

2025 CTU INTERFAITH PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN

Itinerary: May 23 – June 4, 2025

(Draft - Subject to Minor Changes)

Friday, May 23 Depart from USA for Barcelona Spain.

Saturday, May 24 Arrive Barcelona El Prat Airport; independent transfer to Barcelona hotel

- Optional Jewish Shabbat Services (Comunidad Israelita de Barcelona)
- Welcome Reception overlooking Barcelona (Montjuic Park)
- Overnight: Meliá Barcelona Sarrià Hotel

Sunday, May 25 Barcelona

- Optional Catholic Mass (9:00 AM - La Sagrada Familia Basilica)
- La Sagrada Familia Basilica (Private Group Tour)
- Poble Espanyol
- Cuitat Vella (Old Town) District, including Barri Gòtic
- Barcelona Cathedral of the Holy Cross and Saint Eulalia
- Algama Jewish Quarter
- Palau de la Música Catalana & Hospital de Sant Pau (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- La Rambla
- Overnight: Meliá Barcelona Sarrià Hotel

Monday, May 26 Day trip to Girona (4 hour walking tour)

- Placa de la Independencia
- Cathedral of Santa Maria
- Girona Arab Baths
- Jewish Quarter - Museum of Jewish History
- Eiffel Bridge
- Return drive along the Mediterranean to Barcelona
- Free afternoon in Barcelona (opportunity to visit the Picasso Museum and other sites).
- Overnight: Meliá Barcelona Sarrià Hotel

Tuesday, May 27 Montserrat / Granada

- Sant Joan Funicular to Montserrat Monastery
- Benedictine Monastery of Santa Maria de Montserrat
- La Moreneta (Our Lady of Montserrat) Shrine
- Afternoon Flight to Granada (Included in tour price)
- Evening: Sunset View of Alhambra Palace from the Mirador de San Nicolás
- Overnight: Meliá Granada Hotel

Wednesday, May 28 Granada

- Optional Catholic Mass (Basilica of St. Joan de Dios)
- Alhambra, Generalife and Albauzin (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Alhambra Fortress and Palace Complex
- Generalife Palace and Gardens
- Albayzin Moorish Residential District
- Overnight: Meliá Granada Hotel

Thursday, May 29 Córdoba

- Historic Center of Cordoba (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Mezquita - Great Mosque-Cathedral of Córdoba
- Alcazar of the Christian Monarchs
- Córdoba Synagogue
- Caliphate City of Medina Azahara (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Overnight: Barceló Sevilla Renacimiento Hotel

Friday, May 30 Seville

- Cathedral, Alcazar and Archivo de Indias (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Seville Cathedral
- Royal Alcázar of Seville
- Giralda Bell Tower (former watchtower and minaret Moorish palace-citadel)
- Archivo de Indias (archive of Spanish activities in the Americas)
- Plaza de Espana
- Parque de María Luisa
- Barrio Santa Cruz (former Jewish Quarter)
- Optional Muslim Friday Prayers (Location TBD)
- Evening: Flamenco Dinner Show
- Overnight: Barceló Sevilla Renacimiento Hotel

Saturday, May 31 Merida / Guadalupe

- Optional Jewish Shabbat Services (Location TBD)
- Archeological Ensemble of Merida , formerly Augusta Emerita (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Roman Theatre and Amphitheatre
- Roman Forum
- Roman Aqueduct
- Visigoth Basilica of Santa Eulalia
- Royal Monastery of St. Mary of Guadalupe (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Overnight: Parador de Guadalupe

Sunday, June 1 Tavalera de la Reina / Madrid

- Optional Catholic Mass (Royal Monastery of St. Mary of Guadalupe or a parish in Tavalera de la Reina)
- Tavalera de la Reina (UNESCO Recognition for Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity)
- Basilica de Nuestra Senora del Prado
- Ruiz de Lona Ceramic Museum
- Ceramics Shopping
- Muralle y Torres Albarranos (Roman Wall and Tower)
- Puente Romano
- Overnight: Barceló Torre de Madrid Hotel

Monday, June 2 Madrid

- Royal Palace (originally the site of the Alcazar of Madrid, a Moorish fortress)
- Cathedral of St. Mary the Royal of Almudena (Spanish Christianity)
- Plaza Mayor & San Miguel Market
- Free afternoon in Madrid (opportunity to independently visit the Prado & Reina Sophia Museums and other sites)
- Overnight: Barceló Torre de Madrid Hotel

Tuesday, June 3 Day trip to Toledo (6 hour walking tour)

- Historic City of Toledo (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Al Cantara & San Martin Roman Bridges
- El Alcazar Fortress
- San Tome Church
- Mesquita Christo de la Luz
- El Transito Synagogue
- Free time in Madrid to pack or independently visit other sites.
- Farewell Reception overlooking Madrid (Circulo de Belas Artes)
- Overnight: Barceló Torre de Madrid Hotel

Wednesday, June 4 Return flight to USA. Independent transfer to Madrid Barajas Airport