# SPANISH 3 PEAKS WINTER TREK

### Highlights

- Situated just outside Granada, the Sierra Nevada is Spain's largest natural park – a vast land of icy mountains and rugged terrain stretching for 850 square kms, the perfect scene for this epic 3 peaks adventure
- This range of wild snowcapped peaks boasts the highest point in mainland Spain, Mulhacén at 3482m, the third most topographically prominent peak in Western Europe, after Mont Blanc and Mount Etna
- This winter adventure will see you standing on the summits of Mulhacen at 3482m ('The Roof of Spain'),
   Veleta at 3396m and El Púlpito at 2,076m
- Trek nearly 50kms and ascend over 3,000metres in just 3 days
- Recapture the solitude and sense of exploration in this less visited mountain range
- Immerse yourself in the Andalusian mountain culture
- Overnight in a mountain refuge located on the southern slopes of the Sierra Nevada
- Small groups of 4 trekkers accompanied by an experienced Winter Guide teaching you new winter mountain skills
- Receive a complimentary <u>Water-To-Go bottle</u> when you depart on this trip to minimise our plastic foot-print in Spain!





# WELCOME

### **Bienvenidos / Bienvenidas**

### Overview

Located in the stunning Sierra Nevada National Park, Los Tres Picos, also known as the Spanish 3 Peaks, involves summiting 3 of Spain's highest peaks.

Over a period of 3 days you will traverse the beautiful mountains in the southern Spanish region of Andalusía of the Sierra Nevada National Park summiting Veleta at 3,396m, followed by Spain's highest mountain – Mulhacén at 3,482m and finally on to Púlpito at 2,076m.

This less visited mountain range is the second highest in Europe after the Alps and includes 15 peaks over 3,000m. The views on the Los Tres Picos challenge are outstanding, especially southwards over the Mediterranean Sea towards Morocco.

Traversing the Sierra Nevada is a tough challenge, however you'll be trekking in small groups accompanied by certified local winter mountain guides who will teach you winter mountaineering skills prior to ascending your first mountain.

This is a fantastic winter mountain wonderland adventure is just a short trip from the UK where you can Immerse yourself in the incredible Andalusian mountain culture and way of life.







Activity: Winter Trekking **Duration:** 5 days & 4 nigh

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**Active days:** 3 days trekking approx. 50kms

Altitude: Mulhacen (3482m), Veleta (3396m), Púlpito (2,978m)

**Accommodation:** Local guesthouse & mountain refuge

Cost: Deposit: £175 per person

Remaining balance: £545 per person

**Group size:** 4 – 18 people

Level of difficulty:



Tough

Dates 2020: Dec

**Dates 2021 – 2022:** Feb / Mar / Nov / Dec

# **ROUTE MAP**

Get ready for an adventure



### DAY 1

Flight from UK to Malaga Spain. Transfer to the hotel in Lanjaron.

### DAY 2

Trek Veleta (3,394m)

### DAY 3

Trek Mulhacen (3,482m)

### DAY 4

Trek Púlpito (2,976m)

### DAY 5

Transfer to Malaga for your return flight home or extend your stay in Spain.



# **ITINERARY**

### 2 boots. 3 mountains. 3 days. 1 epic winter adventure

THE CHALLENGE – conquer Los Tres Picos, the Spanish 3 Peaks. Traverse the snow-capped Sierra Nevada in winter conditions to reach the 'Roof of Spain', Mulhacen at 3482m and it's neighbouring peaks. Experience the Andalusian mountain culture and way of life.

### DAY 1

### Flight from UK to Málaga Spain (approx. 2 hours 50 mins)

On signing up for the trip, we will provide you with the recommended flights to book or alternately, we can book the flights for you through our ATOL protected Flight Agent at an additional cost. Flights are not included in your package to give you the flexibility to travel from your nearest airport, use your frequent flyer points or extend your stay in Spain if you wish. The recommended flights for this will include airport transfers in Spain. There are direct flights from London and other major airports across the UK. Flights are operated by Easyjet, Ryan Air and British Airways cost upwards £60pp economy return depending on which flights and when you book.

### Transfer from Málaga to Lanjaron (approx. 2 hours)

On your arrival into Malaga Airport on the recommended Adventurous Ewe flight time, you will be met with a private transfer to your hotel in Lanjaron. You're then welcome to explore this mountain village, have a coffee or drink in a local restaurant, buy snacks and some lunch items in readiness for your trek the following day. That evening dinner will be provided together with a trek briefing in readiness for the mountain challenge ahead.

### Included

Transfer: Private transfer from Málaga to Lanjaron Accommodation: Hotel (twin/multi share basis – share & save)

Meals: Dinner

### DAY 2

### Trek Veleta (3,396m)

Following breakfast you'll have a 1-hour private transfer to Hoya de la Mora at 2500m for the start of your 3 peak challenge. Once on the mountain slopes you'll receive training session on the use of crampons and your ice axe in readiness for your trekking journey. There's plenty of time to practice and fine tunes your skills before setting off.

Your first mountain awaits, the 'Pico Veleta' at 3396m. This is the second-highest peak of the Sierra Nevada range (after Mulhacén) and the third-highest mountain of Spanish mainland (after Mulhacén and Aneto).

Your route is via the north ridge as it winds its way to the summit which should be reached in approximately 3 hours. At the characteristic shaped peak with the pointed end of the mountain being a 'sign of identity' for Sierra Nevada, you'll be rewarded with spectacular 360-degree views - especially southwards over the Mediterranean Sea towards Morocco. With soaking up the views you'll then descend the slopes of Veleta leading you back to your waiting vehicle for your return transfer to the hotel in Lanjaron.

### Trekking info

Distance: approx. 8kms
Ascent: approx. 900m
Time: approx. 6 hours

### Included

Transfers: Private vehicle transfers

Accommodation: Hotel (twin/multi share basis – share & save)

Meals: Breakfast and dinner



# ITINERARY CONTINUED

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### DAY 3

### Trek Mulhacen (3,482m)

Today sees a early start with a 1-hour transfer through picturesque mountain villages dotted throughout the foothills of the Sierra Nevada to reach Hoya del Portillo. It's then time to tackle the highest peak in mainland Spain, Mulhacen at 3,482m. The route traverses through the Rio Mulhacen Valley and up to the Laguna de Caldera, set amid a cirque of peaks. You'll then ascend the steep, relentless west flank of Mulhacen. Although steep there is no scrambling and the pace is slow and steady to allow for the altitude. The summit is reached after approximately 4 hours of trekking. Once again you'll be rewarded with fantastic views spanning across the 50km chain of peaks. The descent is via the long and gentle south ridge before dropping steeply south west directly to the Poqueira Refugio (2485m), your home for the night. Here you can purchase drinks and snacks and enjoy the warmth and camaraderie of the roaring fire amid the authentic mountain but atmosphere.

### Trekking info

Distance: 11kms Ascent: 1,000m

Time: approx. 7 hours

### Included

Transfers: Private transfers

Meals: Breakfast and dinner

A packed lunch can be purchased at the mountain

refuge for the following day's trek

Accommodation: Mountain refuge (dorm share rooms)

#### DAY 4

### Trek El Púlpito (2,978m)

Following breakfast in the mountain refuge your final mountain awaits, El Púlpito at 2978m. Todays route will lead you into a much more remote area of the Sierra Nevada where you'll feel like you have the whole mountain range to yourself. Your summit bid will take you up steep snow on Terrazes Azules before crossing a col and following snowy corridors upwards to reach the summit at 2978m summit. The views from the peak are incredible as you're surrounded by the neighbouring higher peaks, of Veleta, Cerro de los Machos and Raspones giving you a real sense of achievement of what you have conquered the previous days.

You'll then return to Poqueira Refugio for lunch before continuing your descent to your awaiting vehicle at Hoya del Portillo. Arriving back at the hotel in the early evening it's time to enjoy a shower and a celebration dinner to mark the completion of your Spanish 3 Peaks Trek.

### Trekking info

Distance: approx. 11kms
Ascent: approx. 495m
approx. 7 hours

### Included

Transfers: Private transfers

Meals: Breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Hotel (twin/multi share basis – share & save)

# ITINERARY CONTINUED

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### DAY 5

### Transfer from Lanjaron to Málaga Spain for your return flight home

After a relaxing breakfast you'll have a return transfer to Málaga Airport for your return flight home to the UK.

### Included

Transfer: Private vehicle transfer

Accommodation: Not included Meals: Breakfast only

Please note, if you wish to extend your stay in Spain, we can help you with plenty of recommendations of things to do and see. Simply get in touch to chat further about what you can do at <a href="mailto:info@adventurousewe.co.uk">info@adventurousewe.co.uk</a> or call 01492 588 069.





### TRAVEL APP

Once signed up, all your trip details and updates will be available through our free travel app, **Vamoos**. It's accessible 24/7 and the excitement will build with the countdown to your adventure starts. Plus no more paper, A'ppy days.



### TRIP SUMMARY

Dates, trip overview



### TRIP DETAILS

Itinerary, activity details and inclusions



### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Training guide, kit list & exclusive discount codes, meet the team, emergency contact details, safety & wellbeing guidelines



### OTHER INFO

Weather, maps, etc.











### Safety & wellbeing

Adventurous Ewe puts the safety and wellbeing of you, our leaders & crew and the communities we visit at the centre of all our operations, always. Your safety and wellbeing is our top priority and as such we have implemented a new operational procedures focused on safety and strong hygiene practices for all our adventures.

The Spanish 3 Peaks Winter Trek will require preparation as the challenge is designed to take you out of your every-day comfort zone and achieve something amazing. Rest assured we have a thorough Safety Management System, in-depth risk assessments and risk management systems in place. You're in safe hands with Adventurous Ewe.

### **Leaders & crew**

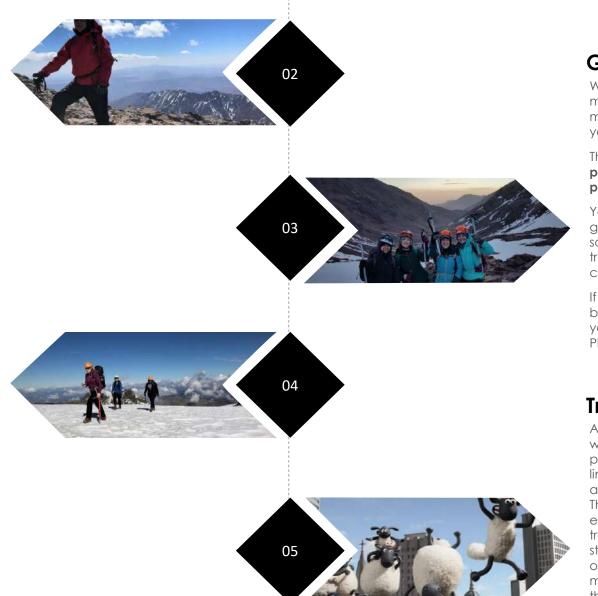
An Adventurous Ewe UK Leader will accompany groups of over 8 people and is an experienced high-altitude leader. Leaders have been carefully selected to ensure you have the best experience with a bit of humour thrown in for good measure. Your Leader will be Wilderness First Aid trained too.

Your Local Leader is a key part to this trip. They are expertly trained and experienced in every field of this high-altitude trek, bilingual (English and Spanish) and qualified in first aid and/or Wilderness First responder. They also have a huge passion for what they do and have plenty of knowledge ready to share with you. They are responsible for ensuring the complete safety, wellbeing and enjoyment of the team whilst also retaining a flexible and fun attitude. The Leaders have radio and phone contact with base, the local office and Adventurous Ewe's HQ.

### Level of difficulty

The Spanish 3 Peaks Winter Trek is graded as 'Tough'. The trip is designed for confident trekkers who may be new to winter hiking as well as those who have some experience of trekking on snow. It is expected that large parts of the mountainsides will be covered in snow, therefore the use of ice axe and crampons will be necessary. Although these sections are not technically difficult, they are high and can be exposed. Snow cover will of course vary, but the use of ice axes and crampons is essential when crossing steep snowy terrain. Winter walking can be dangerous and although we take important steps to manage and minimise this risk, we can never eradicate it altogether. The main danger is from tripping then sliding down a snow slope. Your Guide will give a full briefing and run a training session before your ascent of which there will be time to practice winter mountaineering skills during your trek. Your Guides are also well trained and experienced in handling all scenarios and safety procedures in the Sierra Nevada to ensure your safety.

Preparation is key to help you get the most enjoyment and reward from this trek. A good level of fitness, endurance and some gritty determination will help you conquer each day.



### Group size

We pride ourselves in small group trips to minimise the impact on the environment, to maximise your safety & wellbeing and to make your experience more authentic.

The minimum group size for this trek to run is 4 people and the maximum group size is 18 people.

You are most welcome to join this trek as a group of friends, family or colleagues or as a solo traveller. You are also welcome to use this trip as a fundraiser for the charity of your choice.

If you have a group of over 4 people, we would be more than happy to run a private trip for your team, your charity or your company. Please get in touch for more info.

### **Training**

A bespoke training programme will be provided when join this trek to help you with your preparations and make sure you reach the start line knowing that you're ready for the journey ahead.

The programme includes info, videos and an exclusive discount code for a 28 day kettlebell training programme & app which is ideal for strength and endurance training for those short on time. Plus it has great nutritional tips. The more you are prepared, the more you will enjoy the challenge.

Our motto is:

Train hard, smile harder and enjoy the journey!

### Kit and discount codes

A full kit list will be provided when you join this adventure together with an exclusive Adventurous Ewe discount code for independent outdoor retailers **Joe Brown, The Climbers Shop** and **ashmei** athletic apparel where sustainability meets performance.

Packing and kit tips will also be provided when you sign up.

Rest assured any equipment that we supply will be hygienically cleaned and sanitised.





### Adventure with purpose

We're very proud to have teamed up with leading climate change charity **Cool Earth** and invest a % of our revenue into supporting their critical conservation projects around the world.

This partnerships means that just by joining the flock and taking part in this trip, you will not only have an incredible experience, but you can do so by knowing you are actively supporting rainforest communities across the globe, sustainably.

# Any queries?

Feel free to contact Jim or Sue at:

<u>jim@adventurousewe.co.uk</u>
<u>susan@adventurousewe.co.uk</u>
call 01492 588 069 or chat to us online via the website.

We're here to help, support and guide you as much as you need.

### **Travel Admin**

A quick snapshot of what you need to know...

### **Adventurous Ewe Financial Guarantee**

Any monies paid to Adventurous Ewe for a trip are immediately placed into a Trust account and not used for the day-to-day operations of the company. So, in the unlikely event of our insolvency, money paid in respect of future travel will be refunded, in full. This pledge has been honoured since the foundation of Adventurous Ewe in 2007. No client has suffered financial loss outside our T&C's whilst travelling with us.

### Financial security

Rest assured, your money is safe in any and all circumstances. There has been and always will be full financial protection on your booking. If your adventure needs to be cancelled for any reason, like say a global pandemic, you won't be left stuck and you'll be offered plenty of alternative options thanks to our financial protection through our insurance. What's more, in the very unlikely event of Adventurous Ewe going under, you'll get your money back and be repatriated if you were on a trip at the time.

### **Passport**

All nationalities require a full passport. Your passport should be valid for the proposed duration of your stay. The rules on travel will stay the same until 31 December 2020. For the latest info, please visit <a href="https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain/entry-requirements">https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain/entry-requirements</a>

### Visa

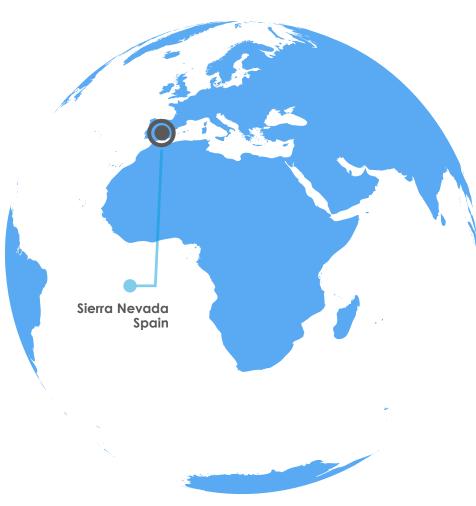
British nationals do not require a visa to enter Spain for the purpose of tourism for up to 3 months. For the latest entry requirements, please visit <a href="https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain">https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain</a>.

### Insurance

Travel insurance is compulsory for all our overseas trips. It is a condition of joining this trip that you are fully insured against medical and personal accident risks (to include repatriation costs and air ambulance or helicopter rescue services where appropriate). We strongly recommend that the policy also covers the activities you are undertaking more specifically for the adventurous activities undertaken on this winter trekking challenge, personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects.

### **Vaccinations**

There are currently no mandatory vaccination requirements. Recommended vaccinations include: Tetanus. For the most up to date info on vaccinations, please consult with your GP or travel healthcare practitioner 8 weeks in advance of travel. For more info, feel free to visit <a href="https://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk/destinations">https://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk/destinations</a>.





# WHY ADVENTUREOUS EWE

### Big adventures, small bootprints

Here at Adventurous Ewe we think, talk, love, live and breathe adventure. We create and deliver worldwide adventures, whether they be trailblazing itineraries to remote pockets of the globe or classic bucket list adventures. At the core of each trip creation is real and meaningful connections to destinations and people.

We're a friendly family business operating since 2007 with decades of adventure travel experience, knowledge and insight that you can depend on. We're passionate about igniting your adventurous spirit and achieving the extraordinary in some of the world's most incredible places. We're also proud to be the main UK trip supplier for **Much Better Adventures**.

We're also proud to operate adventures with reason by supporting both local and global environmental charities, the **Snowdonia Society** and **Cool Earth**. So by joining the flock for your next trip, experience the feel-good factor that you're helping the planet through these partnerships. We not only want to make a difference to your life, your experiences and your stories, but to the lives, communities and environments of this awe-inspiring planet.

### Why join us:

- ✓ Reconnect and gain a fresh perspective through the lens of adventure
- ✓ Be bold, be ambitious and experience an adventure to remember
- ✓ Feel protected, feel safe and know your wellbeing is our focus
- ✓ Be part of something bigger and help the environment and local communities grow
- ✓ Meet and mingle with the people of the planet
- ✓ Enjoy the whole journey the support & guidance from AE, the new friendsheeps made, the thrill of travelling, the people & places, the great achievements and difference you can make - not only to your life, others too!

We're excited to be immersed in your adventure from your very first step. Travel is a force for good, for everyone!

### All you need is the....

- Courage to start
- 2. Strength to endure
- B. Determination to finish! #ewecandoit

### HELPING SHAPE THE FUTURE OF TOURISM

Adventurous Ewe may only be a small tour operator however we are proud to be part of these fantastic initiatives with our operations and as a collective collaboration, make a difference to the safety and future of tourism.

### World Travel & Tourism Council's #SafeTravels

We have implemented the protocols for tour operators which have been compiled based on input from leading tour operators either directly or from their public announcements around the healthy, and responsible reopening of tour operations to the public. The protocols also take into account World Health Organisation (WHO), the US' Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) guidelines. The objective is to ensure that protocols are in place across all relevant functions with an increased focus on health, hygiene, and reduction of physical contact guidance which travellers will need and expect to embrace a safe travel experience.

### **Future of Tourism**

We've also joined the movement to reshape the Future of Tourism. We are excited to announce that Adventurous Ewe has signed the new set of Guiding Principles launched by the Future of Tourism Coalition. As a signatory, we commit to please destination needs at the centre of our recovery strategies and do our part to build a better tomorrow for travel and tourism.

Learn more at <a href="https://www.futureoftourism.org">www.futureoftourism.org</a>. #FutureofTourism



For more info please visit:

https://www.adventurousewe.co.uk/safetywellbeina/







### **ADVENTURE WITH PURPOSE**

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Our mission: to harness the power of travel to conserve and protect the world's precious natural spaces, one epic adventure at a time.

Our goal: to ensure rainforest communities benefit from adventure tourism, and to educate and inspire our flock to help actively support these communities across the planet.

Now more than ever our commitment to maintain our support of one of the leading global climate change charities, **Cool Earth** and the local protection and sustainability work of the **Snowdonia Society**, is of utmost importance.

To do this we'll continue to contribute a % from every booking to Cool Earth and maintain our partnership with the Snowdonia Society. It's time that we all live in a more responsible world. This means that not only will you have a fabewelous experience when you travel with Adventurous Ewe, you can do so whilst taking pride in knowing that you are helping support both of these fantastic causes.



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### YOU'RE IN SAFE HANDS



### ADVENTURE SAFETY AND WELLBEING GUIDELINES

#socialdistancing

Adventurous Ewe puts the safety and well-being of you, our leaders & crew and the communities we visit at the centre of all our operations, always. Your safety and well-being is our top priority. We have implemented a range of changes and precautions focused on ensuring strong hygiene practices for all our adventures. This also includes ensuring our suppliers of accommodation and catering have strong hygiene practices in place too.

Please note that while these procedures take into account current WHO and government guidelines, it is a live document which we will update as new information becomes available about COVID-19.

- ✓ The maximum number of participants will be kept under 10 people per team.
- ✓ Pre-adventure briefings will be in a digital format for you to view 2 days prior to your trip.
- ✓ Hand sanitiser will be provided before, during and after your adventure and also carried by the crew.
- ✓ Your Leader/s and Crew, who are first aid qualified, will be operating under higher-level protocols for infection control and patient care. They will wear masks and gloves where appropriate.
- ✓ We will honour social distancing guidelines wherever possible during the adventure. If the 2-metre rule is unable to be maintained, please place yourself side by side, or facing away from each other, rather than face to face if possible.
- ✓ For any accommodation bookings included as part of your package, if you would prefer a single room / tent please let us know asap and we will make the arrangements for you dependent on availability. There will be an additional cost for this dependent on the hotel/tent transport, therefore please get in touch with us for further info at info@adventurousewe.co.uk.
- ✓ Any equipment or hire items such as bikes, helmets, kayaks, buoyancy aids and paddles, that we supply will be hygienically cleaned and sanitised. Items will not be used 72 hours prior to when you used it and they will not be used for 72 hours after your use.

- ✓ If there's a requirement whereby you need to share an enclosed space such as the cabs of vehicles, you should keep the window open for ventilation and you should be careful to avoid touching your face at all times. On leaving the enclosed space, wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitiser if there are no washing facilities available.
- ✓ If you are feeling unwell, DO NOT attend the trip. For your own health and the well-being of others, please remain at home and rest until you are well again.
- ✓ To protect other members of the flock on your adventure, you should also remain at home if someone in your household is self-isolating.
- ✓ If you have been travelling overseas in the last 14 days, please DO NOT attend until further advised. Please contact us to discuss in further detail.

### Friendly reminder:

- ✓ Participants & crew to maintain good hand and personal hygiene. Wash hands regularly with soap for 20 seconds and or an alcohol-based hand sanitiser before handling food and after being in public spaces and between activities wherever possible.
- ✓ Participants and crew to avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth and to cover their nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing with a tissue or flexed elbow.
- ✓ Participants, Leader/s and Crew to avoid sharing personal items.
- ✓ You will need to complete a 'Travelling Self Assessment Form' for this trip.

Participants, crew and supporter health and safety remains a priority for Adventurous Ewe, and we will continue to monitor and follow the advice and directions of government and health experts.

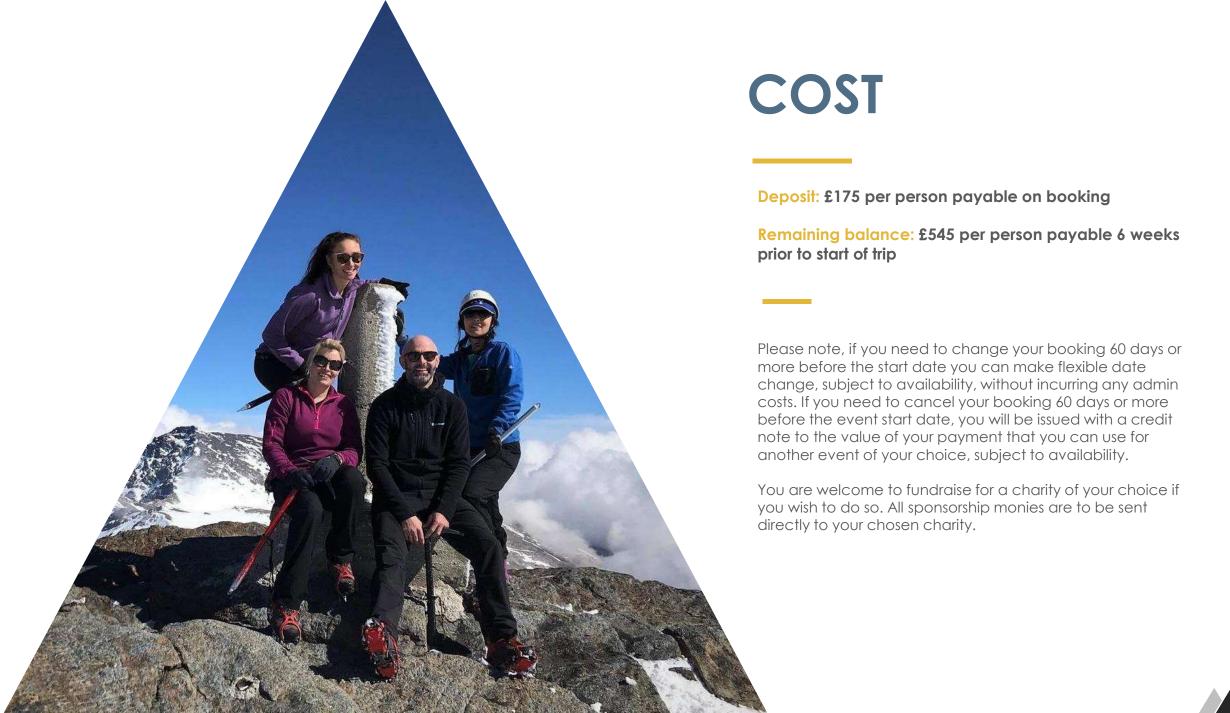
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## TOP TIPS

### Winter trekking

- Dress the part and layer up base layer, insulating layer and shell. Base
  layer that wicks perspiration away from your skin (merino wool base layers
  are ideal), a mid layer that insulates you from the cold and a shell layer
  that keeps wind and moisture out
- Ensure you have water-proof B1 or stiff soled hiking boots that are well worn in and suitable for crampon use
- Wear synthetic or merino wool socks that fit well. Thicker socks provide
  more insulation, but make sure they don't cause your boots to fit too tight.
  It's also important to keep your feet dry, so have an extra pair of socks to
  change into.
- Train in your trekking kit. Including your hiking boots & socks and wearing of your daypack with weight inside, in varying weather conditions so you know your kit is both suitable and comfortable for your big challenge
- Ensure your daypack is comfortable and has a waist strap to help take the weight of your bag on your hips
- Pack your kit inside a dry bag just in case
- Wear lightweight or midweight fleece gloves under waterproof shell mittens or shell gloves
- Look after your feet blister prevention
- Ice axe and crampon training and practice session is built into this itinerary.
- When it's cold, you might be less inclined to stop for food and water. Make
  it simple by keeping snacks and water within reach so you can eat and sip
  regularly throughout the trek
- Bring your favourite high calorie snacks. Remove as much packaging as possible before taking it on the trek (less litter to carry)
- Bring your own water bottle, your Water-to-Go bottle is ideal, plus a camelbak,/platypus that you can refill and avoid plastic bottles
- Be respectful of the rural communities, the people, their land and their homes
- Most importantly.....SMILE & ENJOY THE ENTIRE EXPERIENCE





### **INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS**

### SPANISH 3 PEAKS WINTER TREK

### **INCLUDED**

### Pre-trip:

- Personalised trip support in the lead up to your trek from Adventurous Ewe
- Trek training guide
- Discount on personal kit from Joe Brown, The Climber's Shop and ashmei athletic apparel both in shop and online
- Trip info supplied via our free mobile travel app, Vamoos
- Digital trip briefing sent before your arrival in Spain
- Public liability insurance
- Financial Protection for your booking
- Monthly payment plan available
- Risk assessment and emergency management planning
- Free Adventurous Ewe Water-to-Go Bottle

### **During your trip:**

- Adventurous Ewe Leader (for groups over 8 people)
- Local Mountain Guide
- All ground crew per your
- VHF radio
- Road transfers within Spain per your itinerary
- Accommodation 4 nights. 3 nights in a hotel (twin or triple share) and 1 night in a mountain refuge (dorm rooms)
- All meals as stated in the itinerary (all breakfasts and dinners)
- Medical kit and supplies
- All logistical and safety management whilst in Spain
- All trip management and hygienic cleaning procedures of equipment before, during and post trek.

### NOT INCLUDED

- Travel insurance (mandatory)
- Return flights to Malaga Spain. These can be arranged for you at an additional cost through our Flight Agent who is ATOL protected
- Crampons and ice axe (essential). These are available for hire at £45 per set which includes transport to and from Spain and hire. To reserve your set please email info@adventurousewe.co.uk
- Vaccinations
- Personal spending money and drinks
- Meals not listed in your itinerary (packed lunch x 3)
- Snacks, electrolytes, water purification tablets
- Kit and equipment as listed on your kit list and medication
- Tips for local crew
- Single room supplement where available
- Any associated costs with leaving the trek early.

### TRIP EXTENSION

If you wish to extend your stay in Spain, we can help you with plenty of recommendations of things to do and see. For more information, please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@adventurousewe.co.uk">info@adventurousewe.co.uk</a>.

### KIT LIST

Good quality, durable kit could mean the difference between a fantastic trek and an uncomfortable one. This is a list of recommended kit to take on your winter trekking journey.

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- ☐ Main kit bag (duffle bag) recommend no more than 70L soft duffle bag with back straps as you will need to carry this bag at some points. When on the trek, this bag can remain at the hotel
- □ Daypack 35 45 litre rucksack to carry your kit required on the trek including your sleeping bag when you spend the night at the mountain refuge. Ensure it is comfortable and has waist-straps
- ☐ Dry bags we recommend packing your kit inside dry bags to ensure your kit remains dry in the case of wet weather. A wet-weather cover can also be used over your rucksack but this must be securely fastened to your bag especially during high winds.
- □ Small foldaway/reusable bag for shopping etc.

### CLOTHING

- Water-proof jacket with hood AND water-proof trousers. It is imperative to have good quality water-proof clothing which is breathable. We recommend the following fabrics: Gore-Tex Pro, Gore-Tex or Páramo.
- Wind-stopper jacket or a soft-shell jacket which is wind-proof **Down jacket** ideally with a hood. Great for when having breaks
- during your trek, for wearing at night or in extreme weather conditions
- Midlayer or fleece
- **Trekking trousers** soft shell trousers are ideal. Avoid cotton trousers
- Base layers (merino wool or wicking fabric) long-sleeved top x 2 and long johns x 2 (one pair for trekking and one pair for mountain hut & sleeping)
- Neck warmer or buff which can also be pulled over the lower half of your face in poor weather conditions and also used for sun protection
- **Beanie** which covers your ears and is lined for extra warmth
- Gloves or mittens insulated and waterproof (Gore Tex) ski gloves or mitts. We recommend Hestra Alpine or Mountaineering gloves
- ☐ Inner/liner gloves ideally merino wool, windproof
- **Underwear** Merino wool or wicking material, not cotton
- **Evening clothing -** for hotel & mountain refuge
- ☐ Casual clothing for travel

#### **FOOTWEAR**

- ☐ Hiking boots well-worn in trekking boots with ankle support and waterproof. B1 boots are ideal for crampons
- ☐ Trainers / crocs or comfy shoes to wear in the evenings
- Socks minimum of 2 pairs of merino wool or synthetic trekking socks over liner socks. Please ensure you trial your sock-wear prior to departure to ensure your choice is suitable. Recommend Smartwool Merino Mountaineering Extra Heavy Crew Socks
- ☐ Flip-flops or similar (optional) casual wear

#### TREKKING EQUIPMENT

- Water bottle suggest a 2-3 litre capacity. Platypus/ Camelbak system. A wide mouth water bottle is ideal for collecting water. Please bring water purification tablets to reduce the need for purchasing water in plastic bottles or use your Adventurous Ewe Water-to-Go filtration bottle
- Head torch & spare batteries essential
- **Sunglasses –** essential and must have strong UVA/UVB protection **Ski goagles -** optional but these are ideal for use in poor weather **NICE TO HAVE**
- conditions ie. snow storm or high winds. They will make a difference to your experience and comfort
- Trekking pole(s) optional
- Gaiters optional. Should be worn over the boot & not tight
- **Sleeping bag** please ensure a good 3-4 season sleeping bag for the mountain refuge as the nights can be cold. You can expect temps between 10°C to -5°C at night. If you wish to help keep the inside of your sleeping bag clean, bring a sleeping bag liner to sleep in plus it will add a little more warmth

### TRAVEL ADMIN

- Passport plus photocopy of passport
- Flight tickets
- Travel insurance policy and emergency number
- Debit/credit cards
- Cash Euros. Don't forget to keep some cash for tips for your local crew.

#### **ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

- ☐ Antibacterial hand gel (essential) & face mask/buff
- **Sunscreen and lip block** minimum SPF50
- Favourite snacks both sweet and savoury
- □ Electrolytes
- ☐ Camera enclose in a dry bag
- Toiletries including biodegradable loo paper, dog poop bags, biodegradable soap/shampoo/conditioner, travel hand soap, eco-friendly wet-wipes, toothpaste & bamboo toothbrush, deodorant, lip balm, etc.
- **Light-weight mico-fibre towel** optional
- Personal First Aid personal medication plus paracetamol, ibuprofen, antihistamines, rehydration sachets, diarrhoea tablets and plasters/Compeed blister pads, zinc oxide or Rock tape, ankle and knee supporters if you need, etc.

- Duct tape for emergency repairs wrap some around your water bottle rather than carrying a whole roll
- ☐ Ear plugs for mountain refuge
- **Reading material / card games** for evenings
- **Spare dry bag** for dirty or wet clothing
- Portable charger any chargers or battery items must be transported in your carry-on luggage during your flight
- Go-Pro or similar. Please note, recharging facilities will be limited in the mountain refuge so it would be ideal to bring your own charging packs. Please visit the website for use of drones https://dronerules.eu/en/professional/regulations/spain

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- Crampons
- ☐ Ice axe

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