

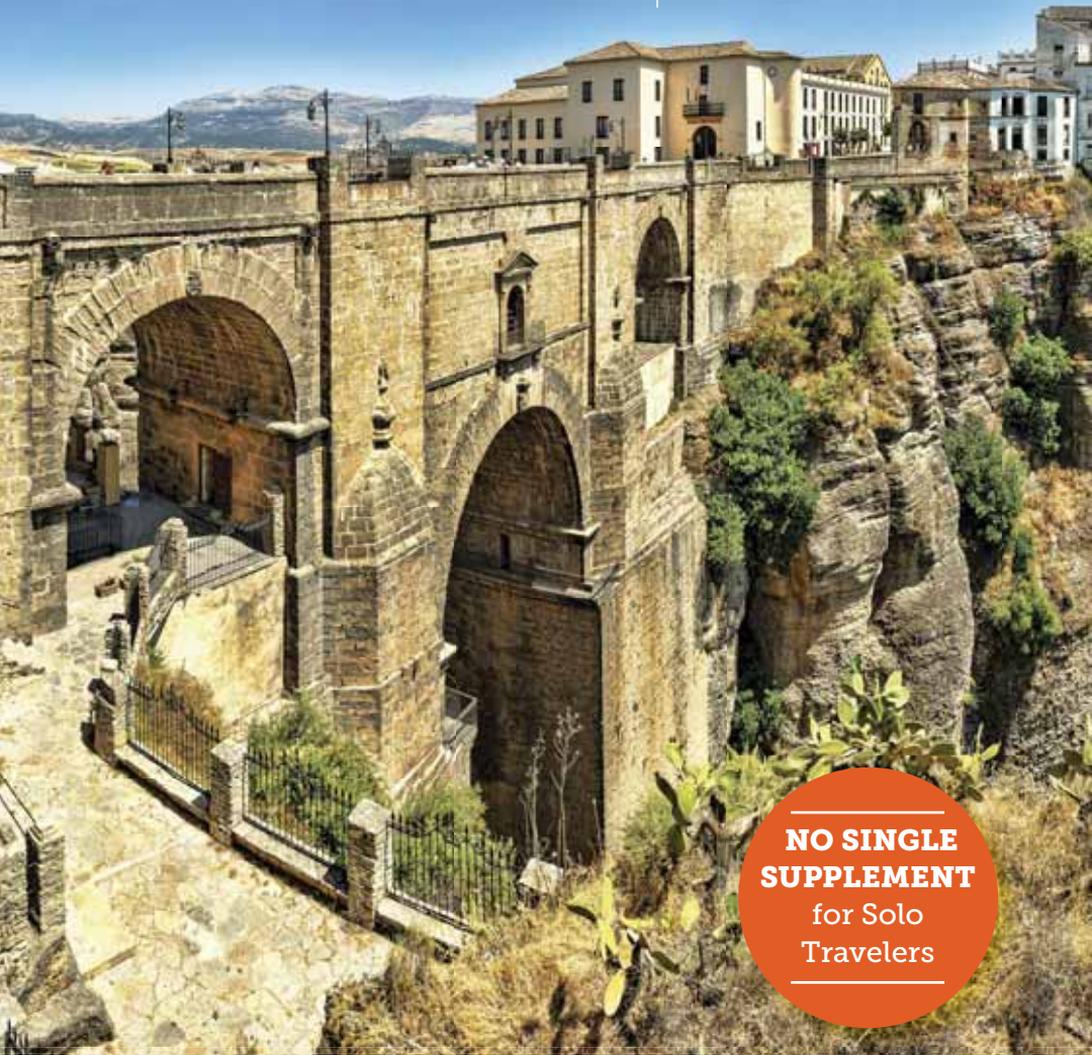
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# Spain

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# A World of Discovery

From flamenco and bullfighting to Moorish fortresses and Gothic cathedrals, passion inspires the story of Andalucía. Experience the spirit and romance of southern Spain on this exceptional journey and make memories of a lifetime.

What sets this travel adventure apart from others is AHI's unwavering commitment to connecting you to the world's people, places and cultures. By weaving together discovery, education and authentic local experiences, we deliver new insights and fresh perspectives to enrich your life.

The incomparable value of our journeys is rooted in the personalized care you receive from AHI's Travel Directors. These outstanding professionals create a welcoming atmosphere and handle every last detail so you can focus on the wonder of the world before you. We also partner with the most knowledgeable guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines.

We invite you to turn the page on a remarkable new chapter with this AHI Journey for the curious traveler!

## Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Ponder the influence of the Moors as you explore the entrancing **Alhambra**.
- ▶ Feel the passion in the soulful dancing and singing of a **flamenco performance**.
- ▶ Immerse yourself in the charm of **Antequera**, an **off-the-beaten-path gem** known for its religious architecture and beautiful natural setting.
- ▶ Marvel at the breathtaking view of El Tajo Gorge in **Ronda**.
- ▶ Delight in the majestic architecture of the cathedral and Alcázar in **Sevilla**.
- ▶ Sip a glass of wine at an **organic winery** as you savor your adventure in Andalucía.
- ▶ Experience four **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

## Dear Texas Ex,

Please join our Flying Longhorns group in southern Spain on a seven-night adventure in Andalucía! We'll make our home for the week in a first-class, modern parador in Antequera, surrounded by serene countryside scenery with La Peña de los Enamorados, or Lovers' Rock, in the distance. From there, we'll embark on daily excursions to discover Andalucía's unique heritage, a fascinating intermingling of cultures and religions. You'll be filled with awe at the beautiful legacy of the Moors: the courtyards and fountains of the Alhambra in Granada; the iconic red-and-white arches of La Mezquita in Córdoba; and the elegant Alcázar in Sevilla.

Other memorable moments await you: a stroll down the bougainvillea-lined streets of Sevilla's historic quarter, the breathtaking view over El Tajo Gorge in Ronda; and an impassioned flamenco performance.

To help you fully appreciate Andalucía's history and culture during your journey, our travel planners have meticulously selected knowledgeable local guides and built in a program of insightful lectures. You'll also enjoy the fellowship of traveling in a small group while still having ample opportunities to explore on your own. Best of all, your very capable, professional Travel Director will take care of the details so that you can focus on savoring Andalucía's delights.

This outstanding itinerary is brought to you by the Texas Exes Flying Longhorns travel program, which supports the association's mission of promoting and protecting The University of Texas at Austin and uniting its alumni around the world. While you do not have to be an alumnus of UT to travel with us, we do ask that all Flying Longhorns travelers have an active membership in the Texas Exes. Memberships start at just \$50.

The association is a huge proponent of continuing education and there is no better classroom than our world. Experience rich history and culture in the company of your fellow Longhorns! Are you ready for the adventure of a lifetime? We're standing by to answer all of your questions and/or take your reservation. Capacity is limited on this popular program and it may sell out quickly. Please contact the Flying Longhorns travel office at 800/594-3900 or [travel@texasexes.org](mailto:travel@texasexes.org) with questions or to make a reservation. Or you may fax the reservation form to us at 512/672-6134.

Best regards,

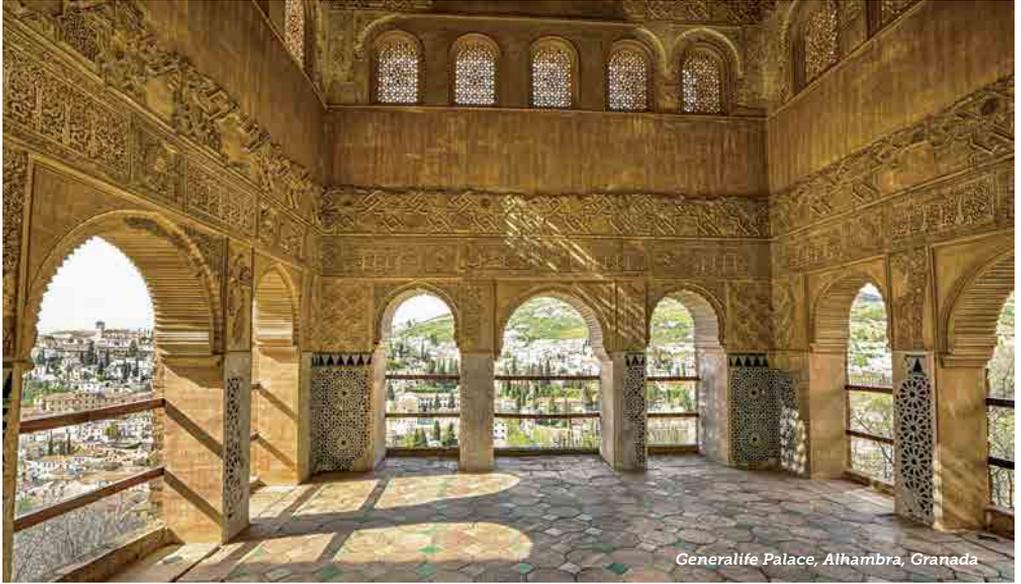
Your Flying Longhorns Travel Team:  
Shelley, Janice, & Leslie

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*La Mezquita, Córdoba*



Generalife Palace, Alhambra, Granada

### Day 1 | In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Málaga, Spain. 🌐

### Day 2 | Málaga, Spain | Antequera

Upon arrival, transfer 🚗 to Antequera and check in to the Parador de Antequera.

Tonight, at the parador, get to know your fellow travelers at a Welcome Reception and Dinner.

### Day 3 | Antequera

**Discovery: Ancient Antequera.** Witness the striking prehistoric architecture of the Menga and Viera dolmens. Imagine the incredible labor and engineering skill behind the construction of these enormous stone burial chambers. Then head into Antequera for a walking tour that reveals its roots as a cultural crossroads. Begin at the Alcazaba, a 14th-century Moorish fortress which once guarded the city, and admire sweeping vistas of the city and surrounding countryside. Visit El Carmen Church and see other historic landmarks before breaking for lunch in town.

**Free Time:** The afternoon is yours to plan.

**Enrichment: Andalucía and the Moorish Influence.** Examine how eight centuries of Muslim rule shaped the region's culture.

### Day 4 | Granada

**Discovery: Granada & Palace City.** Today, discover the Alhambra, the dazzling Moorish walled city of palaces and towers set regally over the city and framed by the Sierra Nevada mountains. The Nasrid sultans who built it in the 13th and 14th centuries sought to create their own paradise on earth. As you meander within the courtyards and arcaded walkways, marvel at the exquisitely filigreed wooden

and stucco carvings and ceramic mosaic details. In the breathtaking Palacios Nazaríes, see the Hall of the Ambassadors, the Court of the Myrtles, the Court of the Lions and other chambers. Visit the Alcazaba, the heart of Alhambra's defense system, and stroll through the manicured gardens of Generalife, the summer palace. Conclude with lunch at the restaurant of the Parador de Granada within the Alhambra's walls.

### Day 5 | Sevilla

**Discovery: Sevilla.** Embark this morning on a panoramic/walking tour of southern Spain's cultural capital. See the bullring and the Moorish watchtower by the Guadalquivir River. Next, tour the splendid Real Alcázar, a 10th-century Moorish palace, still in use today



Flamenco dancer



Ronda

as a Spanish royal residence, and see the stunning Cathedral of Sevilla, the world's largest Gothic church. Afterward, walk in the quaint Barrio de Santa Cruz, where narrow lanes lead to shady squares and bougainvillea spill over the balconies.

**Free Time:** Choose a cozy spot for lunch on your own in Sevilla.

After lunch, visit the elegant Plaza de España featuring a canal and colorful, tiled alcoves.

### Day 6 | Ronda

**Discovery: Ronda.** Spectacularly situated on the edge of El Tajo Gorge, Ronda is the largest of the *pueblos blancos*, or white towns. On a guided walk, stand in the arena of the Plaza de Toros, first opened in 1785, and delve into the intensely dramatic world of bullfighting at its museum. Then enjoy an unforgettable view from the terrace of Casa de San Juan Bosco. Later, visit the serene Iglesia de Santa María la Mayor, built on the site of a former mosque.

**AHI Connects: Bodega Joaquín Fernández.** Delight in this organic winery's pastoral setting over lunch and a tasting.

### Day 7 | Córdoba

**Discovery: Córdoba.** Explore La Mezquita, the exceptionally beautiful mosque-cathedral.



Bodega Joaquín Fernández, Ronda

Built in the eighth century, the great mosque was converted into a Catholic church after the Reconquista in 1236, and a Renaissance cathedral was added in the 16th century. The resulting combination of Christian and Islamic decorative elements is truly astonishing, such as its spellbinding hall of 856 columns linked by striped double arches. After your visit, take in the imposing Roman bridge, and walk through the atmospheric Jewish quarter.

**Free Time:** Set your own agenda for lunch and exploration in Córdoba.

Tonight, dine at a restaurant in Antequera.

### Day 8 | Antequera

**Enrichment: Contemporary Spain.** Gain insights about issues impacting the nation.

**Free Time:** Spend the day in Antequera, or join one of today's activities.



Plaza de España, Sevilla

## INCLUDED FEATURES

### **Accommodations** {with baggage handling}

- **7 nights** in Antequera, Spain, at the first-class Parador de Antequera.

### **Extensive Meal Program**

- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic cuisine and local flavors.

### **Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**

- **Small group:** Sized just right at 24 guests.
- **AHI Travel Assurance** plan that covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
  - Go inside two 5,000-year-old megalithic tombs and stroll through Antequera's picturesque old town.
  - Be dazzled by the timeless allure of the Alhambra's palaces and gardens.
  - Learn about Sevilla's history while visiting its grand monuments.
  - Relish lovely countryside views from Ronda and visit its bullfighting arena.
  - Enjoy a relaxed lunch and tasting amid the pretty scenery of an organic winery.
  - Admire the ornate mix of Christian and Muslim architectural styles in the awe-inspiring La Mezquita.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
  - Free time to pursue your own interests.
  - Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
  - A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
  - Tipping of guides and drivers.
  - Complimentary travel mementos.



### **UNESCO World Heritage**

1. **Alhambra**, Granada
2. **Historic Center of Córdoba**
3. **Cathedral and Alcázar**, Sevilla
4. **Antequera Dolmens Site**

### **Elective | Torcal & Olive Oil**

**Experience.** At a family-owned olive mill, follow the process of making the oils, then sit down for a delicious brunch featuring the mill's products. Afterward, drive through El Torcal Nature Reserve, best known for its unusual limestone formations, and stop for a coffee.

You can also opt to take a complimentary, round-trip shuttle to Málaga and make your own sightseeing plans.

Tonight in the parador, gather for a festive Farewell Reception and Dinner featuring an exclusive flamenco performance.

### **Day 9 | In Transit**

Transfer to the Málaga airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Elective experiences available at an additional cost.

### **A Note About Activity Levels**

We want you to have a comfortable and enjoyable experience. That's why we have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Depending on the excursion, more leisurely alternatives may be available. Please call or visit our website to review the itinerary for full details about our activity levels.

### **Excursions on this program require:**

- ▶ walking on cobblestones, stairs, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- ▶ getting on/off motor coaches, boats and/or trains



## AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

### *Before you go:*

- ▶ **Travel Consultants** | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ **Passenger Service Representative** | After reserving your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who helps with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.
- ▶ **Travel Information** | Before your journey, our team closely monitors travel conditions, shares pre-departure details and provides information and enrichment about your destination.

### *Once you arrive:*

Our top-notch, dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level! Share a laugh, learn where to find the best café and enjoy their unique perspectives on the local scene.

- ▶ **Travel Director** | Our multilingual Travel Director manages all the details so that you can simply relax and soak up the ambience. In the care of this seasoned travel professional who is attuned to your personal safety, you'll enjoy a seamless, unforgettable travel experience.
- ▶ **Expert Guides** | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed, enthusiastic local guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.
- ▶ **Lecturers** | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history, culture and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



## Parador de Antequera | Antequera



Our travel experts have carefully selected this first-class, modern parador for its ideal location in the heart of Andalucía. Explore the charming town of Antequera, relax on the terrace overlooking Spain's southern plain or enjoy a dip in the pool. Of utmost importance is the superior quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you to enjoy your stay fully.

# Spain ~ Andalucia in a Parador

Trip #:17-27097W

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Please have the information outlined below available to share via phone or include it in your email.

Once your request is received in our Flying Longhorns office, an AHI Travel Expert will contact you within three business days to discuss deposit payment. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Request and submit it to our office.

Send to: Texas Exes, P. O. Box 7278, Austin, TX 78713

Membership in The Texas Exes is a requirement for all participants in the Flying Longhorns travel program. Alumni, friends of the University, UT faculty and staff, and parents of current UT students are welcome to join. Our dues are 80% tax-deductible and memberships start at just \$50.

I/we would like to request \_\_\_\_\_ place(s).

Deposit amount is \$600 per person.

Full Legal Name (exactly as it appears on passport)

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Sharing with \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Reservation Request sent separately)

## Single Accommodations

I prefer single accommodations (supplement waived, limited availability).

## Flights

Yes, I/we are requesting the round-trip AHI FlexAir to Málaga, Spain, to depart from: \_\_\_\_\_  
Departure City

I/we are interested in upgrading my/our international flight to the following:

First Class     Business Class     Premium Economy  
 No thanks! I/we will book my/our own air travel and transfers.

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations to be paid in full by **July 30, 2022** (75 days prior to departure). Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

Please note: Program-specific terms and conditions are available on our website, [texas.ahitravel.com](http://texas.ahitravel.com), on the trip page. You can also request a copy from our AHI travel experts. Any payment to AHI Travel constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out therein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.

## PROGRAM DATES

**Air Program dates:** October 13-21, 2022

**Land Program dates:** October 14-21, 2022

## LAND PROGRAM

Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
\$3,305	\$250	<b>\$3,055</b>

\*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

**Single supplement waived for solo travelers!** This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

### Let us arrange your flights!

#### AHI FlexAir

Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:

- ▶ **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase.
- ▶ arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates.
- ▶ **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservations without penalty up to 60 days before departure on most flights.
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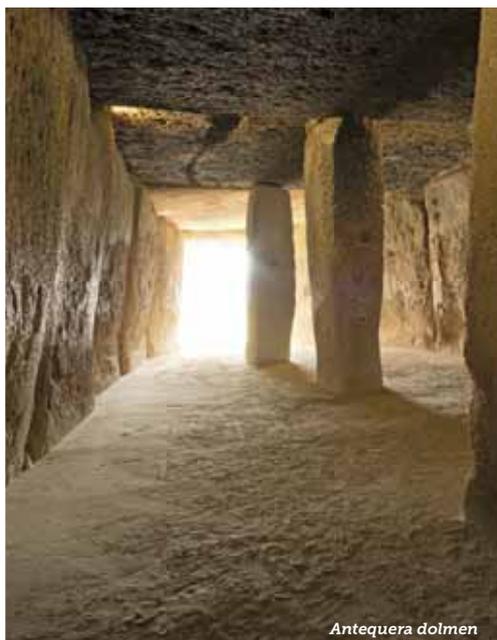
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### TRAVEL WITH CONFIDENCE

For more than half a century, our dedicated team has helped travelers explore the world safely and securely.

**To offer you added peace of mind, we've fine-tuned all facets of your travel experience:**

- ✓ **Included AHI Travel Assurance** covers travel- and health-related contingencies. Available for U.S. residents only.
- ✓ Increased booking flexibility and relaxed cancellation penalties.
- ✓ **Home support staff and ground team** communicating 24/7 to ensure a seamless and safe journey.
- ✓ Travel Directors specially trained to the highest standard in accordance with AHI's health and safety protocols.
- ✓ A global network of partners rigorously following new procedures and protocols.
- ✓ **Enhanced sanitization practices** for river ships, hotels, trains and motor coaches.
- ✓ Tour operations modified for smaller groups and greater physical distancing.
- ✓ Hand sanitizer available for guest use.



Antequera dolmen



Plaza de Toros, Ronda

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for details

Alhambra, Granada

## Immerse yourself in the enchanting culture and history of southern Spain!

**AHI Travel's** mission is to deliver inspirational educational and cultural travel programs that delight travelers.

**With AHI you can rely on:**

- Experienced Travel Directors who attend to every detail of your journey.
- An exceptional travel value.
- Unique access to local sites.
- Flexibility and customization.
- Safety and security.



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