

*Archie & Courtney invite you to*

# **THE BLACK MOORS**

## **OF ANDALUSIA, SPAIN AND**

## **MARRAKECH, MOROCCO**

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### **TOUR DATES:**

January 4-15, 2027

12 Days, 11 Nights

### **CITIES VISITED:**

*Spain*

Sevilla

Cordoba

Granada

*Morocco*

Marrakech



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Trip Hosts: Archie & Courtney.

# WHAT CAN ANDALUSIA TEACH US ABOUT AFRICAN HISTORY?

VISITING ANDALUSIA IS AN IMMERSIVE JOURNEY INTO A PROFOUNDLY RICH, 800-YEAR HISTORY OF AFRICAN MOORISH RULE.

Their centuries of rule brought art, culture, foods, science, architectural genius and a religious and spiritual world view that impacts Spain and Latin America to this day. Tracing the footsteps of the Moors allows one to uncover an era when Southern Spain was the epicenter of European intellectual and cultural enlightenment.

At the heart of this region, cities like Granada, Córdoba, and Seville offer architectural marvels and cultural hubs that provide a window into African Moorish society. Walking through the spectacular halls of the Alhambra Palace in Granada or standing in the breathtaking arches of Córdoba's Mezquita Mosque-Cathedral showcases the scientific, agricultural, and aesthetic brilliance the African Moors brought to the continent. Furthermore, exploring the narrow, shady streets of Seville's former Arab quarters reveals a vibrant African Moorish legacy still deeply embedded in the region's urban layout.

Beyond architecture, the Moorish influence forever changed the agricultural and cultural DNA of Spain. One can explore how these diverse populations introduced intricate irrigation systems, new crops like rice and citrus, and foundational concepts in mathematics and astronomy. Delving into this history reveals the vital contributions of influential African Moorish figures—including scholars and artists and musicians whose innovations established the aesthetic and intellectual foundations of modern Europe.



# TRIP ITINERARY

## JANUARY 4 - JANUARY 15, 2027

***Our tour will take place on-site across the Andalucia region in Spain and Marrakech, Morocco. Breakfast is included each morning.***



### JANUARY 4 (MON) - SEVILLA ARRIVAL

All travelers should plan to arrive in Sevilla, Spain by this date. The airport code is SVQ. Transportation is provided to the hotel for those who need it.

#### AFTERNOON

- Check into the EME Catedral Mercer Hotel a 5-star hotel in central Sevilla.
- Rooftop Welcome Cocktail with Archie, Courtney and Friends.

### JANUARY 5 (TUE) - SEVILLA

#### 11:00 AM

**Walking Tour** with Black/African Civil Rights group Sevilla Negra

The aim of this walking tour is to orient ourselves to the city while learning about the Black history in the area. Tour sites include Plaza de Cuba, La Catedral y Torre, Iglesia de la Anunciacion, Iglesia de la Consolacion, Calle Conde Negro, Hermandad de los Negritos, Estatua de Antonio Machin.

#### 12:30 PM

**Hosted Group Lunch**

#### 5:00 PM

**Historical Discussion** with Professor Jesus Cosano Prieto on the history and influence of the Black Moors in Spain.

Dr. Jesús Cosano Prieto is a researcher, producer and creator. He has been privately researching the history of black populations in the Iberian Peninsula for over forty years.

#### 7:00 PM

**Hosted Group Welcome Dinner**

### JANUARY 6 (WED) - SEVILLA

#### 10:00 AM

**Visit to Royal Alcazar** for a guided tour of the Black Moorish construction, architectural influence and design.

#### 11:30 AM

*Free afternoon and evening to get lunch and explore Seville on your own. Recommendations will be provided*

#### 8:00 PM

**Rooftop Cocktails** with Archie, Courtney and Friends

### JANUARY 7 (THURS) - SEVILLA

#### 11:00 AM

**Guided Tour of the Catedral Seville** with Moorish built "La Giralda" i.e. Giralda Tower.

The tower built by the Moors in the 12th century serves as the bell tower for the Seville Cathedral. Christopher Columbus' remains are preserved in the Catedral

#### AFTERNOON

*Free afternoon and evening to get lunch and explore Seville on your own. Recommendations will be provided*

#### 7:00 PM

**Workshop on the African Influence on Flamenco**

Dance and learn Interactive workshop lead by professional dancer and choreographer, Esther Weeks.

#### 8:00 PM

**Dinner and Flamenco Show**

See and experience this dynamic dance form with influences from Africa.





## JANUARY 8 (FRI) - CORDOBA

- 8:30 AM** | *Early Breakfast and check out of the hotel.*
- 10:00 AM** | **Travel to Cordoba**  
Drive 1.5 hours through the Andalucian countryside to Cordoba via private transportation.
- AFTERNOON** | **Hosted Group Lunch**
- AFTERNOON** | **Walking Tour** of the "old quarter" neighborhood  
We'll walk to orient ourselves, visit [Casa Andaluca](#), and to visit several artisan shops along the way.
- 3:00 PM** | *Check in to our accommodations at the [H10 Palacio Hotel Colomera](#).*
- 7:00 PM** | **Hosted Group Dinner**

## JANUARY 9 (SAT) - CORDOBA

- 11:00 AM** | **Historical Walking Tour**  
We will walk to visit the La Mezquita-Catedral de Cordoba, the Puerta de Almodóvar, the Roman Bridge and neighborhood of La Judaria to give us a sense of the rich history and heritage of the city. The Romans settled in Córdoba in 169 BC. After the Visigoths conquered the city in 572, it quickly lost its prestige and fell into neglect. In 711, the African Moors seized the city that temporarily became the seat of the governor of al-Andalus.
- Eventually, it became the capital of the Umayyad emirate. When the Caliphate of Córdoba was established during the 10th century, more than 100,000 people lived in the metropolis. Hence, Córdoba was one of the largest cities in the world at the time. Here, Christians, Jews, and Muslims lived peacefully together. That is until the Reconquista...
- AFTERNOON** | *Free afternoon to get lunch and explore Cordoba on your own. Recommendations will be provided*
- 6:00 PM** | **Authentic Patios Tour**  
We will Explore the Old Alcazar on this guided small group tour of many different courtyards/patios that are impeccably and creatively decorated with flowers and plants from the region. These are UNESCO protected sites, that give a great look at local life in the area, and learn about how the patios are decorated, and what happens at the annual festival.

## JANUARY 10 (SUN) - CORDOBA

- ALL DAY** | *Free day to explore Cordoba on your own. Recommendations will be provided.*

## JANUARY 11 (MON) - GRANADA

- 8:30 AM** | *Early Breakfast and check out of the hotel.*
- 10:00 AM** | **Travel to Granada**  
2.5-hour drive to Granada via private transportation.
- AFTERNOON** | **Hosted Group Lunch**
- 2:00 PM** | **Walking Tour**  
Visit several sites (2-3) with our private African Centered guide Cheik Sow Gueye. Along the way we will visit, El Albaicin, Mirador de San Nicolas, El Sacromonte, and Paseo de los tristes
- 4:00 PM** | *Check into our accommodations at the [NH Granada Victoria Hotel](#).*
- EVENING** | *Free evening and dinner on your own. Recommendations will be provided.*

## JANUARY 12 (TUE) - GRANADA TO MARRAKECH

- MORNING** | Early Breakfast and check out of the hotel. They will store our luggage.
- 9:00 AM** | **Al Hambra Guided Tour with Cheik**  
We'll take a 3-hour tour and go in depth on the rich history of this famous hilltop palace and fortress complex.
- 12:30 PM** | **Hosted Group Lunch**
- AFTERNOON** | **Drive to Malaga**
- EVENING** | **Flight to Marrakech, Morocco**  
Check into our accommodations at Riad Almisk

## JANUARY 13 (WED) - MARRAKECH

- MORNING** | Breakfast will be provided each morning.
- AFTERNOON** | Free afternoon to get lunch and explore Marrakech on your own. Recommendations will be provided.  
**Optional Activity - Les Baines Hamam**  
Not included in our trip price.
- EVENING** | **Medina Market Night Tour**

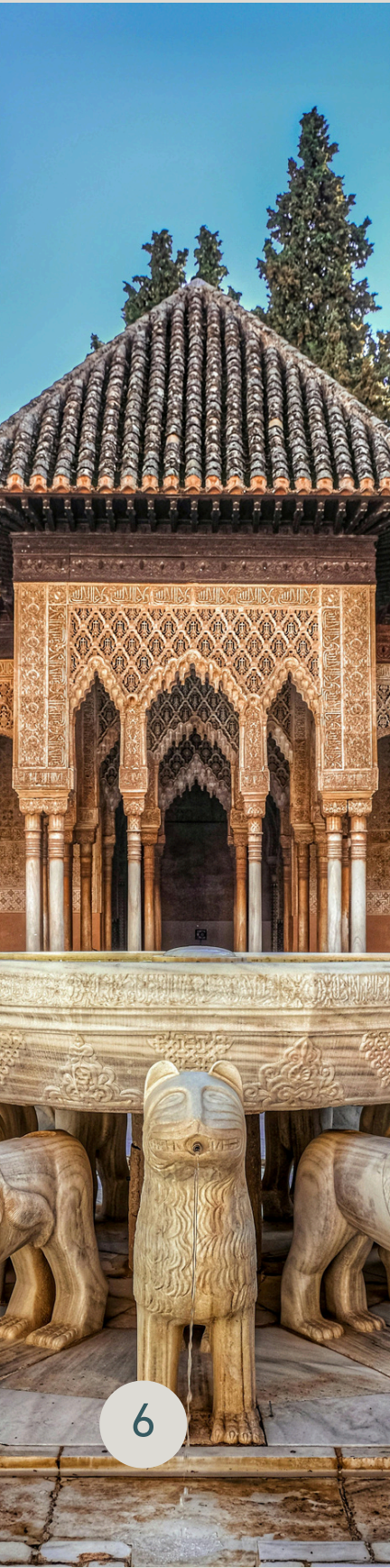
## JANUARY 14 (THURS) - MARRAKECH

- ALL DAY** | Free day to explore the markets, shop, or go on an excursion on your own.
- EVENING** | **Hosted Closing Dinner**

## JANUARY 15 (FRI) - MARRAKECH & RETURN TO USA

All travelers should book return flights from Marrakech back to your home city on this day.

**Need to fly the following day?** Speak with Siri Brown, trip organizer, to organize an extra night at our hotel.



# TRIP PAYMENT



## Per Person Cost Details:

**\$4,600 USD** **What's Included:**

- Double-occupancy room.
- Single occupancy rate is an additional \$1600 per person.
- Accommodations in 4/5-star hotels, in-country transportation in private vehicle and one-way flight to Marrakech, all site entry fees, tours, and lectures listed on the itinerary, breakfast each morning, four (hosted dinners) at top rated restaurants, and bi-lingual guide/translator for activities.

**What's NOT Included:**

- Flights to and from the USA
- Any alcohol or additional meals
- Any activities not listed on the itinerary

## Deposit, Registration, and Installment Payment Plan

1. Participants are required to register and pay a \$500 non-refundable deposit per person by July 3, 2026.
2. Registration and all payments must be made through the Global Academics site. Register and **Make All Payments HERE**
3. The balance and total due is required 30 days before travel (Nov 15, 2026).

**For Questions Please Contact Dr. Siri Brown at:  
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*Hosted in Spain & Morocco*



TOUR ORGANIZER

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Global Academics is owned and operated by Dr. Siri Brown, a long-time educator in the Bay Area. Dr. Siri Brown is a two-time Fulbright scholar for abroad projects in both Brazil (2012) and South Africa (2019). The mission of Global Academics is to provide the most in-depth cultural immersion tour related services to fulfill your organizations objectives in adding Black World travel to your community work. The most unique aspect of our service is that we have years of experience in the countries and local communities you will visit. This depth of experience has resulted in relationships with internationally known Black artists, academics, intellectuals, and community leaders who you will meet, learn from, and enjoy during your time abroad with Global Academics.

Dr. Brown has over 20 years of teaching experience as a tenured faculty member in African American Studies at Merritt College, and part time in Ethnic Studies at UC Berkeley. She recently served as the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs & Student Support Services at Peralta Community College District and was the chair of the Ethnic Studies & Social Sciences department for over 10 years. Dr. Brown holds an M.A. in African American Studies and a Ph.D. in U.S. History with an emphasis in Early American, African American, and U.S. Women's History from The Ohio State University.

# ARCHIE & COURTNEY

HOSTS FOR OUR BLACK MOORS EXCURSION

Archie, Courtney, and their son Logan share a deep passion for traveling and exploring the global Black experience. They have journeyed to places such as South Africa, Brazil, and Cuba, where they've come to cherish both the beauty of our culture and the resilience of our people. For this trip so southern Spain and Morocco, they are bringing together old friends and new ones who share that same spirit and zest for life.

*They warmly invite you - and your friends and family -  
to be part of an unforgettable cultural experience  
across the Andalusian Region and Morocco.*

