Discovering GRANADA (2 days minimum)

GRANADA is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful 'Pearls' of Andalusia.

This city was born from the successive shocks of Eastern and Western civilizations over the course of wars and conquests.

There will still be an assemblage of cultures, religions, architectures that coexist harmoniously.

GRANADA is located about 210 Km from ESTEPONA and you will take about 2H20min to make the trip by motorway passing north of MALAGA.

To benefit from a first day on site, I advise to leave no later than 9:00 am from the apartment to arrive around 11:30 am on site, to settle quietly at the hotel before having lunch in the center.

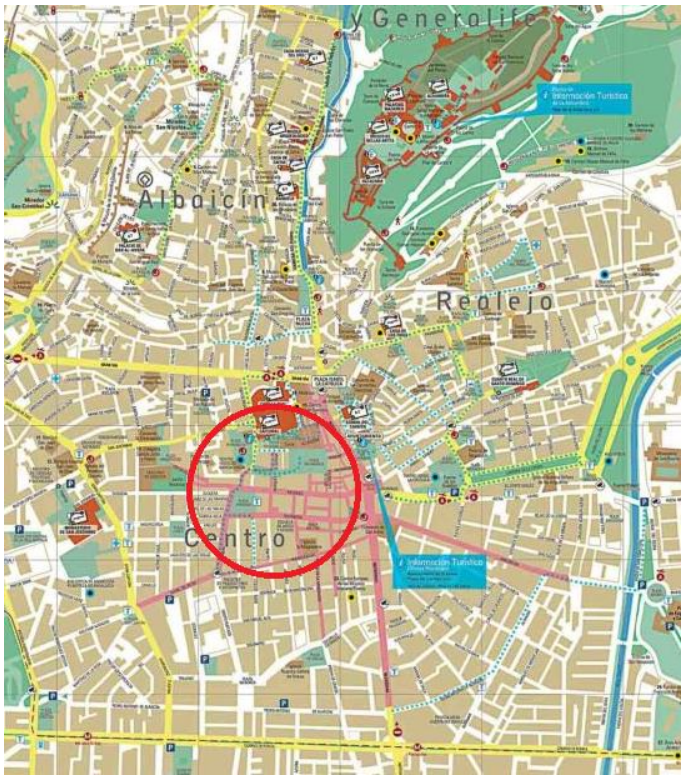
I can also recommend the Hotel 'LA CASA DE LA TRINIDAD' which has a remote underground parking (400m) easily accessible. (Tel +34.958536033).

First thing to get: A map of the city, which you will find at the reception of your hotel or other tourist points.

Do not forget to take your camera with you, while taking care not to expose your belongings too much to the sight of malicious people.

The city center is charming, very lively and you will find many restaurants or tapas bars.

The beautiful Cathedral will serve as a landmark during your walks.



Many red minibuses provide transport at a lower cost (1,50€ per person)

Buses 40 and 41, whose stops are located on the main boulevard behind the cathedral, will allow you to go to the heights of the city and to the entrance of the ALHAMBRA and ALBACIN.

You can also walk up to the ALHAMBRA, but I advise you to book your Energy to visit this jewel.

The remarkable points of GRANADA are located in the heights of GRANADA. On one side the ALHAMBRA which is an assembly of Palaces arranged in a fortified enclosure, and on the other hand, the old town district of ALABCIN. These two sets are separated by a valley dug by the DARRO.

VISIT OF THE ALHAMBRA

To visit the ALAMBRA website I recommend that you book your tickets online via the Internet on the website https://www.alhambraonline.com/

Many packages will be offered on the site, with or without a guide. Take an entrance to the visit of the **Nasrid Palace** (Entrances to the Alcazaba and Generalife are included)

In summer, prefer the cool hours of the morning and in mid-season you can choose the hours in the early afternoon which will allow you to visit the gardens in a very good light.

Allow **at least** 4 hours to do this visit (6 hours are recommended)

If you plan to go directly by car to the site, many paid car parks can accommodate you on site.

I recommend you rather to access by minibus from the city center (Le 40 or 41). The latter will take you to the threshold of the entrance door of the ALHAMBRA.

At the main entrance, you can, if you wish, rent an audio tour guide.

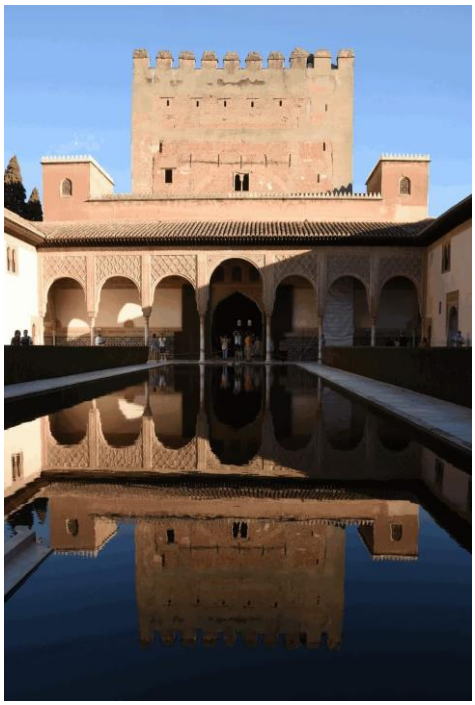


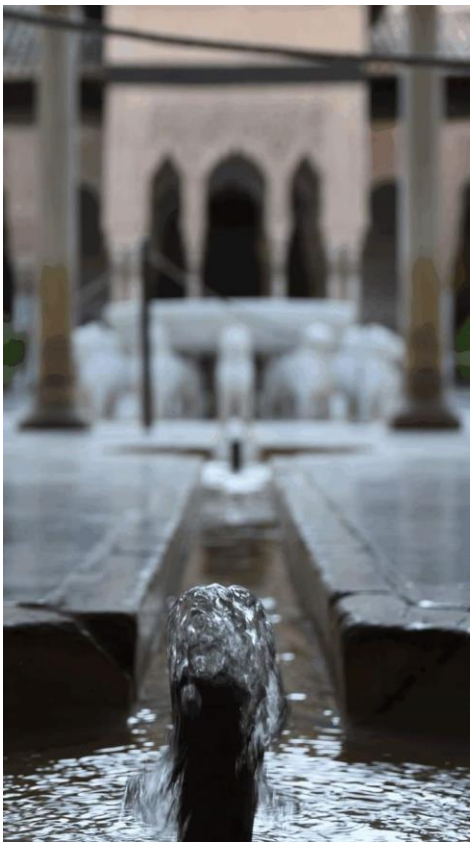


After a walk of about 500m in the gardens, you will finally arrive... In the often endless line.... Visitors. So from the main entrance to the entrance of the Nasrid Palace, count at least 3/4H .. **Take this into account in the selection of your reservation! .**

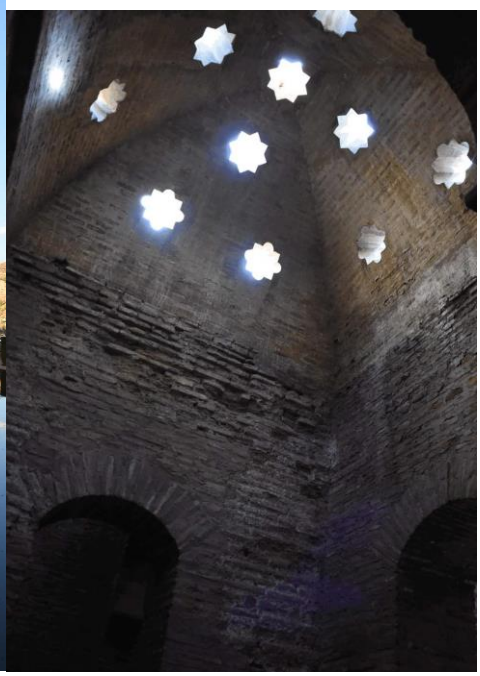
Once you enter the **Nasrid Palace,** you literally immerse yourself in a world of fantastic Oriental Architectures where the water animates and rhythms the spaces of the courtyards and gardens.

Visit each place..., admire the walls, floors, ceilings, fountains... you will come out amazed.









After visiting the **Nasrid Palace,** you can then at your leisure, visit the **ALCAZABA** which is the military fortress at the origin of the ALAHAMBRA and/or visit the magnificent **GENERALIFE,** Summer Palace located east of the Alhambra and surrounded by large gardens overflowing with the most varied vegetation, framed in an undeniable Islamic landscape architecture.

From this point, you overlook with a magnificent view, the old town ALBACIN and you can see, on the right, the walls of fortifications.



VISIT OF ALBACIN (1/2 Day)

The old town – ALBACIN develops on the entire northern flank of the city.

I recommend once again to take the minibus to the top of the city **ALBACIN** and visit the neighborhoods on foot.

The streets are very touristy and are punctuated by stalls of souvenirs, perfumes and clothes. Take your time for these places to permeate you, you are at the heart of **Flamenco.**

The remarkable point not to be missed is the **Mirador de SAN NICOLAS** which is a remarkable viewpoint of the city and the ALHAMBRA that faces.

Then let yourself be carried away by the narrow streets, stairs, to the DARRO which is bounded by a narrow and very busy road. (Attention to the traffic).

Along this, you will find many tourist attractions, stalls and perfumeries.

Then head to the historic center of the city of **GRANADA** taking the Cathedral as a point of reference.

The streets are punctuated by restaurants, tapas bars, and other various shops.

At the end of these visits, after 2 or 3 days, you will be imbued with magnificent memories that will make you very quickly want to come back to revisit this marvelous city of **GRANADA.**