# 10 Day Pilgrimage to Portugal & Spain

visiting Fatima, Aljustrel, Valinhos, Nazare, Batalha, Alcobaca, Braga, Santiago de Compostela, Obidos, Lisbon & Evora



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Oct 13<sup>th</sup> - Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011

## YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round trip air from Newark
- First Class Hotels
- Breakfast & Dinner Daily
- Air-conditioned motor coach
- English speaking guide
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Porterage of luggage at hotels
- All taxes and service charges

## **HIGHLIGHTS**:

- Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary in Fatima
- The Tombs of Blessed Jacinta, Francisco and Sister Lucia
- Visit the homes of the Children in Aljustrel
- Valinhos where the Angel appeared to the children in 1916
- The Parish Church of Fatima
- Monastery of Santa Maria da Victoria in Batalha a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Monastery of Alcobaca a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- The lovely Fishing Village of Nazare
- The Sanctuary of Bom Jesus
- Historic Center & Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- The Medieval Walled City of Obidos
- City Tour of Lisbon
- The Roman Temple and Walled City of Evora a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Pilgrimage Price: \$ 2,979.00 Double/Triple per person

\$ 700.00 Single Supplement

## **ITINERARY**

**Thu, Oct 13**<sup>th</sup>: **Newark/Lisbon** - Depart Newark airport on your overnight flight to Lisbon. Dinner served in flight.







**Fri, Oct 14<sup>th</sup>: Lisbon/ Fatima -** Upon arrival in **Lisbon**, we are transferred to **Fatima**. We have free time to rest before our, afternoon, visit of the Chapel of Apparitions, the Chapel of Adoration and the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary where we see the Tombs of Blessed Jacinta, Francisco and Sister Lucia.

**Sat, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>: Fatima - Free morning**. This afternoon we go to **Aljustrel** to visit the homes of the children and perhaps meet some of the relatives. Next to **Valinhos** where Our Lady appeared to the children in August 1917 and where the Angel appeared to the children in 1916. We also visit the Parish Church where the children received the Sacraments.







Sun, Oct 16<sup>th</sup>: Fatima/Batalha/Alcobaca/Nazare/Fatima - Morning departure to Batalha to visit the Monastery of Santa Maria da Vitória which was built in answer to a vow made by King John I to the Virgin Mary. Elected by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, it is a grand monument to the closing phase of the Portuguese Gothics whose building began in 1388. Next to Alcobaca, (a UNESCO as World Heritage Site) in the fertile valley formed by the Alcoa and Baça's Rivers. King Afonso Henriques built the Monastery of Alcobaca to fulfill a vow he made to the Cistercian Order, when he conquered Santarém from the Moors. Our last stop is the, lovely, fishing village of Nazare. On hot days, the ancient local fishing art is brought to life, with the skipper calling the men down to the sea. The men run down to the beach and help push the "candil" - a small fishing boat - down to the sea. In the past this was a daily scene on Nazaré beach. Nowadays the fishermen still mend their nets on the beach, tell fishing yarns and prepare their equipment for bait fishing. We have free time in Nazare to shop and have lunch, on our own. After our leisurely afternoon, we return to Fatima.





Mon, Oct 17<sup>th</sup>: Fatima/Braga/Santiago de Compostela - Morning departure to Santiago de Compostela. En route we stop at Braga to visit The Santuário Bom Jesús do Monte ("Shrine of Good Jesus of the Mountain"). In 1722 the Archbishop of Braga commissioned the construction of a Sacred Way. He wanted a place where the faithful could walk the Stations of the Cross for penance and contemplation. Bom Jesus is a popular place of pilgrimage. The Sacred Way is a Baroque double staircase with numerous landings and the grounds of the sanctuary are filled with beautiful gardens, grottoes, small chapels, sculptures, and allegorical fountains. The first fountain symbolizes the wounds of Christ, the next five the senses, and the final three the virtues. Thousands of pilgrims come here to celebrate Pentecost. After our visit, we continue to Santiago de Compostela, (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) to visit the Basilica. The remains of St. James are enshrined in the Cathedral. St. Francis of Assisi is said to have made the pilgrimage to Santiago in 1214. After Mass we have free time to visit the city on our own.

In 819 AD, an ancient tomb was uncovered on the northwest coast of Spain. The remains were supernaturally revealed to be those of **St. James the Apostle**, who was martyred in Jerusalem in 44 AD. According to legend, St. James crossed the Mediterranean after Jesus' death and resurrection to preach in Spain. He then returned to Jerusalem, where he became one of the first Christian martyrs. After his death, a group of believers brought his remains to Spain to ensure they would not be desecrated.

King Alfonso II (791-842) built the first church over the tomb. Alfonso III (866-910) replaced it with a larger structure. In 997, the whole town, including St. James' church, was destroyed by Abu 'Amir al-Mansur (Almanzor), Moorish military commander of the Córdoba caliphate. Almanzor respected the apostles' tomb, however, and left it undisturbed. In 1078 the present cathedral was begun by order of Alfonso VI, king of Castile and Leon.

**Tue, Oct 18**<sup>th</sup>: **Santiago de Compostela** - Free day to enjoy Santiago on your own. Perhaps take a walk around the old town where you find many narrow winding streets full of historic buildings. Look for the, ever present, bagpipers in their Scottish kilts. Visit the local shops for fine British porcelain. For lunch, enjoy some of the best octopus to be found in Europe.





**Wed, Oct 19**<sup>th</sup>: **Santiago de Compostela/Obidos/Lisbon** - Morning departure to Lisbon. En route we stop at **Obidos** to visit the walled city. Roman occupation of the area around Obidos has been recently confirmed by archaeological excavations, which revealed the existence of a Roman city very close to the hill where the village is located. This Roman settlement is most

certainly the mysterious *Eburobrittium*, cited by Pliny the Elder as situated between *Collipo* and *Olisipo* (Lisbon). The Roman town of Eburobrittium was probably abandoned in the 5<sup>th</sup> century for the more secure hill where Óbidos is located. The Moors established a fortification on top of the hill around 713. The first King of Portugal, Afonso Henriques took this area from the Moors in 1148. After our visit, we continue to Lisbon.

Upon arrival in **Lisbon**, we have a panorama of the city. We visit the Belem Tower, the Monastery of St. Jeronimo, the birthplace of St. Anthony, now a church, and the cathedral where he was baptized.



**Thu, Oct 20**<sup>th</sup>: **Lisbon/Evora/Lisbon** - Due to its well-preserved old town centre, still partially enclosed by medieval walls, and a large number of monuments dating from various historical periods, including a Roman Temple, **Evora** is a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**. It reached its golden age in the 15<sup>th</sup> century when it became the residence of the Portuguese kings. Its unique quality stems from the whitewashed houses decorated with *azulejos* and wrought-iron balconies dating from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Its monuments had a profound influence on Portuguese architecture in Brazil.

Évora has a history dating back more than two millennia. The Romans conquered the town in 57 BC and expanded it into a walled town. Vestiges from this period (city walls and ruins of Roman baths) still remain. The Romans had extensive gold mining in Portugal, and the name may be derived from that oro, aurum, gold. Julius Caesar called it Liberalitas Julia (Julian generosity). The city grew in importance because it lay at the junction of several important routes. During his travels through Gaul and Lusitania, Pliny the Elder also visited this town. In those days, Évora became a flourishing city. Its high rank among municipalities in Roman Hispania is clearly shown by many inscriptions and coins. The monumental Corinthian temple in the centre of the town dates from the first century and was probably erected in honor of the Emperor Augustus. It is one of a kind in Portugal. The temple was incorporated into a mediaeval building and thus survived destruction. In the fourth century, the town already had a bishop, named Quintianus.

The Cathedral of Évora, mainly built between 1280 and 1340, is one of the most important gothic monuments of Portugal. The cathedral has a notable main portal with statues of the Apostles and a beautiful nave and cloister. One transept chapel is Manueline and the outstanding main chapel is Baroque.

**Fri, Oct 21**<sup>st</sup>: **Lisbon - Free day to enjoy Lisbon**. Perhaps visit the, nearby, seaside resorts of Estoril to walk along the beach and have lunch at a seaside restaurant or, try your luck in the Casino of Estoril. For a day trip out of Lisbon, take a tour to Cascais, Sintra and Cabo de Sao Vicente, the most southwesterly point of Europe, to see lands' end.

Sat, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>: Lisbon/USA - Morning departure to Lisbon airport for our return flight to the USA.

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