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PO7 The Porto Run - Santander to Porto

An epic adventure! Cut a swathe right through the heart of Spain to Porto on the Atlantic coast before looping back through Galicia to the northern coast and the Picos de Europa mountains, this route is full of delightful contrasts.

On the way you'll find plenty to explore as you cross and follow the Caminos de Santiago and trace part of Wellington's route from his Peninsular Campaign. You'll find magnificent cities of Burgos, Salamanca, Porto and Santiago and rural delights of the Douro Valley, the Asturian coast and the Picos de Europa mountains.

Itinerary Overview:

Stage	Itinerary	Nights	Location	Services	Drive Time
1	Day 1 to 3	2 nights	Burgos Province, Burgos	HBUR2 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs from Santander / Bilbao
2	Day 3 to 5	2 nights	Salamanca Province, Salamanca	HSAL5 5-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs 30mins
3	Day 5 to 7	2 nights	Douro Valley, Vale de Mendiz	HDOU2 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	3hrs 20 mins
4	Day 7 to 9	2 nights	Porto, Porto	HOPO2 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 20mins
5	Day 9 to 11	2 nights	Galicia, Santiago and the Interior, Santiago de Compostela	HSAC6 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs 30mins
6	Day 11 to 13	2 nights	Asturias, West Coast, Puerto de Vega	HPDV1 Boutique-Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs 20mins
7	Day 13 to 15	2 nights	Cantabria, West Coast, Santillana del Mar	HSAN2 3-star Hotel 1 x Double room (2 sharing)	2hrs 30mins

Includes:

- Accommodation in our listed hotels - 2 sharing 1 std. double ensuite, B&B
- Economy 4-door car hire **or** return ferry to Northern Spain
- Guide book to Spain and Portugal
- [Personal Travel App](#) including highlights, weather forecast and restaurant suggestions for all areas en-route
- Instructions to find all accommodation

Excludes:

- Flights - but we are able to advise
- One-way car hire charges, where applicable (see your quote email)
- The following car hire extras - these can be added at pick-up point
 - extra driver
 - child seats
 - GPS
- Parking fees where applicable (mostly city stops, unless specifically included) - please ask us about parking charges
- Local tourist taxes where applicable

Stage 1

Burgos Province



Highlights

- Essential stop on the Camino de Santiago
- Truly awesome cathedral, recently restored
- The city of El Cid Campeador
- Bustling old town; lively bars & restaurants
- Atapuerca & the Museum of Human Evolution

HBUR2 4-star Hotel, Burgos

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Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B

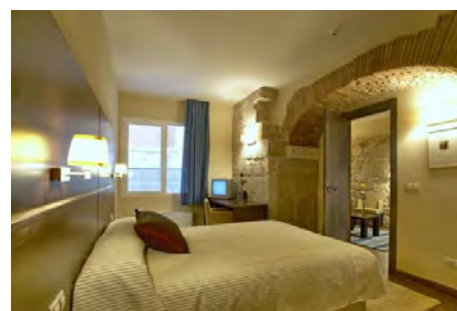


A genuine medieval palace, just a short walk from Burgos Cathedral and the tapas bars and asadores for which the city is also famous.

Built in a golden age when Burgos which grew wealthy from the wool trade, the Palace has recently been restored to a very high standard.

Rooms are very spacious and decorated in modern style with natural tones and making good use of the architectural details of the original palace.

With friendly staff and plenty of space to relax and soak in the feeling of the ancient building the hotel makes the perfect base to get the most out of your stay in Burgos.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Restaurant, open to the public • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Double / twin with living room, duplex suite (some with Cathedral view) • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• Garage parking (extra charge) • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • Electric vehicle charging station • No pets allowed

Stage 2

Salamanca Province



Highlights

- Salamanca - truly monumental university city
- Toro, Rueda & Sierra de Salamanca wines
- Delicious jamon from Guijuelo
- Historic Tordesillas, Toro & Zamora
- Sierra de Francia & villages of Las Batuecas

HSAL5 5-star Hotel, Salamanca

[See full details](#)

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Housed in a Dominican convent from the 16th-century this magnificent, 5-star hotel is right in the centre of Salamanca. The Plaza Mayor, Cathedrals, Old & New and all the other main sights are a short walk from the door.

The rest of the rooms are located in a four storey building with magnificent views over the rooftops to the cathedrals and cloisters.

A stylish bar and library area on a lower level of the main building gives onto the terrace and courtyard whilst the restaurant, the wine cellar and the breakfast room are located in the former refectory of the Dominican Convent, in an impressive, atmospheric wine cellar.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning • Tea/coffee making facilities
Dining	• Restaurant, open to the public • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Double, twin, single, superior, various suites • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (extra charge) • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • Electric vehicle charging station • Pets allows by prior arrangement - please consult

Stage 3

Douro Valley



Highlights

- Fabulous Douro scenery - take an unforgettable boat trip
- World Heritage Douro vineyards, the World's oldest!
- Romantic Amarante on the River Tamega
- Lamego - famous stairs of Nossa Senhora dos Remedios
- Superb gastronomy in the atmospheric "adegas" taverns

HDOU2 4-star Hotel, Vale de Mendiz

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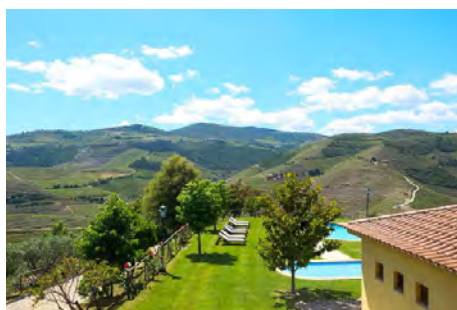
Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Perched high above the Douro in the delightful Vale de Mendiz (known as the valley of gold), with the most stunning views of the surrounding hills and terraced vineyards snaking their way down the valley to Pinhao, this lovely, small rural hotel makes a perfect base for exploring the region.

At one time the Magalhaes family home and estate, producing port since 1870, it was transformed into a hotel with all modern comforts in 2005.

In this unforgettable setting the friendly, efficient and informative staff can organise a wine tasting and tour of their vineyards and trips on foot, by bike, boat and jeep, and will ensure your stay is a special one.



Main facilities	• Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, all year) • Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Restaurant/dining room for guests only
Room types	• Double, twin, triple • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (free) • Pets allows by prior arrangement - please consult

Stage 4

Porto



Highlights

- Ribeira, Porto's fascinating historic centre, a World Heritage site
- Cross the impressive Dom Luis I iron bridge to the Port Wine Lodges
- Visit WOW! - the World of Wine
- Art for all from finest museums to simple galleries
- Walk the lanes, sail the river, live and breathe Porto

HOPO2 3-star Hotel, Porto

[See full details](#)

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



This gorgeously romantic, Baroque castle, full of character, set in its own beautiful gardens, is the perfect base to visit historic Porto.

Built in 1887 as a private house, this listed building with its imposing tower is wonderfully atmospheric and, being set on a vantage point, commands lovely views of the city.

The location is excellent - fairly near the centre (a twenty minute walk) with on site parking and the metro just a short walk away - and the manicured gardens with their stunning "azulejos" provide respite from the hustle and bustle of the city.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning • Tea/coffee making facilities
Dining	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Double, twin, (castle or garden) superior, suite, family suite • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (extra charge) • No pets allowed

Stage 5

Galicia, Santiago and the Interior



Highlights

- One of Europe's most important pilgrim destinations
- Take a walking tour around this World Heritage City
- Visit the Cathedral said to house the bones of St James
- Always lively with a strong tradition of street music
- Multitude of bars and restaurants!

HSAC6 3-star Hotel, Santiago de Compostela

[See full details](#)

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



With the emphasis on personal service and designed using the oriental principles of 'Wabi-Sabi' this truly unique hotel in the old town of Santiago is an experience in itself.

In one of the quieter parts of town, but within easy reach of the main sights, this 19th century house is a charming, perfect balance of old and new, creating an atmosphere of peace and harmony - its original old stone walls and oak beamed ceilings blending more than happily with elegant modern design and furnishings.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• En-suite double, superior double, single; Standard with balcony. • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-street parking • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • No pets allowed

Stage 6

Asturias, West Coast



Highlights

- Pretty fishing villages such as Cudillero & Luarca
- Beautiful beaches & dramatic cliff-top coastal walks
- Dinosaur coast & Jurassic museum
- Oviedo, historic Asturian capital & Gijon by the sea
- National Park of Somiedo - maybe you'll see bears!

HPDV1 Boutique-Hotel, Puerto de Vega

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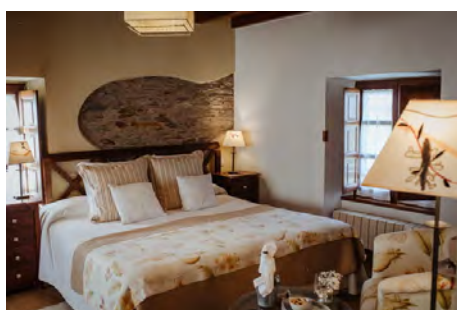
Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Housed in former fishermen's cottages, this gem of a hotel on the dramatic coastline of Western Asturias, in the picturesque port of Puerto de Vega, was converted with a loving and artistic eye by its owner, Milagros.

With a nautical theme throughout and all its stylish, individually decorated bedrooms with sea views, her magic touch has created a museum piece almost, but with every modern comfort and detail in mind.

The friendly and relaxing atmosphere, delicious breakfasts with home-made and locally sourced products, will ensure that you will feel that desired "sea of sensations", making your stay a truly memorable one.



Main facilities	• Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Tea/coffee making facilities
Dining	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Ensuite doubles, deluxe and premium (with jacuzzi baths) • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (free) • On-street parking • No pets allowed

Stage 7

Cantabria, West Coast



Highlights

- San Vicente, Comillas or Santillana del Mar, historic seaside villages
- Sandy beaches and craggy protected coves
- Carmona, Barcena Mayor in the beautiful valleys
- World heritage cave paintings at Altamira
- Wonderful walks along the coast or in the rolling hills

HSAN2 3-star Hotel, Santillana del Mar

[See full details](#)

Accommodation: 1 x Double room (2 sharing), B&B



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.

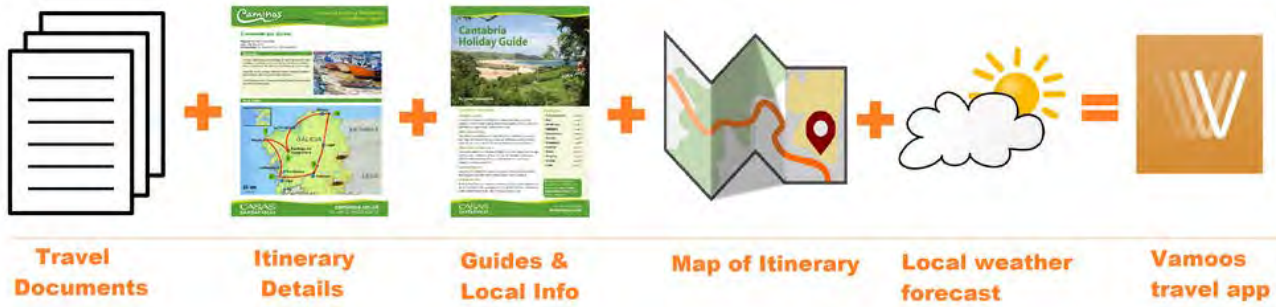
Decorated and furnished in the traditional period style of the region, and family run, it combines elegant simplicity with rustic charm - and with all modern comforts.

There is a lounge and breakfast room/bar (Santillana del Mar, about 5 minutes' walk away, has a good choice of restaurants).



Main facilities	• Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Tea/coffee making facilities
Dining	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Standard double and twin rooms; Superior rooms with balcony; Adjoining rooms for families; Ground floor rooms suitable for guests with restricted mobility (not wheelchair)
Other	• On-site parking (free) • No pets allowed

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