

## ***Cosmopolitan Barcelona***

***Exclusive trip, limited to 9 people***

***August 29-September 5, 2017***

Recently Barcelona became one of the top tourist destinations in the world. What is the secret of Barcelona's attraction? To find out, join Marina Oborotova on a trip through time and space in the fascinating capital of Catalonia and one of the most cosmopolitan cities of the world. Marina will lead you on the exploration of Barcelona's history from the Roman times to present. With her as your guide, you will stroll through the Gothic Quarters, La Rambla, Eixample, and visit the Palace of Music, Hospital de San Pao, Sagrada Familia and the Beaches. Marina will open your eyes to Catalan architecture, Spanish Modernism and the work of its leading figures Lluís Domènech i Montaner and Antoni Gaudí. She will also take you on a walk through the Pablo Picasso and Joan Miró museums. And since a visit to Barcelona is unthinkable without tapas and wine, Marina will introduce you to a portion of the vibrant Catalan and Spanish cuisines. In the end, Marina's tour will enable you to appreciate Barcelona's many charms and better understand how its compelling past and exciting present make it unique among the great cities of the world.

***Day 0 – Departure from US (JFK, NYC); direct flight to Barcelona***

***Day 1***

- Arrival to Barcelona
- Check into the hotel
- Tapas and wine at Gothic Quarters

***Day 2 – Gothic Barcelona***

***Morning***

Gothic Quarters tour, Gothic cathedrals

- Santa Maria del Pi
- Santa Maria del Mar
- Cathedral of Barcelona

Lunch at La Boqueria

***Afternoon***

- La Rambla
- Columbus Monument

***Day 3 - Lluís Domènech i Montaner***

- Hospital de San Pao
- Palace of Music
- Concert at the Palace of Music

***Day 4 - Antoni Gaudí***

- Walk in Eixample
- *Casa Vincent*
- *Palau Guell*
- *La Pedrera*
- *Casa Mila*

***Day 5- Antoni Gaudí***

- Morning - *Sagrada Familia*
- Late Afternoon – free time; or Park

***Day 6 – Pablo Picasso***

- Morning – Museum of Pablo Picasso
- Afternoon – Joan Miró Museum, Barcelona Olympics and the Beaches

***Day 7 - Departure to US (JFK, NYC), direct flight***

***IN PREPARATION FOR THE TRIP:***

- *Two lectures on Barcelona (first lecture – June 11, 2017, 3 PM, at AM)*
- *Cooking Class – Tapas and Spanish Wine*
- *Readings: on Spanish Civil War, Barcelona*

**AIA Member Cost (as of 06-13-17):**

***\$2,750/person/double occupancy (\$500 are tax-deductible); single supplement: additional \$300***

***Includes: hotel accommodations, all excursions, and a concert***

***Air-fare needs to be purchased separately, since the group booking has already been done***

***Deposit - \$1,000 – due by June 22, 2017***

***Full payment: July 5, 2017 (\$1,000 – non-refundable). No refunds after July 29, 2017. N exceptions.*** You can pay the deposit online with credit card or mail a check to AIA, PO Box 92995, Albuquerque, NM 87106. For more information and detailed itinerary email [info@abqinternational.org](mailto:info@abqinternational.org)