



## The Hidden Cultures of Northern Spain

Barcelona - Bilbao - San Sebastian -Rioja-Burgos-Salamanca-Avila-Segovia -Madrid -Saragossa-Barcelona

8 Nights

From 13 July 2016 till 21 July 2016



### Summary

Much more than flamenco and bullfights, Spain has everything from cutting-edge museums to quaint fishing villages, green highland valleys, soaring cathedrals, medieval towns, designer cuisine, spirited nightlife, and an immense treasury of painting and sculpture.

Enjoy this 9 days tour of Spain, a culturally rich country, where you can experience its diverse regions, a variety of landscapes and equally varied experiences. So, drink up the sangria or fine wine, as you enjoy a fiesta in one town or the other during your Spain trip.

### Prices Include

Round trip ticket to Barcelona (economy class)  
All transfers: airport – hotel – airport  
8-night accommodation at hotels  
Meals: daily breakfast  
Air-conditioned deluxe motor coach  
Guided visits in: Barcelona, Bilbao, San Sebastian  
Laguardia, Logrono, Salamanca, Avila, Madrid, Saragossa  
Entrance fee:  
Sagrada Familia church Barcelona, Guggenheim Museum Bilbao  
Wine tasting & Yema tasting  
Travel insurance  
Lebanese tour leader (for groups of minimum 20 persons)  
Assistance of our representative in Spain

### Overview

**Interest:** group - family- couple

**Level of Comfort:** 3.5

**Minimum # of passengers:**20

**Maximum # of passengers:** 30

### Prices Exclude

Airport taxes (subject to change)  
Dip surcharge of \$ 5 /ticket  
Visa fees  
Cancellation insurance \$25  
Beverages during meals  
City taxes  
Optional tours

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**Day 1: Barcelona**

Upon arrival at the airport, meet, greet and transfer to city center

Free time at leisure to enjoy this beautiful city

In the afternoon you will discover the capital of Catalonia and visit:

The Gothic center, full of fantastic monuments, the famous Ramblas, Catalunya square & the Sagrada Familia Church

**Day 2: Barcelona**

This morning you will discover the Sagrada familia church, an emblematic monument of Gaudi and listed as World heritage site by Unesco

Rest of the day at leisure in the city center

**Day 3: Barcelona - Bilbao**

Today, you will proceed to Bilbao in the north of Spain

Bilbao has a long history linked to its port and its commercial activity

Upon arrival, enjoy a short panoramic city tour that covers its most attractive quarters and monuments

**Day 4: Bilbao – San Sebastian – Bilbao**

This morning you will visit San Sebastian, walking through its old town, temples, museums and cathedral

You will also go to Mount Igeldo that will give you the full perspective of the city

In the afternoon you visit the Guggenheim museum, the symbol of the Contemporary Era

After that, you will discover the city center of Bilbao with its medieval streets, its cathedral, its ramparts and its iconic Church of San Anton

**Day 5: Bilbao – Rioja – Burgos**

Today you will depart towards Rioja, the landscape of wine. You will see Laguardia, a beautiful fortified medieval village from where it is possible to glimpse five provinces. You will also visit Logroño, the Capital of Rioja. You will discover the city and will have a wine tasting in a « Bodega »

Then you will take the road and continue to Burgos where you can enjoy a short city tour of the city

**Day 6: Burgos – Salamanca**

In the morning, proceed to Salamanca and enjoy a city tour of the city which was declared a Unesco World heritage city in 1988: The Plaza Mayor and the Cathedral complex, The famous university, the Casa de las Conchas, renowned for its main facade which is covered with shells

Rest of the day at leisure

**Day 7: Salamanca – Avila – Segovia – Madrid**

In the morning visit the imposing wall of Avila, a World Heritage Site, the city is full of religious buildings and

Renaissance Palace witnessing its glorious past of textile production

A stop for tasting the local specialty: Yemas Santa Theresa is a must!

Continue to Segovia, famous for its Roman aqueduct, where you will have some free time

In the afternoon proceed to Madrid and start visiting the capital of Spain through the most emblematic places: the famous Gran Via, the Passage de la Castellana, the Cibeles and Neptune fountains, the Puerta del Sol where all the roads of the capital start, Retiro Park, the Arena, the Royal Palace and more

**Day 8: Madrid – Saragosa**

In the morning, enjoy some free time in Madrid for you to discover the city on your own pace

In the afternoon, departure for Saragossa

Upon your arrival you will visit the city with your guide and discover the cultural and social history of the Aragonese capital and walk through the painter Francisco de Goya's favourite places

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#### Day 9: Saragossa – Barcelona

In the morning, departure to Barcelona

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

#### Selected Hotels

Nights	Regions	4* Hotel or similar
2	Barcelona	Tryp Barcelona Apollo
2	Bilbao	Mercure Jardines Bilbao / Abando
1	Burgos	Hotel Palacio de Los Blasones
1	Salamanca	NH Palacio de Los Castellanos
1	Madrid	Tryp Madrid Gran Via
1	Saragossa	Hotel Goya

#### Pricing per person in US\$

Triple	Double	Single	Child
TBA	2000	TBA	1765

*\*Rates are subject to change without prior notice*

*\*The child price is valid if the child age is above 2 and under 12 years old*

*\*The child price is only applicable when sharing parents' double room*

#### Flight Schedule

From	To	Flight No	Departure	Arrival
Beirut	Rome	AZ 827	04:25	07:00
Rome	Barcelona	AZ 74	09:05	10:55
Barcelona	Rome	AZ 79	18:25	20:10
Rome	Beirut	AZ 826	21:45	02:00

#### Booking terms & conditions

##### Payment conditions:

- 30% down payment upon confirmation
- 100% payment is required for all bookings done 30 days before departure

##### Cancellation Conditions & Modification fee:

- Up to 30 days prior to departure
- Between 29 to 15 days prior to departure
- 14 days prior to departure

Cancellation	Modification
\$300 per person	\$50 per way
50% / package	\$55 per way
Full charge	Not allowed

Payment facilities available with CFC

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