



SPAIN – COAST TO COAST TOUR

9th to 24th SEPTEMBER 2021



- 15 nights Tour to discover the lesser known Spanish interior
- All Participants will have admission to the Commodore Lounge on the new ferry, Galicia
- Coast to coast – from the Bay of Biscay to the Mediterranean via stunning mountain roads
- Stay in Medieval Monasteries, Historic Buildings, Wine Hotels
- Relax on a Tour with 2 two night stops and 1 four night stay
- Five free days with no driving needed. Only about a thousand miles in 13 days in Spain

Via....Mountain Passes



Day one in Spain – up and over a 4404ft pass in Cantabrica

Staying in....Ex Monasteries



The third night's stop among the vineyards in a beautiful Monastery

To....the Mediterranean



Four nights on the Mediterranean coast at Benicarlo



From....the Bay of Biscay



Two nights and one full day to enjoy the new ferry, Galicia, to Santander

And....Hills & Valleys



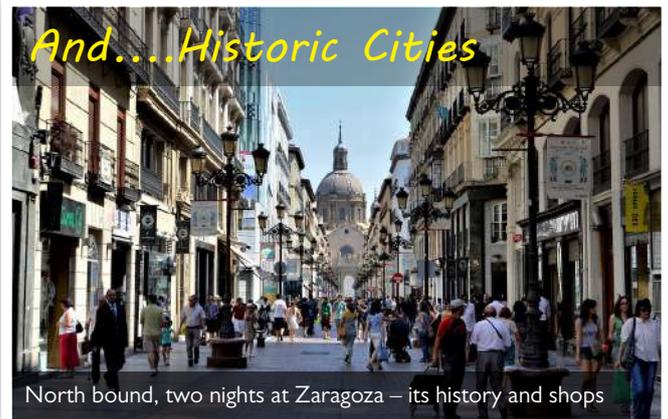
Day six – Aragon roads

And....A 4 Hotel*



Fourth and fifth nights in an ancient Mill, now a Michelin 4 star Hotel

And....Historic Cities



North bound, two nights at Zaragoza – its history and shops

All ages and makes of cars are very welcome. The Tour Guide will take you down the fabulous back roads over mountains and along river valleys through beautiful villages. The above bottom left two photos show some of the 29 cars that attended our last Spanish Tour.

THE ITINERARY

Thurs 9th September - The Tour starts with a Welcome Dinner at 18.00 at The Marriot Hotel, North Harbour, just off the M27, near the docks. Here the Tour Packs will be handed out. Check in at the Docks by 20.30 for the 22.15 departure from Portsmouth to Santander on Brittany Ferries new Galicia. Meet in the Club Lounge for a night cap before bedtime. **Mileage 2'ish**

Fri 10th September - At sea all day, however the ferry makes a call at Roscoff at about 7am for a Crew Change. Informal gathering for morning coffee and afternoon tea in the Club Lounge. Group Dinner in the main restaurant at 18.30.

Sat 11th September - Arrival at Santander is 08.00, Spanish Time. We should be clear of the docks by 08.45 for the drive to our first stop, Hotel Reserva del Saja after 37 miles. Here we will enjoy a late breakfast from about 10 to 11.30am. Then it is up into the Cantabrica Cordillera Mountains via the Puerto de Palombera Pass 1260m/4403ft and down to Aguilar de Campoo to our Hotel, the Pousada de Santa Maria la Real. Adjoining the Monasterio de Santa Maria you are now on one of the St James' Routes to Santiago. The Hotel's large bar will do Tapas for lunch, then you can wander into the town or, of course, have a siesta after a very early start this morning. 20.30 Dinner, included, will be in the Hotel's Restaurant. **Mileage today 78**



Sun 12th September - Left from our hotel via Quintanilla, Folada and Herrera de Pisuegra to the N611 to Orsono for coffee. Then the P4311 and P412 to a lunch stop at the Restaurant La Vasca near Jcnct 56 of the A62. Then, in a further 50 miles, we are amongst the vineyards of the upper Douro as we reach our hotel. Situated at the heart of Ribera del Duero this superb property, with the first spa with 5 stars status in Castilla y León, is located in one of the best preserved Cistercian monasteries of the 12th century in Europe. Now an exclusive touristic complex, in the Golden Mile (Milla de Oro) of the Ribera del Duero, the Monastery of Santa María de Valbuena provides 79 luxurious rooms. Wine tasting at 7.30pm will precede Dinner in the hotel's Restaurant. **Mileage 119**



Mon 13th September - Over the River Douro into Penafiel and east on the N122. Then south east on the BU945 and SG945 to Ayllon for coffee. Then into the Sierra Pela mountains, over a 1405m/4566ft pass beside a 6000ft mountain to Altienza for a lunch stop at this beautiful medieval village with an ancient castle. Then it's only a short distance to Sigüenza and our hotel for 2 nights, just outside the city. This lovely city in the north of the province of Guadalajara is home to an outstanding architectural heritage, and in 1965 was declared a Historic-Artistic site. The castle, the cathedral and the Plaza Mayor square are the three sights you can't afford to miss, although the streets of Sigüenza are full of numerous exceptionally beautiful civil and religious buildings. The castle is today a Parador hotel. It was built after the Arab invasion in the 8th century when the fortress was built. It still conserves important remnants of its defensive walls, and the gateways and towers that start at the castle. The cathedral was originally built in 1130 in the Romanesque style, although it was later developed according to the Gothic canon. Its exterior resembles a mediaeval fortress, with Romanesque towers and portico and a magnificent rose window. The interior is the site of the tomb of Martín Vázquez de Arce, known as 'El Doncel' (young knight) of Sigüenza. Other highlights include the sacristy of Las Cabezas by Covarrubias, the cloister, the choir with Gothic choir stalls, and an important collection of art, including an Annunciation by El Greco. The Renaissance-style Plaza Mayor was urbanised in 1484 - 1494 and contains the Casas de los Canónigos houses with their balconies and galleries, the Town Hall and the Puerta del Toril gate. Our Hotel, the 5* Molino d'Alcuneza, is part of the Relais Chateaux group with a renowned restaurant. **Mileage 115**

Tue 14th September - Day at Sigüenza. 11.00 Coffee together in Sigüenza's Parador, then a free day to explore this wonderful town and a free evening to try a local restaurant. **Mileage 9**

Wed 15th September - To Teruel today, first via the CM110 and N211 to Molinar de Aragon for coffee, 51 miles. Then some interesting driving via the CM210 and 2111 up into the mountains and over Puerto Orihuela 1650m/5363ft, beside Mount Caimodorro 6289ft into the Reserva Nacional de los Montes Universales. Then over another pass 1394m/4531ft to Albarracín for a lunch stop in the main square. Albarracín is above a curve of the Guadalaviar River. Towering medieval walls, the Murallas de Albarracín, dominate the adjacent hillside. At their crest is 10th-century Andador Tower. The ruins of an alcázar, or Moorish castle, stand on a cliff top in the old town. The 16th-century Cathedral del Salvador features a bell tower built on the remains of a Romanesque temple. Leaving at 4pm it's 25 miles to our hotel in Teruel. Dinner is in a town restaurant this evening. **Mileage 135**



Thurs 16th September - Across the hills to the Mediterranean today. After 8 miles of the AP23 we take the A232 to Mora De Rubielos. An early coffee here whilst we enjoy this ancient town with its superbly preserved castle in all Aragon. Then via the A232 and CV190 (same road different departments, like in France) At Figueroles we will take a lunch break before taking the CV160 to the CV13, which joins the N340 to Benicarlo, our home for the next 4 nights. Dinner will be in the Parador. **Mileage 130**



Friday 17th, Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th

Are all free days and free evenings for you to enjoy the Benicarlo area. A visit to the 13thC fortified Arab Fortress of Peniscola, surrounded by sea on three sides, is proposed for Saturday. **Mileage 12**

Mon 20th September - Back through the hills on the N232 to Morella for coffee, via a measly 1080m/3510ft pass. Then the CV14, becoming the A225 and A223 via Aguaviva to Andorra (don't worry this is the Aragon town, not the Pyrenean Country). Continuing on the A223, we reach Albalate del Arzobispo for lunch. Noted for its steep streets and its well-preserved Gothic castle. The houses are arranged around a hill crowned by the castle-palace, which was the episcopal residence. Then the A223 and 222 take us to the N232 which will take us to the historical centre of Zaragoza and our hotel for the next two nights. Dinner will be in the old town this evening. Cars will be garaged here, as we enjoy the 5* Hotel Palafox. **Mileage 150**

Tue 21st September - **Free day to see the superb sights and shops.** Zaragoza is the capital of Spain's Aragon region. Overlooking the Ebro River in the city centre is baroque Nuestra Señora del Pilar basilica, a famous pilgrimage site with a shrine to the Virgin Mary and multiple domes. Mudéjar-style landmarks, combining Islamic and Gothic architecture, include the Aljafería, an 11th-century Moorish palace, and the Cathedral of the Saviour, begun in the 12th century. There is lots to do and see. **Free evening.**

Wed 22nd September - North on via Portazgo and Zuera to Ejea for coffee. Then via Sadaba, Carcastillo, Marcillaans Lodosa. Here we climb up into the Rioja hills, with magnificent views via Acedo, Meanoand and Elvillar to Paganos and our hotel, the stunning Eguren Ugate. A visit to the wine cellars for some tastings precedes Dinner in the hotel. **Mileage 155**

Thurs 23rd September - Towards Haro at first before joining the AP68 to Bilbao and onto the A8 to Santander. Check in for the ferry is 14.30 for the 15.30 departure to PLYMOUTH. After the Final Tour Reception, we will take Dinner in the Restaurant. **Mileage 130**

Fri 24th September - Own breakfast arrangements before we arrive in PLYMOUTH at 10.45 UK time. Then it is homeward - **TOTAL TOUR MILEAGE ABOUT 1030**

OUR HOTELS



Saturday 11th Sept
Pousada Santa Maria la Real, Aguilla

Set on the edge of town, an old monastery, now a 20 bedroom 3*

Sunday 12th September
Hotel Castilla Terminal
Monsterio de Valbuena

A Cistercian monastery of the 12th century with a fabulous Spa.
79 rooms 5*



Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th Sept
Hotel Molino d'Alcuneza

4* 17 rooms
Near Sigüenza a restored 15th C flour mill, with an excellent Restaurant,

Wed 15th September
Gran Hotel Botánicos, Teruel

A very modern 4* with 50 rooms, set in the old Town near the Cathedral



From Thur 16th to Sun 19th
inclusive, 4 NIGHTS,
Parador de Benicarlo

A modern 4* with 100 rooms, with monumental gardens, set only 30 metres from the sea



**Monday 20th
and Tuesday 21st September
Hotel Palofax, Zaragoza, 218 rooms 5***

A centrally located excellent hotel with good garaging, convenient to the historical and shopping centre

**Wednesday 22nd September Hotel
Eguren Ugarte, Laguardia 4* 21 rooms**

Surrounded by its own Rioja Vineyards. this hotel has 2km of cellars awaiting our Tasting session before Dinner



THE PRICE FOR THE 15 NIGHT TOUR – FROM £3585 PER PERSON
depending on accommodation required – See Booking Form for choice of rooms and cabins

What's Included on The Tour:

Departure Dinner in Portsmouth before 21.00 check in
Restaurant Dinners and Coffee Mornings together on Brittany Ferries

- Bed and full buffet breakfasts for 12 hotel nights in Spain
- Seven Evening Dinners – each with regional wines and coffee or tea – leaving 5 free evenings
- Wine tastings at Monasterio de Valbuena beside the River Douro and at Benicarlo on the last night there
- Detailed Tour Guide taking you through the scenic back roads over hill and dale to and from the Mediterranean
- Accompanied by an experienced Tour Director

What's not included:

- Fuel and motorway charges
- Meals and drinks other than stated in the itinerary
- Insurance – either personal or the car. You must have at least medical cover, car repatriation recommended
- Items of a personal nature, other than stated in the itinerary –
- eg: gratuities, laundry, phone calls, Butlers

Costings and Final Itinerary:

The Tour has been costed at 1.1 euros to 1 sterling. 6 weeks before departure this will be checked and either a surcharge will be levied, or a refund made if the difference exceeds 2%. Please note that VAT has been charged at the UK rate of 20% and at the Spanish rates as quoted to ERL by the suppliers during August 2020. Any increases levied prior to departure by either Government will be passed on to you. The itinerary is subject to confirmation and mileages are approximate, but close, until the Route Book is produced.



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9 to 24 September 2021 - BOOKING FORM



DRIVER & PASSENGER/CO-DRIVER Give first name to be used during Tour and please **PRINT** clearly

Driver: Passenger/Co-driver:
 Date of Birth:/...../..... Place Passport issued Date of Birth:/...../..... Place Passport issued
 Required for HM Border Agency so Brittany Ferries advise us - Place Passport Issued is usually UK

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE & CONTACT DETAILS **Mobile could be useful on the Tour**

Address : Tel :
 Mobile :
 Email :
 Post Code :

CAR DETAILS:

Make: Model: Year:
 Registration: Body Type:
 Height (if over 1.83m) : Length (if over 5m) :

ACCOMMODATION Please indicate bed type and room type required.

Bookings are made strictly as they are received – so book early to avoid disappointment if upgrades are required

BED TYPE

Twin: Double: Single: (a supplement will apply)
 Standard : Superior: Junior suite: Suite:

Supplements are pp in total for all Tour : For SUPERIOR room (not available at Aguilar and Teruel) £120.00 per person
 For JUNIOR SUITE (not available at Aguilar or Teruel) £240.00 per person
 FULL SUITE (not avail at, Teruel, Junior Suite only at Valbuenza or Ugarte) £385.00 per person

FERRY TRAVEL DETAILS Please tick TOUR ferry times, or give alternatives if “bespoking” the Tour

TOUR OUTWARD: Thursday 9th September 2021 On Brittany Ferries NEW SHIP Galicia
 Check in at PORTSMOUTH: 20.30 Departure: 22.15 Arrives SANTANDER: Saturday 12 September 08.00
TOUR HOMEWARD: Thursday 23rd September 2021 On the Pont Aven.
 Check in at SANTANDER: 13.45 Departure: 15.15 Arrives PLYMOUTH: Friday 24th September 10.45

ACCOMMODATION ON FERRIES: Please tick cabin required. All supplements are per person RETURN, not each way

On Galicia OUTWARD: **All types of cabins have TV and Tea/Coffee making facilities**
 2 berth (not bunks) Club cabin, with access to Club Lounge with free coffee & tea, INCLUDED in Tour cost: **AND**
 on Pont Aven HOMEWARD
 4 berth window cabin for sole use of 2 from same car, INCLUDED in Tour cost:
OR
 On OUTWARD 2 berth Club, as above and HOMEWARD Commodore Cabin on Pont Aven, Suppl £84pp
OR
 Com’dore Cabin – BOTH WAYS on each ship, double bed, b’fast in cabin, Club Lounge access, suppl £123pp:

NOTE – all cabins are booked for sole use of a car booking, i.e. usually 2 adults - driver and passenger

IF ALTERNATIVE ROUTE OR TIMINGS ARE REQUIRED PLEASE ADVISE BELOW – on any ferry route.
 Note: Group Rates only apply to sailings above; a supplement will apply to any alternative required.

OUTWARD: Day: Date: From: At (Time):

HOMEWARD: Day: Date: From: At (Time):

On alternative sailings accommodation on Ferry if relevant: (please delete what’s not required)

Outward: Inside/outside 2/4 berth cabin with/without window or

Homeward: Inside/outside 2/4 berth cabin with/without window or

OR IF FERRY NOT REQUIRED as making own way to join the Tour:

Joining Tour at: Day/date: Time:

Leaving Tour at: Day/date: Time:

RELEASE OF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS TO OTHER PARTICIPANTS – to comply with Data Protection Act

Please **WRITE** either YES or NO at end of next line:

OK for ERL to pass on our address, phone numbers or/and email details to other participants of this Tour:

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS - PLEASE TELL US of any disabilities, stairs difficulties, or food dislikes/allergies

Please advise dietary or disability requirements – eg: No red meat, vegetarian, downstairs room etc. Please state to whom they apply:

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DEPOSIT PAYMENT The Tour price is £3585.00 per person sharing car and standard accommodation

Please book places on the Tour at £750.00 deposit per person.

I enclose a cheque for the Deposit payable to **EUROPEAN ROUTES FOR LEISURE (or ERL)** for £.....
OR

Payment is forwarded by Electronic Bank Transfer to **EUROPEAN ROUTES FOR LEISURE (or ERL)**
LLOYDS BANK, High Street, Andover, Sort code: 30-90-21, Account No: 68161068 (Please tick)
Please give reference to bank of: **SPAIN 2020 and your surname**

ERL will acknowledge your booking and deposit, confirm all you have requested in detail, and advise you of final amount due and when. Remember, we are here to help, do please phone or email if you have any queries.

I have read the Booking Conditions shown below, which I accept on behalf of myself and those named over

SIGNED.....DATE.....

BOOKING CONDITIONS

- HOTELS:** All reservations are made on a first come basis. If the rooms you request are not available then you will be contacted and offered alternative arrangements.
- FERRIES:** All reservations are made on a first come basis. Should your requirements not be available then you will be contacted and advised. We are able to make ferry reservations for any route requested, but group rates will only apply as stated in the relevant itinerary.
- YOUR TOUR CONTRACT:** At the time of asking for a booking to be made on your behalf, you must complete and sign a booking form agreeing to accept the booking conditions as set out below. Your contract is entered into on the terms and conditions of these booking conditions and the completed booking form must be received accompanied by the appropriate deposit or full payment, at which time, subject to availability of the particular tour, your contract with us is made.
- DEPOSIT and PAYMENT:** No booking can be accepted unless accompanied by a deposit of £750.00 per person. This is your only commitment until 10 weeks before departure. Payment of the balance remaining after deducting the deposit from the total cost of the tour as expressed in our confirmation/invoice, will be due without further notice 10 weeks before your date of departure. If final payment is not received by that due date, the Company reserves the right to treat your booking as cancelled and you could be liable to pay cancellation charges in accordance with the section below entitled cancellations. Overseas payments: **All bank charges involved are to your own account.**
- PASSPORTS.** Passports will be required. For non UK Passport holders please contact this office for Visa requirement information.
- PRICES:** Prices are valid at the time of going to press as published in the Tour Brochure. **The Tour has been costed at 1.10 euros to 1 sterling, 6 weeks before departure this will be checked and either a surcharge will be levied, or a refund made if the difference exceeds 2%.** No surcharge or refund will be made less than thirty days before the stipulated departure date, unless VAT related. VAT is charged at the current, 26 Nov 2020, rate of 20% - any changes before this event will incur surcharges or refunds
- IF YOU CHANGE YOUR BOOKING** (excluding car change – no charge then). If you want to change any of the arrangements specified on your Booking Confirmation/Invoice, excluding car change, we will do all we can to accommodate your new requirements. An alteration fee of £40 per person will be charged for any such change to cover administration costs, except within 8 weeks of departure when the change will be treated as a cancellation (see section 8 below) and not as an alteration.
- CANCELLATIONS.** If you wish to cancel your tour after your booking has been confirmed, you must inform ERL in writing as soon as possible. If you do cancel we reserves the right to charge you a cancellation fee based on the following scales: WHICH WILL BE ADHERED TO.

Notice Period	Cancellation Fee	Notice Period	Cancellation Fee
More than 70 days	Deposit	29 - 70 days	50% of confirmation/invoice value
16 - 28 days	60% of confirmation/invoice value	8 - 15 days	90% of confirmation/invoice value
1 - 7 days	100% of confirmation/invoice value	No refunds for cancellations made on or after the date of departure can be given.	
- INSURANCE.** It is a condition of all bookings with ERL that adequate personal and vehicle insurance is taken out by all clients.
- AMENDMENTS BY US.** Tours and activities are based on an economic minimum number of passengers. Should this not be reached it may be necessary to either; a) cancel the service and refund any monies paid, or b) levy a surcharge on those still requiring the service. ERL reserves the right to alter either the quoted hotel accommodation to hotels of the same grade, or the tour itinerary, as necessary.
- RESPONSIBILITY OF EUROPEAN ROUTES FOR LEISURE (ERL).** All tickets issued and arrangements made in connection with this tour are made by ERL as agents and not as principal. ERL accepts no liability for any death, injury, damage, loss, accident or delay arising from any act or default of any person or any matter arising in connection with the tour, and ERL makes no warranty or representation in connection therewith. Accommodation and transport are provided subject to local laws. All personal property is at owner's risk unless insured.
- LAW AND JURISDICTION.** The contract between ERL and the Client incorporating these booking conditions and our booking confirmation/invoice shall be governed by the English law and both parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.

Please complete the Booking Form and either scan and Email or post it to:

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