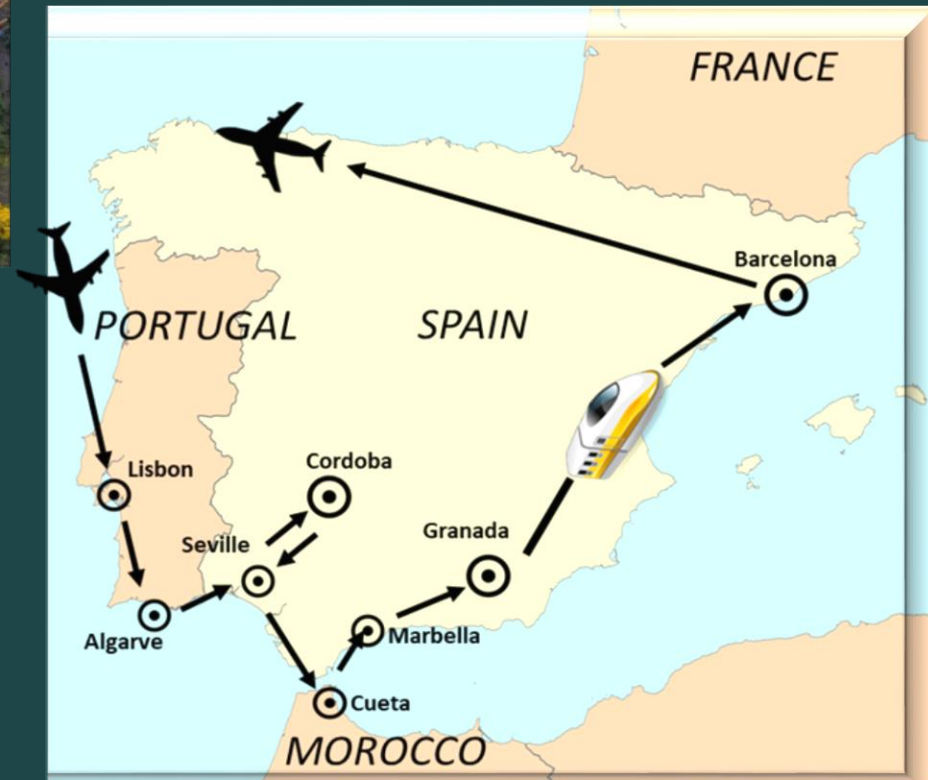




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Agenda

- ✓ Welcome:
 - ✓ **CELL PHONES OFF – Everyone pay attention please**
- ✓ Safety matters
- ✓ Itinerary Video
- ✓ Meet our Tour guide
- ✓ The World of Bull Fighting
- ✓ Group travel FYI's
- ✓ Travel groups and Rooming Info.
- ✓ Explorica deadlines
- ✓ Passports
- ✓ Luggage and packing tips
- ✓ Spain and Portugal Travel 101
- ✓ Upcoming events
- ✓ Questions/Comments/Freaking Outs ☺



✓ ***Tonight's information can be found at
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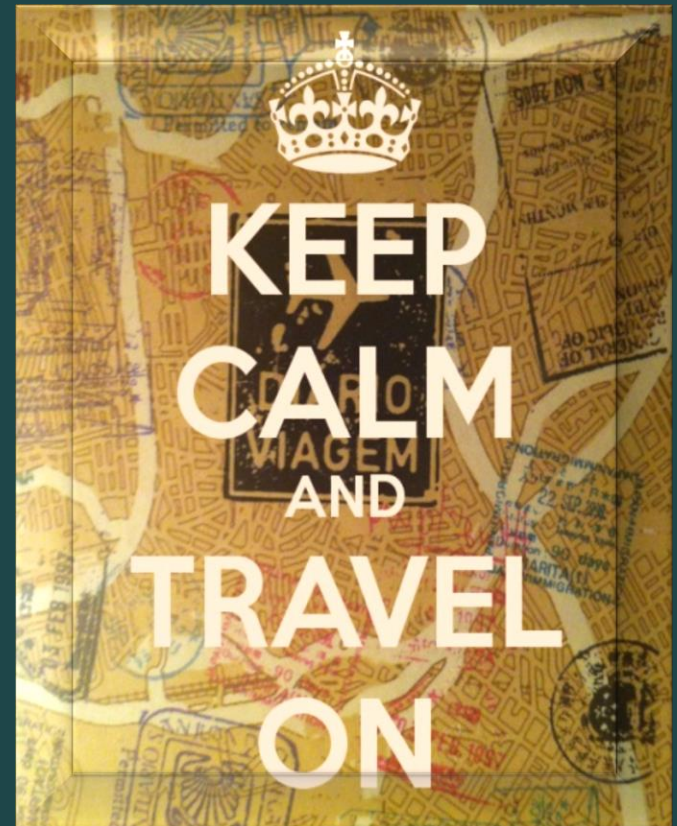
Great job on all
of the team
fundraisers!

There are still ways to
raise more money for
your trip.



Safety matters

- No changes to Spain and Portugal at this time!
- 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 terror threats. We will take care and make things work!





Itinerary Update

- Only 190 Days Away!!!!
 - (Departure date June 17th)
- We will be riding a bus together up to Spokane and are flying out from there ...Time TBA



- Flights – Middle seats and we are spread throughout the plane.

- Transportation to the airport options: Time of flights will determine airport transportation and meeting the night before
- Travel and counting groups finalized

Meet our tour guide

Michael Wighton

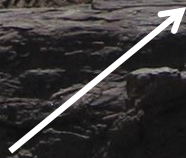
Michael was born and raised in Canada. He has spent nearly every year of his life abroad since entering college. Armed with a Yale undergraduate degree and a Master's degree in Acting from the Moscow Art Theatre, he has been lucky enough to become a university professor and soap opera star in Greece, a globetrotting stage actor throughout Europe and Russia, a translator in Switzerland, a vagabond in Japan, and most recently a new father in Copenhagen with his lovely Danish wife. Traveling has always been a passion, and at the moment he has managed to trek through more countries than the number of candles on his birthday cake. Teaching and tourism have also remained a central part of his life, since his very first job as a tour guide on Vancouver Island to his days now sharing the secrets of Europe with curious Explorica travelers. One of his greatest pleasures is the chance to share a trip with new people, introducing them to the sites of each city they'd most hoped to find.



Morocco



Spain



Rock of Gibraltar



aka
The Pillar of
Hercules



What is Bull Fighting?



Torro

Matador

What does the word ARENA mean?

Why Sand?



Brief History of Bull Fighting

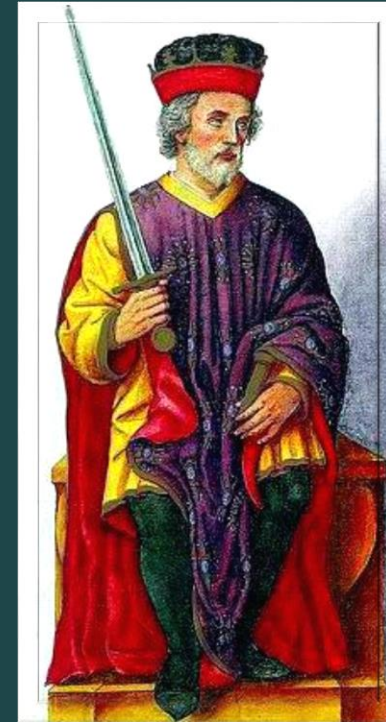
- **2000 BC** on Crete is the earliest form of Bull Competitions - Bull Leaping pictured below



- **Around 700 AD** the Moors killed bulls from horseback on the Iberian Peninsula – This is the first killing of bulls for spectacle

Bull Fighting Continued

- **1133 AD** First official Bull Fight (Corrida) occurs in Central Spain by King Alfonso VIII to celebrate the defeat of the Moors in the region
- **1726 AD** the modern Corrida was invented and Bull fighting arena were created all over Spain
 - When have a bull fight? Birthdays, festivals, celebrations



- **2011 AD** Catalonia (Barcelona) Bans bullfighting
- **2019 AD** – Globalxpeditons will tour the famous arena of Sevilla

How is Bull Fighting Viewed in Spain Today

- According to the last official survey performed by Investiga-Aedemo, 67,2% of Spaniards show no interest in bullfighting.



To some it is a way of life and to others it is the cruel torturing of animals. Either way ... it is very important to the story of the Iberian Peninsula

Trip Leaders: Jason Albrecht, Matthew Haley, Stacy Albrecht,
Daniel Haley, and Amy Conway



Student Applicants – Trip focus
Adult Applicants – Supporting role



Educational Group travel requires of both students and parents:

- Flexibility
- Patience
- Cooperation
- Following the lead of your Tour Leaders

Spain and Portugal

2019 Counting Groups

Jason and Stacy's Group

1	Albrecht	Jason
2	Albrecht	Stacy
3	Hansen	Bryce
4	Hansen	Kristin
5	Skinner	Zac
6	Skinner	Caleb
7	Skinner	Tiffany
8	Pickard	Rylan
9	Clay	Hannah
10	Kayler	Sophia
11	Duke	Abby
12	Shook	Jennings
13	Marcoe	Hannah
14	Rytter	Sabrina
15	Rytter	Kim
16	Thompson	Kennedy
17	Underwood	Drew
18	Heikkinen	Lexi
19	McFarland	Laina
20	Carr	Emma
21	Conway	Amy

Matthew and Daniel's Group

1	Haley	Matthew
2	Haley	Pattie
3	Pope	Marilyn
4	Green	Jamison
5	Green	Casey
6	Odberg	Nicholas
7	Odberg	Malia
8	Fealy	Tanner
9	Fealy	Gen
10	Thornycraft	Wyatt
11	Thornycraft	Stacey
12	Clyde	Kacie
13	Anderson	Maya
14	Knott	McKenna
15	Rauch	Makai
16	Hall	Angus
17	Cash	Kenzie
18	Kennedy	Ethan
19	Loftus	Wes
20	Summers	Kaden
21	Weaver	Brayden
22	Haley	Daniel

Room Request Information

Rooming assignments based on your requests as much as possible. List will be ready by the next meeting in March.

- Each person should be rooming with at least one person that they requested ... we will try to accommodate everyone to the best of our ability.
- Understand that this might change depending on our grouping needs while on the ground.



If a student wants to request a twin room it is \$30 per hotel room/night and for adults to request a single it is \$40 per hotel room/night.

Final Rooming Arrangements

- Please write down three people that you would enjoy rooming with while abroad
- We will do our best to honor these requests but WILL NOT guarantee anything
- While abroad, rooming is a changing thing ... BE FLEXIBLE!
- You may only record three people
- All adults will room with another adult
- Private rooms for adults are available for an additional charge (\$40/night)

I, (Print your first and last name) _____, would like to room with the following three people; they are listed below in order of preference.

(Note: Please do not feel like you need to preference three people or anyone at all. Three is the maximum amount of people you can preference, but there is no minimum. If you do not have a preference, please check the box at the bottom that indicates that and we will automatically place you in a group).

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

I do not have a rooming preference!

Upcoming deadlines



105 days prior to departure: 2/27/19

Last date for ANY name changes(\$200 fee after this date)

Please confirm that all participants' first, middle, and last names (including your own) are spelled correctly and match EXACTLY as they appear on their passports. Also, confirm all birth dates are listed and correct. Make sure to send Explorica your passport information.

Last Day for Individuals to Submit any Special Travel Requests - please have any travelers interested in doing this contact us before this date. (Staying longer, special rooming, food allergies, etc.) **flight stay behind changes (for a \$195 fee anytime after enrollment),**

Participants NOT on monthly auto-pay

75% of Tour Balance Due on 2/27/2019 for all participants

(The remaining amount 25% IS DUE BY April 13, 2019)

Passports

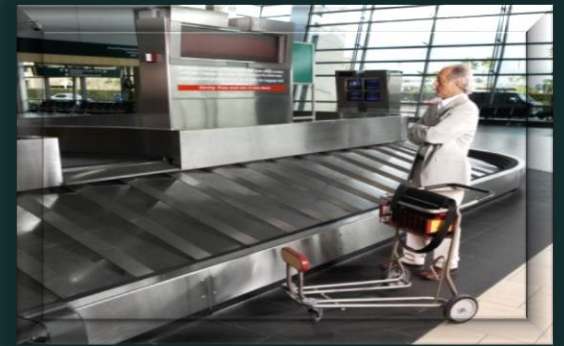
- Valid through December 2019 (6 months after our return date)
- If anybody has not ordered their passport yet, you need to get on that ASAP



- ALSO... Double check that the name on your Explorica account matches your passport EXACTLY

Luggage

- Pack once, then remove 1/3 😊
 - Pack light
- Parents have the final say on what you pack
- Lost luggage – pack your backpack with essentials ... just in case
- One small carry-on plus one personal Item
- Pack an extra bag and send gifts home



See sample packing list (on website)

- **Carry-on:** Airlines may vary ... but industry standards
 - The maximum dimensions cannot exceed any of the following measurements:
 - 22" long x 14" wide x 9" tall or 114cm (56 x 35 x 23 cm).
- **Personal Item:**
 - Includes: backpack, purse, briefcase, laptop bag OR a similar item such as a tote that does not exceed 36 inches (length+width+height) and must fit under the seat in front of you.
- **Baggage Weight Limits**
 - **26 pounds Total per traveler**
 - (includes carry-on and in-cabin item)
- **Checked Luggage:** Two checked luggage items with no charge... on the way home



Dressing to Avoid Attention






- You are a target for unwanted attention when you dress for attention
 - Parents have veto power on clothes
 - Go through what it packed
 - This is not a fashion show, it is an educational tour
 - Dress Code for Religious sites

Liquids, Gels, and Meds

- Remember hotels will have shampoo/conditioner/soap
- Pack limited liquids – 1 quart-size clear plastic zip lock
 - Toiletries – shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, perfume, shaving foam, aerosols, deodorant, eye care products
- Have all medications in their original packaging and have the prescription on hand.



<p>3</p> <p>3 ounce or smaller containers of liquid or gel</p> <p>More than 3 ounces permitted in checked baggage</p> <p>Container size is a security measure</p> 	<p>1</p> <p>1 quart-size, clear plastic, zip-top bag holding 3 ounce or smaller containers</p> <p>Bag limits total volume per person</p> 	<p>1</p> <p>1 bag per traveler placed in the security bin</p> <p>Isolating liquids speeds screening</p> 
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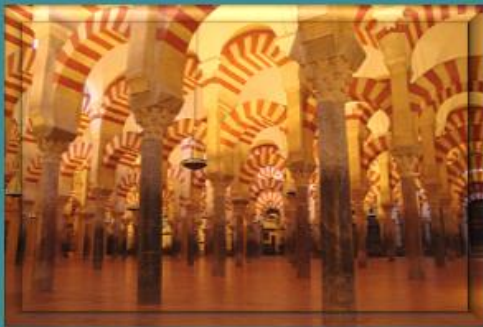
Items for the Group

- We will carry all passports
- Rooming requests are considered and accommodated as much as possible – Be flexible!
- Buy a watch with an alarm
Cell phones may not work



“If you’re not early you’re late”

Things to know before you go to the Iberian Peninsula



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Spanish/Portuguese Foods



Tapas Dinner



Paella (Chicken or Seafood dishes)



Jamón ibérico
Cured Hams

Weather

Lisbon June: Low: 63° / High: 79

Seville June: Low: 62° & High: 88°

Morocco: Low: 77° & High: 95

Barcelona: Low: 65° & High: 81°



1 Dollar equals
9.51 Moroccan Dirham

Money



The Euro
1 USD = .875 Euro

Visiting religious sites

➤ Behave calmly and respectfully.

- Show your respect: short prayer in front of the sacred object or by throwing a coin into the offering box, followed by a short prayer.

➤ Clothing:

- Access is permitted only to visitors dressed appropriately (no sleeveless blouses, no miniskirts, no shorts, no hats allowed).

➤ Photography

- Usually permitted but there will be exceptions. It is forbidden in the Sistine Chapel for instance. Watch for signs.



A few more travel tips

Do try to speak the language. Everyone appreciates the effort, but may respond in English as they love to practice what they've learned (*will practice next meeting*)



Do dress appropriately when visiting churches. When entering any church in Italy, be sure that your shoulders, knees and midriff are covered.

Do expect to walk a lot – wear comfortable shoes



Don't eat and **do** turn off cell phones when visiting museums and churches. Do keep your voice down also.

Don't be surprised to find businesses and shows closed for an hour or two between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.



Do eat sweets every day. It's that good



Spain and Portugal Tour 2019 – Schedule of meetings/events

- **Dec. 3rd, 2018** Culture Night & final rooming preferences, roles/expectations, etc. @ 7pm in the MPR
- **March 4th, 2019** History and travel logistics @ 7pm in the MPR
- **May 13th, 2019** Pre-travel information @ 7pm in the MPR
- **June 1st, 2019** Ropes course #2 (pre-trip) @ Paradise Ridge 9am-3pm
- **June 16th 2019** Night before departure meeting.

All meetings and times are subject to change and you will be notified of any changes in advance. Please remember that all travel participants, including traveling adults, are required to attend at least 85% of all team meetings.

Questions, Comments, and/or Freaking Outs



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Under the trip destinations link



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