NORTHERN SPAIN CULTURE & GASTRONOMY

Meet traditions and local specialties of Basque Country and Rioja

1. DAY Bilbao

Transfer to Bilbao where we meet with our local guide who takes us on a tour of both the old town, Casco Viejo, and the new city. The crown of the art world is the Guggenheim Museum, which houses art from all over the world. We'll share a "pintxos" dinner with our guide in the Old Quarters restaurants, as the locals do. Overnight in Bilbao.

2. DAY Bizkaia coastal area - Bilbao

Transfer to Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve with spectacular wetlands that teem with life. There, we will visit a txacolí winery. Enjoy a wine tasting and a tapas light lunch. Afterwards, we drive in a panoramic tour of the Basque coast. In the afternoon visit the Bizkaia Bridge, UNESCO World Heritage Site. We'll have a nice dinner next to our hotel in a historical restaurant in Bilbao. Overnight in Bilbao.

3. DAY Bilbao - San Sebastian

After breakfast, we will depart to San Sebastian, the Pearl of Cantabrico. We will have a walking city tour to the Old town and will have the opportunity of a curated visit at the San Telmo Museum and have a panoramic view from Mount Igeldo. At evening we'll share dinner in a restaurant near our hotel. Overnight in San Sebastian.

4. DAY Inland Guipuzkoa - San Sebastian

We'll have today a tour in Inland Guipuzcoa to discover this incredible and mounting area. A visit to a dairy to see and taste how its famous cheeses are made. In the afternoon, a panoramic tour in Gipuzkoa coast, stopping at the charming villages of Getaria and Zarauzt. At evening, a visit to a cider house and afterwards dinner in the cider house in a traditional Basque way. Overnight in San Sebastian.

5. DAY San Sebastian - Rioja wine region

After breakfast, we leave San Sebastian and drive through the Sierra Cantabria to Laguardia in Rioja wine area. Our local guide will show us the town on a guided tour and get into an underground centenary cellar and taste its wines with cheese and chorizo. Afterwards, you will discover the wine history in the wine museum. At evening enjoy a delicious dinner with Rioja wines in our hotel. Overnight in Rioja.

6. DAY Rioja wine region

We enroute the Rioja alta area to its heart, Haro. In this town, we can find the eldest and prestigious wineries in Rioja. We will know Haro in a walking tour with a local guide and visit an iconic winery in Barrio La Estación with wine tasting. You can enjoy a stroll in the town. In the evening, transfer to Laguardia and enjoy a Rioja gourmet dinner near our hotel. Overnight in Rioja.

7. DAY Departure

Transfer to Bilbao airport and departure to our home.

ACCOMMODATION INFO

Price for the package is based on a stay in 4 star hotels.

Hotel examples:

Bilbao (2 nights): Hotel Silken Indautxu or Abando San Sebastian (2 nights): Hotel Amara Plaza or San Sebastian Rioja (2 nights): Hotel Villalaguardia or Ciudad de Miranda

We can of course offer hotels in different category or location

This trip gives us the opportunity to know two of the regions of Spain with the highest tradition and recognition in gastronomy and wine, the Basque Country and Rioja.



- Price is based on a group of 50 people
- Price is per person per stay in double room in high season
- Single supplement on request

Prices are informative and based on availability. Program can be modified according to your requirements or budget. Send us your travel dates to reservations@codanagentura.com and we will prepare fixed offer.

PACKAGE INCLUDES

Guide Service, Excursions & Entrances:

- local guide Bilbao Walking City Tour (4 hrs)
- local guide Bizkaia coast (8 hrs)
- local guide San Sebastian (4 hrs)
- local guide Inland Gipuzkoa (8 hrs)
- local guide Rioja Alavesa (3 hrs)
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- Entrance fee to Guggemheim museum audioguide
- Entance fee to Bizkaia Bridge, Txacoli winery, Mount Igeldo,
 San Telmo Museum, Cheese diary, Wine Museum & cellar and
 Rioja winery

Transportation:

• Transfer (all the tours + airport transfer)

Meals:

- Pintxos dinner in Bilbao
- Tapas lunch in winery
- Dinner historic restaurant Bilbao
- Dinner restaurant San Sebastian
- Cider house visit & dinner San Sebastian
- Traditional dinner Rioja
- 1 x Half board at the hotel (1 days-only dinner)

Accommodation:

• 6 nights in double room BB (1 x HB)