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Discovering Catalonia

SPAIN

Nestled between the Pyrenees and the Mediterranean, this horseback holiday in **Catalonia** invites you to discover the beauty of the Spanish countryside.
Each day you'll ride through poplar forests along the River Ter, rolling fields framed by the distant Pyrenees, and visit several landmarks including **Vilademuls**, **Cervià de Ter**, and **Báscara**.
You'll enjoy canters on country tracks and picnics in the shade, before returning to the family run masia. This quaint location provides warm hospitality and a tranquil setting - complete with a garden and swimming pool to ensure you are able you relax after each day spent in the saddle.

Centre based holidays	**6 days (4 days riding)**	**From £1,272**		Open to non-riders


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ITINERARY

Highlights

- Visit historic villages and landmarks such as Ravós del Terri and Vilafraser.

- Experience authentic Catalan cuisine and hospitality at a traditional masia (countryside house).

- Enjoy scenic canters on quiet country tracks with views of the mighty Pyrenees.

Day 1 — 1: Arrival day

Masia Can Grau

Fly to Barcelona or Girona airport. Flights are not included but can be arranged upon request. Please make sure to book a flight landing before 5pm (if flying to Barcelona), or before 6:30pm (if flying to Girona).

Upon arrival, will be transferred from the airport to the masia - please note that you may need to wait for other participants to arrive.

In the evening, enjoy a home-cooked dinner with your hosts and other riders, while going over the plans for the days ahead.

Overnight at the masia.

Day 2 — 2: Ravós del Terri - 4-5h riding

Masia Can Grau

Today's ride will take you to the charming village of Ravós del Terri and its beautiful castle. You will cross the sierra through fields and woodland, which provide panoramic views over northern Girona.

Lunch will be enjoyed picnic style. In the afternoon, you'll follow quiet tracks back to the masia, passing farms and cultivated fields typical of the Catalan countryside.

Back at the masia you will have some time to relax in the garden or by the pool before enjoying a homemade Catalan dinner.

Day 3 — 3: Vilademuls - 4-5h riding

Masia Can Grau

After breakfast, you will ride into the Vilademuls area. Heading north, you will pass through Vilafraser and its Gothic-Renaissance church which dates back to the 14th century. Before stopping for a picnic lunch, there will be several opportunities for trots and canters along country lanes and through dense forests.

On the way back to the masia, you will ride through various fields and pass the medieval watchtower of Vilafraser.

Dinner and overnight at the masia.

Day 4 — 4: Cervià de Ter & Viladesens - 4-5h riding

Masia Can Grau

Today you will ride through beautiful poplar and beech forests near river Ter. The trail will lead you through the village of Medinyà and its castle, with views of the Gavarres mountains.
You will stop for a picnic by the river and enjoy a well-deserved siesta.

In the afternoon, you will ride around the castle of Cervià de Ter following meadows and fields until you reach the masia.

Dinner and overnight at the masia.

Day 5 — 5: Báscara & Galliners - 4-6h riding

Masia Can Grau

You will ride into dense Mediterranean forest today following a ridge with sweeping views over the surrounding fields. You will eventually reach River Fluvià, close to the town of Báscara and its renowned racetrack. You will continue through olive groves and cereal fields, passing farms and small churches typical of the region. There are opportunities for good canters along wide forest tracks as you make your way to Galliners, where a picnic lunch awaits.

In the afternoon, you ride back to the masia via the small town of Vilamarí.

Dinner and overnight at the masia.

Day 6 — 6: Departure day

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Barcelona or Girona airport. Please make sure to book a flight departing after 1:30pm (if flying from Girona), or after 2:30pm (if flying to Barcelona).

DATES & PRICES

DEPARTURE	RETURN	PRICE WITHOUT FLIGHTS	STATUS
17/11/2026	22/11/2026	£1,272	Open
29/11/2026	04/12/2026	£1,272	Open
08/12/2026	13/12/2026	£1,272	Open

15/12/2026	20/12/2026	£1,272	Open

Price details

- Flights or transportation to your destination are not included but can be booked upon request - please contact us for rates.

- Rates are per person, based on two riders sharing a twin/double room.

Shorter departures are possible in the low season (from 13/01/2026 to 22/02/2026, and from 17/11/2026 to 20/12/2026), with the following options:
- 5 days (3 riding): €1090/£950/$1250 per person (Days 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the standard itinerary)
- 4 days (2 riding): €730/£635/$835 per person (Days 1, 4, 5 and 6 of the standard itinerary)

- Groups are composed of a minimum of 2 riders and a maximum of 11 international riders, plus guides.

- If you sign up to the ride as a solo rider and there are no other riders likely to share your room, you will be charged a single room supplement of €40/£35/$47 per night. You will then be reimbursed if a sharer is found for you at a later date.

- Transfers from/to Barcelona or Girona airport are not included. The rates below are per person (return rate) and are payable locally in cash.

-- Barcelona airport – €140/£120/$160
You should plan to arrive before 5pm and depart after 2:30pm on the last day.

-- Girona airport – €70/£60/$80
You should plan to arrive before 6:30pm and depart after 1:30pm on the last day.

- It is possible to book massages during your stay. Massages cost around €70 (payable locally in cash).

- Younger riders aged 14+ are welcome to join this ride but they must be accompanied by an adult and meet the riding requirements.

- Non-riders are welcome and benefit from a 30% discount (shared room, half board – breakfast + dinner). Lunch service is not available at the masia. Restaurants are available close by, but a taxi would be required (payabale locally).
Please Note
The itinerary may be modified at anytime for security reasons, meteorological or events beyond our control such as blocked roads, rivers in flood, drought, strikes and local holidays. Equus Journeys, our local partners and their local guides will always strive to find the best solution and will alter the itinerary as needed.
The names of the hotels and accommodation are given for information only and depending on availability, they may be modified without notice and replaced by another of a similar standard.

Price includes

SUPPORT TEAM

1 English-speaking horse guide

LOGISTICS

1 vehicle and driver
1 horse equipped with saddle and bridle per rider

ACCOMMODATION

Double/Twin room at the masia

MEALS

Full board from dinner on day 1 to breakfast on day 6
Water and wine

EXTRAS

Tourist tax

Price doesn't include

MEALS

Beverages and personal extras

ACCOMMODATION

Single room supplement

TRANSPORT

International flights
Return airport transfers

EXTRAS

Tips to the local team
Park, museum and other site entry fees

EQUESTRIAN INFO

Horses

The herd is made up of around 50 horses and foals, living year-round in large pastures. About 25 of them take part in the trail rides.
Most of the horses are Arabian or Arabian crosses (with Spanish or Thoroughbred horses), which means they are forward going and responsive.

Their heights range between 14.3hh and 15.3hh.

Guide & local team

Most departures are led by Lucie. She's a qualified equestrian guide who loves active and lively rides!
Having worked with our local partner for many years, Lucie knows the terrain exceptionally well. She is friendly, professional, and always attentive, ensuring that everyone enjoys their riding experience to the fullest.

Minimum riding ability

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This holiday is suitable for intermediate riders and above. You need to be an independent rider and comfortable at all three paces in outdoor settings.

Rider weight limit: 90kg / 198lb / 14st.

PACE

The pace is mostly walk, with trots and canters whenever the terrain allows.

TACKING ABILITY AND PARTICIPATION

All riders are expected to tack and untack their own horses, however help is always on hand if needed.

TRIP CONDITIONS AND REQUESTED EXPERIENCE

This is an accessible programme that suits riders new to riding holidays, as well as more experienced riders looking for a comfortable centre-based holiday.

A good fitness level is required for this trip.

EQUESTRIAN EQUIPMENT

English saddles with saddle bags.
It is possible to request Western tack - please make sure to inform your travel advisor in advance.

Hard hats are mandatory. We recommend our riders to wear a helmet to the correct standard and you should bring your own to ensure a proper fit.

TRAVEL INFO

COMFORT

You stay in a renovated country house (masia) run by Anne, your host, in shared twin or triple rooms with private bathrooms.

There is an outdoor swimming pool available to guests (closed during wintertime).

Wifi is available.

MEALS

Breakfast usually includes fresh bread, pastries, cheese, cold cuts, jam, and fruit.
Lunch is a picnic featuring a variety of dishes such as pizzas, quiches, tabbouleh, cold salads, tortilla, cured meats, and fruit. On certain days, the picnic will be carried in the saddlebags.
Dinners consist of a starter, a main course, and a dessert.
Anne takes great care in selecting local, seasonal produce and personally prepares your picnics.

Dietary requests can usually be accommodated if mentioned in advance - please inform your travel advisor upon booking.

CLIMATE

This part of Catalonia enjoys a Mediterranean climate, with mild, sunny weather during spring and autumn (15-25°C) and warm, dry summers (25-35°C).
The rainiest months are usually March, September and October, but the showers are usually short.

TIPS

Tips are welcome but not expected. You should tip what you feel is appropriate and you are comfortable with.

PACKING LIST

Please pack carefully and sensibly: the following guide is here to give you an idea of what to bring. This list should be adapted depending on the season and individual needs.

Head
- Helmet
- Sunhat for when not riding
- Sunglasses - with a cord attached so they don't fly off when riding

Upper body
- Long sleeved shirts provide protection from the sun or extra warmth
- T-shirts
- Lightweight fleece or jumper
- Waterproof jacket (Spring/Fall)

Lower body
- Lightweight, comfortable riding trousers or jodhpurs
- Casual clothes for the evenings (jeans or walking trousers)
- Swimming costume
- Non-irritant cotton or synthetic underwear

Hands and Feet
- Comfortable riding boots. We recommend short boots with half chaps.
- Lightweight shoes or trainers for the evenings
- Several pairs of socks
- Riding gloves

Other useful items
- Water bottle (the team can lend you one, if necessary)
- Ear plugs and sleep masks for light sleepers

Medical kit
- Any medication you regularly take
- Painkillers
- Imodium or similar anti-diarrhea medication

- Vitamin C tablets
- Sunscreen and lip balm - should be high factor
- Insect repellent
- Eye drops
- Hydrating/ soothing cream
- Plasters
- Blister plasters in case of any rubs
- Antiseptic cream, plasters, aspirin, anti-histamine, insect-bite salve etc..
- 10cm wide bandage
- Spare prescription glasses/contact lenses
- Re-hydration sachets
- Antiseptic wipes
- Handwash gel

Our Recommendations
- Backpacks cannot be worn whilst riding. We recommend a small bumbag or a coat with pockets so that you can carry small items with you during the day (passport, camera, sunscreen, lipbalm etc)
- We recommend travelling in your riding boots and carrying your hat and some riding clothes in your hand luggage - then if your luggage goes astray you are still able to ride!
- You should also bring a copy of your passport/insurance in case you lose your documents. You can also save a copy on your mobile phone.

SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

1. **Travel light.** It's a little known fact, but the lighter you pack, the better for the environment as heavy bags will produce higher emissions (when flying a plane or driving a car!).
2. **Reduce plastic waste.** Take your favorite reusable bottle with you. Avoid single-use bags, cups, or straws.
3. **Preserve nature.** Always take your rubbish with you during the ride and recycle them. Leave all the flowers or plants as you found them, and never get too close when observing wildlife. Make sure to use eco-friendly products such as body wash or laundry detergent (if camping) to protect both your skin and the environment.
4. **Choose your experiences carefully.** Respect animal life by not participating in any activities that abuse wild animals (shows, elephant rides, etc.).
5. **Support local populations.** Buy local handicrafts, be respectful of customs, and learn about the culture of local communities.
6. **Share!** Raise awareness among your family and friends about sustainable tourism.

For more information please see this page .