



Costa Verde Express

SPAIN

COSTA VERDE EXPRESS: SANTIAGO TO BILBAO (TOUR CODE: 13897)

STARTS AND ENDS

Santiago de Compostela to
Bilbao

TRAVEL PERIODS

06 Sep 25 - 17 Oct 26

EXPERIENCE

Luxury
Cultural
Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Journeys

Transport yourself to the golden age of grand rail adventures while indulging in the modern comforts and amenities of the 21st century. Over six unforgettable days, the Costa Verde Express invites you to fully immerse yourself in this captivating experience, engaging all your senses along the way.

Highlights

- Explore historic Santiago de Compostela, Spain's famed pilgrimage destination
- Visit picturesque Luarca, the White Town of the Green Coast
- Discover medieval Santillana del Mar and the fascinating Altamira Neo-Cave

Begin your journey in the historic city of Santiago de Compostela, exploring its cultural treasures before boarding your luxury train. Travel through the lush landscapes of northern Spain, visiting charming coastal towns like Viveiro and Luarca, the mountain village of Cabrales, and vibrant cities including Gijón, Oviedo, and Santander. Enjoy regional cuisine, scenic train rides, and unique cultural experiences, concluding your unforgettable journey in the dynamic city of Bilbao.

Please contact us for 2025 departures, as the itinerary has some slight variations.



INCLUSIONS

- Private ensuite accommodation in Grand Class Suites onboard the train
- Complimentary standard Renfe train travel both before and after your tour. Please be aware that this service is not a private transfer & seat reservations are allocated automatically
- Onboard the train, enjoy a welcome beverage and snack to commence your journey
- Every day, enjoy a buffet-style breakfasts served on the train
- Exceptional dining experiences for all dinners and lunches, whether served on board the train or in esteemed first-class restaurants, complete with inclusive offerings of wine, soft drinks and coffee
- Each guest will be provided with a toiletry bag containing amenities and slippers
- All entrance fees to museums, monuments, and shows, as well as scheduled excursions and guided visits
- Engage in a variety of onboard activities such as live music, performances, bar car parties and dancing
- A memorable dinner and an end-of-trip celebration

ITINERARY

Day 1	<p>Santiago de Compostela Ferrol Viveiro</p> <p>Your journey commences with a warm reception at 10 a.m. Following a delightful tour of Santiago and a scrumptious lunch, guests will embark on a scenic bus ride to Ferrol, where the train is waiting. Get acquainted with the crew and settle into your accommodations before venturing out to explore Viveiro at your leisure. Enjoy dinner and spend the night aboard the train in Viveiro.</p> <p>Lunch, Dinner</p>
Day 2	<p>Viveiro Ribadeo Taramundi Luarca</p> <p>Breakfast is served on board as the train arrives in Ribadeo. From there, a coach journey leads into the scenic Los Oscos region to visit the ethnographic site of Os Teixois, a remarkable example of traditional rural life. Continue to Taramundi to explore the historic Castro settlement and the Cutlery Museum, highlighting local craftsmanship.</p> <p>After lunch in Taramundi, the train continues to Luarca, the first stop in Asturias and known as the “White Town of the Green Coast.” Take time to explore this charming coastal town before dinner. Overnight stay onboard the train in Luarca.</p> <p>Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner</p>
Day 3	<p>Luarca Oviedo Gijón Llanes</p>

The day begins with an early departure from Lueca. After breakfast, a coach takes the group to the vibrant coastal city of Gijón, known for its maritime heritage and lively atmosphere.

In the afternoon, travel to Oviedo, the capital of Asturias, for a city visit and free time to explore its rich cultural sites and historic streets.

Later, return to the train and continue to the coastal town of Llanes. Dinner is served on board. Overnight stay in Llanes.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day

4

Llanes Arenas de Cabrales Cabezón de la Sal

After breakfast, travel by coach to Arenas de Cabrales, set in the heart of the Picos de Europa mountains. Visit the Cabrales Cheese Cave-Museum and enjoy time in the village, famous for its cheese-making tradition and natural surroundings.

Lunch is served locally before returning to Llanes. In the afternoon, the journey continues by train to Cabezón de la Sal. Dinner and overnight stay in Cabezón de la Sal.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day

5

Cabezón de la Sal Santillana del Mar Santander

Begin the day with breakfast, followed by a visit to the beautifully preserved medieval village of Santillana del Mar and the impressive Altamira Neo-Cave, a recreation of prehistoric cave art.

Lunch is enjoyed on board as the train travels to Santander. Upon arrival, explore the city at leisure and enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight stay in Santander.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day

6

Santander Santoña Laredo Bilbao

As breakfast is served, the train makes its way to Treso. From there, a coach takes the group to the historic center of Laredo, followed by a scenic boat ride across the bay to Santoña.

Visit a traditional anchovy cannery to learn about the region's seafood heritage. In the afternoon, the journey concludes in Bilbao. Enjoy a farewell lunch at a local restaurant. The experience concludes around 4:30 p.m.

Breakfast, Lunch

ACCOMMODATION

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GRAND CLASS DOUBLE SUITE:

The 24 Suites on the Costa Verde Express are meticulously designed to ensure a comfortable and luxurious onboard experience. The Grand-Class Suite, adorned with exquisite wood panelling, exudes a cosy and inviting ambiance. It boasts adjustable air-conditioning, a double bed, and additional amenities for your enhanced comfort, including a writing desk, wardrobe, luggage closet, minibar, and a safe. Each suite comes with a private, well-appointed bathroom featuring a shower, hairdryer, and a selection of welcome items and toiletries. Large windows allow you to immerse yourself in the picturesque scenery and the train's internal connectivity enables seamless movement throughout its length.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
Spanish	Euro

2025 Departure dates*:

- 6 & 20 September
- 4 October

2026 Departure dates:

- 16 & 30 May
- 13 & 27 June
- 11 July
- No departures in August
- 05 & 19 September
- 03 & 17 October

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Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing, and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package