

Cantabria - Asturias

Mar y Montaña

A compact tour taking in the best of these two provinces, combining the Picos de Europa mountains and the stunning Cantabrian coast

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Summary

Straddling the border between Cantabria and Asturias, towering right above the beautiful coast, the Picos de Europa mountains are the center-piece and, for many, the star of this tour.

But with fantastic beaches, lovely villages to explore and world class gastronomy to discover it's certainly not just about the mountains.

Visit the prehistoric caves, Gaudi's architecture in Comillas or just walk or relax in the verdant countryside - wherever you go there's sure to be a warm welcome.



Your Route

Tour Highlights:

- Two faces of the Picos de Europa
- Santillana & the Cantabrian coast
- Dinosaur coast – fossil footprints
- Comillas, San Vicente & Lastres
- Santander, the city on the bay &
- Oviedo, pre-romanesque architecture

Travel Tips

Fly:

Stansted, Dublin, Edinburgh to Santander with Ryanair;
Stansted to Bilbao or Asturias with Easyjet;
Heathrow to Bilbao with BA
Gatwick to Bilbao with Vueling.

Ferry:

Plymouth or Portsmouth to Santander or Bilbao



Itinerary Overview

Stage	Itinerary	Region	Location	Hotel, Room	Travel/drive time
			Arriving Santander		
1	Day 1 & 2	Asturias	Libardon	HLIB1 Historic country hotel, near coast, Double room (2 sharing)	1hr 40mins
2	Day 3 & 4	Picos de Europa	Pesaguero	HPES1 Mountain posada with pool, Double room (2 sharing)	2hrs
3	Days 5 to 7	Coastal Cantabria	Santillana del Mar	HSAN2 Historic town hotel with pool, Double room (2 sharing)	1hr 30mins
			Departing Santander		30mins to ferry / airport

Your Itinerary

What the tour includes:

- Two people in rooms as detailed, bed & breakfast accommodation in each of the hotels
- Ferry / car hire as required
- Regional roadmap
- Point-to-point directions
- Complementary copy of Cadogan's Guide To Northern Spain
- Our own restaurant guide
- NB Flights not included

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Stage 1



Region: Asturias, east and central coast

Lovely seaside villages such as Llanes & Lastres.
Dinosaur coast - Jurassic museum near Colunga & fossil footprints on the beaches.
Visit Oviedo, the historic Asturian capital & Gijon by the sea.
Eat, drink and be merry in a traditional Asturian cider house.
The Spanish Cornwall? Beautiful beaches & cliff-top walks.
Beautifully preserved pre-roman architecture, from the 8th Century.

Historic country hotel, near coast

Nestled in the Asturian mountains at the foot of the Sierra del Suevo yet only fifteen minutes' drive away from the beaches and unspoilt fishing villages, Palacio de Libardon offers a perfect rural retreat and at the same time a great base for exploring Asturias. The hotel itself is a fine example of a 'Casona de Indianos', the palaces built by adventurers returning from Latin America, and consists of two main buildings, the main part da...[Read More](#)



Stage 2



Region: Picos de Europa

Let the cable car at Fuente De whisk you up 1800m into the Picos de Europa
Make a pilgrimage to Santo Toribio, at the heart of the Valle de Liébana
Potes, Cangas de Onis and Arriondas historic yet full of life
Local mountain gastronomy - don't miss the local cider and Orujo.
Get canoeing on the Rio Sella or Deva, a great day out!
Walk the Ruta del Cares - breathtaking mountain scenery for all abilities.
Covadonga, geographical, spiritual and sporting heart of the Picos.

Mountain posada with pool

Up in the mountains of the Picos de Europa, this attractive posada is built in traditional style and materials to combine rural charm with modern comforts. Situated in Barrio La Gloria, Pesaguero, a little village twelve kilometres from Potes, in the beautiful Liébana countryside, with views to the high peaks, it is well located for exploring the Picos Mountains, with walks straight from the door or further afield. The posada is centrally he...[Read More](#)



Stage 3



Region: Western Coastal Cantabria

Historic seaside towns of San Vicente de la Barquera, Comillas or Santillana del Mar.

Sweeping sandy beaches and craggy protected coves

Unspoilt Carmona, Cabezon, Barcena Mayor in the beautiful valleys.

Prehistoric cave paintings at Altamira and magnificent formations in El Soplao - the Cathedral of the cave world.

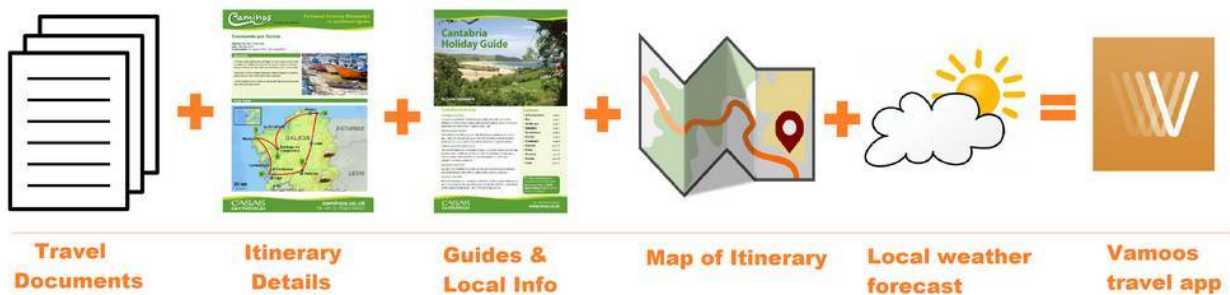
Wonderful walks along the coast or in the rolling hills just inland.

Historic town hotel with pool

Just outside the historic village of Santillana del Mar in a peaceful spot, this handsome building is set in attractive gardens, with a terrace and swimming pool, and views over red roofs and green hills. Decorated and furnished in the traditional period style of the region, and family run, it combines elegant simplicity with rustic charm - and with all modern comforts. There is a lounge and breakfast room/bar (Santillana del Mar, about 5...[Read More](#)



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