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Following the ancient, Via de Plata, trading route - literally the 'Silver Path' - this epic journey crosses Spain from north to south. Few tours offer such extreme contrasts, from the lush green valleys of Asturias to the arid plains and high sierras of Castilla-León and Extremadura, finally reaching the orange groves of Andalucia; from the bedrock of Christian Spain to the heart of the one-time sultanate, here you truly get a sense of Spain's rich and turbulent history...

Due to Madrid's multiple connections with the rest of the world, this tour can be adapted to include the Spanish capital as part of the package. Countless monuments, renowned museums, art galleries, theatres and a varied offer of good restaurants, lively bars and night clubs, you will definitely get amazed by its infinite charms. Don't hesitate to consult us.

Itinerary Overview:

Stage	Itinerary	Nights	Location	Services	Drive Time
1	Day 1 to 4	3 nights	Asturias, East coast and Picos de Europa, Libardon	HLIB1 Family run Posada 1 x Standard double room	1hr 30mins from Ferry OR 2hr 30 from airport
1				Evening meal for two (1st night)	
2	Day 4 to 6	2 nights	León, city and nearby, León	HLEO1 3 star hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs
3	Day 6 to 8	2 nights	Salamanca Province, Topas	HTOP1 4 star hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 50mins
4	Day 8 to 10	2 nights	Extremadura, north, Hervás	HHER2 family run posada 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 20mins
5	Day 10 to 12	2 nights	Extremadura, central, Cáceres	HPAR7 5 star parador 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 20mins
6	Day 12 to 13	1 night	Extremadura, central, Llerena	HLLE1 4 star hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 50mins
7	Day 13 to 15	2 nights	Sevilla Province, Sevilla	HSEV1 3 star hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 20mins

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
- [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

Asturias, East coast and Picos de Europa



Highlights

- Lovely seaside villages such as Llanes & Lastres
- Dinosaur coast - Jurassic museum near Colunga
- 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

HLIB1 Family run Posada, Libardon

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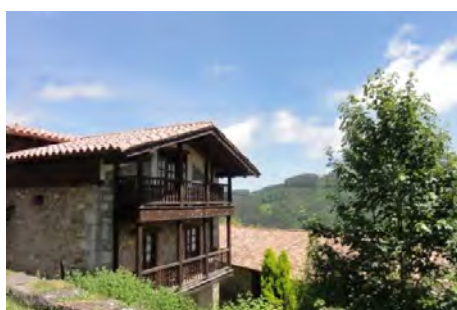
Accommodation: 1 x Standard double room, B&B



Nestled in the Asturian mountains at the foot of the Sierra del Sueve yet only fifteen minutes' drive away from the coast, Palacio de Libardon offers a perfect rural retreat and at the same time a great base for exploring Asturias.

The hotel 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 dating from the 18th century and several outbuildings.

It has been recently and lovingly restored by the young owner, herself returning from Mexico to her Asturian roots, achieving a good balance between period authenticity and creature comforts.



Main facilities	• Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom
Dining	• Restaurant/dining room for guests only • Breakfast only
Room types	• Double, twin, triple and single rooms; family and superior rooms • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (free) • On-street parking • Pets allows by prior arrangement - please consult

Stage 2

León, city and nearby



Highlights

- Crossroads of Camino de Santiago and Via de Plata
- Cathedral of Santa Maria - beautiful stained glass
- Tapas in 'la Zona Humeda' in Leon old-town
- The true Holy Grail? In the Colegiata de San Isidoro
- Lovely Astorga with its Gaudi palace

HLEO1 3-Star Hotel, León

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Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



This very special hotel in the heart of León, just a short walk to the magnificent Cathedral, is full of history and art.

Forming part of the outstanding 11th century complex of the Real Colegiata de San Isidoro de León with its amazing Romanesque frescos, the hotel was at one time a monastery.

The hotel is a living monument; quiet and comfortable yet light and well equipped for the modern world. Yet, stepping out onto the Roman walls at the back, the past will not evade you.

Don't miss a guided visit of the building by the very friendly staff!



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Restaurant, open to the public • Restaurant/dining room for guests only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Standard, Superior and Premium doubles: Also single and disable adaptedrooms. • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (extra charge) • No pets allowed

Stage 3

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

HTOP1 4-Star Hotel, Topas

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Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



The moat is now a lovely walled garden with a glimmering pool, the battlements sunny terraces for guests to take in the views, and the armoury a shady patio but in every other way this hotel is a very 'proper' castle indeed.

This XV century castle, at various times owned by Ferdinand, the Catholic King, the Duke of Alba and Cardinal Fonseca was declared a monument of national interest in 1931.

Looking out over vineyards, the castle is perfectly situated to visit monumental Salamanca and Zamora, home to Spain's finest collection of Romanesque architecture.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Restaurant, open to the public
Room types	• Double , twin and superior rooms.. Junior suites and suite. • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-site parking (free) • Pets allows by prior arrangement - please consult

Stage 4

Extremadura, north



Highlights

- Explore the high Sierras of Gredos and Salamanca
- Lose yourself in the Jewish Quarter of Hervás
- Valle del Jerte cherry trees by the million - a real treat in Spring!
- Visit Candelario & Béjar - two true beauties
- Plasencia - key staging point on the Via de Plata

HHER2 Family Run Posada, Hervás

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Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Set in an attractive, peaceful square in the heart of old Hervás, this ancestral C19th home, has been sympathetically and lovingly restored to make the lovely, family-run hotel it is today.

Simplicity is the key, but modern comforts are by no means forgotten. Thick stone walls and chestnut beams blend perfectly with period furniture, but what fascinates and gives a special touch are the solid old doors, original keyholes, iron fittings and floor tiles.

Great base for exploring the beautiful Valle de Ambroz and Valle de Jerte.



Main facilities	• Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Standard double, Double Superior, Junior Suite, Apartment. • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• On-street parking • No pets allowed

Stage 5

Extremadura, central



Highlights

Monfragüe National Park - a bird-watcher's paradise with buzzards, vultures and black stork

Historic Cáceres & Trujillo with its imposing castle

Mérida's awesome Roman remains - Spain's finest

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2nd century Roman bridge at Alcántara

HPAR7 5-Star Parador, Cáceres

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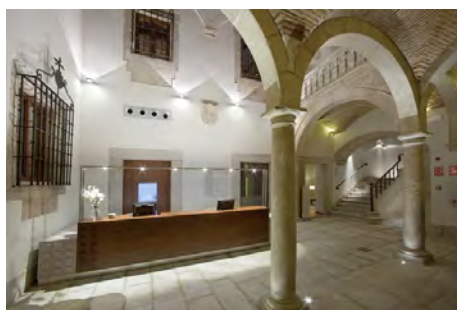
Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Housed in a 14th century palace, the Parador de Cáceres is located in the heart of the city's old quarter, World Heritage Site, just a few minutes' walk from the Main Square as well as shopping streets and bars and restaurants.

The elegance of this Renaissance palace is combined with stylish but sober touches which create a relaxed atmosphere. All rooms - 39 spacious rooms in total - are ensuite and have been tastefully decorated.

There is a nice restaurant with large windows opening into an attractive garden which is perfect for a drink, a quiet reading or a romantic dinner.



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	• Standard double or twin, Double Superior • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• Garage parking (extra charge) • On-street parking • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • No pets allowed

Stage 6

Extremadura, central



Highlights

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HLLE1 4-Star Hotel, Llerena

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Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Walking into the Hospedería Mirador de Llerena will take you back to the beginnings of the C20th when this beautiful art deco palace "La Casa de Doña Mariana" (the original owner) was built. It stands right in the centre of the interesting old town of Llerena, at one time home to the great Spanish painter Zurbarán, in the south of Extremadura.

Spanning two floors, it has been carefully restored to preserve many of its original features - the elegant and pretty interior patio with its glass topped roof, the original marble staircase, the delicate mixture of fine wrought iron work and stunning coloured glass create a wonderful feeling of light and space, so relaxing to the eye.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas • Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	• Restaurant, open to the public • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Standard double or twin, Superior double, Suite with terrace, Junio Suite, Triple. • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	• Garage parking (extra charge) • On-street parking • Electric vehicle charging station • Pets allowed by prior arrangement - please consult

Stage 7

Sevilla Province



Highlights

- Gateway to the New World & all its riches
- 3 World Heritage Sites in Sevilla's Old Town!
- Colossal Cathedral, Moorish Alcázar Palace & Giralda Tower
- Carmona, Sevilla in miniature, just half an hour away
- Thriving Flamenco culture & lively Barrio Santa Cruz

HSEV1 3-Star Hotel, Sevilla

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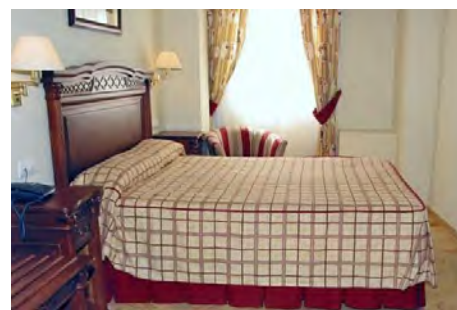
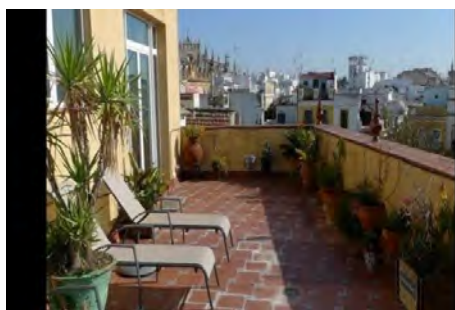
Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



With three World Heritage Sites within 5 minutes' walk this hotel can truly claim to be at the very heart of Seville - climb to the roof terrace & see just how close the Cathedral really is!

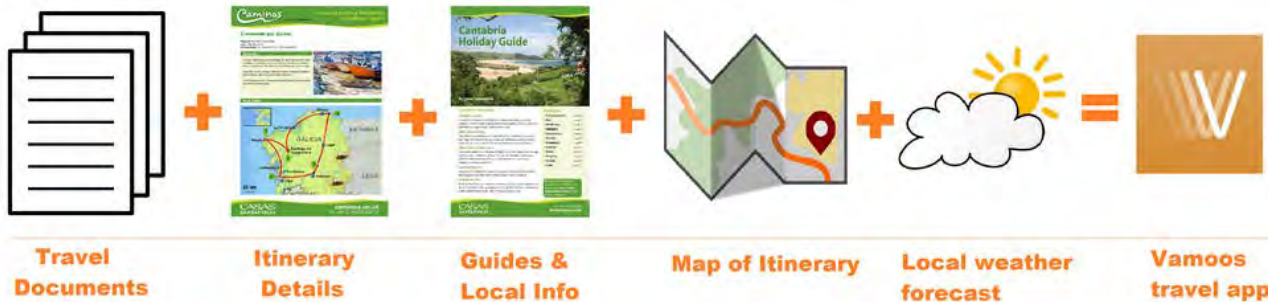
The hotel enjoys a privileged position with relatively little traffic in a neighbourhood with some of the best, and most authentic, bars and restaurants to be found anywhere in the city centre.

The building itself dates from the 18th century and is classically decorated but has been nicely kept up to date, offering services such as a solarium as well as WiFi and flat screen TV in all the rooms.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas
Room facilities	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning • Tea/coffee making facilities
Dining	• Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Double deluxe, Single Standard double or twin.
Other	• Garage parking (free) • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • No pets allowed

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