

## **Rancho la Paz**

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### ***8- days White villages trail***

**White Villages - Ronda, Sierra de Grazalema, Villamartín: a breathtaking tour into the realm of the eagle.**

**If you thought you already know all horse riding possibility in Andalusia: we have a surprise for you! Unique mountain scenery with cliffy mountain ranges, over flown by golden eagles and lonesome valleys. On stony paths you scale the**

**Ronda plateau, descending afterwards on the western side of the "Serrania de Ronda " (Ronda mountain range) towards the agricultural plain between Arcos de la Frontera and Villamartín.**

**Riding through the natural preserve of Grazalema, known throughout the world for its 200 different bird species, you come to enjoy a panoramic view upon El Gastor reservoir. You take a swim in the crystal-clear waters the lake of**

**Jimena has to offer us. And you get impressed by the safety Andalusian horses cross the mountains.**

*Dates & prices:*

**Scheduled dates for the White villages trail in 2015, for groups we can organize special dates also.**

#### **NO SEASON:**

Rider: Euro 1.190,-

Non rider: Euro 570,-

Single room supl: Euro 150,-

18.04.15 - 25.04.15

03.10.15 - 10.10.15

**Day 1:** Arrival at Malaga airport and transfer to La Paz. Accommodation and dinner with meeting about the trail.

**Day 2:** Transfer about 1 hour to start of the trip from Casarabonela to El Burgo. Today you ride on various paths, partly on cattle trails, meandering through the pine woods between Sierra de Alcaparan and Sierra de las Aguas. You will have an amazing view upon green valleys, neverending mountain ranges and those scattered solitary villages, which can be seen beyond Malaga up to Sierra Nevada. After a picnic with your support vehicle you continue towards the picturesque mountain village of El Burgo. Dinner and accommodation at a hotel next to Ronda.

**Day 3:** From El Burgo to Ronda. The direct way leads us to a lonesome countryside. You probably meet only a few walkers, in most of the cases shepherds. Your support vehicle cannot follow you

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up to the mountains, so you have a picnic from the saddlebags, being surrounded by holms; mimosas and chestnut trees. You continue riding towards Ronda, which you arrive at the early afternoon. After circling around the plateau of Ronda, you arrive at the stables, enjoying a last view at the town and its prominent bridge. Time enough for a walk through the town, a visit at the oldest bull fight area or the shops with antiques. Accommodation at your hotel nearby Ronda.

**Day 4:** From Ronda, one of the most known towns in the heart of Andalusia, you move on to a relatively unknown part of the Andalusian countryside. Your safe Andalusian horses take you through a landscape in constant change between cliffy mountains, olive groves and green plains. In the natural preserve of Grazalema you ride along ridges, still offering you opportunities for canters, towards the White Mountains village of Grazalema. As always there is a small hotel awaiting you and a typical dinner.

**Day 5:** You ride around the village, having a singular view upon the canyon, in north-western direction on goat trails along little ditches and mountain pastures. Have your picnic, awaiting you at the support vehicle, in this unique landscape. Winding paths lead us to Zahara de las Sierras, a small town at the edge of a huge, lucent reservoir. On the way you enjoy panoramic views until the, declared historical-artistic, town appears. You still have plenty of time for a swim at a little lake next to the stables or a walk through the town with its originally Arabic architecture. Dinner and accommodation at a hotel in Zahara.

**Day 6:** Starting from Zahara, you enter the natural preserve of Benamahona. The path descends in long serpentine through cork tree woods. Not only the game stock is protected here, as well as the dense and old oak woods, that in summer offer you a pleasant shade. The access by car is forbidden, so you have to carry your meal in the saddlebags. You stay overnight at a hotel in El Bosque.

**Day 7:** Having reached the plain of El Bosque, you follow the old cattle trails, passing by small cottages, which can be found throughout the country. Now you have plenty of opportunities for long canters. You come along 'Fincas' with their typical red cows, the Retintas. Villamartin is a town, which is located in a fertile area, which provides food for large parts of Andalusia. It also offers water from its big reservoirs for the water thirsting area. Depending on the season you look upon floral meadows and cornfields in spring or lustrous lakes in autumn. Here you load the horses and start your way back to La Paz for the last accommodation and dinner.

**Day 8:** After breakfast transfer to Malaga airport.

*(Subject to modifications)*

### General information:

This trail is for experienced riders who like to cross "virgin" country sides and the White Villages of Andalusia.

You ride with Andalusia mares and geldings in Spanish saddles with long stirrups and hackamore on one hand; a very easy and comfortable way of riding for riders and horses. You ride in walk or gallop.

You should have good riding experience in the open country and be able to have a horse under control in the canters.

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Weight limit 95kg

About 5 to 6 hours riding every day.

### **Arrival and departure:**

With your booking you have transfers at given times from and to Malaga airport included.

Special transfers (Euro 30,-) can be booked extra and give you more flexibility with your flight booking.

This program can be combined with any program of La Paz.

### **Included services:**

8 days / 7 nights in double room, single room with supplement, full board ( table wine included), lunch as picnic, 6 riding days, German and English speaking guide, horse with equipment, transfers from and to Malaga airport at given times and during the trail from corals to hotels

Minimum of 4 clients to take place. Bookings from 6 clients up can get a closed group (no other clients). Special dates can be asked

On arrival and departure is no riding program.

Have in mind our special offers for the Andalusia trails:

As new client we offer you a gratis day before the trail to get used to riding style and horses.

If you have been at any program of La Paz before you get 10% of the trail price.

Please note on the booking