



RIDE WORLD WIDE SPAIN, SIERRA NEVADA 2026

RIDE INFORMATION

These rides explore the Sierra Nevada mountain range, which runs east to west, just south of Granada and north east of Malaga in south-east Spain. Although it is less than 100 miles or so from Malaga and the developed coastline of southern Spain, this inland area is still incredibly unspoilt and there has been little change in the local way of life over the centuries. The main industries are the cultivation of almonds, figs and vineyards and much of the farming is by traditional methods with mules and oxen still used to plough the fields. The area, which is part of Andalucía, also has a great tradition of horses for both riding and work and they are a wonderful way to explore its wild mountain scenery and unspoilt whitewashed villages. The rides are run by Dallas Love, who is English but moved to the area as a child with her family and has lived and ridden in this part of Spain for nearly fifty years. They are an excellent choice for experienced riders who want to explore an unspoilt part of rural Spain on a responsive well-schooled horse and Dallas's many years' of guiding experience and the care with which she chooses and schools her horses, mean they are also a tremendous option for less confident riders. With several 4 or 5 night options and easy access from the UK they also make a lovely 'short break' ride in Europe.



DATES

Rides are run between March and November from set dates with other dates sometimes possible on request for private groups. There is one 7 night itinerary (with 6 days riding), usually starting on a Saturday, a 6 night itinerary (5 days riding) and shorter breaks of 4 nights (with 3 days riding) and 5 nights (with 4 days riding). Please see dates overleaf and contact Ride World Wide to discuss availability.

HORSES

The horses used are mostly Andalucian and Spanish Purebred crosses of a medium build and between about 15hh and 16hh. They are all owned by Dallas, who aims to acquire her horses as unbroken youngsters, ensuring they develop an excellent relationship with people. They have all been carefully chosen by her for their endurance and temperament and are sure footed, well acclimatized to the mountains and cope easily with varied, and sometimes steep and difficult, terrain. They have also all been schooled personally by Dallas and her brother Mordicai, who spent several years in his youth training horses on cattle stations in Australia before returning to Europe to study classical dressage in Portugal. He is an excellent professionally trained classical style rider and starts most of the horses personally meaning they are a real delight to handle and ride being extremely responsive, forward going, fit and well mannered.

TACK

Saddles are mostly Spanish made trail saddles, similar to an English general purpose but with a very comfortable, deep seat. There are also some English saddles (with gel seat savers provided if required), and a few “McClellan” type trekking saddles. Each saddle is fitted with pouches in front to carry a water bottle, camera etc, and a “sausage” bag behind which is ideal to carry spare layers and waterproofs. Most of the horses are ridden in snaffle bits.

RIDING

Riding hours vary a little with the itinerary booked but on full days, there is usually 5 to 6 hours riding, with occasional longer and shorter days. Rides are broken up with rest / refreshment stops, a break for lunch and short periods of walking when the terrain is steep or rough where you need to dismount and lead your horse, sometimes for 15-30 minutes (often downhill). The riding is relaxed and leisurely, the aim being fun for both horse and rider. Where the ground allows, there are chances to trot and canter, and where the terrain calls for walking, time to enjoy the gentle pace, peace and lovely scenery. Either way the rides are a real pleasure. Groups are limited to a maximum of 8 guests (please note rider age limits below) and are lead personally by Dallas or Mordicai who both have many years’ guiding experience, know the mountains intimately and are easy going, relaxed and a pleasure to ride with.

WEIGHT LIMIT

The rider weight limit is 90kgs / 14 stone for experienced, fit riders with a lower limit of 75kgs for less experienced riders. Please contact us before booking to check availability of suitable horses.

PACE

The riding pace varies but, as it is limited by the terrain, it is slow overall with occasional more moderate days where there are some good chances to canter along wide forest paths and dry riverbeds. The mountain paths you follow are often narrow, steep or rough in places and a lot of the time the horses have to walk, but this slower pace is by no means boring - negotiating mountain paths can be quite a challenge and the horses all walk out well, climbing with energy, to really cover ground. There are a few steep upward climbs (rewarded with wonderful panoramic views!) and some sharp descents on all routes, and on most days there are places where you will be asked to dismount and lead your horse, sometimes for up to 20-30 minutes. On the Contraviesa Ride there is one descent to the Trevezes Gorge that is not suitable for anyone who suffers from vertigo!



RIDING EXPERIENCE

To join a ride you should be a reasonably experienced rider, secure in the saddle over varied going and able to handle a well-schooled horse outside at all paces. The upper rider age limit is 70yrs and participants over 60yrs must be experienced, fit and regular riders. The rides are specifically aimed at competent riders who enjoy a responsive, energetic mount although there is a good selection of well-mannered horses with several that are suitable for less experienced, less confident, riders. As well as riding, you should be walking fit, comfortable leading a horse over rough-uneven ground up and down hill and of getting off and on unaided (although there is often a rock or log to use as a mounting block) - being able to get on, without help, from the wrong side is always useful on a narrow mountain track! Most itineraries include fairly long riding hours and because of this (it is difficult to stop halfway in the mountains) and the walking involved, both riding and general fitness are important. We recommend concentrated training in the months before you go to accustom yourself to the saddle hours.

TERRAIN

The terrain is varied and includes almond orchards and olive groves, dry riverbeds, wide forest tracks, grassy mountain pasture and steep, narrow mountain paths. There is some road work in the vicinity of the villages (more so on the Contraviesa Ride than the higher Alpujarra Ride), and occasional steep concrete tracks in and out of villages. However many of the roads are narrow cobbled streets where you are just as likely to meet a mule as a car! In some of the villages horses and mules are still stabled under the houses and there are water troughs where you will water the horses on the corner of many streets. In a few places paths are narrow and steep - keep this in mind if you suffer from serious vertigo or are very nervous of heights.

ACCOMMODATION

You will stay in small village hostels ("Posadas") and comfortable local hotels with twin bedded rooms. The hotels are quite simple and rooms are generally fairly small, but they are clean and comfortable, all have an en-suite shower or bath and loo and there is plenty of hot running water. Accommodation in Bubion, where the rides start and end is in a simple but comfortable, privately owned village guesthouse - a townhouse that has been tastefully converted for guests, with 7 guest bedrooms each with own shower-room, a shared sitting room with sofas gathered around a large fireplace and a spacious, walled terrace where you can sit at Moroccan tables and enjoy the wonderful views and mountain air. One night on the Contraviesa Ride will be spent at the Morayma Hotel just outside Cadiar which is one of the most charming country hotels in the area and has a swimming pool (open July to October). Your luggage is transported from hotel to hotel by vehicle but there are no porters or lifts in the hotels so once there, you will have to carry your own bags. Rooms are twin bedded and if you are booking alone a single supplement is payable for a single room. English is not widely spoken at the rural hotels but your guides will translate!



MEALS

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included on 5, 6 and 7 night itineraries; on 4 night itineraries dinner on the first and last nights is included and on the remaining 2 nights you are free to visit local bars and restaurants (own cost). Breakfast is at your hotel or guest house and is simple in Spanish style - bread or toast, butter, jam and tea or coffee, often with cereal, fresh fruit, cheese, ham and yoghurt on offer, too. Lunch is either a picnic carried in saddlebags and eaten sitting on the grass with the horses tied up around - delicious home-made dishes such as pork with apricots or spinach tortilla, with local cheeses, hams, fresh bread, salads etc. - or eaten at a local restaurant or bar depending on the route. Dinner is eaten at local restaurants which usually offer a good selection of dishes (many of the smaller bars also provide delicious tapas when you order a drink - a wonderful appetiser before dinner!) The excellent specialities of the area include garlic soup, chicken with almonds, rabbit with garlic and peppers and a thick Andalucian soup made with ham and beans. There may also be other typical Spanish dishes such as gazpacho and paella on offer. There is a sufficient selection to cater for vegetarians but please let us know of any special dietary requirements when you book. Wine, spirits and other drinks are NOT included.



WEATHER

The southern climate and long summers in this part of Spain, tempered with the cooling effects of altitude, make it an ideal destination for riding from early spring right through to early winter. Spring comes early with almond trees starting to blossom in February and March, wild flowers appearing March to May and daytime temperatures then usually between 10 and 20 degrees C, although rarely below 15 degrees C at the lower altitudes at which you ride during these months. From late May to July daytime temperatures usually range from about 15 to 30 degrees C and between mid-July and early September, can get to the mid to high 30s C, although there is usually a cool mountain breeze keeping temperatures down (normally at least 5 degrees cooler than at low altitudes). In October and November temperatures start to drop back to the 20s C. As you are high, evenings even in summer, can be quite cool. Rain is most likely in spring and autumn.



WHAT TO BRING

We will send you a list when your booking is confirmed.

ITINERARIES

In early spring and autumn, when it can be cold and possibly foggy at altitude, week- long rides follow the lower Contraviesa route. Later in spring and in summer, 5 and 6 night rides go a little higher into the Alpujarra where the mountain air is fresh even in August. For those with limited time 4 night Sulayr and Poqueira short breaks are the perfect quick get-away. The following are example itineraries for the Contraviesa and Alpujarra Rides although note they are only examples and day-by-day arrangements, hotels used and riding routes may be varied by your guiding team in their absolute discretion if rider ability, weather or other local conditions require (contact us for Alpujarra Short Break and 4 night Sulayr itineraries).

Contraviesa Ride - Example itinerary (7 nights)

The Contraviesa mountain range lies between the Sierra Nevada mountains and the Mediterranean Sea and this route, offered during early spring and autumn months, includes a tremendous range of scenery and vegetation. You can literally ride from winter to spring and back in a week.

Day 1 Met at Malaga airport no later than 16.00 for the group transfer, and driven to Bubion, a village in the Poqueira valley of the Sierra Nevada, south-east of Granada and east of Malaga. The drive from Malaga, along the winding mountain roads up to Bubion, takes about 2 ½ to 3 hours. Taken to your guesthouse, a 19th C townhouse with 7 guest bedrooms and time to settle in before meeting your guide, Dallas Love, who will take you for dinner in a local restaurant. Night at Casa La Sevillana. (D)

Day 2 Breakfast in the guesthouse at around 09.00 and then you will be collected and driven to the stables, about 5km from the village at an altitude of 1650 meters. Meet the horses and once everyone is settled, head off on a day ride to acclimatise to the area and altitude, and get to know your horse. Leaving the stables the route follows a small mountain path up through summer pastures to join the main forestry dirt road into the Sierra Nevada National Park. Head along the track to a height of about 2,300 metres, before joining a bridle path through the pine forests which a chance to canter. Emerge on the ridge of Barranco Jabali at an altitude of approximately 2,100 metres. Stop for a picnic lunch in the pine woods and after lunch a gentle descent through the woods back to the stables, dismounting in a few places where it is necessary to walk, leading the horses for approximately 10 minutes each time. Dinner in one of the local restaurants and the night at Casa la Sevillana. About 5 hours riding (B.L.D)

CONTRAVIESA RIDE cont.

Day 3 After breakfast in the guesthouse, a short drive to the stables and mount up. Today you head east to the village of Trevelez, which at 1,486 metres is the highest municipality in Andalucia and one of the highest in Spain. During the morning you gradually descend (approx. 350 metres) on forestry tracks and bridle paths. The path passes through orchards and small terraces as it skirts the villages of Capilerilla, Pitres and Portugos, with a few sections and steeper descents where you get off to lead the horses. Leaving the village of Portugos below you start the 600 metre climb to the picnic spot, in the shade of some pine trees with stunning views to the Mediterranean. After lunch continue along to Trevelez along the main forestry track which maintains pretty much the same altitude as it winds its way through woodland and small mountain farms. There should be some good chances to canter before dismounting to lead your horse for about 15 minutes, walking down an old stone path into the village. Dinner and night in the comfortable Hotel Fragua in the old Berber quarter of Trevelez (use of pool June to September). About 6 hours riding. (B,L,D)

Day 4 Today the route continues east to the village of Berchules. Starting with a 10 minute walk through the streets of Trevelez, stopping to water the horses at one of the many springs, mount up and head down to the river. Once across the river, the centuries old path follows Moorish irrigation channels and then climbs steeply through evergreen oak and pine forest to an altitude of about 2200 meters. Stop for a picnic with spectacular views across the valley of Trevelez to the coast. After lunch the path continues to climb for another 20 minutes to reach the top of the ridge, and from here you commence the descent to the village of Berchules. During the afternoon a combination of bridlepaths and forestry tracks descend through pine woods, open hill-sides, pasturelands and old farms. The path will bring you to the top of the village and you will need to dismount and lead the horses down to the stables - a walk of approximately 25 minutes. Dinner and night at a comfortable family run hotel with swimming pool (open July to October) in Berchules. (About 6 hours riding). (B,L,D)



Day 5 The ride today is shorter, about 3 hours, starting with a 15 minute walk down to the riverbed. Mount up here and ride through small cultivated terraces and orchards to the town of Cadiar. Leaving Cadiar below, head into the Contraviesa foothills where the terrain becomes much more arid and eroded, with green cultivated land giving way to wild rosemary, thyme, almonds, figs and vineyards. Arrive in time for lunch at the hotel Alqueria de Morayma, in a beautiful setting amongst almond groves above the river Cadiar, approximately 2 kilometres from the town of Cadiar. A perfect place to spend a relaxing afternoon. Dinner and night Alqueria Morayma (pool open June to late September). (B,L,D)

Day 6 Today head back to the village of Trevelez, following a different route at lower altitude than on day 4. The first part of the ride takes you through vineyards to the riverbed, then after crossing the river you follow a dry "arroyo" (stream bed) to join a path up to the village of Lobras. From Lobras you ride about 10 minutes on a small secondary road to the tiny village of Timar and from here climb steeply on an old stone path to the village of Juviles, and then on to the open hills of the Sierra of Juviles. Stop for a picnic lunch in the pine woods before starting the descent into Trevelez, getting off in places to walk leading your horse. Dinner and overnight back at the Hotel Fragua, Trevelez. (B,L,D)

Day 7 The final day is shorter, with about 3 hours riding to take you back to Bubion. The route follows a forestry track through pine and oak woods with some good opportunities for canters arriving back at the stables close to Bubion late morning. A late lunch in the village and well deserved siesta, or perhaps a chance for some shopping. Farewell dinner and final night Casa la Sevillana. (B,L,D)

Day 8 Breakfast before transfer to Malaga airport (departing no earlier than 07.00, usually arriving around 10.00), for onward journeys. (B)



Alpujarra Ride - Example itinerary (6 nights)

The southern part of the Sierra Nevada mountain range, the Alpujarra region has a rich cultural and historical heritage as well as much of botanical and geological importance. This ride is similar to The Contraviesa Ride except that after spending the third night in Berchules you ride higher into the mountains above the village, following ancient Moorish bridle paths that wind up through the valleys and gorges.

Day 1 Met at Malaga airport no later than 16.00 for the group transfer, and driven to Bubion, a village in the Poqueira valley of the Sierra Nevada, south-east of Granada and east of Malaga. The drive from Malaga, along the winding mountain roads up to Bubion, takes about 2 ½ to 3 hours. Taken to your guesthouse, a 19th C townhouse with 7 guest bedrooms and time to settle in before meeting your guide, Dallas Love, who will take you for dinner in a local restaurant. Night at Casa La Sevillana. (D)

Day 2 Breakfast in the guesthouse at around 09.00 then you will be collected and driven to the stables, about 5km from the village at an altitude of 1650 meters. Meet the horses and once everyone is settled, head off on a day ride to acclimatise to the area and altitude, and get to know your horse. The route, which follows ancient Moorish irrigation channels and pastures watered by melting snow, explores the Poquiera valley, said to be one of the most beautiful in the Sierra Nevada with peaks reaching over 3,000m at its head and the Mediterranean sea at its foot. First head up along a small path through summer pastures and then join the main forestry track into the Sierra Nevada National Park. There should be some chances to trot and for a canter on forest tracks before stopping for a picnic lunch in the shade of pinewoods at about 2,400 metres with panoramic views on a clear day to the coast. After a siesta, mount up for the gradual descent back to the stables by a different route. Dinner at a restaurant in Bubion and night Casa La Sevillana (about 5 hours riding) (B,L,D)



ALPUJARRA RIDE cont.

Day 3 After breakfast at the guesthouse, a short drive to stables and mount up. Heading east today set off for the village of Trevelez which, at 1,476 meters, is the highest village in Spain. During the morning you gradually descend (approx. 350 metres) following forestry tracks and bridle paths. The path passes through orchards and small terraces as it skirts the villages of Capilerilla, Pitres and Portugos, with a few sections and steeper descents where you get off to lead the horses. Leaving the village of Portugos, climb about 600 metres to the picnic spot in the shade of some pinewoods. After lunch and a siesta, continue to Trevelez along the main forest track which maintains pretty much the same altitude as it winds its way through woodland and small mountain farms. There should be some good chances to canter before dismounting to lead your horse for about 15 minutes, walking down an old stone path into the village. Dinner and night in the comfortable Hotel Fragua in the old Berber quarter of Trevelez (use of pool June to September). About 6 hours riding (B,L,D)



Day 4 Today the route continues east to the village of Berchules. Starting with a 10 minute walk through the streets of Trevelez, stopping to water the horses at one of the many springs, mount up and head down to the river. Once across the river, the centuries-old path follows Moorish irrigation channels and then you climb about 1 ½ hours through evergreen oak and pine forest to the open pastureland of the Sierra of Juviles. After this head gradually down across open hillsides with lovely views of the Contraviesa Mountains to the south and the coast of Almeria to the east before stopping for a picnic in the oakwoods above Juviles. After lunch start the ride down to Berchules, with about 20 minutes on a tar road, and walking the last part into the village. Dinner and night at a comfortable family run hotel in Berchules (swimming pool open July to late September) (About 5 hours riding). (B,L,D)



ALPUJARRA RIDE cont.

Day 5 After breakfast in the hotel, set off riding back to Trevelez, taking a higher route and riding for about 5 hours in all. Leaving Berchules below, join one of the main forestry track up to about 2,000 metres, with chances for trots and canters once the track levels out, until you rejoin the path through pine woods. Stop for a picnic lunch on the edge of the pine woods with wonderful views over the valley of Trevelez, with the sea to the south and the Mulhcn peak at 3486 metres (the highest mountain on the Spanish mainland) to the north. In the afternoon set off again, taking a bridle path down through the woods to Trevelez, getting off to lead in places where the going is rough and steep. Dinner and night Hotel Fragua in Trevelez. (B,L,D)



Day 6 A shorter final riding day, about 3 to 4 hours, following forestry tracks through pine and oak woods until you eventually arrive back at the stables high above the villages of the Poqueira valley. The route offers wonderful views over the Contraviesa and the Mediterranean Sea with some good places to canter and you will be back in time for a late lunch in the village of Capiliera or Bubion. The rest of the afternoon free for a well-deserved siesta or perhaps a little shopping in the village. A farewell dinner and night Casa la Sevillana in Bubion. (B,L,D)

Day 7 Breakfast in the guesthouse before transfer to Malaga airport (departing no earlier than 07.00 usually arriving around 10.00), for onward journeys. (B)

Poqueira Short Break - Example itinerary (4 nights)

Perfect for those with limited time or as a first riding holiday. The **Sulayr short break** (also 4 nights), is available as an alternative option on request (first person to book on any date can request) and is a similar ride, although you ride from Bubion to Trevelez on Day 3, staying in a hotel in Trevelez before riding back to Bubion on the last day.

Day 1 Own arrangements to drive to Bubion (or meet at Malaga airport no later than 5pm for a transfer to Bubion (extra charge)), a village in the Poqueira valley of the Sierra Nevada. The drive from Malaga, along the winding mountain roads up to Bubion, takes between 2 ½ and 3 hours. Accommodation in Bubion is in La Casa Sevillana, a simple but comfortable village guesthouse with 7 guest bedrooms. Time to settle in after the journey before meeting your guide, Dallas Love, who will take you for dinner in a local restaurant. Overnight Bubion. (D)

Days 2 to 4 Three full days riding out (about 5 hours each day) from the stables in Bubion, exploring the Poquiera valley and high mountain pasture with a picnic lunch out riding each day. Routes are planned so that you cover totally different terrain each day; on one day following small paths high into the mountains with spectacular views of the Mediterranean, on other days exploring the hidden valleys and ravines, cantering along some of the quiet forest tracks on the lower slopes, where the going is softer. Dinner is included on the 1st and 4th night but on the 2nd and 3rd nights you are free to explore the tapas bars and restaurants of Bubion. 3 nights Casa La Sevillana. (B,L)

Day 5 Breakfast in the guesthouse before your onward journey (transfers to Malaga can be arranged at extra cost). (B)

DATES & RATES 2026

Please note ride rates are quoted in euros. The sterling price will be the equivalent sterling rate using the euro/sterling exchange rate in force when you book/pay.

Contraviesa Ride (7 nights)

21st to 28th March

3rd to 10th October

Price - Euros 2105 per person.

Single room supplement 270 Euros, payable in Spain

Alpujarra Ride (6 nights)

18th to 24th April

6th to 12th June

13th to 19th September

16th to 22nd May

Price - Euros 1955 per person.

Single room supplement 250 Euros, payable in Spain

Alpujarra Short Break (5 nights)

7th to 12th May

20th to 25th June

Price - Euros 1495 per person

Single room supplement 175 Euros payable in Spain

Rates INCLUDE - All riding, 5, 6 or 7 nights' twin hotel accommodation, meals (dinner Day 1 to breakfast Day 6 / Day 8), and transfers from / to Malaga at set times with the group.

Rates EXCLUDE - International flights to Malaga, personal medical / travel insurance (which you **must** have), any visa fees, drinks / your bar bill, extras at hotels such as telephone calls, laundry etc and any tips you wish to leave.

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DATES & RATES 2026 cont.

Poqueira & Sulayr Short Breaks (4 nights - start days vary)

Sulayr itinerary can be requested on any short break date, itinerary fixed with first booking

28th June to 2nd July

6th to 10th September

30th October to 3rd November

4th to 8th July

24th to 28th September

6th to 10th November

16th to 20th August

15th to 19th October

20th to 24th November

29th August to 2nd September

23rd to 27th October

Prices - Poqueira Ride, Euros 885 per person; Sulayr Ride, Euros 980 per person

Single room supplement - Poqueira Ride Euros 100; Sulayr Ride 150 Euros, payable in Spain

Rates INCLUDE - 3 full days riding, 4 nights twin hotel accommodation, breakfast and lunch each day and dinner on first and last night (and also dinner on 3rd night for the Sulayr Ride).

Rates EXCLUDE - International flights to Malaga, transfers between Malaga and Bubion, dinner on day 2 (and day 3 for Poqueira Ride), personal medical / travel insurance (which you must have), any visa fees, drinks / your bar bill, extras at hotels such as telephone calls, laundry etc and any tips you wish to leave.

Note Prices are based on a minimum number of riders (usually 2 for short breaks, 3 or 4 for longer rides depending in the itinerary) but can usually be run for less at a supplement. Please check with us

Single rooms All rates are based on twin hotel rooms and if you are travelling alone or would like a single room the single supplement will be payable on arrival in Spain (if you are travelling alone but prepared to share a twin room please tell us as we can sometimes arrange this - although no guarantees as it depends on another guest being willing to share!)

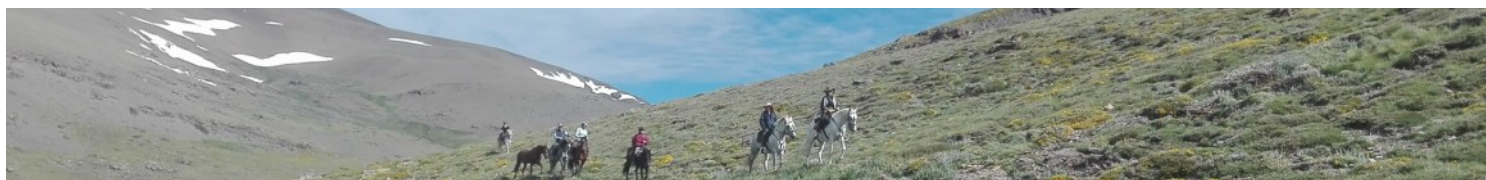


FLIGHTS AND TRANSFERS

The meeting point for the 7, 6 & 5 night rides is Malaga airport. Transfers by car / minibus at set times on the first and last days are included in the ride rate. The meeting time will be set according to arrivals but will be no later than **16.00** on Day 1 at Malaga airport. On the last day (Day 6, 7 or 8) there will be a transfer back to Malaga airport, departing no earlier than 07.00 and usually arriving by 10.00 - so we suggest onward flights no earlier than 13.00. If you arrive late on Day 1, or need to leave very early the last day, a private transfer can be arranged at extra cost. For the Poqueira & Sulayr Short Breaks, transfers can be organised from / to Malaga airport on request at extra cost (usually about 60 Euros per person each way for shared transfers but please check with us; transfer cost are payable direct in Spain).

It is also possible to meet in Bubion, where the first and last nights of all rides are spent. Bubion can be reached by public bus from Granada, or is a fairly straightforward drive of about 2 hours from Malaga; or 1 ½ hours from Granada.

British Airways (www.britishairways.com) has direct flights to Malaga from London as do Iberia and several of the budget airlines also have flights from regional airports such as Luton, Stansted, Liverpool and Bristol. Airfares to Malaga vary depending on the airline, season and how far in advance you book but expect to pay around £150 to £250 for an economy return. We can book British Airways flights to Malaga for you (our ATOL number is 6213) or you can contact the airlines direct or via their websites for bookings. (NB please check with us that arrival / departure times are suitable for the ride pickup before you confirm your flight).



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE AREA

Additional information on the area for non-riders and riders before or after the ride - Andalucía is the southernmost region of Spain. It incorporates the crowded beach resorts of the Mediterranean coast, but is also home to the wonderful historic cities of Seville, Cordoba, and Granada. The closest city to the ride area is **Granada** which lies at the foot of Sierra Nevada, between the Darro and Genil rivers and is one of the most interesting in eastern Andalusia. Because it was the last city recaptured from the Moors by the Catholic Monarchs in 1492, Granada has an unmistakable Arab flavour. The ancient Albaicín district, together with the magnificent Alhambra and Generalife Palaces are World Heritage Sites and a 'must see' for anyone visiting the region. A night or two in Granada is a highly recommended culture shot to add to your Sierra Nevada Ride.



GENERAL VISA & HEALTH INFORMATION

(NB this is only a brief outline - further information will be sent to you if you make a confirmed booking.)

Visas Spain is part of the Schengen area and if you hold a full British passport, you do not need a visa for visits to Schengen countries as a tourist as long as your combined visits to all Schengen area countries do not exceed 90 days in total in any 180 day period. Please check up to date requirements with the Spanish consulate.

Health No inoculations are required as a condition of entry into Spain by EEC residents but the TravelHealthPro website (NaTHNaC) recommends you ensure you are up to date with the routine vaccine schedule as advised in the UK, including vaccination against Tetanus. Some travellers may be recommended to have other vaccines (eg Polio or Rabies) and you should always take qualified medical advice. If you have a particular condition requiring special medical treatment, in case of emergencies it is sensible to carry a letter from your own doctor translated into Spanish describing your condition and the medicine / treatment required.

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