

## Walking Andalusia (Spain) – 11 days/10 nights

**March 17-27;** Private tours available for alternative dates.



**3,750 €** per person (double-occupancy room); single-room supplement **400€**

### Tour Description

This **brand new tour** takes us through the four main areas of **eastern Andalusia**. I was inspired to design this trip by my experience working in the region from 2009 to 2011, when I was an urban planner overseeing development of the Territorial Masterplan.

Our journey begins in the inland city of **Granada**, the capital of the last Muslim kingdom on the Iberian Peninsula and home to the magnificent **Alhambra Palace**. Over the first two days, we will combine exploring the city and its remarkable history with hikes through its beautiful natural surroundings.

After Granada, we will travel east to the picturesque town of **Guadix**, which will be our base for the next two days. From there, we'll head into the **Sierra de los Filabres** for our hikes. This beautiful mountain range rises above the **Almanzora Valley** to the north and the **Tabernas Desert** to the south. Over the following three days, you will discover why this area became one of the iconic settings for **Spaghetti Western films**.

Our hiking exploration of eastern Andalusia will conclude along the coast. We will spend the final three days in the **Cabo de Gata Natural Park**, an extraordinary semi-arid landscape facing the Mediterranean Sea. It offers a variety of **coastal and inland trails**, **small towns and villages** to explore, and the beauty of **wide natural beaches** and small hidden coves.

We will spend our last afternoon and evening in the city of **Almería**, visiting its stunning **Moorish heritage** and enjoying a farewell dinner at an excellent local restaurant.

## Itinerary

Here are the activities planned for each day. All the hikes are low to moderate difficulty. Most are circular routes and all are less than 10 miles.

| DAY             | ACTIVITY / HIKES                                                                                                 | OVERNIGHT     |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>March 17</b> | Arrival at Granada, gentle walk in town, welcome dinner                                                          | Granada       |
| <b>March 18</b> | <a href="#">Ruta Acequia Real + Alhambra guided visit</a>                                                        | Granada       |
| <b>March 19</b> | <a href="#">Cahorros de Monachil hike</a>                                                                        | Guadaix       |
| <b>March 20</b> | <a href="#">Mirador del Fin del Mundo hike</a>                                                                   | Guadaix       |
| <b>March 21</b> | <a href="#">Calar Alto hike</a>                                                                                  | Tabernas area |
| <b>March 22</b> | <a href="#">Tabernas desert hike</a>                                                                             | Tabernas area |
| <b>March 23</b> | <a href="#">Cortijo del Fraile hike</a>                                                                          | Cabo de Gata  |
| <b>March 24</b> | <a href="#">Playa Genoveses hike</a>                                                                             | Cabo de Gata  |
| <b>March 25</b> | <a href="#">Rodalquilar Hike + San Perdo boat trip</a>                                                           | Cabo de Gata  |
| <b>March 26</b> | Optional gentle walk in the morning, van ride to Almería city,<br><a href="#">downtown afternoon gentle walk</a> | Almería       |
| <b>March 27</b> | Checkout and shuttle to Almería airport                                                                          | Departure     |

The most remarkable feature of eastern Andalusia is its **dramatic, arid landscape**. It is easy to understand why Hollywood chose this area to recreate the atmosphere of the **Old Wild West**.

We will walk through breathtaking canyons, stand at the foot of soaring cliffs, and look out over vast expanses of eroded rock carved by the silent yet relentless action of water and wind.

Beyond the hikes, there will also be time to explore the **cultural and social dimensions** of this remarkable region. Our stays in Granada and Almería will offer opportunities to explore the region's **Moorish architectural heritage** and how it evolved after the High Middle Ages. The smaller towns along our journey will surprise you with their hidden treasures, and the **traditional cuisine** will certainly be one of the highlights of your trip.



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## Tour Price and Included Services

The price of the tour is **3,750 euros per person** (double-occupancy room). The single-room supplement is **400 euros**.

### Included

- Lodging for 10 nights in comfortable hotels and inns
- Expert guidance on trails with an elevated level of support
- Meals: breakfasts, 7 dinners, water & snacks on all the hikes
- Transportation to accommodations and excursions in a private 9-seater van
- Guided visits with experienced local guides in Granada and Almería
- All entrance fees for museums, parks, and other activities
- Personal travel insurance covering the whole tour (16 days duration)

### Not included

- Personal and travel insurance
- Flights and arrival/departure connections to the starting point of the tour
- Drinks, services, or other items of a personal nature not specified in the tour details
- Storage of luggage exceeding the allowed dimensions

## Booking Payments and Cancellation Fees

To book your tour, contact me at [piero@mydolomites.org](mailto:piero@mydolomites.org). Together we will determine the best trip for you, and I will answer all your questions.

### Booking Payments

- A **500-euro** deposit is required at time of booking
- Full payment is due within **15 days** after I confirm the trip has the minimum **4 participants** required

### Cancellation Fees

- Cancellations received **121 days or more** before tour start date: **150 euros**
- Cancellations received **120–61 days** before tour start date: **400 euros**
- Cancellations received **60–31 days** before tour start date: **50% of the tour price**
- Cancellations received **within 30 days** before tour start date: **100% of the tour price**

If I must cancel a trip, I will refund **100% of the tour price**.

You can also schedule a **private tour** with a similar itinerary in the spring, summer, or fall. I will work with you to customize the length, itinerary and dates.



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