



## SPAIN

# EL EXPRESO DE LA ROBLA: LEÓN TO BILBAO (TOUR CODE: 13898)

### STARTS AND ENDS

León to  
Bilbao

### TRAVEL PERIODS

19 Sep 25 - 25 Sep 26

### EXPERIENCE

Luxury  
Cultural  
Rail

### TRAVEL STYLE

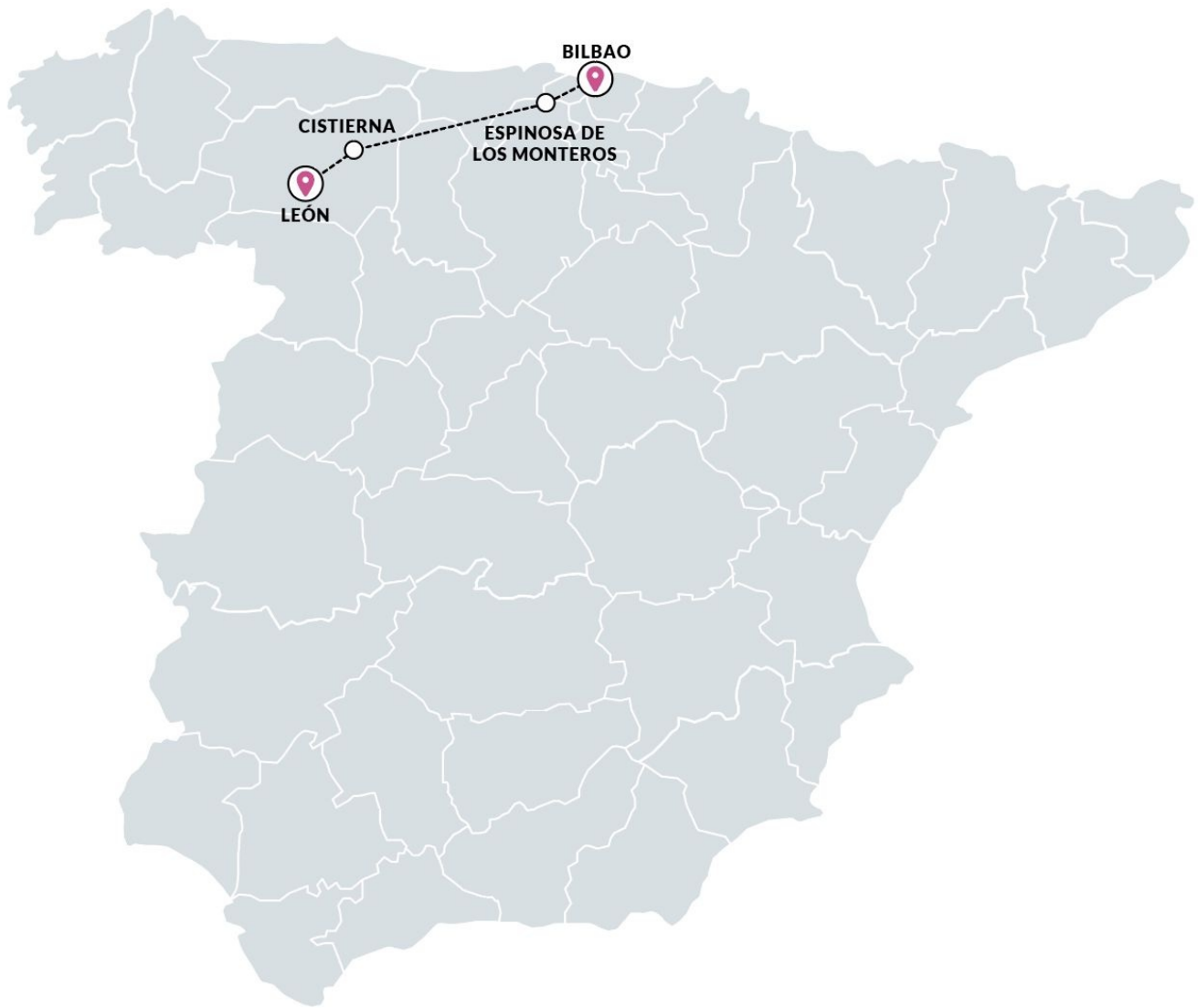
Rail Journeys

Get ready for a journey marked by luxurious comfort, delightful cuisine, and exceptional service on this classic train. Set off on a weekend excursion from León to Bilbao - and discover the picturesque landscapes and vibrant culture of the Camino de Santiago French Way.

## Highlights

- Explore the stunning Valporquero Caves with unique formations and vast underground chambers
- Discover Romanesque art treasures along the Camino de Santiago in historic towns
- Visit Bilbao's iconic Guggenheim Museum and enjoy free time in the vibrant city

Embark on an unforgettable journey aboard *El Expreso de La Robla*, a three-day rail adventure through Northern Spain's natural wonders, cultural treasures, and historic landmarks. From the dramatic caves of Valporquero to Romanesque art along the Camino de Santiago, and the vibrant streets of Bilbao, this tour blends scenic landscapes with rich heritage. Join in for a unique experience combining comfort, discovery, and timeless beauty across León, Palencia, and the Basque Country.



## INCLUSIONS

- Private ensuite accommodation in a double compartment (upper and lower berth bunks) 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 with a touch of elegance
- 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
- The onboard team is available around the clock, trained to provide personalised assistance in multiple languages and to assist guests

# ITINERARY

Day 1	León    San Feliz    Valporquero    Cistierna
<p>Begin your journey at 10:00am.</p> <p>Following lunch, the bus will transport you to San Feliz, where El Expreso de La Robla awaits. Upon arrival, meet the crew, settle into your compartntment and transfer to Matallana. From there, embark on a captivating excursion through the spectacular Hoces de Vegacervera. The next stop is Valporquero, renowned for its extraordinary Caves featuring stunning stalactites, stalagmites, and whimsical formations, including the impressive Gran Rotonda, an expansive underground space. Return to the train for dinner and an overnight stay onboard in Cistierna.</p> <p>Lunch, Dinner</p>	
Day 2	Cistierna    Romanico Palentino    Espinosa de Los Monteros
<p>As you enjoy your first breakfast on board, the train will transport you to Guardo, a picturesque town in Palencia. From there, a bus will take you to explore the Roman Villa of La Olmeda, showcasing a remarkable collection of mosaics. Continuing your journey, discover some of Europe's finest Romanesque art along the Camino de Santiago, including visits to Saldaña, Carrión de los Condes, and Frómista, where lunch awaits. After exploring the awe-inspiring San Martín temple and the Canal de Castilla, return to the train for your journey to Espinosa de los Monteros, a charming village nestled in the Merindades region of Burgos. Conclude the day with dinner and an overnight stay in Espinosa.</p> <p>Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner</p>	
Day 3	Espinosa de los Monteros    Bilbao
<p>Savour breakfast as you traverse the breathtaking landscape of the Valley of Mena en route to Bilbao. Upon arrival, guests will explore the city and visit the renowned Guggenheim Museum. Enjoy some free time before concluding your journey at approximately 2:00pm.</p> <p>Breakfast</p>	

# ACCOMMODATION

## El Expreso de La Robla

**STANDARD COMPARTMENT (UPPER & LOWER BERTH BUNKS only):**

All compartments on El Expreso de La Robla feature bunk beds, two per compartment, along with amenities such as a luggage closet, reading light, air-conditioning, background music, loudspeakers and telephone. The modern and youthful ambiance ensures a comfortable rest. Each compartment includes its private bathroom equipped with a hydromassage shower, washbasin, toilet, and hairdryer. The electricity supply operates at 220 V. The train is entirely interconnected, allowing passengers to move freely throughout its length. With four sleeping cars, each car comprises seven compartments.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
Spanish	Euro

**2025 Departure dates:**

- 19 September

**2026 Departure dates:**

- 19 June
- 25 September

**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