



WINE &  
CULTURE:  
BARCELONA,  
RIOJA AND  
BILBAO



WINE STYLE  
— TRAVEL —

9 DAYS

## Unforgettable North

### The area from the coast of Catalonia and the Ebro valley to the Basque Country

has been an economic and cultural centre of the European Mediterranean since Roman times. So it comes as no surprise that here we find important cities like Barcelona and Bilbao, and excellent old art such as contemporary.



Great wines and amazing cuisine are but another attraction of this area in northern Spain. Regions like the Rioja or the Basque Country have won their well-deserved international reputation as gastronomic destinations. These are places where we also find authentic temples of modernity like the "Ciudad del Vino" (City of Wine) by architect Frank O. Gehry.

## A trip itinerary packed with wine and culture.

**Day 1: Arrival to Barcelona and transfer to hotel.** First hours free to get to know the Catalan capital. Visit to the famous Boquería market and Tapas tour around the city.

**Day 2: Cultural tour of Barcelona.** The old city and the bourgeois 19th-Century Eixample neighbourhood. The splendour of Rome's mark on the city, the Gothic neighbourhood and the beauty of modernism: Parc Güell, Sagrada Família, La Pedrera, Casa Batlló...).

**Day 3:** Option to discover **FC Barcelona's stadium, the Olympic area of Montjuïc** or the mementos left behind by artists such as **Picasso and Miró**.

**Day 4: Private visit of the sacred mountain of Montserrat.** Located just outside Barcelona, Montserrat is a protected natural space and also a cultural and religious reference for the people of Barcelona and Catalans alike.

**Day 5: Transfer to the region of wines rated Quality Denomination of Origin (D.O.C.) Rioja.** Gastronomic tasting and wine tour in the area of **Rioja Alavesa**, in the Basque Country.



**Day 6: Visit to one of the wine cellars of “Marqués de Riscal”** leading space in the Rioja area. Tasting of a gastronomic menu in a Michelin star restaurant found in the complex “Ciudad del Vino” (City of Wine) designed by architect Frank O. Gehry.

**Day 7: Visit to Logroño**, the capital of the Rioja region (included in DOC Rioja). Walk around the historical quarter, combined with a Pintxos (tapas) and wine tasting tour .

**Day 8: Tour around some of the main and most innovative wine cellars of Rioja Quality Denomination of Origin (D.O.C)** in the towns of Haro and Samaniego. **Transfer to Bilbao.**

**Day 9: Private VIP visit to the Guggenheim Museum of Bilbao.** Transfer to the airport and return to Barcelona, Madrid or place of origin.

## **‘Must do’ in Barcelona, Rioja and Bilbao**

- ✓ Enjoy a very complete tour of some of the best historical and artistic attractions of Barcelona, Rioja and Bilbao.
- ✓ Private visits to emblematic spaces of Barcelona, as well as the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao.
- ✓ Gastronomic and wine experiences at three of Spain's most internationally renowned locations: Barcelona, Rioja and Bilbao
- ✓ Transfer via Luxury Car Services, minibus and minivans.



