

equestrian escapes



Equestrian Excellence in Andalucia

Andalucia

Jerez is without doubt the equestrian capital of Andalucia and completely in fitting with this magical equestrian city we have an equestrian guru who will unravel the mysteries of the equestrian arts in front of your very eyes! Our expert trainer is the jewel in the crown of equestrianism in Andalusia and we cannot find enough superlatives to describe him! At his hacienda he has horses suitable for children, beginners, intermediate and advanced riders. He helps those wanting to learn and improve and he guides and entertains those wanting to ride out in the vineyards and sunflower fields.

Day One

Arrive and settle into your chosen accommodation.

Day Two

This morning the riding will begin, you will be meeting our trainer and enjoying an introductory lesson to give you the opportunity to plan your riding aims. The programme is flexible and will help you with any aspect of your riding. After lunch you will be enjoy a two hour ride around the vineyards.

Day Three

This morning you will be heading in to Jerez to visit The Royal Riding School. You will have the best seats for their wonderful display 'How the Horses of Andalusia Horses Dance'. This afternoon you will be riding with our trainer again (choose between a ride out or a lesson)

Day Four

Today you will be enjoying one of our famous 'picnic' rides. You will spend 4 hours riding out in the stunning countryside that surrounds his hacienda, stopping in the shade to enjoy a traditional Andalusian picnic.

Day Five

This morning we have arranged a Bodega visit along with a wine tasting. You really can't visit Jerez without sampling their fine wines, Sherries and brandies. The history of the wine cultivation of this region is so closely





interwoven with the equestrian culture, you will find many of the bodegas have their own pure bred horses. This afternoon you will be riding again, choose from a lesson or a ride out.

Day Six

Today you will be visiting The National Stud Farm; here you will see at first hand the wonderful stallions, mares and foals that are being produced in order to promote this superb breed of horse. This afternoon is free for you to enjoy Jerez.

Day Seven

This morning you will be riding for the last time, we suggest a final lesson in the morning and then a longer ride in the afternoon.



Day Eight

Depart

Our instructor in Jerez is one of the world's true horsemen. He was born into a family that for centuries has been at the heart of equestrianism in Jerez. Horses have played an important role on the vast farms in this productive area of Spain for years and as a small child he became totally fascinated by the training of horses wanting to understand and learn every aspect of their behavioural traits in order to work with them in a partnership based on mutual trust, understanding and respect.

He worked with his uncles in the fields of his father's ranch on horseback from the age of 4 years old where he discovered his passion for the horse, for riding and for training this most spectacular animal. It is no surprise that he went on to become such a wonderful rider and trainer, his uncle was well known throughout Andalusia for his skills as a horseman and he gave him his first horse. He went on to compete locally in ranching competitions as a young boy and it was here he met the then World Champion of Spain who took him under his wing and continued his valuable training.



Soon he was winning national competitions and he was also developing his interest in Doma Classica (dressage riding) which complemented his already highly developed Doma Vaquero skills. He worked for five years with one of the most acclaimed professors of the Royal Riding School of Jerez and at this point his training seemed complete, he was a highly skilled rider in both important Andalusian disciplines.



He then decided that the time had come to develop the family ranch into an equestrian centre of excellence with the aim of passing on his great knowledge and understanding of horses. The response we have had to date from our customers regarding this man's patience and training skills has been tremendous and we would not hesitate to recommend him 100%; he is a great ambassador to the equestrian art in Spain.

Price and what's included

- 7 nights bed and breakfast accommodation of your choice
- Riding as described above – please note the riding will be flexible and you will be able to exchange hacking for lessons or vice versa
- Tickets to The Royal Riding School Display
- Bodega Visit and Tasting in Jerez
- National Stud Farm Visit

£995 per person based in an apartment in Jerez
£1075 per person based in a three star hotel in Jerez
£1125 per person based in a four star hotel in Jerez
£1375 per person based in luxury accommodation close to The Hacienda

Please note that the Hacienda is located on the outskirts of Jerez. To reach it from the centre of Jerez you would need to hire a car or use a taxi (20€ approx).

Short Break Itinerary

Short break itineraries that include 3 nights bed and breakfast accommodation and 3 riding days are also available. The short break again offers you the flexibility to choose between lessons and some really fabulous riding out. The riding will include one lesson, two x 2 hour hacks on the Hacienda and the 4 hour picnic ride.

Prices

Three days and three nights in luxury hotel by stables	£725
Three days and three nights in luxury hotel in Jerez	£625
Three days and three nights in three star hotel in Jerez	£575



Optionals

- Additional lessons / hacking
- Tickets to The Royal Riding School Display
- Visit to the National Stud Farm (included in one week package)
- Bodega Tour and Tasting
- Flamenco show and dinner
- Airport transfers




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