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Duration: 3h30 · Type: Classic

We'll leave on foot for a guided tour of Seville, beginning with the Plaza de España—a majestic crescent-shaped complex arranged around a central square. Built for the 1929 Ibero-American Exposition to showcase Spain's industrial and technological exhibits, the building's tiled alcoves each represent a different province of Spain. The complex faces the Guadalquivir, signifying the prosperous trading route towards the Atlantic Ocean and the Americas. Architect Aníbal González combined a mix of 1920s Art Deco, "mock Mudejar" and Neo-Mudéjar styles, and the Vicente Traver fountain is found in the center. The Plaza de España has been used as a backdrop for many films, including Lawrence of Arabia, Star Wars Episode II, and The Dictator. We'll continue on to Santa Cruz, the most picturesque and delightful part of the city with narrow, winding cobbled streets and whitewashed houses. Formally the Jewish quarter, it remains part of the historical center of the city and contains many renowned monuments. In the 18th century, the neighborhood underwent a major process of urban renewal, and even today remains incredibly picturesque and full of history and hidden passageways. Then, discover the Alcazar(1), which houses the King of Spain and is one of the oldest Royal Palaces in Europe. A fortress and Moorish residence, the Alcazaba (the old Arab quarter) is the sublime illustration of the Mudejar style, showcasing a virtuoso combination of Moorish techniques and Christian symbols. We'll return to the ship at the end of the morning.

PLEASE NOTE

- (1) Except on Sunday afternoons and Mondays: visit of the Pilate Palace.
- Entrance to the Alcazar is included.
- Good walking shoes are recommended.
- The order of the visits can change.
- Times are approximate.