

Fernwayer Unveils Exclusive 2026 Holy Week Tours in Spain and Sardinia

As the final week of Lent approaches, Fernwayer, the innovative travel marketplace, is proud to announce its curated 2026 Holy Week experiences.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA, UNITED STATES, March 17, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- For travelers seeking more than just a vacation, these exclusive tours offer a deep dive into the soul-stirring processions and centuries-old rituals of Spain and [Sardinia](#).

Running from late March through early April 2026, these experiences are designed to bridge the gap between tourist and local. Participants won't just watch from the sidelines, they will meet the artisans of the brotherhoods, learn the history of the sacred garments, and witness the profound communal devotion that defines these Mediterranean cultures.

SEMANA SANTA IN SPAIN

In [Seville](#), the capital of Andalusia, Holy Week is an atmospheric spectacle of art and emotion. From March 29 to April 5, 2026, [Fernwayer](#) guests can secure front-row access to the grand brotherhood processions from private, historic balconies.

Inside Semana Santa

For a week in spring (29 March to 5 April in 2026), Semana Santa transforms Seville with more than 60 religious brotherhoods crossing the city in processions. By joining the Inside Semana Santa tour, travellers can watch the processions from street level as they cross different parts of the city. Each brotherhood leaves its church and walks toward the cathedral in a ritual journey,



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carrying centuries-old sculptures of Christ or the Virgin surrounded by candles and flowers.

The Mantilla Experience

On Holy Thursday (April 2, 2026), Fernwayer offers a unique collaboration with local stylists. Travelers can participate in the tradition of the mantilla – the iconic black lace headpiece – with a professional fitting in their hotel, allowing them to join the processions as true participants in Spanish culture. Traditionally, women wore mantillas as a form of mourning attire while accompanying the Virgin in the Holy Week processions. This iconic garment has been featured in the works of renowned artists like Francisco de Goya and influenced the likes of fashion designer Cristóbal Balenciaga.

Walking with La Macarena

Experience the raw intensity of Seville's most iconic religious tradition with "Walking with La Macarena," an immersive street-level tour through the heart of La Madrugá. Guided by a local brotherhood member, guests are navigated through the atmospheric labyrinth of Holy Week to witness the 16th-century traditions of the Hermandad de la Macarena at close range. From the haunting strain of a balcony saeta to the rhythmic pulse of drums and the fragrance of incense, this curated experience demystifies the complex choreography of the nazarenos and costaleros as they carry the revered Virgin through the city. The tour offers a profound connection to Seville's most charged public expression of faith, providing the essential context and movement needed to truly feel the heartbeat of the procession.

Málaga's Grandeur

Along the coast in Málaga, from March 29 to April 5, visitors can observe the massive tronos (floats) from private vantage points, guided by local ambassadors who explain the history of the



From Palm Sunday through early morning of Easter Sunday, more than 60 religious brotherhoods cross the city in processions. Fernwayer provides exclusive access to the processions.



Access the rare blend of ritual, community, and raw horsemanship in Santu Lussurgiu, riders don't compete for victory—they ride to honor a tradition passed down through generations.

nazarenos and the hooded penitents. You'll see devoted costaleros bearing the immense weight of the floats on their shoulders, and nazarenos dressed in colorful robes and hoods, a tradition born from the desire to repent for their sins while concealing their identities.

Arte Sacro Year-Round

For those traveling outside of Holy Week, Fernwayer's "Arte Sacro in Three Acts" remains a staple. Led by writer Fiona Flores Watson, this tour visits the hidden workshops of silversmiths and embroiderers who spend the entire year preparing for the few days of Semana Santa.

HOLY WEEK IN SARDINIA

Across the Mediterranean, the island of Sardinia offers a rugged, spiritual contrast. Rooted in medieval liturgy, the Sardinian rites are famous for their haunting choral chants and torchlit processions. Holy Week in Sardinia, particularly in the towns of Cuglieri and Bosa, is marked by rich ceremonies dating back to the Middle Ages. Fernwayer's Sardinia private tours offer a glimpse of these beloved festivities.

Good Friday in Cuglieri

On April 3, 2026, participants can witness the S'Iscravamentu (the descent from the cross) accompanied by the a cuncordu choirs. Clad in traditional attire, participants will carry candles through the village streets, casting a warm glow over the town and showcasing its beauty. The Good Friday and Easter Sunday experiences are led by renowned photographer Massimiliano Marraffa, who will help you capture the deep sense of community that thrives in these small Sardinian towns.

Easter Sunday in Bosa

The week culminates on April 5, 2026, with a dawn procession through the colorful streets of Bosa. Led by renowned photographer Massimiliano Marraffa, this experience focuses on capturing the "Golden Hour" of both the light and the local community's spirit.

Lunissanti in Castelsardo

On April 14, 2026, a small group of six travelers will join photographer Gianmario Pedroni for the Lunissanti procession, where the ancient streets of this medieval town are illuminated only by handheld lamps and filled with polyphonic chants sung by traditional choirs.

ABOUT FERNWAYER

Fernwayer is a curated travel marketplace connecting thoughtful travelers with authentic, locally-sourced experiences in Italy, Portugal, Spain, Morocco, and Croatia. As a counterpoint to bundled

travel packages and uncurated platforms, Fernwayer offers meaningful alternatives for those seeking immersive, deeper connections. Inspired by the German word “fernweh” (an aching for distant places), Fernwayer’s mission is to craft transformative travel experiences that enrich travelers and the communities they visit. Founded by entrepreneurs passionate about reshaping tourism, Fernwayer champions cultural discovery that is personal, authentic, and enduring.

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