

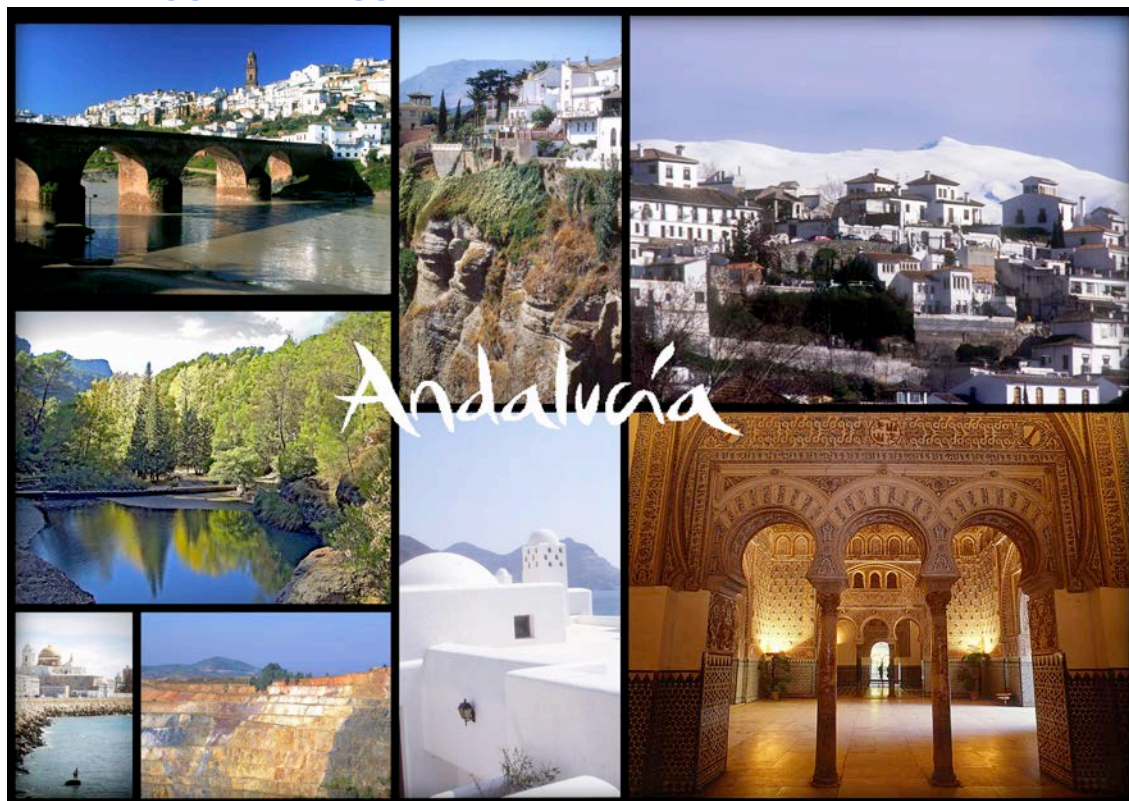


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USEFUL GUIDE

WHAT ABOUT ANDALUSIA



Axis between Europe and Africa and meeting point of the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea, this region has been covered by many different cultures throughout history and prehistory.

The region of Andalusia has a surface area of 87,268 km² and represents 17.3% of Spain. It is, on its own, larger than countries like Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Austria or Switzerland.

The diversity of landscapes and geographical terrain gives rise to an array of environments that go from the heat of the Guadalquivir River valley through to luxuriant mid-mountain areas, volcanic landscapes such as the Tabernas desert, and the snow-capped peaks of Sierra Nevada.



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In barely forty kilometers you can go from Alpine mountain landscapes to tropical areas on the shores of the Mediterranean. The coast of Andalusia stretches for almost 900 kilometres and is home to a large number of cities, towns and beaches that are a delight to visit. Andalusia is the main holiday destination for Spanish nationals and one of the principal destinations for overseas tourists.

WHAT ABOUT GRANADA



Granada is the capital city of the province of the same name, located in southeastern Spain between the shores of the Mediterranean and the Andalusian hinterland. The city is located at the foot of Sierra Nevada, the highest mountain range of the Iberian peninsula. With more than a thousand years of recorded history, Granada enjoys one of Spain's most important cultural and architectural patrimonies. Besides the Alhambra, the world renowned palaces and fortresses of the Nasrid dynasty, and the historical Moorish Albaicín quarter, both designated as World Heritage by the UNESCO, Granada boasts a Renaissance cathedral dating from the 16th century and many other architectural monuments of the first magnitude.



Must see

Alhambra: A Masterpiece of Islamic Architecture

The Alhambra stands majestically on a fortified hilltop with the snow-peaked Sierra Nevada Mountains as a backdrop. This UNESCO-listed World Heritage Site is the main reason to visit Granada and is an absolute must-see attraction. The Alhambra was the residence of the Moorish rulers of the Nasrid Dynasty for 250 glorious years, from the 13th to the 15th centuries, and is a veritable museum of Islamic architecture.

Distance from Andalusia Center Hotel: 2.6 Km.

Open daily: From Monday to Sunday 08.30-18.00 h. Friday and Saturday at night: 20.00-21.30 h.

Price: 14 euros

It is necessary to buy the ticket previously: <http://www.alhambra-patronato.es/index.php/Compra-de-entradas/49/0/>

Albaicín: The Old Arab Town

For an enchanting experience, get lost in the hillside neighborhood of the Albaicín, a UNESCO-listed World Heritage Site. This historic Arab quarter is nestled into the slopes of Sacromonte. Picturesque little lanes and whitewashed houses reveal the atmospheric Moorish character. The Albaicín was once surrounded by defensive walls.

Distance from Andalusia Center Hotel: 2.5 Km.

Capilla Real

The grandeur of Spain's Catholic Monarchs is best seen at the Capilla Real (Royal Chapel), which houses the royal tombs. This impressive 47-meter-high domed chapel is attached to the Catedral Santa María de la Encarnación but has a separate entrance; it was an addition to the cathedral built from 1506 to 1521 in Late Gothic style. The interior features beautiful 16th-century stained-glass windows and seven large paintings by Alonso Cano.

Distance from Andalusia Center Hotel: 1.9 km.

Open daily: 10.15-13.30h y 16.00-19.30 h.

Price: 4 euros

Cathedral

To discover the finest Renaissance church in Spain, visit Granada's Cathedral of Santa María de la Encarnación near the Plaza Nueva. The cathedral was built by Queen Isabella as a monument to the victory of Christian Spain over the Moors. It stands on the site of a former mosque.

Distance from Andalusia Center Hotel: 2 km.

Open timing: From Monday to Saturday: 10.30-18.30 h.



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Sunday and Bank Holidays: 14.30-17.30 h.

Price: 4 euros

Alcaicería

This traditional Arab souk is a recreation of the old Moorish market that existed here before the fire in 1843 destroyed the area. Close to the cathedral, the Alcaicería runs on the Calle de la Alcaicería from the Plaza Alonso Cano. The entire neighborhood of the Alcaicería, a maze of narrow streets, once held the silk and spices market. Today's Alcaicería recalls the original souk with many crafts and souvenir stalls.

Distance from Andalusia Center Hotel: 2 km.

Parque de las Ciencias

Parque de las Ciencias is the Interactive Science Museum of Andalusia, in the South of Spain. The museum is well situated in the center of Granada, the town of the Alhambra and Federico García Lorca. Parque de las Ciencias, under the motto A new kind of Museum, was founded in 1995 and occupies 70.000 square meters. The museum holds permanent and temporary exhibitions, a Planetarium, some well prepared educational facilities and a cultural gallery that includes an auditorium for 500 people, 3 movie theatres, a café and restaurant, bookshop, etc.

Distance from Andalusia Center Hotel: 200 m.

Open timing: From Tuesday to Friday: 10.00-19.00 h.

Sunday and Bank Holidays: 10.00-15.00 h.

Price: 7 euros



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GASTRONOMY



The gastronomy of Granada and Andalusia is rich and diverse. There is no doubt that it is on its own a reason to visit the city.

Granada has a large number of restaurants and bars where one can taste succulent dishes, among we can find: migas, remojón, habas con jamón (beans and ham), Sacromonte omelette, gazpacho.

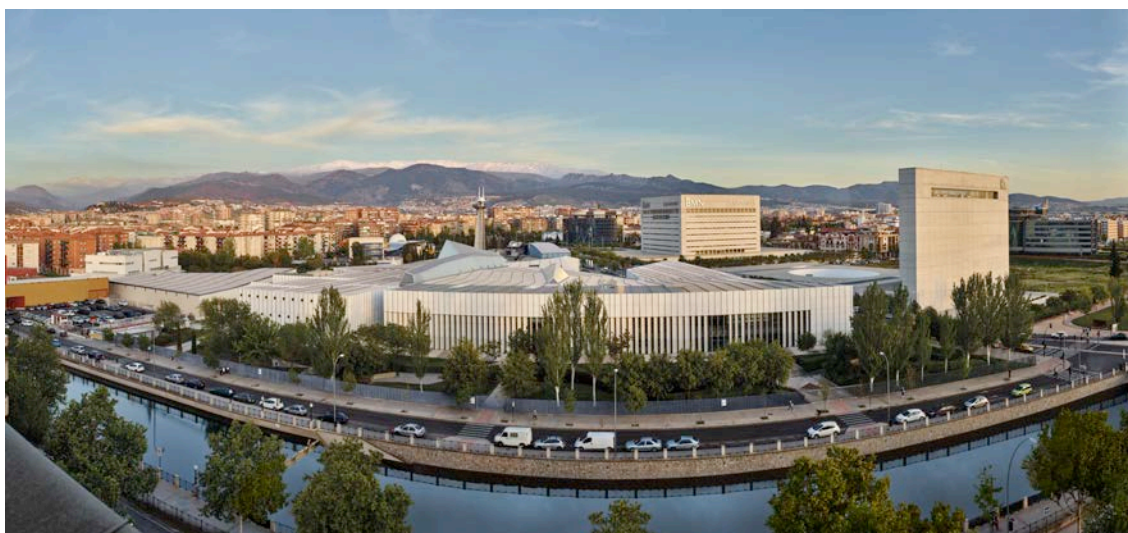
Furthermore, Granada is home of the "arte del tapeo" or "tapas art". With your drink you will receive a free piece of its cuisine.

The most famous Tapas areas are: Albaicín, Campo del Príncipe, Realejo, Plaza de Toros y Zona Centro.



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Parque de las Ciencias counts amongst its council members the University of Granada and the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC), the largest public institution dedicated to research in Spanish.

The museum also houses 'Windows to Science' and 'Live Science', which through crystal bounded spaces provides the visitors with an insight into science as it is really done in labs. Moreover, Parque de las Ciencias is the one museum in the world which has a Plastination Lab. It is a open space where the scientists research and visitors can see its works in live.

With over 600.000 visitors a year, it is also an open-air museum (more than 20.000 m² of its whole area are open air and green spaces, including a butterfly house) where the visitor can learn and can feel the Science and Technology.

More information: www.paqueciencias.com



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HOW TO GET TO PARQUE DE LAS CIENCIAS-ARRIVING VIA GRANADA

By bus:

SN5 (Parque de las Ciencias)

S0 (Plaza de las Américas)

C5 (Alejandro Otero)

SN2 y SN3 (Camino de Ronda-Jardín de la Reina ó Camino de Ronda-Alcazar del Genil)

U3 (Camino de Ronda-Jardín de la Reina ó Avda. América 8-Centro Salud Zaidín Centro)

LAC (Paseo del Violón)

Coordenadas GPS:

37°16'23.1" N

3°6'03.74" W

OTHER INTERESTING INFORMATION

- **Currency:** Euro
- **International phone code:** +34
- **Official language:** Spanish
- **The time zone** is currently Central European Summer Time (CEST) +0200 UTC.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

- For urgent matters call: #112
- Ambulance #061
- Pólice #092
- Fire brigade #080

PHARMACY NEXT TO THE ANDALUCIA CENTER HOTEL

24-hour-Pharmacy Viedma: 3 minutes on foot.

NOVEMBER IN GRANADA

- **Weather:** Daily low temperatures range from 3°C to 10°C. On November the sky is clear or mostly clear.
- **Cultural activities:** In these dates Festival Internacional de Jazz is celebrated in Granada <http://www.jazzgranada.es>



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USEFUL VOCABULARY

Good morning	Buenos días
Good afternoon	Buenas tardes
Good evening	Buenas noches
Hello	Hola
Goodbye	Adiós
Thank you	Gracias
You are wellcome	De nada
Please	Por favor
Excuse me	Disculpe
It doesn't matter	No importa
How are you?	¿Cómo estás?
Fine, thank you	Bien, gracias
I'm sorry	Perdón
Help!	¡Ayuda!
It's an emergency	Es una emergencia
I'm lost	Estoy perdido
It is an emergency	Es una emergencia
I have lost my purse	He perdido mi bolso
I'm sick	Estoy enfermo
I need a doctor	Necesito un doctor
Can I use your phone?	¿Puedo utilizar su teléfono?