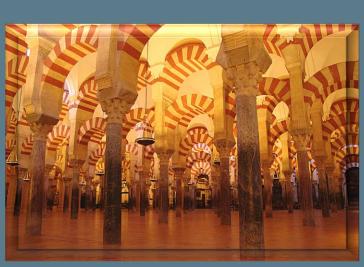


Olá to Hola Portugal/Spain

June 17- June 27, 2019





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Tonight's Agenda

1 hour

- Introduction and Short Video showing the highlights of the trip
- Why travel as a Middle School student
- Safety matters
- Day-by-Day Itinerary
- Introduce the group leaders
- > Explorica
- An educational experience, not just a trip
- Numbers of travelers and ratio
- Expense breakdown
- Spending cash
- Monthly payments
- What is included
- What is not included
- > Fundraising
- > Applications process
- > Selection process
- Frequently asked questions
- > Selection timeline
- Question/Comments/Freaking outs ©





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Why travel as a middle school student?

- Learn and understand first-hand about people and societies around the world
- A good time to bond with your child before life gets too busy with high school activities
- A valuable world experience and personal growth opportunity that they can apply in their high school & college classes
- Creates strong friendships that only a shared travel experience can provide
- Helps students appreciate and understand where they live in a whole new light





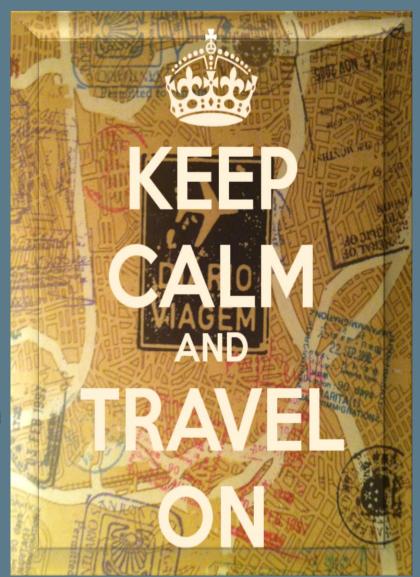


Greece/Italy

2016



- Explorica and the State Department
- Jason and Matthew
- Re-evaluate like every trip IF something arises
- Seen it before...Japan and Tsunami, China and North Korea issues, France and train strikes, Turkey and security issues. We will take care and make things work!



Our Trip Itinerary

<u>Day 1 – Fly overnight to</u> Lisbon (June 17th)





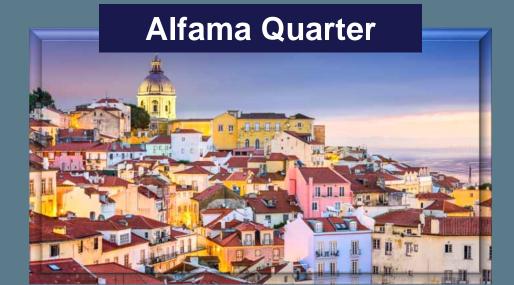




Day 2 – Ola Lisbon

- Meet your Tour Director, check into hotel
- Lisbon City Walk (Alfama Quarter, Pombal Statue, Presidential Palace, Eat Paste'is de Bele'm at Antiga Confeitaria de Bele'm)





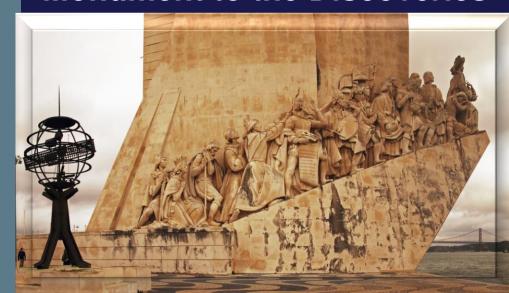
Day 3 – Lisbon Landmarks

- Lisbon guided sightseeing tour
- Monument to the Discoveries, Castelo de Sao Jorge and Mosteiro dos Jero'nimos visit
- Belem Tower ascension
- Seafood cooking class and dinner





Monument to the Discoveries



Day 4 – Lisbon to Algarve

- > Travel to Algarve via Evora
- Evora City Walk (Templo de Diana, Capela dos Ossos, Igreja de Sao Joao Evangelista)
- > Beach time in Algarve





Bone Chapel



Temple of Diana

Day 5 – Algarve to Seville

- > Travel to Seville
- Museo Del Castillo De San Jorge visit
- Seville guided site seeing tour (Giralda Tower, Alcazar visit, Columbus' gravesite, Seville Cathedral visit)
- Columbus walking tour
- Flamenco show





Columbus' Grave

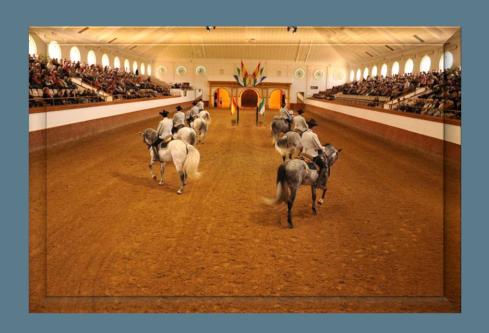


Alcazar Visit

Day 6 – Seville to Cordoba

- > Day trip to Cordoba
- Andalusian equestrian show and demo
- > Mezquita guided visit
- ➤ Medieval dinner and show







Day 7 – Seville to Marbella

- > Day trip to Morocco
- Morocco full-day excursion with lunch included
- > Camel ride
- > Travel to Marbella, Spain





Day 8 – Marbella to Granada

- > Travel to Granada
- > Bullring visit
- La Alhambra y el Generalife guided visit
- > Lunch between Alhambra and Albayzin
- > Albayzin district visit
- Granada Cathedral visit
- Alhambra evening photo-op
- > Tapas dinner evening



Bull fighting ring demo





La Alhambra

Day 9 – Granada to Barcelona

- > Travel by train to Barcelona
- Barcelona City Walk (Mercat de la Boqueria, Las Ramblas, Columbus Monument)







Day 10 – Barcelona Landmarks

- Montjuic Hill cable car ride
- Barcelona guided tour (La Sagrada Familia, Montjuic Hill, Park Guelle visit)
- FC Barcelona Visit
- Paella dinner





La Sagrada Familia



and

Parque de Guelle



<u>Day 11 – Return Home</u>





Memories made





Trip Leaders: Jason Albrecht, Matthew Haley, Stacy Albrecht,

Daniel Haley, and Amy Conway



Student Applicants – Trip focus Adult Applicants – Supporting role

Why Travel with Explorica?



experience is everything.

- > Flexibility to customize
- > More willing to work with our group

Create a unique learning opportunity ... this is more than just a trip!

➤ Pre and post trip meetings – 85% attendance required for ALL travelers

> Informational meetings including history, culture, travel tips

and more

Challenge course team building activities



Travel preparation: passports, luggage, what to expect, etc.

Number of trip participants

- ➤ Trip Leaders......5 filled positions
- ➤ Student Applicants.....35 slots available
- ➤ Adult Applicants......9 slots available



Trip total = 49 travelers

Student Cost = \$4,439 Est. \$250/mo. (17 payments) **Adult Cost** = \$4,969 Est. \$280/mo. (17 payments)

Project Cost Breakdown/Summary		
Program Fee	\$4268.00	
Group Gratuity Fees and local tips	\$95	
All Inclusive Travel Insurance (required)	\$132	
Door to door bus from Moscow, Idaho	\$200	
Adult Supplement (If applicable)	\$530	
Additional Adjustment Discounts (Moscow190)	-\$256	
Student Traveler Cost	\$4,439.00	
Adult Traveler Cost	\$4,969.00	
Total Due at Sign-in by December 1st at 3:00 pm This will be your first payment due at signing and is deducted from the total cost	\$182	





We will run FOUR all group fundraisers to help you raise money for the trip

Spending Cash

 \$500 spending cash encouraged for lunches and souvenirs

 Use our fundraisers to help you earn this!







Monthly Payment Plan Benefits

- Automatic deduction from your checking account each month. Approximately \$250/month for students and \$280/month for adults.
- > 17 monthly payments
- Final payment deadline up to30 days prior to departure





Is the cost of this trip tax deductible? No. Explorica is a for profit company and our trips are NOT affiliated with the Moscow School District.

What is included?

- Round trip airfare from Spokane
- Lodging in Hotels
 - Students: 2 to 5 per room depending on location (students with students)
 - Adults: 2 per room (adults with adults)
- Transportation throughout the trip from MMS back to MMS
- Explorica tour director to guide us on the ground
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Guided sightseeing/walking tours
- Entrance fees to selected attractions







What is **not** included?

- > \$50 for two pre-trip team building activities at Paradise Ridge Challenge Course
- Lunches, beverages, and snacks throughout the day
- Passport fees
- > Souvenirs
- Additional airline baggage fees
- Phone calls and/Wi-Fi Access
- We recommend \$500 for additional expenses.





Fundraisers

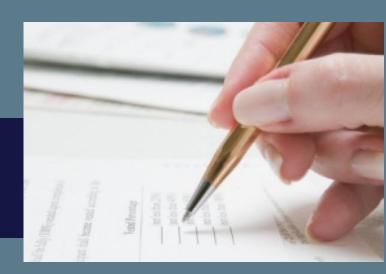
- Group Fundraisers
 - We will help with FOUR group fundraisers
 - > Valentine's Sale
 - ➤ Mother's Day Sale
 - > September Sale
 - > December Sale
- Individual Fundraisers
 - All additional fundraising will be done on your own or in groups of your choosing.
 - Ideas/examples (see our website)
 - Odd Jobs for travel
 - Babysitting



Four Steps

- 1. Complete an application and return it to one of the trip leaders ASAP order matters (see application due date on top of the application Thursday, November 16th at 3:30 pm).
- 2. Wait for a confirmation email from the trip leaders by Saturday, November 18th.
- 3. Once your application is accepted, complete the online instructions to enroll and pay your non-refundable \$182 (\$50 sign up plus \$132 required Insurance fee) This **must** be completed by 3:00 pm Friday, December 1st.
- 4. Attend all group meetings.

Application process



Selection Process



Selection criteria are as follows:

- 1. Completeness and professionalism of application
- 2. Strength of application answers
- 3. Probability of success while abroad
- 4. Order of received application



International Travel Opportunity – Student Application

Globa)

What trip are you applying for? ____

Biography Section: (Print Neatly)

Student Questionnaire Section: (feel free to use additional sheets of paper to fully answer these questions).		
1.	Have you ever traveled outside of the United States? If so, where and why?	
2.	What would this trip mean to you? Additionally, what specially draws you to this year's destination?	
3.	Traveling abroad can be a very stressful experience, please explain a stressful or difficult challenge that you have faced in your life and tell us how you overcame that challenge.	
4.	If you are selected for this trip, will you be willing to attend <u>ALL</u> the required pre- and post-trip meetings? <u>Are you going to commit fully to this travel team?</u> Yes No	
5.	READ CAREFULLY: Are you able to participate in <u>extremely</u> active and physical travel trip? (i.e. early mornings and late evenings, 20,000+ steps a day, being with a large group, cooperating with one another to make the trip a success for all travelers, and are you willing and able to fully advocate for yourself while abroad, etc.?)	
	Yes No	

Signature:

By signing below I understand that I am applying for an educational travel trip with Jason Albrecht and Matthew Haley. I understand that the complete cost of this trip must be paid in full prior to the departure date and that filling out this application does not guarantee that I will have the opportunity to go on this trip. Due to the select number of spots available, this is an application and selection process, meaning the best and most qualified applicants will go.

By signing I acknowledge that I have read and understand/agree with the terms above:

Student Name (Printed)	_ Student Signature:
Parent Name (Printed)	Parent Signature:

This application must be complete and submitted to Mr. Haley or Mr. Albrecht by no later than:



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Can adults/parents go?
 - Yes, applications are available tonight. One parent per student.
- Can a younger or older sibling go?
 - > This trip is for current 5th to 8th grade students only.
- Can a relative go on the trip?
 - ➤ They must complete an adult application and meet the age requirements of 21.
- What if I cannot pay the full trip cost?
 - Once you commit to this trip you are obligated to pay your way.
 - There are penalties for early withdrawal.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Dietary options?

Explorica does have different meal options depending on individual needs.

> Medications while abroad?

Students are responsible for all needed medications (please notify trip leaders of ANY medical issues prior to the trip).





Participant Selection Timeline

- > November 6th Parent meeting and applications are out
- November 16th Applications are DUE by 3:30 PM and will be reviewed by the trip leaders
- > November 18th Acceptance letters are sent out electronically
- ➤ **December 1st** Accepted travelers must be enrolled online with Explorica by 3:00 pm and have paid the non-refundable \$50 fee plus required insurance \$132 (\$182).
- ➤ December 2nd after 3:00 pm Accepted applicants who are not enrolled will lose their spot to an alternate who will be informed by Dec 3rd.
- December 7th 3:00 pm Alternate travelers must be signed up with Explorica
- ➤ **December 11th** 1st all group meeting 7:00 Band Room

Questions, Comments, Freaking Outs?

- > Any group relevant questions
- All group leaders are available for additional questions after this presentation
- > Talk with a few adult travelers from past trips







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