Pilgrimage to

MARIAN SHRINES

Fatima, Spain, & Lourdes

July 7 - 16, 2025

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Your Pilgrimage Includes:

- Round-trip airfare
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- 8 nights accommodation at centrally located hotels as follows: (or similar)
 - o 1 night: July 8 9: Hotel Lumen, Lisbon, Portugal
 - o 2 nights: July 9 11: Hotel Santa Maria Jardim, Fatima, Portugal
 - 1 night: July 11 12: Hotel Abba Fonseca, Salamanca, Spain
 - 1 night: July 12 13: Hotel Abba, Burgos, Spain
 - 3 nights: July 13 16: Grand Hotel Moderne, Lourdes, France
- Breakfast and Dinner daily
- Transfers as per itinerary
- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Wireless headsets where needed
- Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Flight bag & PDF digital confirmation of all travel documents

Sample Daily Itinerary

Day 1, Mon, July 7: Depart for Lisbon

Make your way to your local airport, where you will board your overnight flight(s). Your meals will be served on board.

Day 2, Tues, July 8: Arrive in Lisbon

Upon landing at Lisbon airport, claim your baggage proceed to the arrival hall, where your tour guide and/or driver will greet you. In the afternoon, enjoy a panoramic tour of Lisbon, which will include St. Jerome's Monastery, built to give thanks to the Virgin Mary. We will drive by the Belem Tower and many landmarks, like; the 25th of April Bridge, the Basilica of the Star, and the Marquee of Pombal Square. Our last stop will be St. Anthony's Church. The patron saint of lost things is best known as St. Anthony of Padua (Italy), but he was born and baptized here in Lisbon, Portugal. The Church where we will celebrate Mass was built upon the site of St. Anthony's birth. Welcome dinner and overnight in Lisbon.

Day 3, Wed, July 9: Lisbon - Santarem - Fatima

Today, we will head to Fatima. On the way, we will stop at St. Stephens Church in the town of Santarem to celebrate Mass and venerate the 13th century Eucharistic Miracle. Continue to Fatima this hamlet of Aljustrel, is the birthplace and home of the three shepherd children. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

Day 4, Thurs, July 10: Fatima

Pray and meditate at the site where Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children; Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco in 1917. Our profoundly reflective day begins with a visit to the Little Chapel of the Apparitions simple, yet modern, which is the site where the Virgin Mary first appeared on May 13th in 1917. Visit the stunning neoclassical Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary which contains the tombs of St. Francisco, St. Jacinta, and Sister Lucia. View the monument that commemorates the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the square. The Basilica features fifteen altars dedicated to the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary. Visit the museum with the exhibition: "Fatima: Light and Peace". Continue with a visit to the Holy Trinity Basilica. After free time for lunch, participate in the Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacra. The path is composed of fifteen small chapels in commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord. The fifteenth station, the Resurrection, can be found close to the Chapel of Calvary, dedicated to St. Stephen, King of Hungary. The day ends with a visit to Valinhos, the site of Our Lady's August 19, 1917 Apparition, and also the first and third apparition of the Angel. Your night will conclude with private devotions and a candlelight procession, requested by Our Lady (1917). Enjoy dinner and a comfortable night's rest in Fatima.

Day 5, Fri, July 11: Fatima – Salamanca After breakfast, you will head to Salamanca which is a city in the Castilla y Leon region known for its large university, the oldest in Spain that is still active along with its prominent culture. Our walking tour will bring us to the most noteworthy sites, such as; the grand Plaza Mayor, an iconic square filled with food, shopping, and city events. La Clerecia, a church, and college of the Jesuit Order constructed in the seventeenth century. La Casa de las Conchas currently a public library and monument, decorated with shells that symbolize the famous pilgrimage to Santiago (El Camino). The University of Salamanca is the oldest University in Spain and the third oldest in Europe. The Roman Bridge is a national monument that extends along the River Tormes and is among Salamanca's sturdiest bridges. La Iglesia de San Marcos, constructed in the Romanesque style contains breathtaking paintings that portray many scenes of Our Lady's life. La Iglesia de San Martin is a Church dévoted to St. Martin de Porres, who is the patron saint of mixed-race people and all those seeking interracial harmony. Visit the inside of the two joint Salamanca Cathedrals (old and new) one Romanesque style and the other Gothic style. Return to your hotel for a delicious meal and overnight at your hotel in Salamanca.

Day 6, Sat, July 12: Salamanca - Alba de Tormes - Avila - Burgos This morning, following breakfast, you will board the bus and enjoy a short transfer to the village of Alba de Tormes. This town is home to the Carmelite Monastery that Saint Teresa founded in 1571. Upon arrival in Alba de Tormes, celebrate Mass at the Monastery where she died and was buried. Visit the museum dedicated to St. Teresa of Avila, which also holds her incorrupt heart and left arm. Enjoy lunch on your own before continuing to the medieval city of Avila. The conservation of architecture in this city, to which St. Teresa was born, deems its shrines, convents, and churches necessary to visit any Catholic pilgrimage. The Cathedral de Avila encompasses the Romanesque, Gothic, and Renaissance styles of its time with its artwork and architecture. La Basilica de San Vicente in Avila stands on the site of the martyrdom of St. Vincent. Visit the Incarnation Convent, where St. Teresa became a nun. Saint Teresa convinced Saint John of the Cross to reform the male Carmelite order, the reform she started when she met Saint John in Medina del Campo. Continue your journey to Burgos. Upon arrival in the historic capital of Old Castile, enjoy dinner and then explore the city of Burgos. Return to your hotel for a restful overnight.

Day 7, Sun, July 13: Burgos - Loyola - Lourdes

Following breakfast, transfer from Burgos to Loyola to visit the birthplace of St. Ignatius, founder of the Jesuit Order. St. Ignatius dedicated himself to becoming a soldier of the Christian faith and wrote the famous Spiritual Exercises. See the 17th-century Basilica dedicated to this remarkable saint - the Basilica is part of a series of buildings surrounding the "Holy House," or birthplace of St. Ignatius. Pray in the room where St. Ignatius began his conversion. Enjoy free time for lunch. Continue to Lourdes where you will check-in to your hotel and enjoy a splendid dinner and peaceful overnight.

Day 8 & 9, Mon & Tue, July 14 & 15: Lourdes

Stay in a small town nestled within the Pyrenees Mountains. While in Lourdes, you will pray in yet another site of Our Lady's apparitions. Our Lady first appeared to Bernadette in 1858 and announced herself as "The Immaculate Conception" near the Grotto of Massabielle. Attend Mass at the Grotto where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette. Watch a video presentation that explains the story of Lourdes; drink water from the miraculous spring that has healed many or submerge yourself in the healing baths. Meditate upon the "life-size" Stations of the Cross that overlook the Grotto of Massabielle. Meditate upon the footsteps of St. Bernadette. See Boly Mill, the birthplace of St. Bernadette, and the "Cachot," an abandoned prison where Bernadette's impoverished family lived. Attend the candlelight procession and the Rosary before a restful overnight.

Day 10, Wed, Aug 16: Return Flights Home

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, leave by motorcoach and transfer to the Toulouse, Pau, or Lourdes airport f or return flights

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