

SDSU RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

Spain & Portugal in Depth

SPAIN: MADRID, GRANADA, TORREMOLINOS, SEVILLE | PORTUGAL: LISBON



15 days from \$4,745
Including international airfare from San Diego

14 days from \$3,295 Tour only

MAXIMIZE YOUR
DISCOVERIES & VALUE

OPTIONAL EXTENSION

Barcelona, Spain 4 nights pre-trip from \$1,795

IT'S INCLUDED

- Choose to purchase Grand Circle's airfare, and your airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges are included. Or, make your own air arrangements
- · 13 nights accommodation
- 23 meals: 13 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 5 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Lunch)
- 12 included features: 10 guided tours and 2 exclusive Discovery Series events: Home-Hosted Lunch · Horsebreeding farm visit

- Exclusive services of a local Grand Circle Program Director (assigned to no more than 42 travelers)
- **Gratuities** on your main trip for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- Personal headset for all included and optional tours on your main trip
- · Private motorcoach land travel
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next trip

Departure NOVEMBER 7, 2026 **Return** NOVEMBER 21, 2026

ITINERARY OVERVIEW

PRE-TRIP EXTENSION:

Barcelona, Spain

Day 1 • Fly to Madrid, Spain

Day 2-4 · Madrid

Included Tour Madrid
Optional Tour El Escorial

Day 5-6 • Granada

Included Tours Toledo, Alhambra

Day 7-9 • Torremolinos

Included Tours Málaga, Ronda Optional Tour Gibraltar

Day 10-11 · Seville

Included Tours Córdoba, Seville, Flamenco show

Day 12-14 • Lisbon, Portugal

Included Tours Lisbon, Sintra & Cascais Optional Tour Bairro Alto & fado dinner

Day 15 • Return to U.S.



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Group Size

 A maximum of 42 travelers, led by a local Grand Circle Program Director

Pacing

• 5 locations in 14 days

Physical Requirements

- Walk 2-3 miles unassisted and participate in 2-3 hours of physical activities daily, including stairs
- Two days of this trip may require 4 miles of walking and 3-4 hours of optional physical activity
- Not accessible for travelers using wheelchairs or scooters

- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion who can assist them
- We reserve the right for Program
 Directors to restrict participation, or
 in some circumstances send travelers
 home, if their limitations impact the
 group's experience
- You may encounter animals on this trip.
 We make every effort to keep these encounters safe, however animals may behave unpredictably or dangerously at times. Please use caution when interacting with animals on this trip: Keep a safe distance, stay alert, and respect the animals

Terrain & Transportation

- Uneven walking surfaces, unpaved paths, steep hills, stairs, and cobblestones
- Travel by 45-seat motorcoach

Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 51-85°F during touring season
- June-August are the warmest months
- November and December weather can be unpredictable and change quickly

ITINERARY -

Day 1 · Depart U.S.

Fly to Madrid, Spain today.

Day 2 · Madrid, Spain

You'll be greeted at the airport by a Grand Circle representative who will send you to your hotel, where you'll be joined by fellow travelers who took our optional pre-trip extension, *Barcelona*, *Spain*. Then you'll all gather to meet your Program Director and get to know your surroundings with an orientation walk. Tonight, sample a local restaurant for dinner on your own.

Hotel Voco

Day 3 • Explore Madrid

After breakfast, enjoy an included panoramic city tour, passing by the lavish Royal Palace, Almudena Cathedral, and the monument dedicated to Don Quixote in the *Plaza de España*. The remainder of the afternoon is yours. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant.

B,D—Hotel Voco

Day 4 • Madrid • Optional El Escorial tour

Join us on an optional tour of the imposing El Escorial, a 16th-century architectural masterpiece that served as both a royal residence and a monastery. Or make your own discoveries this morning. The afternoon is yours to spend as you wish.

B-Hotel Voco

Day 5 • Madrid • Explore Toledo • Granada

Ride to medieval Toledo, once known as the "City of Three Cultures" for the harmonious coexistence of Christian, Muslim, and Jewish communities here. Enjoy an included walking tour of Spain's former capital, famed for its castles, monasteries, historical monuments, and eclectic building styles. After lunch on your own, depart for Granada, your next destination. Dinner is at your hotel tonight.

B,D-Barceló Occidental Granada

Day 6 • Explore Granada • The Alhambra

After breakfast this morning, you'll explore the Alhambra, a palatial complex that is the pinnacle of Islamic design. Following your visit to this legendary monument, you'll enjoy a short walking tour of the city of Granada, with an included tapas lunch at a local restaurant. The rest of the day is yours to spend as you please.

B,L—Barceló Occidental Granada

Day 7 • Granada • Home-Hosted Lunch • Explore Malaga • Torremolinos

Depart after breakfast this morning for a tour of the local highlights of Malaga, including the *Plaza de la Merced*, where Picasso was born. Then, experience the hospitality of a Spanish family during a **Home-Hosted Lunch**. Arrive in Torremolinos this afternoon, where the rest of your day is at leisure.

B.L-Hotel Sol Don Pedro or similar

Day 8 • Torremolinos • Optional Gibraltar tour

Add to your discoveries when you join us on our optional full-day tour to Gibraltar. Or spend the day in Torremolinos making discoveries on your own.

B—Hotel Sol Don Pedro or similar

Day 9 • Torremolinos • Explore Ronda

Discover Ronda today, an ancient city with spectacular views high above a plunging river gorge. On an included tour, explore the Moorish Old Town and the 18th-century "new" town. Then enjoy time on your own before returning to Torremolinos.

B,L-Hotel Sol Don Pedro or similar

Day 10 • Torremolinos • Explore Cordoba • Seville

Depart after breakfast this morning for a tour of Cordoba, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. A highlight is the city's greatest monument: the *Mezquita*, the stunning mosque that was once converted to a Christian cathedral but remains a superb example of Islamic construction. Then, continue on to Seville, where you can settle into your centrally located hotel before joining your fellow travelers for an included dinner.

B.D-Novotel Sevilla

Day 11 • Explore Seville • Flamenco show

Delve into one of Spain's most colorful and historic cities on today's included tour. Seville hosts a wealth of magnificent buildings and monuments that attest to its Roman and Moorish heritage, as you'll see during an included tour that features the *Barrio de Santa Cruz*. Make your own discoveries this afternoon. Tonight, enjoy dinner and an accompanying performance of the *flamenco*, the intensely emotional dance that was created here.

B,D-Novotel Sevilla

Day 12 • Seville • Horse-breeding farm • Lisbon, Portugal

Transfer to Portugal through the countryside before heading north to Lisbon. Stop at a horse-breeding farm for an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event, where you'll talk with the owners and learn firsthand about the types of horses bred there. You'll sample the local cuisine during lunch at the farm.

Continue on to Lisbon. Dinner is on your own this evening.

B,L—TURIM Saldanha Hotel

Day 13 • Explore Lisbon • Optional Bairro Alto & fado dinner tour

Get acquainted with Lisbon, Portugal's capital, on an included tour this morning. You'll see two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: the Belem Tower and the Hieronymites Monastery. You may make your own discoveries during the rest of the day. This evening, you may join us for an optional tour of Lisbon's bohemian Bairro Alto district, and a performance of Portugal's iconic fado music, accompanied by dinner (included with your optional tour).

B,L—TURIM Saldanha Hotel

Day 14 • Lisbon • Explore Sintra & Cascais

This morning, embark on an excursion to Sintra and Cascais. Begin at the Royal Palace in Sintra, with time to explore the town. Then continue to the village of Cascais, a once humble fishing village that has grown into a lively coastal resort town. Enjoy the afternoon, then gather with your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

B,D-TURIM Saldanha Hotel

Day 15 • Return to U.S.

After breakfast, you will transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or begin your post-trip extension on *The Island of Madeira*, *Portugal*.

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IT'S INCLUDED

- Air transportation from Barcelona to Madrid
- Accommodations for 4 nights
- 4 meals: 4 breakfasts

- 2 included tours: Barcelona & the Sagrada Familia basilica, Old City discovery walk
- **Gratuities** on this extension for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- Exclusive services of a local Grand Circle Program Director
- All transfers

This extension may not be available on all departures. Select departures feature similar accommodations. Additional taxes and fees apply. Ask your Travel Counselor for details. If you make your own international air arrangements, or if you purchase our international airfare from certain U.S. departure cities, your extension price will increase due to internal air transportation. This extension may not be available on all departures.



2026 DEPARTURES LAND TOUR PRICES

Departure Nov 7, 2026 Return Nov 21, 2026

Land Tour only \$3,295

AIR ADD ON:

San Diego \$1,450

Deposit: \$500 per person. **Travel Protection**: From \$549.

Single Supplement: FREE. Single accommodations are limited. If single rooms are full, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION

Call Toll-Free:

1-800-221-2610

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- Medical benefits and assistance—including emergency evacuation and more
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Good Buy Plan

Here's how you will save based on a trip value of \$6500:

Months Prior to Departure (Must Pay in full from a checking account)	Percent You Save:	Savings Per Person:	Savings Per Couple:
15 months or more	10%	\$650	\$1300
14 months prior	9%	\$585	\$1170
13 months prior	8%	\$520	\$1040
12 months prior	7.5% OFF	\$488	\$975
11 months prior	6% OFF	\$390	\$780

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