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*Sample Tour: Spain
Typical 6 Day Itinerary*

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An Art Tour is the best way to give students the opportunity to see original works of art and architecture on location. Ben Lawries Travel creates tailor made Art Tours for schools to various locations in Europe and further a field. Detailed below is just one example.

Spain: Art Tour – 6 days

Spain is a country steeped in history, culture and art. It has many world renowned Museums and galleries allowing visitors to appreciate famous works of art.

Day 1 – Arrival Madrid

Arrive Madrid Airport and transfer to your 3 star central hotel. Drive past squares such as Plaza de Colon, Plaza de Castilla and Plaza Espana with its unmistakable monument to Cervantes. *Dinner and overnight in Madrid.*

Day 2 – Prado Museum and Royal Palace

After breakfast enjoy a visit to the world famous Prado Museum. Prado is one of the best and most beautiful art museums where, among other masters like Rubens, Rembrandt and Raffaello, there are works of Spanish artists like Goya, Velasquez and El Greco from Toledo.

In the afternoon visit the Royal Palace. Built during the 18th Century, its rooms are full of artistic works belonging to the Royal Family. *Dinner and overnight in Madrid.*

Day 3 – Toledo

Drive to Toledo, a World Heritage site, the old capital of Spain and where the painter El Greco lived for most of his life. The tour takes you to the 13th Century gothic Cathedral where you can see the El Transparente altar and works of El Greco, Goya and Tiziano. The famous masterpiece by El Greco, "The Burial of the Count of

Orgaz" can be seen in the Church of Santo Tome. *Dinner and overnight in Madrid.*

Day 4 – Segovia and La Granja

After breakfast head North West to Segovia, just across the Guadarrama mountain range. Well known for its Roman Aqueduct, there is also a Cathedral, built in 1558 after the original was destroyed by fire. This houses various museums located around the Gothic cloister and in one, an interesting collection of pieces of tapestry by Rubens, can be found.

In the afternoon visit La Granja. This palace, built by Philip V, is located 10 minutes from Segovia. Apart from the Royal Chambers that hold an important collection of tapestries, its gardens and fountains are famous for their classic mythological sculptures. *Dinner and overnight in Madrid.*

Day 5 – Alcala de Henares – El Escorial

Drive to Alcala de Henares and visit the University with its beautiful courtyards, amongst them, the famous Patio Trilingue (Trilingual Courtyard). Walk along the Calle Mayor to Casa de Cerventes where you can look at several pictures thought to be for El Quixote.

In the afternoon visit the small town of El Escorial. The monastery of El Escorial was chosen as a World Heritage site by UNESCO. *Dinner and overnight in Madrid.*

Day 6 – Depart Madrid

Morning at leisure for some last minute sightseeing or shopping. In the afternoon transfer to Madrid airport for your homeward flight to the UK.

Guide price £499 per person including flights ex Edinburgh based on 5 nights half board basis in a 3 star hotel.

Destination coach transfers and excursion fees are included.

The above itinerary is for illustration purposes only. All our tours are tailor-made to the requirements of individual clients.

Other suggested Art Tours

Barcelona – 5 nights based on a half board basis from £499 per person.

Paris – 5 nights based on a half board basis from £469 per person.



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