## American Celebration of Music in Spain

Tour #1 (5 nights / 7 days)

Day 1

## **Depart for Spain**

Depart via scheduled air service to Barcelona, Spain

Day 2

Barcelona

(D)

Arrive in Barcelona

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach for a transfer to the hotel via panoramic tour of Barcelona's highlights including the Gothic Quarter, Plaça del Rei, Roman City, Plaça Reial, Port Vell, etc

Late afternoon hotel check-in

Evening Welcome Dinner, and overnight

Barcelona was originally founded by the Phoenicians. Although it belongs to Spain, it is the capital of Catalonia, and is a more dynamic city than ever, hosting the 1992 World Olympic Games. It is a large industrial center with a very busy port; it's also a university town, and important cultural center with an opera house and many museums, theaters and concert halls

Day 3

Barcelona

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

A guided tour includes the Eixample Quarter, location of many of Barcelona's best Modernista buildings. Travel down the Passeig de Gràcia, a luxurious street adorned with elegant wrought iron street lamps which contains the finest examples of Modernist architecture in Barcelona. Then visit La Sagrada Familia, Europe's most unconventional church, yet uncompleted

Lunch, on own

Afternoon clinic or school exchange

Evening dinner, and overnight

Day 4

## Barcelona / Montserrat

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day sightseeing to Montserrat to visit the monastery. The monastery, with its church and the various subsidiary buildings, is a little city on its own. The monastery complex proper is reached by way of the Plaza de la Cruz (Catalan Plaça de la Creu), which is flanked by a restaurant, souvenir shops, a post office, payphones and a bureau de change.

Lunch, on own

Hear Escolania, one of Europe's oldest boys choir sing the 11am Mass in the monastery

Return to Barcelona

Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Spain

Evening dinner, and overnight













Breakfast at the hotel

Excursion to Tarragona. Sightseeing in Tarragona includes visits to the Archeological Promenade and Amphitheatre. Also see the Roman Mosaics. Set in a cliff over the beach, this ancient amphitheatre was the site where gladiators and wild beasts fought until death for the amusement of the crowds Lunch, on own

Return to Barcelona

Evening dinner, and overnight

Day 6 Barcelona (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day sightseeing includes Park Güell, one of the most impressive public parks in the world. The park was designed by famous architect Antonio Gaudi. Though never fully completed, it still remains one of Gaudi's most colorful and playful works

Lunch, on own

Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Spain Evening dinner, and overnight

Day 7 Depart for home (B)

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out Transfer to the Barcelona Airport for the return flight

<u>This is a very flexible itinerary</u>. Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.

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