cordoba, where a local guide introduces us to the city's extraordinary Mezquita. Part of this mosque was destroyed in the 16th century to make room for the construction of a Christian cathedral in its center. We'll also explore the old Jewish quarter and the synagogue built in the Mudejar style. From here, it's a gorgeous drive southeast, past tiny hilltop villages, to our hotel in Granada where we'll gather for dinner. **(B, D) Overnight: Granada**

Monday, February 5. A morning walking tour with a local guide showcases Granada's exquisite Alhambra, a fortress-palace that captures the beauty and intricacy of Moorish culture and architecture. We'll also tour the extensive gardens of the nearby Palace of the Generalife, which evoke a timeless feeling of serenity and tranquility. The remainder of the afternoon and evening are free: you might decide to wander the picturesque streets of the Albaicin neighborhood, visit the royal tombs of Ferdinand and Isabella, dine at a restaurant on the side of Sacro-monte, or enjoy an evening of flamenco in the old gypsy caves. **(B) Overnight: Granada**



Generalife gardens

Tuesday, February 6. Today we travel west through the area of Los Pueblos Blancos, the "white villages," working agricultural towns whitewashed in the Moorish tradition. We'll stop at the extraordinary city of Ronda, built on either side of a precipitous gorge, and the last Moorish bastion before it fell to Christians in 1485. Ronda's famous bullring is one of the oldest and most important in Spain, and the spiritual home of bullfighting. Arriving back in Seville, we'll check in to our hotel and gather for a farewell dinner. **(B, D) Overnight: Seville**



Ronda

Wednesday, February 7. This morning we depart from Seville on our flight to London; London to Boston; and board a private coach for transfer to Barrington. **(B)**

*Key to included meals:
B - breakfast,
L - lunch, D - dinner*

Cost of extension per person, double occupancy: **\$990** (single supplement: **\$250**). The following services are included:

- Hotel:** 3 nights accommodation in first-class hotels. All hotel taxes and service charges included.
- Coaching:** All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary.
- Meals:** Continental breakfast daily; 2 dinners.
- Guides:** Discover Europe tour director + BCS escort throughout. Local guides in Cordoba and Granada.
- Expenses:** Portage of one large suitcase per person.
- Entrances:** Entrance fees to all sites included in the itinerary.