

Captivating Costa Brava - Spain
July 2-8
6 nights / 7 days
Approximate Cost \$1,106 Double / \$1,292 Single

Day 1 - Arrival

Upon arrival onto Spain's Costa Brava, the group will be met and transferred from the airport to their hotel in Calella.

Overnight: HTop Amaika Hotel, Calella (D)

Day 2 - Calella

Today we spend a relaxing day amidst the award-winning blue flag sandy beaches of Calella, an excellent opportunity to get your bearings, explore the resort towns promenade and historic quarter amidst the beautiful warm Mediterranean climate.

Overnight: HTop Amaika Hotel, Calella (B, L, D)

Day 3 - Barcelona

No visit to the Costa Brava would be complete without taking a trip to Barcelona, the stylish capital of Catalonia. There is so much to see here that a day will hardly seem long enough! For peaceful tranquility, visit the church of Santa Anna (admission fee is cash only: 2 Euros on the door), a hidden treasure tucked away right in the city center, just off the Plaça de Catalunya among the main shopping streets. Then, admire the classical architectural beauty of Barcelona Cathedral before sitting back and enjoying the incredible views of the skyline from the new Montjuïc Cable Car as it glides over the beautiful Jardí Botànic, a large botanical garden on the Montjuïc Hill, to the summit crowned by Montjuïc Castle. Included is a visit to explore the distinctive architecture of Antoni Gaudí, fabulously showcased at the Sagrada Família. For those who love their football, it is a great opportunity to visit one of the most famous stadiums in the world, Barcelona's Camp Nou.

Overnight: HTop Amaika Hotel, Calella (B, L, D)

Day 4 - Basalú & Girona

This morning, we head for the historic gem of Basalú, a magnificent example of a medieval town and one of the best preserved in Spain. Full to the brim with character, we can explore its cobbled streets, admire the ancient facades of its impressive architecture representing Romanesque, Gothic and medieval influences and also its magnificent Viejo Bridge. In the afternoon, we make our way to the historic city of Girona, where the beautiful Roman walled old quarter (Força Vella) is dominated by the 11th century cathedral tower and its baroque facade. Its gothic nave is the largest of its kind in the world! Located within the Força Vella is the Jewish Quarter (or 'Call'), one of the city's most remarkable areas. A labyrinth of narrow medieval streets and passageways makes this area one of the most picturesque in Catalonia. An excellent visit is the Basílica de Sant Feliu, with its castle-like appearance and priceless works of art. We have included entrance to the Arab Baths (built in the 12th century), complete with changing rooms and a relaxation area, a great and rare opportunity to relax back into history.

Overnight: HTop Amaika Hotel, Calella (B, L, D)

Day 5 - Tossa de Mar cruise

Today, after breakfast, we head down to the harbor to board our boat for a cruise along the Costa Brava to the nearby medieval walled town of Tossa de Mar. Prehistoric remains coexist with Roman and medieval buildings in this ancient fisherman's village that now draws artists and writers to its shores from far and wide. We will enjoy a full day here to marvel at the ancient fortification that surrounds this fantastic time capsule on Spain's Costa Brava. For those wishing to spend a day soaking up the Spanish sun and relaxing, Tossa de Mar's expansive beach is the perfect spot for those wishing to spend a day soaking up the Spanish sun and relaxing, equally there are plenty of water sports to get involved with for anyone wanting a more active day.

Overnight: HTop Amaika Hotel, Calella (B, L, D)

Day 6 - Day at leisure

Today we have given you a complete day on the Costa Brava to explore any destinations you have been to that you may want to delve deeper into, or maybe you will take a trip up into the mountains to some of the picturesque villages that adorn them, or you may just wish to relax on the beach or by the pool. Your final day is exactly that, yours.

Overnight: HTop Amaika Hotel, Calella (B, L, D)

Day 7 - Departure

After breakfast, the group will be transferred from their hotel to Barcelona airport where Albatross Tours services end.

Overnight: N/A (B)