

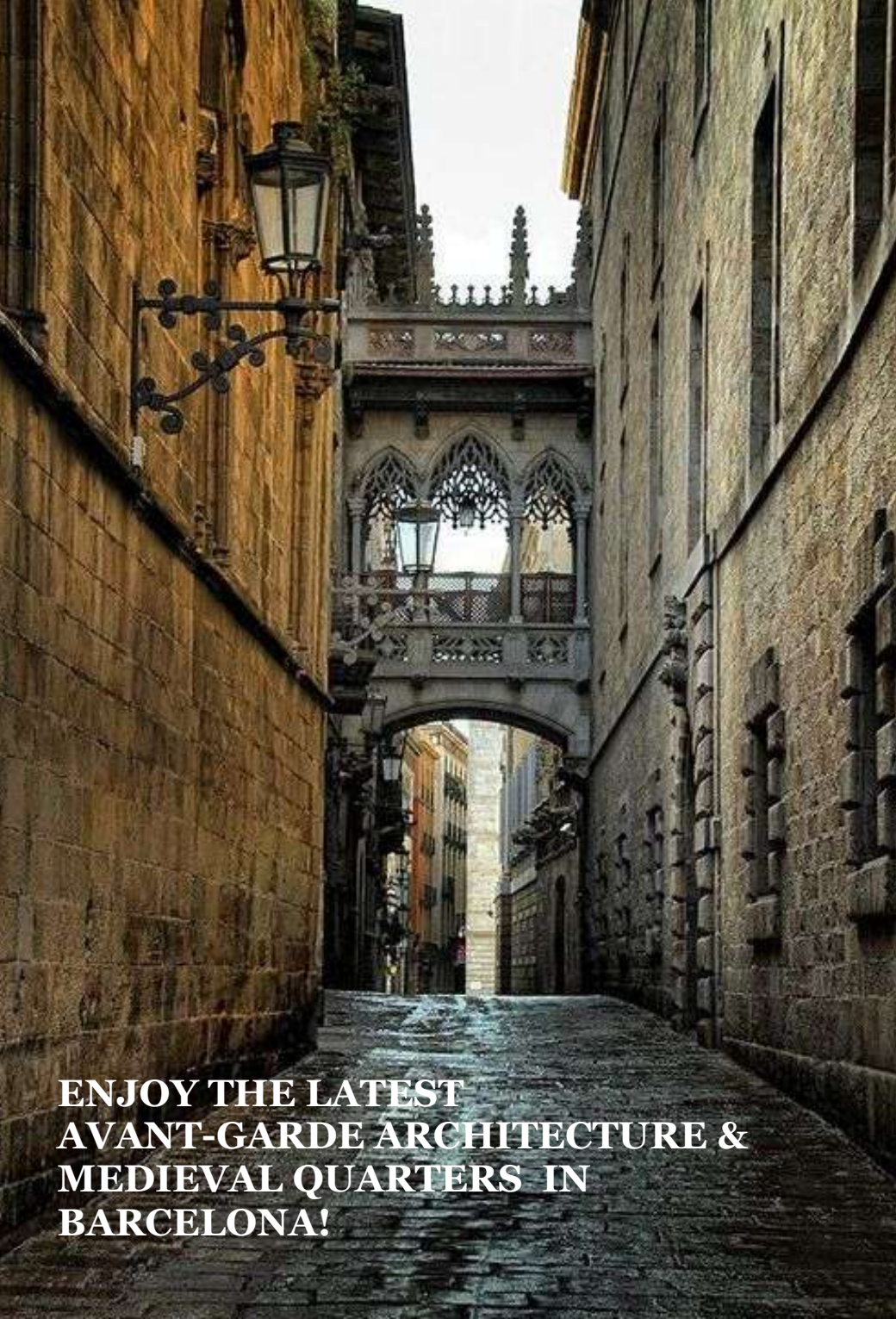
BARCELONA

ARCHITECTURAL WONDERS

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**ENJOY THE LATEST
AVANT-GARDE ARCHITECTURE &
MEDIEVAL QUARTERS IN
BARCELONA!**

Taste Spain like a local! As a Spanish from Barcelona I will ensure ***you will have a Real unforgettable experience.*** We will lead you, giving you a fun and interesting walking tours, medieval quarters, the most beautiful examples of 20th century Modernism, avant-garde architecture and visiting ***UNESCO World Heritage sites.***

Strolling around the streets of Barcelona city you'll notice that innovation and design are to be found.

We take you where we take our friends, only our favorite tastes make the cut! And practise one of the most deeply-rooted and tasty traditions in the city: "Going out for tapas"

International environment, share the trip with architects, designers and art lovers from around the world. Days of merrymaking, architecture, beach, gastronomic delicacies and general joy!

"Architecture is the great book of humanity"
Victor Hugo



BARCELONA, A REAL OPEN-AIR MUSEUM

*Barcelona, is a Mediterranean and cosmopolitan city with Roman remains, medieval quarters and the most beautiful examples of 20th century Modernism and avant-garde. It is no surprise that emblematic constructions by architects have been declared **World Heritage Sites** by the **UNESCO**.*

Waiting for you! Architecture, Design, Art, Exhibitions, Beaches and masterpieces of Antoni Gaudí, Frank Gehry, Jean Nouvel, Arata Isozaki, Jacques Herzog & Pierre de Meuron, Picasso, Miró, Mies Van der Rohe, Ricard Bofill, Toyo Ito among others...

Casa Batlló



A COUNTRY TO TASTE. THAT'S SPAIN.



*Delicious Local Foodie Experiences and
traditional Markets!*

*You'll be able to discover the exquisite and
typical dishes of each area, the famous
miniature canapés known as 'tapas', paella,
iberian cured ham, some of the best wines in
the world and much more...it's healthy, it
tastes delicious and it's been awarded the
UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage
designation.*

Come and enjoy it!





CALLING ALL LOVERS OF PAINTING, PHOTOGRAPHY, SCULPTURE AND ART IN GENERAL.

MUSEUMS, EXHIBITIONS ARE WAITING FOR YOU!

During the Tour, we will take you a fascinating journey through the art at the six best museums in Barcelona. Discover the finest collection of Romanesque mural paintings in the world, enjoy Modernisme, and be surprised by the most contemporary art and creation. The universes of Miró, Picasso and Tàpies await you as you embark upon this unique experience – without queuing or waiting. Art exhibitions you won't want to miss in Barcelona's museums and galleries!



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1st day Arrival in Barcelona

We arrive in Barcelona and meet our fellow passengers. We check in the charming accomodation and join our group for dinner and a tour briefing. There are international overnight flights to Barcelona (BCN).

La Boqueria Market, one of the oldest markets in Europe that's still in operation, La Rambla and Golden light from Port Vell at the foot of La Rambla!

Meals: Dinner



2nd day Barcelona and Gaudí's buildings Heritage

Soaring, vertical, stylised... it defies the heights. This is how the **Sagrada Familia** rises up towards the sky. It is Barcelona's most visited building and the finest work of modernist architect **Antoni Gaudí**.

The Sagrada Familia **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, is a grandiose work, architecturally complex and full of religious symbolism. It will be the tallest church building in the world as well as the church with the tallest spire in the world.

The great genius dedicated more than 40 years to the church, and, after his death in 1926, the project continued according to his original plans and drawings and is still unfinished - work is scheduled to end in 2026, the hundredth anniversary of his death. This earned him the nickname "**God's Architect**".



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2nd day Barcelona and Gaudi's buildings Heritage

Park Güell: The architect's passion for natural shapes. Park Güell is like something out of a fairy tale. It's a strange place, peculiar, even dreamlike, but it's certainly beautiful. A walk through this park awakens even the least active imagination. The weird shapes and daring colour combinations, mingling with the plants, create a different world that visitors find irresistibly attractive.

When Gaudí gained his architecture degree, Elies Rogent, head of the Barcelona School of Architecture, said: ***"Whether we have given a degree to a madman or a genius only time will tell."*** Undoubtedly, time has opted for the second choice and Güell Park, declared a **World Heritage Site by UNESCO** in 1984, is proof of this!

After typical delicious meal enjoy rest of the day to relax after long trip!

Meals: Breakfast&Lunch



3rd day Barcelona and Gaudí's buildings
Heritage

Casa Milà “La Pedrera” house a masterpiece by **Gaudí**. An ironic allusion to the resemblance of its façade to an open quarry. For its uniqueness, artistic and heritage value was inscribed on **World Heritage Site by UNESCO**. Everything in this building is curved and undulating. Architecturally it is considered an innovative work by having a structure of columns and floors free of load bearing walls. Similarly, the front – which is made of stone – is also self-supporting, i.e., not loads of floors.

Salvador Dalí about Gaudí: *“His houses are for erotomaniacs, where you can dream as well as live”*



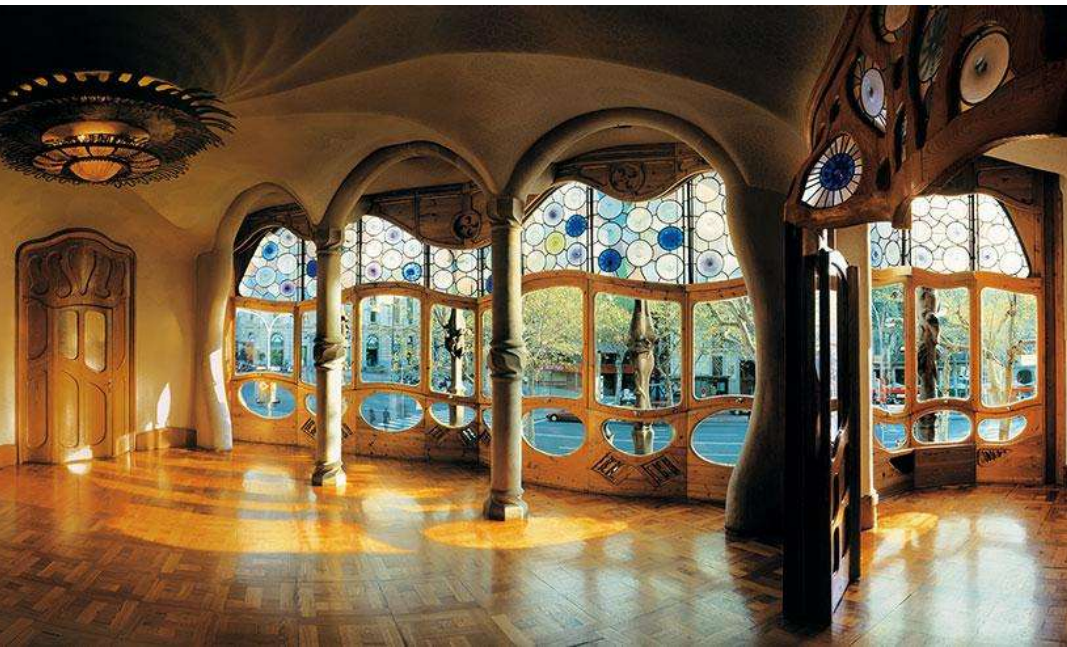
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3rd day Barcelona and Gaudi's buildings Heritage

The Casa Batlló: The House of Bones or carnaval, one of the jewels of **Art Nouveau**. It remains one of Gaudí's most important works, due to its symbolism, as well as his contribution to geometry and new design and building techniques which tie in with some of the characteristics of surrealism, cubism, expressionism and constructivism. **UNESCO World Heritage Site!**

Let's take a walk starting in **Fundació Antoni Tàpies** (tickets included) with an experienced architect to the Eixample master plan, designed by engineer and visionary Ildefons Cerdà visiting some examples to understand it.

Meals: Breakfast&Lunch



Passatge Permanyer | Inner block private passage. Jeroni Granell i Barrera. 1864

Jardins de la Torre de les Aigües | Inner block courtyard. 1887 | Historic water tower. Josep Oriol Mestres. 1870

Casa Terrades - "Casa de les Punxes" | Residential building. Josep Puig i Cadafalch. 1905

Palau del Baró de Cuadras | Residential building. Josep Puig i Cadafalch. 1906

Mansana de la Discòrdia | Group of residential buildings. Josep Puig i Cadafalch, Lluís Domènech i Montaner, Antoni Gaudí. 1898-1906

After Lunch at a modernism building by the architect Josep Puig i Cadafalch and where Pablo Picasso visited the restaurant often!...enjoy an afternoon of leisure to relax or explore independently the museum **Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona (CCCB)** (tickets included)





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4th day Barcelona and New urban strategies –
Plaça de les Glories, 22@

Along with Barcelona's new business and technology district 22@ in the former industrial area of Poblenou it probably has been the neighbourhood with the liveliest planning and building activity in recent years.

Let's take a walk!

Plaça de les Glòries - Canòpia Urbana | Green public square. Agence Ter, Ana Coello de Llobet. Estimated completion 2018

Nou Mercat dels Encants | Flea market. b720 Fermín Vázquez Arquitectos. 2013

Disseny Hub Barcelona | Museum. MBM Arquitectes Josep Martorell + Oriol Bohigas + David Mackay + Francesc Gual + Oriol Capdevila. 2013

Torre Agbar | Office tower. Jean Nouvel. 2005

Edifici Mediapro | Office building. Carlos Ferrater, Patrick Genard + Xavier Martí. 2008

Media-TIC | Office building. Cloud 9 Enric Ruiz Geli. 2010

Can Framis - Fundació Vila Casas | Museum of contemporary painting. BAAS Arquitectura Jordi Badia. 2009

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4th day Seafront, the city with its back to the water

Barceloneta is one of the city's coolest neighbourhoods! It offers amazing seafood restaurants, cool nightclubs and of course a great proximity to Barcelonas beautiful beaches. So Barceloneta became quite a hotspot since it was a place for the fishermen to live at the beginning. We will have the opportunity to visit the new architecture too!:

Passeig Marítim de la Barceloneta | Sea promenade. Julià Espinàs + Olga Tarrasó, Jaume Artigues, Miquel Roig, Jordi Henrich.

Edifici Gas Natural - Torre Mare Nostrum | Office building. EMBT Enric Miralles + Benedetta Tagliabue. 2006

Parc de Recerca Biomèdica de Barcelona | Biomedical research centre. Albert de Pineda, Manuel Brullet + Alfonso de Luna. 2006

Port Olímpic | Olympic harbour. MBM Arquitectes Oriol Bohigas + Albert Puigdomènech. 1991

The Fish Sculpture | Frank Gehry. 1992

After lunch at a traditional Spanish rices restaurant with 112 years of history, enjoy the afternoon at your leisure!

Why not **swimming in the Mediterranean Sea?**

Meals: Breakfast&Lunch





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CAPITAL
THAT
INSPIRES

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5th day Barcelona at your leisure!

Today is yours to spend as you like, exploring areas and aspects of Barcelona not otherwise covered on your tour. We will help you with suggestions according to your preferences!

An opportunity to do networking and enjoy Architecture conferences! Visiting the only global industry **event** that includes every single construction sector, an international benchmark of innovation and a forum for knowledge and business **Barcelona Building Construmat 2017: Building Tomorrow!** (from 23rd to 26th May 2017)

Open to Innovation: The place that not only exhibits all the latest products but also the place where the new products in the construction industry are manufactured. **Open to business and networking:** The bi-annual meeting that brings together influencers, manufacturers, international buyers and the key players in the construction industry. **Open to knowledge:** A forum for debate and reflection about the responsibilities of the sector and its future opportunities.

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Meals: Breakfast



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6th day Mies Van der Rohe, The Barcelona Pavillion

The Barcelona Pavilion, an emblematic work of the Modern Movement, has been exhaustively studied and interpreted as well as having inspired the oeuvre of several generations of architects. It was designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe. **Special Architecture Tour for us!**

We will discover **Fundació Joan Miró** (tickets included).

The Fundació is located in a building designed by Josep Lluís Sert, making it one of the few museums anywhere in the world in which the complicity between artist and architect underpins the dialogue between the works and the space that houses them.





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6th day El Poble Espanyol, Traditional Architecture, Soul, Handicrafts, Contemporary Art

Poble Espanyol is a unique town constructed from the re-creation to scale of **117 buildings from various regions of Spain**. A peaceful and pleasant walk will show you the Peninsula's variety of architectural heritage: from an Andalusian neighbourhood to Catalan Romanesque monastic architecture. Strolling through Poble Espanyol you'll discover not only buildings, but also artisans you can watch live as they work, as well as viewing pieces of contemporary art by universal figures like Dalí, Picasso, Miró o Guinovart. The idea was promoted by the architect Puig i Cadafalch and brought to life by Francesc Folguera and Ramon Reventós, also architects, with the participation of the art critic Miquel Utrillo and the painter Xavier Nogués.

A restaurant specialising in market Mediterranean cuisine with seasonal dishes and fresh produce is waiting for us! Then enjoy an afternoon of leisure to relax or explore independently **Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya** (tickets included).

Meals: Breakfast&Lunch

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7th day Medieval Barcelona. El Born is one of those neighborhoods out of a fantasy.

As you wander the tall narrow cobbled alleyways, paths twist and turn throughout the shadows as if in constant argument. There's mystery in the air.

See the Santa Caterina Market, then admire the Modernist, iron Mercat del Born Cultural Center, Europe's largest covered square. Continue on to the El Born district and see the Basilica of Santa Maria del Mar, an imposing 14th-century church that serves as a beautiful example of pure Catalán Gothic architecture.

We will visit **The Picasso museu** (tickets included). it is practically exhaustive up to the Blue Period!

Walking Through History Barcelona's Gothic Quarter: conclude our walking tour through the ancient narrow streets of one of the most charming medieval districts in Europe. Discover the secrets behind the stones of **Barcelona's Gothic Quarter**.

Barcelona will surprise you with many unusual buildings, is a real open-air museum!





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7th day Medieval Barcelona.

Spend the rest of the day at your leisure wandering the alleyways, shopping, and enjoying the small galleries or visiting the **Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona** (tickets included).

In the evening... Sea, rice, personality, wood-fire oven cooked sardines, incredible sunsets, fresh prawns, Mediterranean, gin and tonics, good vibes, a boat sailing, seeing Barcelona from the sea...dinner there!

Meals: Breakfast&dinner

8th day Barcelona, end of tour

End of the tour. ¡Hasta pronto! **See you soon Spain!**

Meals: Breakfast

“Our Vision is simple:

we want to share our passion for architecture. We do this by taking you on scenic tours of some of the most beautiful locations to enhance your photography skills! We also want you to have a real spanish experience you won't forget, making new friends and memories for a lifetime!”

THE TEAM

MALAN KOTZÉ

“Spain is a photographer's dream; the light, architecture, vibrant colour and culture are unique. If you have adventure in your soul and you are passionate about architecture, pack your camera and your creativity, Spain is for YOU!”



Malan Kotzé is a South African professional photographer. He has 29 years' extensive experience. He is best known for his photographs in Architecture, Interior, Industrial, Corporate, Real Estate, Commercial, Hospitality, Food & Wine Photography in Europe, South Africa, Kenya, Mozambique, Namibia and Swaziland.

The work of Malan has been used for advertising and editorial layouts.

Malan Kotzé photography provides images to numerous magazines and publications around the world such as African Design Magazine, Marklives.

Malan Kotzé is an official Nikon Lecturer - South Africa. He is an official photographer of Luxury chain Hotels and multinational Restaurant companies and has worked in marketing campaigns of awarded designers and international architecture studios.

Malan is member of the South Africa Professional Photographers (SAPP).

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“Nothing please me more than to share my beautiful homeland with like- minded people and to present a personal and real view of Spain, its culture, its gastronomy, its people, and of course share my passion for history, art and architecture. See you soon!”



Isabel Torrecillas is a Spanish artist from Barcelona, entrepreneur in branding/tourism industry, also photographer best known for her architecture, interior, travel photography and street photography for stock photo agencies.

Her previous background was as a corporate trainer and consultant as an engineer in energy companies in Spain and South America. Her passion for travel has taken her to many places around the world and she has experience in promoting photography and architecture/cultural tours in Spain.

Isabel is member of the Asociación de Fotógrafos Profesionales de España.

BCN ARCHITECTURE TOUR

DATES AND PRICES

Tour Dates 19 May – 26 May 2017

(8 days/7 nights)

The architecture tour commences and ends in Barcelona (Spain)

Cost is €2,400 per person, twin share.

Minimum of 10, Maximum 14 participants

A **deposit** of €600 is required when you book the Architecture&Photographic Tour.

Terms of payment

- A deposit of €600 must be paid to secure your place. The deposit is non-refundable unless you can sell your place to someone else. If the tour does not proceed, deposit is refunded in full
- The Registration Form must be filled in and signed by each participant at the time of paying the first deposit. Participation will be declined otherwise
- The remaining balance must be paid on or before 15 April 2017
- Bookings will be accepted strictly in the order they are received
- The tour requires a minimum of 8 to run so please don't book your flights until this has been confirmed.

What's included

- Charming city center accommodation
- All Tour Transportation
- Incredible Meals (Breakfast & Lunch or Dinner)
- All excursions, tickets 6 museums and tickets to 4 Gaudí buildings, local guides and walking tours
- Sunrise/Sunset photography
- All photographic tuition

What's not included

- Airfares to/from Spain
- Travel insurance with emergency evacuation is mandatory as a condition of booking
- Visas
- Camera/Equipment Insurance
- Optional personal activities
- Additional Snacks & Meals
- Extra Alcohol consumption and beverages
- Tips to the local guides along the way
- Any other personal expenses such as excess baggage fees, laundry, and phone calls

Pre-Registration Bookings

New tours often sell out very quickly so we're glad your taking the steps to reserve your seat on our tour. Pre-registering guarantees the first 14 guests a seat on our tour and are sold on a first come first serve basis.

Pre-Registration Bookings and if you have any questions please feel free to contact us:

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Camera gear

There is really no limit to what camera gear you take but we always recommend to travel light!. Check with your airline about weight restrictions. Whatever level of camera equipment you have, we will help to ensure you get the most out of it

Recommended photography equipment

- DSLR or Mirrorless camera(s)
- Sturdy Tripod
- Wide angle lens 16mm or less
- Zoom lens 24-70mm
- Zoom Lens 70-200mm
- Cable release
- ND & Polarizer filters

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Cancellation Policy

Payment in full is required when registration is completed less than 60 days before the departure date. Space is subject to cancellation by the Tour Operators if payments are not received when due. If a participant would like to cancel they must send an email notification.

Please note your cancellation is not considered official until you have received a return email confirmation acknowledging your cancellation. At the time we receive your cancellation notification, the following per person charges will be applied.

91 days or more before departure: €300 cancellation fee, plus any additional costs incurred, as well as any fees that are charged by the suppliers providing the services included in the Trip. If your spot is filled by another participant, we'll refund your deposit minus payment processing fees and €100 administrative fee.

61-90 days before departure: €500 cancellation fee, plus any additional costs incurred, as well as fees, if applicable, that are charged by the suppliers providing the services included in the Trip. If your spot is filled by another participant, we will refund your deposit minus payment processing fees and €100 administrative fee.

60 days or less before departure or anytime after departure: NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN and your deposit will be forfeited. Payments in Full are required no later than 60 Days prior to departure. If full and final payment is not received by this date you will be notified via email two times requesting final payment. After that, we will consider your failure to make payment a cancellation and your spot in the Trip will be forfeit and offered to those participants on the waiting list.

Camera skills

We will assist you out in the field with the camera skills and Post-processing tips needed to capture those incredible moments. Regardless of your level and your camera equipment, you will improve your skills as a photographer and you will learn the craft with an expert team.

Not too young & Not too old

We don't put specific age limits on our tours. After all, age is a state of mind. However, do bear in mind that our itineraries are specifically designed for people who have good mobility and a reasonable level of fitness. As we explore the world expect to do lots of walking and you may need to carry your own bags to your room. Our suggestion to feel you comfortable, between 18-60 years old.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Visas

American citizens can enter Spain visa-free for periods of up to three months

Spain as a member of the Schengen States. On arrival from a non-Schengen state citizens will be issued with a short period visa, or the common 'Schengen Visa', which permits a maximum stay of 90 days. Please check with your consulate/embassy regarding VISAS. Please make sure that your passport/visa does not expire during the tour period.

Liability

- The operation of the photographic tour is at the sole discretion of Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas, having in mind the wellbeing and interests of all participants and the safe and sensible operation of the program as specified within this itinerary
- Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas do not accept any liability for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise of third party providers
- Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas disclaim liability for any injury, damage, loss, delay, additional expense or trouble caused by force majeure (force of nature) or any other event which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas' part.

Fitness and health considerations

The photographic tour has been planned within the ability of average people in good health conditions but if you have concerns about your own capabilities or health please check with your doctor before booking a place. We recommend that you do some walking every day to get fit for the trip. By signing the Registration Form, you guarantee that to the best of your knowledge, you do not have any physical or other disability that could create a risk for you or other tour participants. Once a booking has been accepted by Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas, medical circumstances will not be accepted as an exemption to the Cancellation Policy above. When you fill the Registration Form, please indicate any health issues, allergies or dietary requirements Malan Kotzé and Isabel do not assume any responsibility or liability for medical care or special dietary requirements. If a participant becomes ill during the photographic tour, Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas reserve the right to continue the tour for the benefit of the rest of the participants. Malan Kotzé and Isabel will make every effort to assist you whilst trying to minimize disruption of the photographic tour for other participants.

Rights

Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas reserve the right to:

- Substitute hotels/accommodation
- Make changes in the itinerary or transport if required due to changes in airline schedules, other schedule changes or when necessary
- Cancel the photographic tour prior to departure, in which case a full refund of all payments received will be given. If such event occurred, Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas will not be responsible for any other expenses such as non-refundable air fares, visa fees and other related expenses. The responsibility for such bookings lies with the participant. As such Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas recommend participants to purchase a travel protection insurance prior to paying the first deposit.
- Substitute any of the tour leaders as originally specified, in which case this substitution will not entitle the participant to a refund
- Accept or refuse any person as a participant in the photographic tour
- Change the price of the photographic tour due to adverse currency exchange fluctuations, airline schedule changes, fuel and tax price charges (VAT).



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