DAY 1: Madrid

Historic Center & Royal Madrid

MORNING (9:00 – 12:30)

Puerta del Sol
- Start in the heart of Madrid.

Plaza Mayor
- Historic square with cafés

Mercado de San Miguel
- Taste tapas and local food.

AFTERNOON (14:30 – 18:30)

Royal Palace of Madrid
- The largest royal palace in Western Europe.

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Almudena Cathedral
- Best sunset view in the city.

5 USEFUL TIPS

1 Accommodation
Stay near **Gran Via, Sol** or **Retiro** for easy access to attractions.

2 Tickets
Book **Prado Museum** tickets online to avoid long queues.

3 Transport
Use the **10-trip Metro card — the easiest way** to move around.

4 Best time to visit
Spring and eutumn offer perfect weather and fewer crowds.

5 Local food
Try churros with chocolate at **San Ginés** — a Madrid classic.