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Tee Times, Tapas & Tempranillo

Barcelona/Basque Country/La Rioja

Highlights:

- 11 days/10 nights in Spain's Catalonian and Basque (including Rioja Alavesa) regions, home to world-class wine and cuisine, as well as challenging golf
- Four rounds of championship golf: PGA Golf de Catalunya, the upstart golf destination in Spain, Real Club de Golf El Prat, a private club with 45 holes of Greg Norman golf, Izki Golf, a CORK & TEE Hidden Gem and Artxanda Golf, a challenging new Olazabal design in a spectacular mountain setting
- Deluxe accommodations in a range of properties: Casa Fuster, a modernist boutique property with a fashionable Barcelona address, Hotel Marques de Riscal, the titanium-clad marvel unveiled in October 2006, and Villa Soro, a charming boutique property in the delightful seaside Basque resort town of San Sebastian
- Insider private guided educational wine tasting tours of the best of La Rioja, plus a visit to a very special Txakoli bodega in Basque country
- Epicurean walking tours in San Sebastian (featuring a tapas lunch) and Barcelona, plus a private cultural tour in Barcelona showcasing the architectural masterpieces of Antoni Gaudi and a tour of the historic city of Girona in the Costa Brava
- Private guided tour of the Guggenheim Bilbao, an architectural masterpiece that recently celebrated its 10th anniversary
- Excursion to the seaside Basque village of Getaria
- Car and driver transport and luxury rental car
- Exceptional dining at CORK & TEE recommended restaurants (meals not included unless specified)



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Day One: Fly into Bilbao. Private guided tour of the Guggenheim Bilbao Museum, private transfer 1hr30 minutes to San Sebastian, Spain's most delightful seaside resort and the culinary capital of the Basque region. Accommodations: Villa Soro, a charming 25-room hotel located five minutes by foot from the Old Town in a 19th century villa.

Day Two: Guided epicurean walking tour of the Old Town of San Sebastian, including a visit to the market and a lunch tapas tour with a culinary guide. Afternoon at leisure. Accommodations: Villa Soro

Day Three: Morning at leisure in San Sebastian. Afternoon transfer to the charming Basque town of Getaria for a grilled seafood lunch overlooking the waterfront. After lunch, continue to a small, family-run winery that produces Txakoli, the delightful Basque white wine, for a private visit and tasting. Accommodations: Villa Soro

Day Four: Self drive 1hr15minutes from San Sebastian to Bilbao for morning golf at Artxanda Golf. Following golf, continue on 1hr30minutes to Rioja Alavesa, the finest sub-region within La Rioja. Accommodations: the Hotel Marques de Riscal, Frank Gehry's first hotel design (opened in 2006) and one of the most visually stunning hotel properties anywhere. The avant-garde hotel is co-located with the Bodega Marques de Riscal, one of Spain's most celebrated wineries. Sommelier-led wine tasting upon arrival.

Day Five: Private guided wine tour with winemaker meetings and a visit to the charming wine town of Laguardia, with lunch at one of our favorite spots in the region. We will personalize your bodega visits, but we prefer private visits to Finca Valpiedra, Marques de Murrieta and Ramirez Ganuza, as well as the first-rate group tour at Muga in the wine town of Haro. Accommodations: Hotel Marques de Riscal

Day Six: Morning golf at Izki Golf, a 30-minute drive from your accommodations. Continue 1hr15minutes to Bilbao for an afternoon flight via Spanair from Bilbao to Barcelona. Accommodations: Casa Fuster, our favorite luxury property in the city combining an old world exterior with a decidedly modernist décor.

Day Seven: Half-day personalized walking tour of Barcelona with Marta, our guide who is as vibrant as this magnificent city. Tour components could include the modernist architecture of Antoni Gaudi (including the work-in-progress La Sagrada Familia temple and other works), the Gothic Quarter and the Born district with options for epicurean stop offs and tastings at a wine boutique, La Boqueria market and gourmet stores featuring Catalan specialties. Afternoon at leisure. Accommodations: Casa Fuster

Day Eight: Private transfer 1hr15minutes to Costa Brava for golf at PGA Golf de Catalunya. Afternoon private guided tour of Girona, the charming cultural center of the Costa Brava. Accommodations: Casa Fuster

Day Nine: Morning at leisure in Barcelona, plus an afternoon private guided excursion with driver/guide to Penedes with tours and cava tastings. Accommodations: Casa Fuster

Day Ten: Morning golf at Real Club de Golf El Prat, 45 holes of spectacular private golf in the western suburbs (design by Greg Norman). Afternoon at leisure in Barcelona. Accommodations: Casa Fuster

Day Eleven: Departure

What's Included:

- 10 nights deluxe accommodations as specified
- 4 rounds of golf (Artxanda Golf, Izki Golf, El Prat, and PGA Golf de Catalunya)
- Private guided Spanish wine experiences: Day tour of La Rioja and Penedes, plus a visit to a family-run bodega in the Basque Country
- Private cultural tours: Half-day guided walking tour in Barcelona with Epicurean stop-offs; half-day guided visit to Girona; private tour of the Guggenheim Bilbao Museum; culinary and tapas tour of Old Town San Sebastian and a visit to the Basque seaside town of Getaria
- Bilbao to Barcelona flight on Spanair (coach class as this is a 75-minute flight)
- Luxury rental vehicle in the Basque Country (from San Sebastian to La Rioja and drop-off at Bilbao airport). Car and driver transfers in Catalonia and from Bilbao airport to the Guggenheim Museum and then on to San Sebastian on day of arrival.
- Breakfast each day
- Opinionated restaurant recommendations (meals not included unless specified in itinerary)

Price Per Person (based on a group of four): \$7,880

Pricing may be reduced by approximately \$950 by selecting another Barcelona hotel.

Pricing and arrangements are subject to availability and price fluctuation.

Pricing will be guaranteed prior to final booking.

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