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

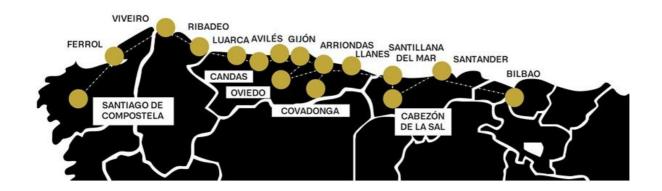
STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
Santiago de Compostela to	14 Jun 25 - 17 Oct 26	Luxury	Rail Journeys
Bilbao		Cultural	
		Rail	

Experience the ultimate fusion of culinary delights and cultural exploration as you journey through Spain's Basque Country, Cantabria, Asturias, and Galicia aboard the luxurious Costa Verde Express. 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.



## **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

### §1 Santiago de Compostela Viveiro

Your journey commences with a warm reception at the Parador Reyes Católicos in Santiago de Compostela 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 in Viveiro.

Lunch, Dinner

# 2 Viveiro Oviedo

As the sun rises, indulge in a delicious breakfast aboard the train as you arrive in Ribadeo for a captivating visit, free time, and a delightful lunch. Later, journey to Luarca, renowned as the 'White Town of the Green Coast', for an immersive tour. Return to the train for dinner and an overnight stay onboard the train in Oviedo.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### 3 Oviedo Llanes

After a hearty breakfast, embark on a bus tour to the charming city of Gijón. In the afternoon, explore the capital of the principality, Oviedo, at your leisure before boarding the train bound for Llanes. Enjoy dinner on board and spend the night

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### 4 Llanes Cabezón de la Sal

For 2025: Following breakfast, guests will journey by bus to the heart of the Picos de Europa, visiting the Covadonga Sanctuary, Lake Enol, and Cangas de Onís, the first capital of the Kingdom of Asturias. After lunch, explore the picturesque village of Llanes before continuing your adventure into Cantabrian lands. Enjoy dinner on board as guests will overnight in Cabezón de la Sal.

For 2026: After breakfast, travel by coach to Arenas de Cabrales, located in the heart of the Picos de Europa mountains. There, you'll visit the Cabrales Cheese Cave-Museum and explore the town. Lunch will be served in the area. In the afternoon, continue to Llanes before boarding the train to Cabezón de La Sal. Dinner and overnight stay in Cabezón de La Sal.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## 5 Cabezón de la Sal Santander

Begin the day with a visit to the Neocave of Altamira and the Medieval Village of Santillana del Mar before your train journey to Santander. Explore the city, enjoy some free time, and savour dinner in a typical restaurant. Spend the night in Santander.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### § 6 Santander Bilbao

While relishing breakfast aboard the train, your journey continues on to Bilbao, the vibrant capital of Biscay. Spend the day exploring the city's rich cultural offerings and indulging in a delightful meal. As the afternoon approaches, return to La Concordia station, marking the end of our journey.

Breakfast, Lunch

# **ACCOMMODATION**

### Costa Verde Express

#### **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:

- 14 & 28 June
- 12 & 26 July
- No departures in August
- 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

#### 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