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Madrid

October 8, 2027 | Departure from the USA

Our pilgrimage begins as we depart for our overnight flight to Madrid. Dinner and breakfast will be served during the flight.

October 9 | Arrival in Madrid

Upon arrival at Madrid Airport, our local tour escort will greet us and accompany us by motorcoach to our hotel. After check-in, we

gather for a welcome dinner. Overnight Madrid.

October 10 | Madrid & Valladolid

After breakfast, we depart for Valladolid, the royal city of Castile where Saint Ferdinand III was proclaimed king in 1217. We explore the Plaza Mayor, among the first great arcaded plazas in Spain, and the historic center. We celebrate Mass before our first overnight in Castile. Dinner and overnight in Valladolid.

October 11 | Valladolid, Burgos & Oña

Following breakfast, we travel east to Burgos, a city central to Catholic Spain and to the reign of Saint Ferdinand III. We visit the Burgos Cathedral, begun in 1221, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and burial place of El Cid. We continue north to the Monastery of San Salvador de Oña, founded in 1011 and renowned for its Benedictine history and Marian devotion. We celebrate Mass before returning to Burgos. Dinner and overnight in Burgos.

October 12 | Burgos & León

After breakfast, we travel west to León, capital of the medieval kingdom. Already King of Castile, Saint Ferdinand III inherited León in 1230, uniting the two kingdoms permanently. We visit the Basilica of San Isidoro, a foremost monument of Spanish Romanesque, home to the Royal Pantheon and the relics of Saint Isidore of Seville. We celebrate Mass before continuing to the León Cathedral, a French Gothic masterpiece renowned for its stained glass. Dinner and overnight in León.

October 13 | León, Zamora & Salamanca

This morning we depart for Zamora, set above the Duero River and home to one of the richest concentrations of Romanesque churches in Europe. We visit the Cathedral of El Salvador, whose scaled dome reflects Byzantine influences carried along the pilgrim roads. We celebrate Mass before continuing south to Salamanca for a walking

tour of its golden sandstone center, taking in the Plaza Mayor, the historic University of Salamanca, and the twin cathedrals. Dinner and overnight in Salamanca.

October 14 | Salamanca & Madrid

Following breakfast, we depart for Madrid. Upon arrival we enjoy lunch before a tour of the capital, including the Cathedral of Santa María la Real de la Almudena, consecrated by Saint John Paul II in 1993. We celebrate Mass here. Dinner and overnight in Madrid.

October 15 | Madrid, Toledo & Córdoba

After breakfast, we travel to Toledo, the Primate See of Spain, set above the Tagus River. We visit the Toledo Cathedral, one of the great High Gothic cathedrals of Europe and seat of the Primate of Spain, and walk its historic center. We celebrate Mass before continuing south to Córdoba. Dinner and overnight in Córdoba.

October 16 | Córdoba, Carmona & Seville

We begin with Mass in Córdoba before visiting the Mosque-Cathedral, consecrated as a Catholic cathedral after the city's reconquest under Saint Ferdinand III in 1236. We continue to Carmona to visit the Church of Santa María, built upon a former mosque. Arriving in Seville, we walk along the Guadalquivir River, central to the city's capture by Saint Ferdinand in 1248. Dinner and overnight in Seville.

October 17 | Seville & Saint Ferdinand

This morning we visit the Seville Cathedral, the largest Gothic cathedral in the world, where we venerate the incorrupt body of Saint Ferdinand III in the Royal Chapel. Time is given for prayer at his tomb before we celebrate Mass. We then visit the Real Alcázar, a Moorish palace adapted by Christian kings and still in royal use, before walking through the Barrio de Santa Cruz. Dinner and overnight in Seville.

October 18 | Seville & Madrid

We celebrate Mass before departing Seville for Madrid by motorcoach, pausing for lunch along the way. Upon arrival we check in, with time at leisure as the schedule allows, before our farewell dinner. Dinner and overnight in Madrid.

October 19 | Return Home

With hearts renewed by the grace of pilgrimage and the intercession of Saint Ferdinand III, we transfer to Madrid Airport for our return flight home.



Cordoba

Your Pilgrimage Includes

- ✓ Roundtrip flights from Austin (AUS)
- ✓ -Includes one carry-on & personal item
- ✓ 4-star hotel accommodations
- ✓ Breakfast and dinner served daily
- ✓ Wine served with some dinners
- ✓ Private motorcoach transportation
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