



GARDENS OF ATLANTIC SPAIN

VISITING CANTABRIA & THE BASQUE COUNTRY

Associação Portuguesa dos Jardins Históricos

24 to 29 JUNE 2025

AJH invites you to trip explore the Atlantic Spain gardens of the Basque Country and Cantabria. In June we will have all the begonias and hydrangeas in bloom and will enjoy long days of daylight. Along the way, we will enjoy the best of Spanish cuisine and hospitality in private homes and gardens.

1. TUESDAY 24 JUNE: Lisbon/ Oporto- Santander

Lisbon - Santander. Vueling Airlines.

16h :20 Departure Lisbon (01h 35min)

18h :55 Arrival Santander airport. Taxi to the hotel (20m)

Oporto - Bilbao. Vueling Airlines.

20h:15 Departure Oporto. (01h 15min)

22h:30 Arrival Bilbao airport. Organized transfer to Santander by van or minibus.

Check into **Gran Hotel Sardinero**, located in front of the famous city beach, “el Sardinero”. **Check in for 3 nights.** Welcome by Sofia barroso at the hotel who will deliver your package with tips on Santander best restaurants and tapas bars.

Dinner on your own. The hotel has a nice restaurant and there are several informal restaurants on the beachfront for tapas.



Gran Hotel Sardinero
Plaza de Italia, 1,
39005 Santander, Cantabria
Tel. + 34 942 27 11 00



2. WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE: Santander – Esles - Santander.

9h :30 . Departure by coach. Visit **Pereda Park** landscaped by **Fernando Caruncho** and the Cristina Iglesias fountains surrounding the Botín Foundation by Renzo Piano.



11h :00 Drive to the quaint village of **Esles**. Visit the **private gardens of the Gonzalez Camino family who will host lunch**. Welcome by landscape architect Luis Gonzalez-Camino.

In the afternoon we will see the garden and studio by artist Manuel Saro and the late artist Fernando Bermejo.

17h :30 Return to Santander.

Independent dinners.

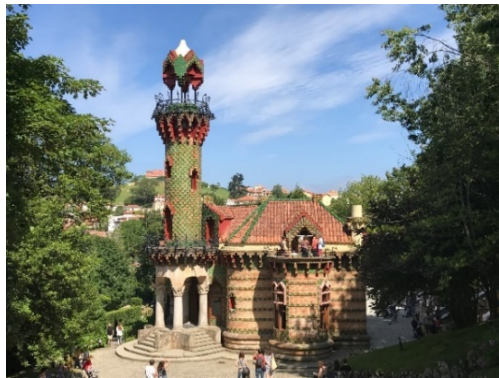
3. THURSDAY 26 JUNE: Santander - Santillana del Mar – Comillas - Santander

9h :30 Departure by coach. Visit **Puente de San Miguel**, private garden of the Botín family, by special arrangement. One of the gardens was designed by landscape designer Carmen Añón.

11h :30. Continue to **Santillana del Mar** for a walk through the village and a visit to the Romanesque Collegiate church and its beautiful cloister. Will also visit Jesús Polanco & Pancho Pérez Gonzalez contemporary art collection at **Torre de Don Borja**, with a welcome by Director Marcos Diez. It has a beautiful walled garden. We will also see the gardens of the Archiduquesa of the antique dealer Antonio Cabrero.

14h :00. Lunch of regional specialties at **the Parador Restaurant**.

In the afternoon we will drive to the lovely town of **Comillas**. It came into fashion at the end of the 19th century through Count Guell, Gaudí's patron, and Antonio Lopez y Lopez, first Marquis of Comillas and Gaudí's father-in-law. Visit La Pelegrina private garden.



Then we will visit **El Capricho**, designed by Gaudí, and its gardens.

We will finish our day by having **tapas at a beautiful home** and private garden of the late Counts of Serra Magna.

20h :00. Return to Santander by coach.

4. FRIDAY 27 JUNE Santander- Guetaria- Zumaia-San Sebastian.

9h :00 Departure with luggage. Drive to Guetaria.

11h :00. Visit the **Balenciaga Museum**, founded in 2011. The museum is devoted to the great Basque fashion designer and housed in a building connected to the Aldamar Palace, former residence of the Marquis and Marquise of Casa Torre. Guided visit by curator **Igor Urria**.

<https://www.cristobalbalenciagamuseoa.com/>



1pm. Stroll through the village and see the Church of San Salvador.

Lunch at **Kaia-Kaibe Restaurant**, overlooking the port and famous for grilled fresh fish.

4:00pm. Continue to the nearby village of **Zumaya** to visit the private home and garden of the painter Ignacio de Zuloaga, seat of the family foundation.

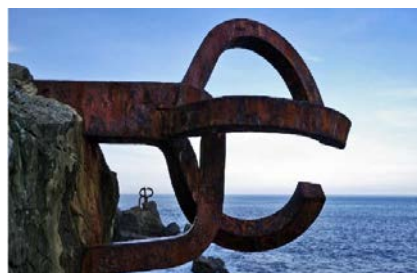


6:00pm Drive to San Sebastian one of the top culinary destinations in Spain. (30m)
Check into **Hotel Niza** for **2 nights**. The hotel overlooks the beautiful bay of La Concha and is a short walk from the vibrant Old Town. **Dinner on your own.**

Hotel Niza. Zubieta kalea 56. San Sebastian. Tel. 943 42 66 63

5. SATURDAY 28 JUNE: San Sebastian

At 9h :30. meet in the lobby with **Sofia Barroso**. Depart by coach to see Chillida's Wind Comb sculptures.



Then we will drive to **Chillida-Leku**, Edward Chillida's spectacular sculpture park and museum, located in Zabalaga just outside of San Sebastian. Special guided tour with Mikel Chillida, grandson of the artist. The garden has been designed by Holland landscape architect **Piet Oudolf** with the help of Spanish landscape architect **Alvaro de la Rosa Maura**. <https://oudolf.com/>
<https://larosamaura.com/en/>

13h :30. **Lunch at Lurra Restaurant** at Chillida-Leku.



15h :30 Departure by coach to **Oiarzun**. Visit **Lur Gardens**, designed by Basque landscape architect **Iñigo Seguro**, where he has his practice. He has created a small paradise in the woodland, one of the most interesting new gardens of the Basque Country.
<https://lurgarden.eus/index.php?lg=en>



18h :00. Return to San Sebastian. Dinner on your own.

6. SUNDAY 29 JUNE: San Sebastian - Bilbao- Oporto/ Lisboa.

8h :30 Departure by coach. Enjoy a scenic drive to Bilbao. (1h15m approx.).

Morning coffee on arrival at the Carlton Hotel. Our visit will begin with an **architectural tour** of the city's landmarks, including the metro by Norman Foster, the walking bridge by Santiago Calatrava, and works by Rafael Moneo and Alvaro Siza.

We will see all the new parks that have been landscape under the guidance of landscape architect **Diana Balmori**. <https://www.balmori.com/studio/people/diana-balmori-fasla>

Our guide will be **Esther Boulandier**, specializing in Bilbao's Art & Architecture.

11h :30 . Lectured tour of the **Fine Arts Museum**, that has a new extension designed by Sir Norman Foster. It is in the beautiful park of Doña Casilda.



13h :00 Walk to the nearby **Guggenheim Museum** for lunch at the museum's **Bistro Restaurant**.

15h :00. After lunch, a lectured tour will highlight special collections and Frank Gehry's unique architectural design for one of the 20th century's most important buildings.



16h :00 To finish with our day, we will walk to Deusto Bridge to visit **Fernando Caruncho's labyrinth** at Deusto University.



17h :30pm. Transfer to Bilbao's airport designed by Santiago Calatrava. (20m)

- *This trip has been tailor-made by Around Art for **Associação Portuguesa dos Jardins Históricos.***

Bilbao- Oporto.

Volotea

19h:50 Departure Bilbao.(01h 20min)

20h:10 Arrival Oporto.

Vueling

19h:15 Departure Bilbao.(01h 20min)

19h:35 Arrival Oporto.

Bilbao- Lisboa.

TAP

19h:25 Departure Bilbao.(01h40min)

20h:25 Arrival Lisbon.



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Based on a minimum of **18 full-paying participants: Euro 2.870,00 Sharing a double room**

Based on a minimum of **15 full-paying participants: Euro 3.160,00 Sharing a double room**

Supplement total per 2 nights **sea view Hotel Niza: 126€** per participant sharing a double room

Single Room supplement: **Euro 680,00**

Single Room supplement (hotel Niza Sea view): **Euro 806**

This Price Includes:

- Bus transportation following the itinerary.
- One group transfer from Bilbao to Santander for those flying from Porto (all should arrive in the same flight)
- Gran Hotel Sardinero Santander. 3 nights in standard room ROH.
- Hotel Niza. 2 nights. Standard Room. City view
- Daily breakfast & all taxes
- 5 lunches & 1 tapas dinner .
- Tickets for Museums & monuments
- Art historians specialist for museum visits
- Audio guide system (The loss of the device will entail a charge of 50€ for the person who does not return it.)
- Gifts for private hosts
- All tips for drivers & waiters
- Information folders.
- Personal insurance with Mapfre

This Price does not Include:

- Plane ticket
- Transfer Airport – Hotel – Airport
- Extras such as meals other than mentioned in itinerary, laundry, liquor other than wine served at meals, room service, telephone calls, and other items of a personal nature.

Fees and payment:

- **Deposit of 30%** of the amount of the trip as a guarantee, at the time of requesting the services in firm (in case of being interested in the budget, a maximum date will be set to leave a deposit).
- Remaining at least 3 months before the departure date. (26 march)
- **Payment by transfer (all costs assumed by sender) to:**
Bank: BANKINTER / **Address:** Castellana, 29. 28046 Madrid
Account: AROUND ART
Account nbr: ES05 0128 0010 98 0100027546 / **Swift Code:** BKBKESMMXXX
- **Payment by credit card.** We will share a payment link on request

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

This document must be **returned signed** by **CLIENT** with the confirmation of the trip. Once the trip is confirmed by **CLIENT**, the deadlines, conditions and cancellation policy on this document must be fulfilled. If the conditions stated on this document are not followed, Around Art reserves the right to cancel the trip for the benefit of our clients, providers and company.

The price of the trip is per person, based on a minimum of 15 or 18 participants in double occupancy to cover everything outlined in the itinerary. If this minimum is reached or exceeded, the price per person will remain the same, meaning that even if there are more than 20 participants, each person will pay the individual price. For example, if there are 16 or 19 participants, each will pay the same per-person price calculated for the minimum of 15/18 participants.

CLIENT is responsible for publicizing this trip to those deemed appropriate by **CLIENT** and for recruiting a minimum number of participants as stated above in this document. In addition to stipulations concerning minimum participation as noted above, if **CLIENT** makes refund arrangements between itself and the trip participants other than stated in this contract, the costs of these arrangements are to be born totally by **CLIENT**. If numbers fall below the minimum and if **CLIENT** decides to nevertheless proceed with the trip, will be responsible for meeting the budgeted costs and terms stipulated and will decide in collaboration with Around Art, what, if any, changes need to be made in the itinerary.

Notification of a minimum or more participants must be given to Around Art by **6 MESES ANTES**

Around Art will make every effort to execute the itinerary as planned. Around Art reserves the right to make substitutions, as necessary, in consultation with **CLIENT** representative in case of cancellations or unforeseen problems, as they arise.

CANCELLATION CONDITIONS

If the cancellation of a traveller reduces the group size below the minimum number of paying participants required for the trip, the following conditions will apply:

The cancelling client must either find a substitute to take their place or cover their proportional share of the general costs allocated to them in the trip budget.

This is necessary to prevent an increase in the price for the remaining participants, as the trip's cost structure is based on a minimum number of paying clients.

If no substitute is found and the group falls below the required minimum, the cancelling client will be responsible for the shortfall, in addition to any applicable cancellation penalties outlined in sections a) and b) below.

These additional conditions ensure that all clients fairly share the costs of the trip, avoiding unexpected price increases for the remaining participants.

We strongly recommend that you take out a cancellation insurance policy at the time of registration to cover the costs of reducing the group.

Additional Cancellation Conditions

The traveller may terminate this contract before the start of the package, and the organizer and / or the retailer may demand a penalty consisting of:

a) Pay the management fees (valued at € 20 per person for trips of up to € 300 price; € 60 per person for trips of up to € 1,000 price; € 100 per person for trips of up to € 1,500 price; and € 150 per person for trips of € 1,501 or more price), cancellation -if any, See section b) below at this same point- and a penalty consisting of:

a.1. 5 percent of the total amount of the trip, if the cancellation occurs more than twenty days before the date of the start of the trip and after twenty days of the contracting of the same;

a.2. 10 per cent if the cancellation occurs more than ten and less than twenty days before the start date of the trip;

a.3. 20 per cent between days three and ten days before the date of commencement of the trip, and

A.4. within forty-eight hours prior to departure, the amount resulting from the price of the package less cost savings and less revenue from the alternative use of travel services.

b) In addition to the amounts accrued by the percentages agreed above, the traveler must pay for tourist services that are subject to special economic conditions of contracting and cancellation and that do not allow the reimbursement of what was paid for such concept. Such services consist of: special air/train/boat/rental vehicle rates such as buses, vans or similar (negotiated for individuals or groups), special accommodation rates (negotiated for individuals or groups), special rates for lunch/dinner in restaurants (negotiated for individuals or groups), special rates for tickets to shows/museums/monuments, special rates for local guides and/or guided tours (negotiated for individuals or groups), Assistance insurance policies (with or without partial cancellation protection) or any similar service subject to negotiation of special tariffs and signature of binding contracts (and with very restrictive partial or total cancellation clauses) by the organizer.

c) If you do not show up at departure, the consumer or user will be obliged to pay the total amount of the trip, paying the outstanding amounts, unless otherwise agreed between the parties.

d) In the case of trips with scheduled flights, if the cancellation occurs after the issuance of the ticket, the expenses accrued for the cancellation of the same will be applied to the passenger in accordance with the conditions applied in each case by the airline. If it occurs on a date prior to the issuance of the ticket, it will be as stipulated by the corresponding airline regarding the amount of cancellation costs of confirmed and blocked seats.

e) The excursions that the consumer acquires at destination, will be governed in relation to the cancellation expenses for their specific conditions, all of them sharing the penalty of 100 percent of their amount if the consumer does not show up at the departure of the same.

f) In case of contracting cancellation insurance, the organizing agency will be a mere intermediary between the client and the insurance company (Mapfre) in the event of a cancellation, having to pay the cancellation expenses that concur and proceeding then to claim them from the insurer. Consult below the specific policies of basic assistance (including, Mapfre: policy 698-1777) and trip cancellation up to € 3,000 (optional, Mapfre: 698-311) contracted for this trip.

SUMMARY OF GUARANTEES OF POLICY Nº 698 /1777 (ASSISTANCE POLICY)

OFFERED BY AROUND ART | INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF THE TRIP

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE COVERAGE

- 1 TRANSFER OR MEDICAL REPATRIATION, IN THE EVENT OF ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT SUFFERED BY THE INSURED ON A TRIP
- 2 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT BEFALLING THE INSURED WHILE TRAVELLING OUTSIDE THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE - OUTSIDE THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (LIMIT 100000 EUROS)
- 3 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT BEFALLING THE INSURED WHILE TRAVELLING WITHIN THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE - IN THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (LIMIT 1800 EUROS)
- 4 TRANSFER OR REPATRIATION OF DEATH INSURED
- 5 TRANSPORTATION FOR ACCOMPANYING THE INSURED WHILE HOSPITALISED - DUE INSURED'S HOSPITALISATION, DUE TO AN ACCIDENT OR ILLNESS COVERED BY THE POLICY, SHOULD BE FORECAST TO LAST OVER FIVE DAYS - DUE INSURED'S DEATH
- 6 ACCOMMODATION FOR A PERSON TO ACCOMPANY THE INSURED - UP TO 250 EUR/DAY - DUE THE ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT OF THE INSURED - DUE INSURED'S DEATH (LIMIT 2500 EUROS)
- 7 EXTENSION OF THE INSURED'S STAY AS A RESULT OF ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT - UP TO 250 EUR/DAY (LIMIT 2500 EUROS)
- 8 URGENT RETURN OF THE INSURED DUE TO THE DEATH OF A RELATIVE - UP TO SECOND GRADE
- 9 URGENT RETURN OF THE INSURED DUE TO THE HOSPITALISATION OF A RELATIVE
- 10 URGENT RETURN DUE TO A SERIOUS INCIDENT AT THEIR HABITUAL RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS PREMISES
- 11 SHIPMENT OF MEDICAMENTS
- 12 TRANSMISSION OF URGENT MESSAGES
- 13 REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED IN OBTAINING TRAVEL DOCUMENTS (LIMIT 120 EUROS)
- 14 ARRANGING DELIVERY OF CASH ABROAD (LIMIT 2000 EUROS)

TRAVEL DELAY COVERAGE

- 15 DELAY IN THE DEPARTURE OF THE AERIAL MEANS OF TRANSPORT (LIMIT 300 EUROS)
- 16 DELAYED DEPARTURE DUE TO OVERBOOKING FOR AERIAL TRANSPORT (LIMIT 100 EUROS) LUGGAGE

COVERAGES

- 17 INDEMNITY FOR THE DEFINITIVE LOSS, ROBBERY OR EXTERNAL DAMAGE OF LUGGAGE CHECKED-IN FOR A FLIGHT - FINAL SETTLEMENT LETTER FROM THE AIRLINE COMPANY CERTIFYING THE DEFINITIVE LOSS OF THE LUGGAGE CHECKED-IN FOR A FLIGHT - PER EXTERNAL DAMAGE TO THE LUGGAGE CHECKED-IN FOR A FLIGHT - LIMIT 60 EUR - FOR THE DEFINITIVE LOSS OR ROBBERY OF LUGGAGE CHECKED-IN FOR A FLIGHT (LIMIT 1200 EUROS)
- 18 REIMBURSEMENT FOR DELAYED BAGGAGE CHECKED DURING A FLIGHT - CERTIFICATE FROM THE CARRIER THAT REFLECTS THE ACTUAL DEPARTURE TIME AND THE CAUSE OF THE DELAY, AND ORIGINAL INVOICES FOR THE ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE SAID MISSED FLIGHT CONNECTION - MINIMUM OF SIX HOURS (LIMIT 150 EUROS)
- 19 LOCATION AND FORWARDING OF LUGGAGE AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS

PERSONAL ACCIDENT COVERAGE

- 1 INDEMNITY FOR THE ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF THE INSURED WHILE TRAVELLING ON A PUBLIC MEANS OF TRANSPORT (LIMIT 30000 EUROS)

In case of an occurrence of a claim covered by the accidents coverage of the policy, the maximum amount guaranteed as compensation is 3000000 euros

CIVIL LIABILITY COVERAGE

- 2 CIVIL LIABILITY COVERAGE (LIMIT 60000 EUROS)

SUMMARY OF GUARANTEES OF POLICY Nº 698 /311 (ASSISTANCE POLICY)
OFFERED BY AROUND ART | NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF THE TRIP

50 EUROS/PERSON

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE COVERAGE

- 1 TRANSFER OR MEDICAL REPATRIATION, IN THE EVENT OF ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT SUFFERED BY THE INSURED ON A TRIP
- 2 TRANSFER OR REPATRIATION OF INSURED PERSONS ACCOMPANYING THE INSURED WHO SUFFER AN ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT BEFALLING THE INSURED WHILE TRAVELLING

- 3 OUTSIDE THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE - OUTSIDE THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (LIMIT 12000 EUROS)

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT BEFALLING THE INSURED WHILE TRAVELLING

- 4 WITHIN THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE - IN THEIR HABITUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (LIMIT 1800 EUROS)

- 5 TRANSFER OR REPATRIATION OF DEATH INSURED

TRANSPORTATION FOR ACCOMPANYING THE INSURED WHILE HOSPITALISED - DUE INSURED'S

- 6 HOSPITALISATION, DUE TO AN ACCIDENT OR ILLNESS COVERED BY THE POLICY, SHOULD BE FORECAST TO LAST OVER FIVE DAYS - DUE INSURED'S DEATH

ACCOMMODATION FOR A PERSON TO ACCOMPANY THE INSURED - UP TO 75 EUR/DAY - MAXIMUM OF

- 7 10 DAYS - DUE THE ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT OF THE INSURED - DUE INSURED'S DEATH (LIMIT 750 EUROS)

- 8 EXTENSION OF THE INSURED'S STAY AS A RESULT OF ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT - UP TO 75 EUR/DAY - MAXIMUM OF 10 DAYS (LIMIT 750 EUROS)

- 9 URGENT RETURN OF THE INSURED DUE TO THE DEATH OF A RELATIVE - UP TO SECOND GRADE

- 10 URGENT RETURN OF THE INSURED DUE TO THE HOSPITALISATION OF A RELATIVE

- 11 SHIPMENT OF MEDICAMENTS

- 12 TRANSMISSION OF URGENT MESSAGES

- 13 ARRANGING DELIVERY OF CASH ABROAD (LIMIT 1500 EUROS) TRAVEL

DELAY COVERAGE

- 14 DELAY IN THE DEPARTURE OF THE AERIAL MEANS OF TRANSPORT (LIMIT 300 EUROS) LUGGAGE COVERAGE

INDEMNITY FOR THE DEFINITIVE LOSS, ROBBERY OR EXTERNAL DAMAGE OF LUGGAGE CHECKED-IN

- 15 FOR A FLIGHT - FINAL SETTLEMENT LETTER FROM THE AIRLINE COMPANY CERTIFYING THE DEFINITIVE LOSS OF THE LUGGAGE CHECKED-IN FOR A FLIGHT (LIMIT 600 EUROS)

REIMBURSEMENT FOR DELAYED BAGGAGE CHECKED DURING A FLIGHT - CERTIFICATE FROM THE

- 16 CARRIER THAT REFLECTS THE ACTUAL DEPARTURE TIME AND THE CAUSE OF THE DELAY, AND ORIGINAL INVOICES FOR THE ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE SAID MISSED

FLIGHT CONNECTION - MINIMUM OF SIX HOURS (LIMIT 90 EUROS)

- 17 LOCATION AND FORWARDING OF LUGGAGE AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS CANCELLATION

AND INTERRUPTION EXPENSES COVERAGE

- 18 CANCELLATION EXPENSES - TRAVEL NO CRUISES (LIMIT 2400 EUROS)

PERSONAL ACCIDENT COVERAGE

- 1 INDEMNITY FOR THE ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF THE INSURED WHILE TRAVELLING ON A PUBLIC MEANS OF TRANSPORT (LIMIT 60000 EUROS)

In case of an occurrence of a claim covered by the accidents coverage of the policy, the maximum amount guaranteed as compensation is 3000000 euros

CIVIL LIABILITY COVERAGE

- 2 CIVIL LIABILITY COVERAGE (LIMIT 60000 EUROS)