## Southern Safari - 2023 Southern Spain Package

## **Trip Inclusions are:**

Flights from Springfield, MO via Delta & KLM Airlines
Airport Arrival transfer in Malaga to Rhonda
(4) Nights Rhonda accommodations – Hotel Catalonia Reina (or similar)
(4) Nights Madrid accommodations – Hotel Mediodia (or similar)
Daily sightseeing as listed
Rhonda-Madrid transportation
Madrid airport transfers
Taxes & Fees

## \$3699 per person (double)

**\$4698 Single** 

**What is the deposit & deadline?** Join now with a \$1000 deposit. Deadline is May 12<sup>th</sup>. Additional deposit due June 1<sup>st</sup>, final balance due by July 10. Reservation form attached for you to complete and send.

**Can anyone join this trip?** Yes! Our trip is not exclusive, anyone can join. Please share with your friends or family and invite them to join us. We expect our group to be around 25-30 travelers.

What if I need to fly from another city? This shouldn't be an issue, so please contact Ken so we can clarify price and availability with our group from your home city. Malaga doesn't have a lot of service, and it is a little distance from Ronda, so arriving with the group would be best in this case.

When do you buy travel protection insurance? The travel insurance programs have changed a lot recently, so once you join the trip, we will send you a quote for the recommended policy to purchase. There are several options now, so we'll compare those for you and provide further guidance shortly after you join. Travel insurance will need to be purchased to start your coverage.

What is the weather like in Spain during October? During this trip the weather should be very pleasant and mild. Ronda will be slightly warmer than Madrid, with expected temperatures between 55 (low) and 75 (high). The evenings will be cool, and there's always a chance for some breeze. Madrid will be between 50 (low) and 70 (high). We will move around to the other sightseeing locations, and there could be a small fluctuation, but this time of year is not hot, nor will it be cold. The weather conditions could also change during each day, and you'll want to be prepared by having a jacket or some layering of your clothing. That way you can shed when it warms up, and put back on when it cools down. We wouldn't expect a lot of rain, but you should always be prepared that it could. Average rainfall in October is not much in either Ronda or Madrid, but it could rain during your stay.

**Free Time Sightseeing:** We have given you a lot of the must-see locations, and experiences in this area, but you'll have a few free days in both Ronda and Madrid. We'll talk about what you can do during that time later, as well as how to do it. If there are any additional costs, we will let you know soon. You might also want to enjoy the scenery and take it easy during those days as well. We'll discuss more specifics on this soon enough.

**Passport Expiration Date:** This is a reminder to double check your passport expiration date. We recommend you have a passport that will not expire before April 14, 2024. If you have a passport expiring before this date, please go renew it now. Processing has been inconsistent this year with Passports, so give yourself the extra time if you need to renew, or apply for a new one.

**Further questions or concerns?** Contact Ken Mayer at 417-451-5468, or email me directly at ken@galaxseaonline.com. You can also contact Dr. Chad Stebbins at Stebbins-c@mssu.edu.