

**AN EXCLUSIVE CULTURAL MUSICAL JOURNEY
OF ANDALUSIA, SPAIN
WITH THE YUVAL RON ENSEMBLE
May 31 - June 11, 2010**

MONDAY, MAY 31

Fly from your departure city to Madrid – please take a night flight.

TUESDAY, JUNE 01

MADRID

Arrive in the morning to **Madrid's Barajas Airport**. You will be met by our English speaking Tour Guide. Transfer(s) to the hotel.

This afternoon there is an **Optional City Tour OR** explore this exciting city by yourselves.

Lunch is on your own – there are many restaurants in the area.



This evening drive from hotel to **Madrid's most exciting and authentic "Tablao"**, a flamenco joint **for Dinner and a professional Flamenco Show**.

Return to your hotel.

OVERNIGHT: TRYPT ATOCHA HOTEL, MADRID



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 02

MADRID TO CORDOBA

Breakfast is at the hotel. Discover Madrid on your own. Return to the hotel to check-out and meet your excellent **Tour Escort**. He/she will be with you the entire trip.

Depart the hotel by noon in your deluxe motor coach. During the 7 hour drive to **Cordoba** you will have 3 stops en route: 2 for coffee and 1 for lunch (on your own account).

Arrive to the hotel, check-in and refresh.

Dinner will be in the hotel this evening. After dinner hear **"The story of the Oud"**. **How Judeo-Arabic music was brought to Andalusia and changed the future of Spain and Europe - a workshop with live music with Yuval Ron and Adam del Monte.**

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL MAIMONIDES, CORDOBA

THURSDAY, JUNE 03

CORDOBA

Breakfast is at the hotel.

Today you will have a morning **tour of Cordoba** - the first capital of Al Andalus (Muslim Spain from 8th to 12th century).

Visit the ruins of **Medina Azahara – The crown jewel of the most successful 10th century Moorish-Islamic rulers of Andalusia**. A mythical City/Palace, which was discovered only 80 years ago!



Lunch on your own – there are many restaurants in the area.



After lunch meet up and walk through the picturesque **Jewish quarter** – the historic home of **Maimonides** (Rambam) – one of the greatest minds in whole of Jewish History.



Visit the **Old Synagogue, now a small museum**, then have a **VIP visit to the Casa de Sefarad** (Judeo-Spanish Cultural Center) for a personal meeting with its founders.

Continue to the amazing and beautiful **Cathedral/Old Mosque** which is **"One of the wonders of the World"**.



Return to your hotel where you will have dinner this evening.
OVERNIGHT: HOTEL MAIMONIDES, CORDOBA

FRIDAY, JUNE 04

SEVILLE

After breakfast in the hotel, check-out and depart to **SEVILLE** (the 2nd capital of Al Andalus starting in the 12th century).

Arrive to the hotel and check-in.

Lunch is on our own in one the many restaurants in the area.



After lunch visit the massive **Gothic Cathedral** - the biggest in the world! Next, tour the stunning **Alcázar** and the lush **Murillo Gardens**.

Return to your hotel and enjoy dinner.



After dinner join Yuval Ron for a visit to **a family of Gypsy musicians and dancers from Seville for an exclusive musical party**. Hear stories about their heritage and experience their fiery art in an intimate setting.

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL BECQUER, SEVILLE

SATURDAY, JUNE 05

SEVILLE

Breakfast is at the hotel this morning.

At 11:00am participate in a dance workshop with local Flamenco dancer Mhijea. There will be live music with Gypsy singer and percussionist Jose Caraoscura)

Lunch is on your own in one of the restaurants by the Guadalquivir River.

This afternoon you have free time to rest or stroll in the city on your own.

Dinner is on your own this evening in one of the nearby restaurants.

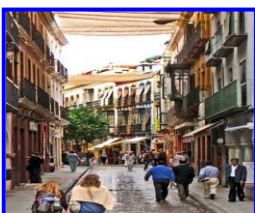
After dinner enjoy a **Concert of Yuval Ron Ensemble with flamenco guitarist Adam Del Monte and local dancer Mhijea**.

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL BECQUER, SEVILLE

SUNDAY, JUNE 06

SEVILLE TO JEREZ de la FRONTERA

Breakfast us at the hotel.



This morning you have free time to stroll, shop and discover Seville on your own. Have lunch on your own.

Depart to the city of **JEREZ**, famous throughout the world, for its Sherry wine, fine horses and brilliant gypsy singers and dancers of flamenco. The drive is approximately 90 minutes.

Arrive to your hotel, check-in, refresh and have dinner in the hotel.

In the evening **accompany Yuval Ron for a night with the foremost Flamenco Gypsy family in Jerez de Frontera**, the family members of the late **Parilla de Jerez – one of the greatest Flamenco guitarists of all times!**
OVERNIGHT: AC JAREZ HOTEL, JEREZ

MONDAY, JUNE 07

JEREZ de la FRONTERA

Breakfast is in the hotel.



Begin your day with a **Full Day Panoramic Jerez City Tour** including visits to 2 of the most **famous Sherry Cellars. the Royal School of Equestrian Art.**

Lunch is on your own, either in a typical restaurant or in one of the Sherry cellars.

After lunch return to your hotel.

Dinner is in your hotel tonight.

After dinner attend a **Concert of the Yuval Ron Ensemble** with guest local **Gypsy musicians and dancers of the local Parilla de Jerez family.**
OVERNIGHT: AC JAREZ HOTEL, JEREZ

TUESDAY, JUNE 08

JEREZ de la FRONTERA TO GRANADA

Breakfast is at the hotel. After breakfast check out of your hotel.

Visit the Royal School of Equestrian Art.

Depart for **GRANADA** one of Spain's most important cultural and architectural patrimonies. Stop for coffee and lunch (on your own) en route.

Arrive to the hotel and check-in.

Dinner tonight is at the hotel.

After dinner attend a workshop with **Adam Del Monte on the Jewish roots of Flamenco.**
OVERNIGHT: HOTEL DAURO, GRANADA



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 09

GRANADA

Breakfast is at the hotel.

Depart for the city of Granada.



Today you will have a Full day tour visiting the famous **Alhambra – the amazing world renowned palaces and fortresses complex, and the beautiful Generalife Gardens.**

Lunch will be en route, on your own.

Dinner will be in a local restaurant this evening.

This evening drive for an exclusive private visit with the local gypsy musicians at their Cave where Flamenco music was kept alive over hundreds of years. Enjoy the **Jam session, dance and party into the night.**
OVERNIGHT: HOTEL DAURO, GRANADA

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

GRANADA TO MADRID

Breakfast is at the hotel before checking out.

Depart for **MADRID which is approximately a 7 ½ hour drive.** En route there will be 2 stops for coffee and 1 stop for lunch (on your own).

Arrive to the hotel, check-in and refresh.

Your **Farewell Dinner** is in a local restaurant this evening. Time to say **Adiós** to your new found friends and the Yuval Ran Ensemble.

OVERNIGHT: TRYP ATOCHA HOTEL, MADRID

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

DEPARTURE - ADIÓS

Breakfast is at the hotel this morning. Check out of the hotel by 12:00 Noon.

Transfer to the airport for your departure flights.

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The contents of this itinerary are correct at the time of printing and are subject to change without prior notification.

Extensions to Barcelona, Spain may be made by request.

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