

# Travel 2U



personally escorted  
small group experiences  
2024





# Welcome

If the past few years have taught us anything, it's that the world as we know it can change in an instant, and not to take anything for granted. Travel, and all the wonderful opportunities it provides, is slowly returning to a semblance of normality, and we extend a warm invitation to embark on an extraordinary adventure with our tailored small group experiences. In this post-COVID era, we recognize the importance of safe and enriching travel experiences. Our thoughtfully designed itineraries offer a unique blend of adventure, culture, and relaxation, ensuring that you can explore the world with peace of mind, on a seamless journey.

At the heart of our tours lies the essence of small group travel. By limiting the number of participants, we ensure a more intimate and personalized experience, allowing you to forge meaningful connections with fellow travellers and to immerse yourself in each place you visit.

We understand that travel is not just about the destination; it's about the transformative power of exploration. It's about stepping outside your comfort zone, broadening your horizons, and gaining a fresh perspective on the world. Our small group experiences provide the ideal platform for you to reconnect with the joy of discovery, to embrace new opportunities, and to create cherished memories that will stay with you long after your journey concludes.

To our many returning guests, thank you for continually choosing Travel 2U, we are very appreciative of your support. For those contemplating small group experiences and/or Travel 2U for the first time, we invite you to read the testimonials of people just like you, who once made their own evaluation before joining us. Many of the questions they asked and uncertainties they faced will be similar to your own. Peruse the itineraries, critique the inclusions and assess the value, then join us in 2024 and discover the difference of a Travel2U personally escorted small group experience.

## What people are saying about Travel 2U

### Southern Belle

This is the tour for lovers of jazz, rock and country music with so much more as well. Be prepared for sensory overload. Then wind down with a great cruise. - G J Chamberlain

### Spain Portugal & France

I enjoyed every moment of my holiday. What a wonderful destination. Spain Portugal and France- awesome sightseeing! Again, another super trip with Andrew as our guide and a great group of 'new friends. - Fay Leonard

### Croatia

Sharon and Jill were excellent tour guides for this fantastic trip. The combination of fabulous hotels and great sightseeing and historic places combined with ample free time to enjoy the beaches and hotel pools made this the best holiday possible.  
- C & D Tait

### United Kingdom

This trip totally exceeded our expectations. The attention to detail enabled us to relax and take in all the aspects of everything we saw. It really was a "Scenes Seldom Seen" as well as history coming to life. We will always have incredible memories of this trip – Steve and Wendy Gilbert.

### And many more

We have booked our annual travel arrangements with Andrew and his team at Travel 2 U since 1992 including many escorted tours. We feel we are treated like family and would recommend the company wholeheartedly. We would not go anywhere else. - Janette and Cyril Morris.

The security of being in a group was important to me but travelling on my own within the tour group I was apprehensive. I need not have worried. The trip exceeded my expectations. Thank you, Andrew and Michele, for a wonderful well organised tour.

- VJ

## Some other great tours from Travel 2U



EGYPT & JORDAN



GREECE, TURKEY & THE MED



SOUTHERN BELLE & THE CARIBBEAN



CROATIA, DALMATIA & ISTRIA



ENGLAND, IRELAND & SCOTLAND



SPAIN, PORTUGAL & FRANCE



# spain, portugal & france

01 JUNE - 29 JUNE • 29 DAYS



A magnificent journey with something for everyone, from the well-travelled to the first timer. Our adventure begins in **Paris**, one of the world's foremost capitals of couture and concludes in the effervescent city of **Barcelona**. Along the way we'll see works by celebrated designers, sculptors, and artists. We'll walk beautiful **tree lined boulevards** of ancient towns and cities and sit in the squares that inspired the writings of great poets and authors. There'll be opportunities to indulge your personal passions from shopping on the **Champ Elysee** or **Avenue Liberdade** to viewing masterpieces at the **Louvre, Prado, and Reina Sofia** museums. We'll ride the **bullet train** and by contrast, **glide along the Seine** on our river boat. We'll hear stories of great conquerors and Kings, see where they lived, and walk the cobbled time ravaged paths they walked centuries before. For devotees of great architecture, we encompass everything from the **Sagrada Familia** to the **Eiffel Tower, Plaza de Espana** to the **Mezquita in Cordoba**, and performing arts are well represented with passionate performances of **Flamenco, Fado** and even cabaret at the famous **Moulin Rouge**.







## SPAIN, PORTUGAL & FRANCE



FROM \$ **19,890** per person  
share twin

### INCLUDED

- Return Economy Class fares on Singapore Airlines & partners ex AKL or CHC
- 4 star hotels throughout
- All breakfasts, 1 lunch and 18 dinners
- 2 speciality dinners with entertainment
- All transfers, sightseeing and entrance fees as specified
- Local English-speaking city guides
- 5 star air-conditioned touring coach
- Reserved Bullet Train services as shown
- Assistants at train stations
- All tips, gratuities, and portage
- Travel 2U tour pack
- Services of a Travel 2U tour director

### NOT INCLUDED

- Items of a personal nature such as laundry and spending money
- Meals and drinks other than mentioned
- Taxes and fuel surcharges \$250

### OPTIONALS & UPGRADES

- Upgrade to Premium Economy Class on Singapore Airlines flights +\$4972
- Upgrade to Business Class on Singapore Airlines flights +\$9,720
- Single room supplement +\$6,060



### NEW ZEALAND – SINGAPORE

*one night Singapore*

**Day 1** We depart New Zealand with a one night stopover in Singapore enroute to Paris.

### SINGAPORE - PARIS

*three nights Paris*

**Days 2** We arrive in the romantic city of Paris, renowned for its classic style and arguably still the capital of couture, late in the evening. We'll transfer straight to our hotel, perfectly located close to many features of the city, heads full of anticipation for what lays ahead in the days to follow.

**Day 3** Today we get to experience more of this city affectionately known as *La Ville-Lumiere* or in English, the **City of Lights**. Sights include the **Arc de Triomphe**, **Louvre**, and **Notre Dame**. We'll drive along the famous boulevard, **Champs Elysees**, and take a short cruise along the enchanting river **Seine**. We'll see some of the city's finest districts, be awed by her majestic parks and learn a little of the expansive history of Paris as we go. This evening there's an optional excursion to the world's most famous cabaret, **Moulin Rouge**.

**Day 4** A full day in beautiful Paris to do as you please.

### PARIS – NIMES

*three nights Nimes*

**Day 5** What adventure awaits us today, as we catch the legendary high speed TGV train to the South of France, where on arrival we'll meet our local guide and see some of the outstanding features of the region including the **Papal Palace** and **Pont du Gard**.

### NIMES – (Les Baux de Provence)

**Day 6** An exciting day beckons, with highlights of Nimes including **Maison Carrée** and **Carré d'art** before we drive to **Baux du Provence** to see the impressive Palace and experience an art gallery like no other at the **Carrières des Lumières**.

**Day 7** A free day to explore the wonderful city of Nimes.

### NIMES – MARSEILLE - MADRID

*three nights Madrid*

**Day 8** Travelling via Marseille we catch our plane to Madrid, lined with elegant boulevards and manicured parks. We'll have an introductory tour with our guide, pointing out some of the more fascinating sights and providing an orientation of the city.

**Day 9** This morning we're off to explore more of this great city including the **Cervantes Memorial**, **Plaza de España**, **Gran Via**, **Puerta del Sol** and **Parque del Buen Retiro**. We'll also drive by the famous **Prado** and **Reina Sopia** museums where you'll have time to explore more at your leisure tomorrow. This evening we're off to a special dinner, the highlight of which is a performance of passionate **Flamenco dance** accompanied by local musicians.

**Day 10** Today is another full day to yourself. Museums, palaces, plazas, and parks abound, not to mention some excellent shops and cafes, so live like a Spaniard today!

### MADRID – SALAMANCA

*one night Salamanca*

**Day 11** Today we travel from Madrid to **Salamanca**, home to the 3rd oldest University in all of Europe and boasting one of the most beautiful squares in Spain, the **Plaza Mayor**.

### SALAMANCA – PORTO

*two nights Porto*

**Day 12** We depart Spain and enter Portugal for the first time today, and what better place to start than **Porto**, on the river Duoro, famous for many things, but none more so than facilitating the transportation of world class **Port Wine**.

**Day 13** Our morning sightseeing introduces us to the many splendours of this gracious city including the historic **Ribeira District**, the engineering genius of the **Dom Luis I Bridge** and the ornate **St Benedict Railway Station**, recognised as a world heritage site. We'll pass the unmistakable **Majestic Café**, frozen in a bygone era and see where some of the world's finest Port's come from on our **distillery tour**.



## SPAIN, PORTUGAL & FRANCE



### PORTO – LISBON

*three nights Lisbon*

**Day 14** Departing Porto this morning we make our way to the nation's capital Lisbon. A wonderful mix of history, tradition, great architecture, passionate locals and fine cuisine among other things.

**Day 15** Today we board our coach and meet our guide to see the sights, including the **Belem Tower** and nearby **Jerónimo's Monastery**. We'll walk over the plaza depicting the world in mosaic to the **Monument to the Discoveries**, and enjoy a casual walk through the historic **Alfama qtr**. From **St George's** castle we'll see the city laid out below and plot where our afternoon's adventures might lead us.

**Day 16** A free day today to do as you please. Tonight we're off to immerse ourselves in culture, local cuisine, dance and song in a passionate performance of traditional **Fado**.

### LISBON – SEVILLE

*three nights Seville*

**Day 17** We venture southeast toward Seville and our home for the next three nights. Seville is the administrative capital of the Andalusian region, and boasts up to **320 days of sunshine a year!** We may make a stop at a 'mystery' destination, conditions permitting.

**Day 18** Our city sightseeing today includes one of the most striking buildings you're ever likely to see, the imposing **Alcazar Palace**, which transcends description. We'll also see the towering **minaret of Giralda**, and the Santa Cruz quarter with its beautiful flower boxes and vibrantly decorated facades. Capping off our sightseeing is the impressive and ornate **Plaza Espana**, a sight to be seen.

### DAY EXCURSION TO CORDOBA

**Day 19** Driving amongst a varying landscape of farmlands intermingled with expansive farms of a different nature, solar farms, we make our way to captivating **Cordoba** to see the impressive **Mezquita**, a unique blend of Mosque and Cathedral in one.

### SEVILLE – COSTA DEL SOL

*two nights Costa del Sol*

**Day 20** Leaving the beautiful city of Seville this morning, our first stop of the day is at the fascinating **mountaintop city of Ronda**, where we'll have lunch, before continuing on to the sun drenched southern coast of Spain, aptly named the **Costa del Sol**.

**Day 21** Day at leisure to do as you please.

### COSTA DEL SOL- BARCELONA

*three nights Barcelona*

**Day 22** Another exhilarating experience lays in store for us today as we board the **Bullet Train** to travel from Malaga to Barcelona. AVE bullet trains **travel at speeds up to 300 kph**. Food and beverages are available for purchase onboard and there's also a 'quiet carriage' option if you prefer.

**Day 23** Today's sightseeing is filled with highlights, including some of the finest creations of celebrated designer/architect **Antoni Gaudi**, such as his grotesquely beautiful **Sagrada Familia** Cathedral and spectacular **Parc Guell**. We'll look through the imposing **Montjuic Castle** and drive the picturesque streets of the **Gothic quarter** and **Example District**. We'll also allow time for you to stroll at your leisure along one of the world's most iconic pedestrianised streets, **Las Ramblas**.

**Day 24** Our last day in Spain sadly, but it's all yours to enjoy as you please There are a multitude of excellent galleries and museums on offer for the art lover, wonderful shopping for those who can't get their fill, and for others a bit of everything and some time to watch the locals from the comfort of a nearby café or bar will likely round off the day nicely. Tonight we dine at a special location to celebrate our wonderful journey together and reminisce over good food and fine wine.

### BARCELONA – NEW ZEALAND

*one night Singapore*

**Days 25-28** We depart Barcelona for New Zealand with an overnight stopover enroute to assist us in arriving home feeling refreshed and with wonderful memories etched upon our minds.



*"The use of traveling is to regulate imagination by reality, and instead of thinking how things may be, to see them as they are." – Samuel Johnson*





# BOOKING FORM

Tour Name:

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

*Information as it appears in your Passport,  
Passport must be valid 6 months beyond your return date*

### PASSENGER 1:

Full Name:

Title:  Preferred First Name:  Date of Birth:  Nationality:

Passport Number:  Issue Date:  Expiry Date:

### PASSENGER 2:

Full Name:

Title:  Preferred First Name:  Date of Birth:  Nationality:

Passport Number:  Issue Date:  Expiry Date:

### CONTACT DETAILS:

Address:

Phone Number:  Email:

### ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION:

Please indicate your travel preference:  One Double Bed  Share Twin (2 single beds)  Single Room

If you indicated share twin and have someone to share with, insert name here:

Do you wish to upgrade your flights? (where applicable) No  Premium Economy  Yes Business  Yes

Would you like to discuss a travel extension?  Yes  No

### EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Name:  Relationship:  Phone Number:

## AIRLINE AND TRAVEL INFORMATION

#### Passenger 1:

#### Passenger 2:

Airline Seating Requests: Aisle or Window

Aisle or Window

Medical Conditions:

Special Dietary Requirements:

Frequent Flyer Number:

Cruise Loyalty Number:

Travel Insurance Required:  Yes  No If you have selected no, please provide details of your insurer in the boxes below

Travel Insurance Company:  Policy Number:

### PAYMENT OPTIONS:

**PAY BY CREDIT CARD** In addition to payment of your deposit, this information is also necessary to establish your ship account (where applicable) and is kept confidential. A 2% surcharge will apply to any Credit Card payments.

Card type:  Card Number:  Expiry:

Card holder name:

**PAY BY DIRECT DEBIT**

Travel 2U - Westpac Bank account #03-1594-0163150-00 (reference = surname) Please tick if receipt required:

I have read and understand the booking conditions and agree that my deposit of **\$5,000.00 per person** is acceptance of them.

Signed:  Date:  Total amount: \$



## BOOKING CONDITIONS

The terms, conditions, and limitation of liability under which the tour operates are detailed hereunder and the payment of monies represents acceptance by the purchaser of the following:

1. The Tour is organised by Travel 2U.
2. Travel 2U is not responsible for any failure on the part of our service providers such as airlines, coach operators, hotels or cruise companies.
3. Travel 2U reserves the right to alter or change the accommodation, carrier or coaches at any time for any reason. Travel 2U reserves the right to cancel or alter the itinerary for any reason whatsoever including, but not limited to, road, weather or traffic conditions, non-performance of suppliers, industrial action, operational conditions and requirements. All additional expenses incurred as a result of any delays, cancellations or alterations will be the sole responsibility of the passenger.
4. A minimum number of bookings are required to operate a tour and also to ensure an enjoyable small group atmosphere. Where sufficient numbers cannot be achieved, Travel 2U reserves the right to cancel the tour.
5. Where a tour is cancelled prior to departure, accordingly to clause 4 above, a full refund will apply.
6. Any special passenger requirements must be notified to Travel 2U at the time of booking. No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition, in the opinion of the representative of Travel 2U is such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves, or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. Travel 2U will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any such reason.
7. Travel 2U can give no guarantee as to the exact arrival and departure times for carriers and operators used by Travel 2U in the tour. Travel 2U will not be liable for failure to make connections with any other services and/or missed tour inclusions.
8. Travel 2U reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or to refuse to carry any passenger where Travel 2U has not received payments within the times specified for the tour.
9. Travel 2U reserves the right to vary the price advertised or printed to cover any significant increase in the airfare, fuel price, exchange rate, or other tour related tariffs and costs. Passengers are reminded that this is a condition of travel.
10. Travel 2U shall not be liable for any loss, damage or injury occasioned to any person or property as a result of any inclusion or action undertaken during the tour whatsoever or howsoever the same may be caused whether as a result of negligence or otherwise.
11. Baggage is entirely at 'owners risk' during the tour. Passengers are entitled to carry one suitcase per person with the total sum of its length, width and height not exceeding 200cm and weight 23kg. Personal items such as cameras, make-up, medication etc should be carried in a purse or cabin bag. Surcharges will apply for extra/overweight baggage and there is no guarantee that they can be carried.
12. **Travel Insurance:**  
The tour price does not include Travel Insurance but Travel 2U requires travellers to have insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances which may arise (including, but not limited to cancellation fees, loss of luggage, medical treatment on tour and early return following death of a relative).
13. Due to Government regulations, smoking is not permitted inside tourist coaches, aircraft and some hotels.
14. To ensure all passengers have the opportunity to enjoy front and window seats, a daily seat rotation may be employed.
15. Where a single passenger is willing to share accommodation with a fellow single passenger, Travel 2U will endeavour to find another traveller of the same gender. Travel 2U accepts no responsibility for the suitability of passengers willing to share accommodation. If a passenger at any time during the tour considers the rooming partner to be unsuitable, Travel 2U will, subject to availability and at the additional cost of the passenger requesting the change, arrange single accommodation.
16. Whilst Travel 2U will take all reasonable steps to provide an enjoyable tour, Travel 2U accepts no liability for any loss of enjoyment whatsoever and howsoever experienced by the passenger.
17. The passenger tickets in use by the airline carrier shall constitute the sole contract between the carrier and the purchaser of these tickets and/or passengers using the tickets.
18. **Tour Payments:**  
A payment schedule will be provided by Travel 2U. Failure to comply with the stipulated dates for payments, including interim payments and a final account, will result in cancellation of some or all services to the passenger and forfeiture of monies paid by the passenger to date. Costs may also have to be reassessed due to increases in factors beyond our control such as, but not limited to, exchange rates. These may not necessarily apply if a mutually acceptable agreement for late payment has been approved (in writing) by Travel 2U.  
  
Deposits for tours may be paid by Internet banking, Visa or Mastercard. Further amounts due are based on Internet banking only. Payments made by Visa or Mastercard will incur a 2% surcharge on the amount being paid by the passenger. No other credit cards are acceptable.
19. **Cancellation Fees:**  
Cancellations must be advised in writing up to 120 days prior to departure, the deposit only will be forfeited. After this time, full forfeiture of monies paid will apply. After departure no refunds are available for any services or part of the tour not utilised. Travel 2U strongly recommend tour members purchase full travel insurance at the time of paying their deposit (see note 12).
20. **Passport and Visas:**  
Travel 2U will forward all relevant visa information relating to your particular travel arrangements at the earliest possible date. If you have been convicted of a crime, sentenced to prison or suffer from mental illness or severe physical handicap you MUST check with each country's embassy for special visa requirements. The passenger must also notify Travel 2U as this condition could prohibit you from travelling with the tour as planned. Travel 2U accepts no responsibility for non-obtained visas under any circumstances. Visa fees reflected in tour costs apply to NZ passport holders. Visa fees applicable to holders of 'other' passports will incur additional costs.
21. **Frequent Flyer Points:**  
Not all airfares utilised by Travel 2U qualify for reward or status points with the applicable carrier for that tour. Where they do, failure by the airline to credit points to the passenger is not the responsibility of Travel 2U nor its employees. Retrospective requests for missing points must be dealt with by the passenger to the airline concerned. Passengers are reminded of the need to retain boarding passes for remittance in just such an event.
22. **Concerts, shows, theatre and other public performances:**  
Where a tour mentions any performance, live or recorded, by, but not limited to include an artist, composer, musician(s), band or other public performance or display for which tickets are required; non-performance, cancellation of dates, unavailability of tickets, unsuitable seating and other factors beyond the control of Travel 2U and its employees, by any said artist, performer or performance are not a condition of a passenger joining a tour, nor withdrawing from it without penalty. Said 'performances' are discretionary and optional and do not constitute a portion of the tour or experience itself.

SPECIAL NOTE: The conditions on this form are intended to clarify the responsibility between the passenger and Travel 2U to ensure an enjoyable and memorable trip.



Put yourself in the picture  
with **Travel 2U!**



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