

Wine,  
Gastronomy  
and  
Royalty!

# Wine Weekends in Spain



**The Rioja region of Spain, is of course, well known for its fabulous wines, but did you know it's a gastronomic haven too?**

Staying in local accommodation, we will be based in Logroño, south of Bilbao which is the capital city of the region, on the pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostela. Visit Bodegas Franco Españoles, taste the wines that have graced the tables of Kings and Queens, tour this historic winery, have a delicious lunch and wine tasting, and meet the wine maker behind this label.

Take in some of this region's incredible history visit the Cathedral of Santa María de la Redonda with its twin baroque towers, elaborate facade and an image attributed to Michelangelo. The Cubo del Revellín fort connects to remnants of the old city wall. Stroll through leafy Ebro Park and admire views of the River Ebro, its arched Stone Bridge and its 19th-century Iron Bridge.

Other gastronomic delights await along the Calle Laurel, affectionately known as the Elephant's Walk, in the centre of Logroño, where you can visit over 150 tapas bars for a true authentic taste of Spain.

Day 1  
23rd June  
2022

Rioja Spain



Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel (in Logroño or Calahorra). The drive from Bilbao airport is about 1.5 hours.

In Logroño you will explore the most important areas on foot with your Tour Leader. Walk by the river Ebro, visit Cubo de Revellín (the old city walls) and follow the path to Santiago (St James Road), which runs cross the city, while visiting some of the most important churches such as the Concatedral or the oldest church in town, St Bartolomé. Tonight, it is time to experience the local flavours with some pintxos and wine. Wander through Calle Laurel, be adventurous and try some of the specialties in various venues (you will not be able to try them all because there are about 100 restaurant bars in this area, also called the Path of the Elephants).

## ITINERARY

### GROUP AIRPORT ARRIVAL TRANSFER

- Included

### INCLUDED ACTIVITIES

- Logroño Orientation Walk (*Tour Leader led*)
- Private transfer from Bilbao airport to Rioja (Calahorra/Logroño)

### OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Pintxo Crawl Logroño

### ACCOMMODATION

- Parador de Calahorra / Eurostars Ruavieja Logroño 4\* / Hotel FG Logroño 3\* (Standard room) or similar.

### MEALS INCLUDED

- None



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