



Hidden Trails

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*Equestrian Vacations
- on & with Hidden Trails*

About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Doñana Riding Adventure - Spain, Europe

Tour Code: IT-SPAN05
7 days / 6 nights ~\$4,290.00
Dates: Available all year

Trip Rating : ●●●●●
Difficulty : ●●●●●
Lodging : ●●●

Tack: Spanish cowboy saddle or English saddl...
Horses: Andalusian and Andalusian cross
Pace: All paces according to riding level
Walk, Trot, Canter,

Airport: Seville



Introduction

Southern Spain, Spain

This riding holiday is designed for those who share our passion for horses, want to get to know this amazing part of Spain on horseback and are up for a real cross-country adventure as we ride from North to South, from the tranquil Sevillian countryside, to the spectacular Atlantic beaches, and crossing Europe's largest wildlife preserve, the Doñana National Park.

Andalusia is not only famous for its cultural richness, its environmental diversity and the open and friendly character of its inhabitants, but also for its magnificent Andalusian horses. The Andalusian horse is renowned for its versatility, it's kind nature and tractability and it's incomparable beauty. You will be riding these amazing horses through varied and unforgettable landscapes, from the rolling and peaceful farmland, through pine forests and shrubland, marshlands, cork woods, impressive cliffs, dunes and sandy beaches. The wildlife will always be present, from many birds such as kites, eagles, flamingos and storks to several types of deer, iberian lynx, wild boar and wild horses!

Accommodation

Accommodations

This is a progressive ride, so nights will be spent in different locations.

Description

You will be lodged in high quality establishments. Your base in Carmona is a 4 star Hotel. Throughout the Doñana Adventure, you will be staying in Hotels and lodges of similar category. As well as our guests, we will also take great concern in providing our horses with comfortable stables and the best care for their overnight too, as their rest and well-being is, obviously, a priority to us as well.

Accommodation Itinerary - subject to changes based on availability

- Night 1 & 2: Alcazar de la Reina in Carmona
- Night 3: Ardea Purpurea Lodge in Villamanrique de la Condesa
- Night 4: Hotel Malvasia in El Rocío
- Night 5: Parador Hotel in Mazagón
- Night 6: Alcazar de la Reina in Carmona



Alcazar de la Reina in Carmona

This is a beautiful hotel located in the heart of the historic center of the city of Carmona, just a few minutes drive away from the Riding Center. The hotel is full of history, charm, and elegance while at the same time comfortable and modern, and is located at only twenty minutes distance from Seville International airport. It offers breathtaking views over the fertile valley, the Vega de Carmona, all the way to the great river Guadalquivir, and the Sierra Morena mountain Range behind. The name of the hotel comes from the Moorish term Alcazar, meaning a fortified Palace, and the Spanish, Reina, or queen.

The building was originally erected by the Moors in the 13th century as a fortress adjunct to the Puerta de Cordoba, in an era when the town was one of the most important caliphates of Andalucía. The Palace, totally restored in the 1990s in the original Mudejar style, and refurbished in 2007, boasts spacious and elegant lounge areas and patios, a outdoor solarium with salt-water swimming pool, and a total of four different options for dining.

The rooms are ample, airy, comfortable and very tastefully furnished and feature two large (1m wide) single beds (for double occupancy beds are placed together, for twin, they have a space between), a full en-suite bathroom (tub and shower) with hair-dryer, air-conditioning and central heating, Satellite T.V., a safe and a minibar (consumption not included in the price).

Wi-Fi internet is available in all the public areas.

Ardea Purpurea Lodge in Villamanrique de la Condesa

This luxurious lodge is charmingly cosy. It has been designed and built using the materials and the unique architectural style of the area. All rooms have a terrace with views, air conditioning, heating, TV, a private bathroom and free Wi-Fi access. The rooms are simply decorated and the furniture is mainly made by artisans from local materials.

There is a saltwater sand pool located in the center of the complex.

Hotel Malvasia in El Rocío



This charming hotel displays a perfect example of the local architectural style. The rooms are simple but comfortable and each feature its own unique decor. All rooms offer free Wi-Fi, air conditioning and heating, a TV, a safe and a private bathroom.

Parador Hotel in Mazagón

This beachfront hotel is surrounded by nature with the forest on one side and the beach and ocean on the other. Each of the spacious bedroom comes equipped with air conditioning, a balcony, a TV, a safe and private facilities with hairdryer.

The Hotel has an non-heated outdoor and indoor heated pool as well as a sauna and massage service (extra cost).

Room Occupancy

The single supplement fee applies if we are unable to find another rider to share.

Meals

Most meals are included in your program. Only dinner and day 2 is not included.

We will take special care in giving you the best gastronomic experience, with all the delicious dishes and wines this area has to offer.

Meals will feature mainly traditional Spanish dishes, which give you a taste of the renowned Mediterranean diet, with some International dishes.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to most diets including vegetarian and gluten and lactose-free, etc. with prior notice.

Riding

Riding Experience

You should be a confident rider, able to trot and canter easily and be fit enough to ride between 4 and 6 hours per day (with a resting break over lunch).

Horses

Our horses are the most important thing for us. They are the ones who truly make this Equestrian Vacation something unique. There are over 60 horses of different breeds, shapes, sizes, levels of training and temperament. With this large number we can match each guest with the ideal horse. There is also the option to change horses if the horse and rider are not getting along.

Most of our horses are Andalusians or Andalusian cross breeds but we have lots of others breeds such as Warmbloods (Hannoverian, Holsteiner and Oldenburg), Anglo-Arabs, Thoroughbreds, different breeds of ponies and others.

But most importantly we would like to emphasize the good nature and willingness of all our horses. We have no kickers or biters and besides their training and work, we think they are all special in their own way, they are all individuals and so they are treated as such. Our horses are a part of our family.

Staff

Your main guide is not only a fully qualified riding instructor but also a biologist and is local to the area. There will always be a second guide plus a backup team to ensure the holiday runs smoothly. Our guides speak English and Spanish.

Hard Hat

It is obligatory by law in Spain to wear a riding helmet for all riding activities. We do have a few helmets out, but it is preferable for each person to have his/her own, as a good fit is essential.

Itinerary



Sample Itinerary - subject to changes

This sample itinerary is subject to changes at tour operator's discretion.

Day 1 (Sunday): Arrival

Guests arrive in the afternoon either by pick-up at the train station in Seville (10 - 20 minute drive) or by means of their own transport. A free transfer service is offered at 4:30 pm from the Santa Justa Train Station. You will then be escorted to your hotel in the nearby town of Carmona, one of the famous white villages of Andalusia. Carmona is the oldest continually inhabited village in Europe and as you stroll through the narrow streets of the old town, you will feel and breathe the spirits of ancient cultures (Iberians, Visigoths, Phoenicians, Romans, Moors), in the innumerable examples of their architectural influence in the churches, towers, palaces and mansions as well as in the inherited customs.

After you are settled in, you may appreciate a dip in the pool, or perhaps discover the pleasures of the Spanish afternoon "siesta" after a tiring journey.

A member of our team will meet you in the hotel lobby at 8.15 p.m. on Sunday evening, to go to the welcome dinner along with the rest of our guests for the week. The meal will normally start at 8.30 p.m. During the meal you will be going over the week's schedule and morning transfer times among other topics.

Meals included: Dinner

Overnight at Hotel in Carmona

Day 2 (Monday): Hacienda Bida 8, Seville Visit

Day 2 (Monday): Haciendas Ride & Seville visit

This first day will be an easy one, as some riders may still feel slightly jet-lagged or stiff, from the previous day's travelling. We will collect you after breakfast and take you, after a very short drive, to the Equestrian Centre just outside Carmona. Here you can have a chat with our instructors and guides. This is important so we can allocate you the correct horse. Then, mount up to go on a morning ride. This will be an assessment ride and an opportunity for everyone to get to know each other. The ride takes you through tranquil, slightly rolling farmland, scattered with crops of cereals, olives, citrus and almond trees. It is a charming way to get to know this part of the region, filled with culture and peaceful landscapes. Through the ride, we will be passing several Haciendas (olive oil estates), many of which were built around the 16th Century.

Arrive back to the centre for a delicious fresh, home-cooked lunch. After lunch, we offer you a complimentary transfer to Sevilla for a sightseeing or shopping opportunity. This is a unique city so a visit is highly recommended and really should not be missed.

If you would rather take it easy and would prefer to rest up in preparation for the Doñana Adventure, we will transfer you back to the Hotel for an easy afternoon in town.

Meals included: Breakfast & Lunch

Overnight at Hotel in Carmona

Day 3 (Tuesday): Quema River & Aznalcollar Forest

Today, after an early breakfast, we drive to the town of Villamanrique. We will arrive at the stables where you will meet the horses that will take you on this unforgettable adventure through Doñana. Mount up and get to know your horse. We will do a little «test ride» in the centre's indoor arena and as soon as everyone is feeling comfortable, we will head off into open country and begin the adventure!

Today's ride is loaded with the folklore and tradition of the area, as we will cross the famous Quema river. This river is where pilgrims are baptized on their first pilgrimage to the village of El Rocío to show their respect and devotion to the Virgin Mary. We will also pass the emblematic Virgen del Rocío monolith. The ride also takes us through the famous pine forests of Aznalcollar.

This part of Doñana, with an extension of 30.000 acres is famous for its majestic beauty. The forest is mostly made up of umbrella (stone) pine. This type of pine is native to the Mediterranean and is famous for its delicious pine nuts used to make many dishes, pastries and sweets in this region, since ancient times.

We will also ride through the scrubland filled with Mediterranean shrubs such as rosemary, rockrose, heather and palm hearts. This vegetation provides the perfect habitat for wildlife, with many birds of prey in the area such as different types of Eagles and black Kites, and depending on the time of year, it will be very easy to see dozens of storks nesting in the treetops.

Lunch will be at a famous Venta, popularly frequented by the locals. Here we will have the opportunity to taste the delights of the local cuisine of this Sevillian region. After lunch, we will ride back to Villamanrique, the oldest town in the Doñana environment.

In the evening, rest in your comfortable room or stroll through the extensive gardens before meeting the rest of the group for dinner in the lodge's restaurant, famous for its exquisite dishes.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Lodge in Villamanrique

Day 4 (Wednesday): Pilgrims path to El Rocío

Today's ride takes us to discover the northern part of the Heart of Doñana, which the locals call «El Coto» (the Reserve). We will ride the same sandy tracks that pilgrims use on their religious journey to the Basilica church and village of El Rocío. They call this cross-country path through the heart of Doñana the Raya Real (Royal Strip). These tracks and the whole area are completely closed off from the general public as it is wildlife preserve. Brotherhoods of pilgrims get a special permission to use them on the week of the pilgrimage which is in May, but no one gets to enter the park the rest of the year except a couple of licensed and selected bird watching companies and some very few and selected horseback adventures like ours.

The scenery in this area is stunning. The ride takes us through wooded areas of stone pine and eucalyptus, and through scrubland formed by aromatic thickets that impregnate our path with delicious aromas such as rosemary, lavender, rockrose and heather. We then arrive at the Royal Palace, an ancient hunting estate that was used by Spanish Kings and royalty since it was built in the 13th century. This is the perfect place for a picnic. After a short break we will continue our way through grasslands and pastures dotted with cork oaks and mastic trees.

These oak groves are the ideal habitat for many birds. More than 80 species of vertebrates inhabit this area of the reserve and more than half are birds, such as the Imperial Eagle, Short-toed Eagle or Pito Rea (Woodpecker). If we are lucky we may be able to spot the Iberian lynx, wild boar or foxes. It is very common to see several types of deer during this part of our journey. Towards the end of our route, we will cross the famous Ajolí bridge that takes us to the gates of the Village of El Rocío. Before the end of the day we will visit the marshes loaded with natural life such as flamingos, herons and other water birds followed by a glass of sherry or wine on horseback in the local style! We will rest in one of the villages best Hotels with views to the Marshlands.

Dinner in the hotel restaurant with the rest of the group and the guides to sample the local cuisine and wines.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel in El Rocío

Day 5 (Thursday): El Rocío to the beaches of Doñana

We are now riding entirely in the province of Huelva. Today's route takes us south, from the village of El Rocío to the virgin beaches of Doñana. We will pass through some of the most popular places in the park, such as the famous Rociana lagoon where the brotherhoods of pilgrims arriving from the western parts of Andalusia are baptized. This area of great beauty and environmental richness is the perfect habitat for wildlife with species such as roe deer, red deer, and wild horses. Halfway there, we will make a stop to taste a typical country lunch, accompanied by wines from the Doñana county.

Finally, our path takes us to the Mazagón beaches. We will spend the night in a luxurious Hotel with ocean views and direct access to the beach. Dinner at the Hotel.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel in Mazagón

Day 6 (Friday): Dunes, viewpoints and virgin beaches of Doñana

This last ride is a half day ride (about 3 hours). It is quite impressive and of great beauty. We will visit the coast of Doñana, with its dunes, cliffs and beaches. From the top of the Asperillo Dune, the highest and most important in Doñana, we will have amazing views of the Atlantic Ocean. The line of fossil and mobile dunes that form the cliffs of Doñana is the most important in Europe.

We will make our way down to the immense virgin beaches, and then it will be time for a long canter. The sound of the waves, and the splashing of our horses in the water will lead us to an immense sense of freedom, elevating our senses. This feeling is scarcely matched by any other. After the ride, it is time to say goodbye to our horses and take some last minute pictures.

Today, lunch will be partaken in a nearby restaurant in the fishing village of Mazagón, by the sea. After lunch it is time to return to your Hotel in Carmona. The afternoon and evening in Carmona can be used to rest. The Hotel has a massage service (on request), and a salted outdoor pool. Or it can be used as an opportunity to visit this beautiful medieval town. Dinner will be at the hotel.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel in Carmona

Day 7 (Saturday): Departure

We offer complementary transport to the airport and train station. First trip at 8.00 am and last will be at 11.00 am.

Have a nice journey home, we hope you enjoyed your stay and we look forward to welcoming you back!

Meals included: Breakfast





Other Info

Meeting: Carmona

Airport: Seville

Train station: Santa Justa train station

Transfer: Included from Santa Justa train station.

Distance: 8 miles

Pick-up/drop-off is included from the Santa Justa train station, in Seville. Pick-up is for 4:30pm on Day 1. Drop-off on Saturdays from 8:00am to 11:00am to Sevilla airport or train station.

Tack: Spanish cowboy saddle or English saddle or trekking saddle

Horses: Andalusian and Andalusian cross

Pace: All paces according to riding level
3 full day rides (4-6 hours) and two half day rides (2.5 -3 hours)

Walk | Trot | Canter |

Level: 🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾 (3 to 5 out of 5) from Intermediate to Advanced

Age: Min 12

Weight: 190 lbs / 85 kg

Riders: Min 4 riders Max 8 riders

Riding helmets are mandatory for this ride.

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-SPAN05

Rates include: Accommodations, Most meals, 5 riding days, Transfers from/to Santa Justa train station at set times.
Some helmets can be borrowed

Packages and Options

Season	Description	EUR	~US\$
A 2026	7 day trip	€3575	\$4290

The US Dollar Rate is based on a EUR Exchange Rate of 1.2 and subject to currency fluctuation

Transfer Option

Description

2026 Transfer from Sevilla train station at 4:30pm on Day 1, return included		
2026 Transfer from Sevilla Airport on Day 1 via taxi, per car, each way (usually around 80 euros)	€80	\$95
2026 Single supplement	€345	\$415

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates
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Rates do not include: Dinner on Day 2, Gratuities & Transfers from/to Sevilla Airport

Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets												
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Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent Moderate Poor How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No Yes last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Phone (wk) _____ (hm) _____ Cell _____ Fax _____

Date _____ Signature (mandatory) 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA or Mastercard (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp. Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up initial _____

No, we will provide our own initial _____

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