

A narrow street in a Basque town, lined with colorful buildings (yellow, orange, green, red) and balconies with plants. The street is paved with cobblestones and has street lamps. The sky is blue with some clouds.

BASQUE LANDERS

Exclusive Basque Country
experiences await *you.*

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Discover the soul of the Basque Country through its wines, cuisine & people. *With us.*



THIS IS THE ONE YOU WILL NEVER FORGET.

Discover the heart and soul of the Basque Country on a journey that goes beyond the typical tourist experience. This adventure is designed for travelers who seek authenticity—where food, wine, history, and local traditions come together in an unforgettable cultural immersion.

Guided by a passionate local expert, who is also the President of the Wine Tourism Association from Biscay, you'll explore charming coastal villages, medieval towns, and lush vineyards, meeting the people who keep Basque traditions alive. Taste pintxos in the same bars where locals gather, enjoy home-cooked meals in hidden family-run restaurants, and visit small wineries where the winemakers themselves will pour you a glass straight from the barrel.

From the vibrant streets of Bilbao to the breathtaking Basque coast and the rolling hills of Rioja Alavesa, every day brings new discoveries. Travel comfortably in a small group, with the flexibility to follow the rhythm of local life—whether it's joining a village festival, visiting a bustling market, or simply sharing stories over a glass of Txakoli with new friends.

This is not just a trip; it's an invitation to live the Basque Country like a local.



Bilbao. This is a vibrant city where modern architecture, such as the iconic Guggenheim Museum, meets rich Basque culture, world-class cuisine, and stunning natural landscapes.

LOCAL GASTRONOMY.

Basque cuisine, celebrated worldwide, will be the centerpiece of *your* trip.

You will enjoy dinners and pintxos at the most authentic tables and taverns, always in places where Basque locals come to eat.

Each bite will be a celebration of fresh, seasonal ingredients and the region's finest wines. You will experience the local flavor and history of one of the most iconic regional cuisines in Spain.



Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve. The most valued and protected area on the Basque coast, the Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve is a paradise of wetlands, beaches, spectacular cliffs, coastal towns, art, and culture. It is also home to the region's most renown Txakoli winery where an oenologist-guided tour awaits.

LANDSCAPES & NATURE.

From the majesty of the Cantabrian Sea to vineyards that stretch across the hills of Rioja Alavesa, Basque landscapes are an inexhaustible source of beauty.

Become immersed in extraordinary natural environments, whether walking along coastal cliffs, flying in a balloon over vineyards or simply contemplating the infinite green of our mountains. Each setting invites you to disconnect and marvel at the serenity of nature.



Getaria. The charming medieval fishing settlement of Getaria offers the quintessential old-world experience. Get a feel for coastal Basque culture with a walk along the ocean's edge, a winery tour and vineyard meal overlooking the sea, and a boat tour to view the geological marvel of the Flysch formations.

COMFORT & RELAXATION.

Every aspect of your trip is designed for *you*.

With carefully selected boutique hotels, personalized, private experiences and luxury transportation, the pace of your trip is planned to be relaxed and unhurried. Let us guide you through the most authentic, captivating corners with enjoyment at heart and comforts at hand.



Rioja Alavesa & Hondarribia.

A picturesque wine region where rolling vineyards, medieval villages, and avant-garde wineries offer an unforgettable blend of history and wine culture.

VITICULTURE & ENOLOGY.

Experience Rioja – a quintessential old-world region that embodies the achievements of generational Spanish wine growers and producers like no other.

Walk century-old vineyards and delight in the knowledge and craft of one of the most respected estate growers and producers in the area. Nowhere will you engage in better examples of both traditional winemaking in its classic form and progressive alternatives to approach, variety and cellar work.



San Sebastian. As one the stars of haute-cuisine, San Sebastian boasts the greatest concentration of Michelin starred restaurants in the world. Evoking old-time glamour with its promenades, sandy beaches, and elegant architecture, San Sebastian has a long history of delighting visitors.

CULTURE & AUTHENTICITY.

Explore the Basque Country *beyond* the beaten path.

From its deepest traditions to the small details of everyday life, each step of your trip reveals a vibrant and living culture. You will get to know the roots of our land – from the historic architecture of the Old Town of Bilbao to the stories that still live in the hearts of the oldest wineries in Rioja Alavesa. This is an experience that authentically connects you with the soul of the Basque people.



BASQUELANDERS: 'ESSENTIAL' TRAVEL ITINERARY

Day 1: Bilbao

- Explore the vibrant city of Bilbao!
- Enjoy a traditional meal of Pintxos in a carefully selected tavern, showcasing the city's hidden gems.
- Tour the iconic Guggenheim Museum, walk our charming old part of town.
- End the day with a welcome dinner at a charming local restaurant, away from the tourist crowds.
- For the first few nights you will stay at a hotel well-situated in the heart of Bilbao.



Day 2: Basque Coast and Urdaibai

- This is a day to connect with nature. Explore San Juan de Gaztelugatxe, Gernika, Mundaka, and Bermeo in the Basque Coast's Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve.
- Visit a local winery for a private tour and tasting.
- Savor a meal at a traditional local restaurant – a true hidden culinary gem.
- Return to Bilbao for dinner at an authentic, non-touristy eatery and an overnight stay in your boutique hotel.



Day 3: Getaria and Flysch Coast

- Visit the picturesque town of Getaria and embark on a small hike along the ocean's edge.
- Tour a family-owned winery, and have a meal amidst the vineyards, overlooking the sea.
- Return to Bilbao for dinner at a family-run Basque restaurant.
- Stay at your hotel for the final night in Bilbao.



BASQUELANDERS: ‘ESSENTIAL’ TRAVEL ITINERARY

Day 4: Rioja Alavesa

- Travel to Rioja Alavesa and visit a boutique winery for a private tour and tasting.
- Enjoy a traditional Rioja-style meal in a historic wine cellar.
- Explore the medieval towns of Laguardia and Cenicero, including their ancient wine cellars “calados”.
- Transfer to San Sebastian, where we will refresh with food and drink at a local cider house.
- Stay overnight at a hotel in San Sebastian.



Day 5: Rioja and Hondarribia

- Travel to Hondarribia, the charming coastal fishing town bordering France.
- Eat fresh fish at the port and quench your thirst with local txakoli.
- Transfer to San Sebastián. With a free afternoon, walk and explore this beautiful city, or unwind with a siesta.
- Stay overnight at a hotel in San Sebastián.



Day 6: San Sebastián

- Begin the day leisurely with a late wake-up call.
- Walk the town with their local guide. Visit the Basque museum enjoy their markets and indulge in authentic Pintxos at curated, non-touristy spots.
- Enjoy optional activities like surfing lessons, kayaking.
- Dine at a family-run Basque restaurant with a cozy atmosphere.
- Stay overnight at a hotel in San Sebastián.





MEET YOUR GUIDE.

Gaizka Picaza

Gaizka Picaza was born and raised in Bilbao – a city that embodies the heart of the Basque Country. His journey began 24 years ago, when he completed a degree in Tourism; a field Gaizka has been passionate about ever since. Throughout the years, he's dedicated himself to understanding the unique blend of culture, tradition, and innovation that makes the Basque Country such a special destination.

For the past ten years, Gaizka has had the privilege of working with the most prestigious Txakoli winery in Biscay, where he spearheaded the development of their enotourism program. This experience allowed him to dive deep into the world of Basque wines, connect with winemakers, and design experiences that bring the richness of the terroir to life for visitors.

Currently, he is honored to serve as the president of the Wine Tourism Association of Biscay. In this role, Gaizka works closely with other passionate professionals to promote this region as a premier destination for wine lovers. He manages his own luxury DMC (Destination Management Company), where exclusive, guided groups are offered tailored experiences that showcase the best local gastronomy, world-renowned wineries, and hidden gems of the Basque countryside.

Whether it's exploring the intricacies of Basque wine or uncovering the cultural treasures of the land, Gaizka provides a unique, immersive experience that goes beyond the ordinary.



LOGISTICS.

Forget about complications; We take care of every detail of your travel, lodging, tours and activities.

Everything is organized with the utmost precision, so you can move with complete ease between different points of interest. Our experience ensures fluid and flexible planning that adapts to your needs, desires and specific interests.

We offer flexible booking dates, trip lengths and adaptable itineraries to highlight seasonal festivals, local celebrations and regional holiday activities and traditions.

Group sizes range from just 9-20 guests in addition to your guide. You will be comfortably and professionally chauffeured by a driver exclusive to your trip.



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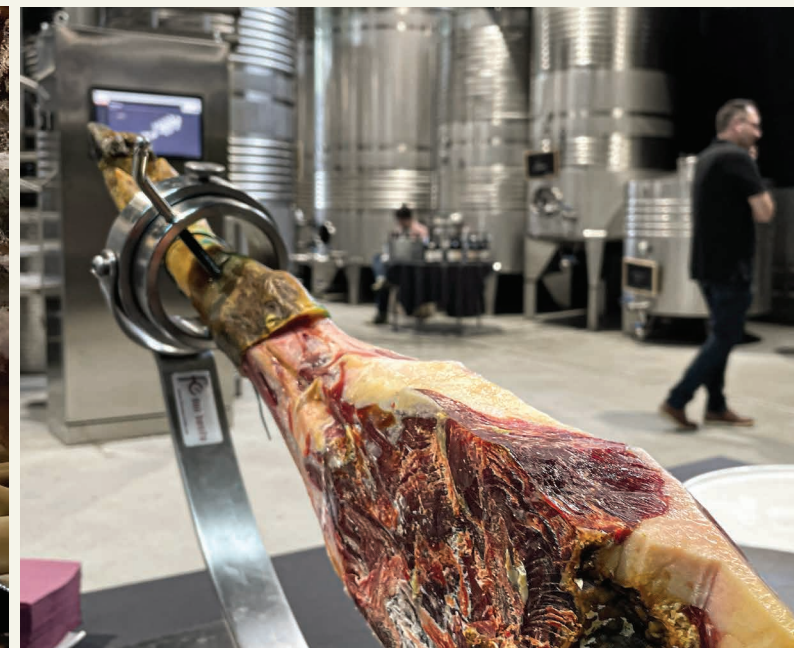
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