

WILDERNESS TRAVEL SPECIAL EVENTS PRESENTS

Total Solar Eclipse 2026

WITH POST-ECLIPSE TOURS IN SPAIN, PORTUGAL & FRANCE

Treasures of Spain's Northern Coast

VAST GREEN LANDSCAPES, UNSPOILED BEACHES & FINE GASTRONOMY
AUGUST 9-19, 2026



 Wilderness Travel



2026 Spain Eclipse Program

Join us in northern Spain in 2026 to experience a total solar eclipse as it sweeps across the Iberian Peninsula. Our exclusive viewing location atop a hilltop winery aligns with the eclipse’s centerline. Chosen in collaboration with esteemed eclipse meteorologist Jay Anderson, it promises the finest weather and sweeping views across the flat Meseta Norte—we should be in for a visual treat. Because the total eclipse will occur low on the horizon just one hour shy of sunset, we can look forward to a number of effects being different from when totality is high overhead. Intensified atmospheric scattering should greatly enhance the colors of the surrounding horizon, and the setting sun will appear magnified by the “moon illusion.” Throughout the program, we’ll enjoy insightful talks on eclipses and cosmic wonders curated by our distinguished lecturer Dr. Alex Filippenko, Professor of Astronomy at UC Berkeley.



OUR EXPERT ASTRONOMER ALEX FILIPPENKO, PHD

A name familiar to many, Dr. Filippenko is a celebrated professor at UC Berkeley, revered for his expertise in the fields of exploding stars, active galaxies, and universal expansion. His accolades are numerous, and notably, he’s been voted “Best Professor” at UC Berkeley a record nine times!

Eclipse Program Locations



BILBAO

We begin the Eclipse Program in Bilbao exploring this Basque capital where timeless traditions fuse with the avant-garde. Bilbao's dedication to innovative architecture and cuisine is felt throughout the city, from the iconic Guggenheim Museum—a shining example of 20th-century architecture housing one of the most important private collections of modern and contemporary art—to its historic Old Town filled with eateries serving pintxos and Txakoli wine.



BURGOS

On our way to Burgos, the capital city of the unified kingdom of Castile and León for five centuries, we'll tour the prehistoric site of Atapuerca, where the oldest known evidence of humans in western Europe was unearthed. In Burgos, we'll visit the famed cathedral, one of the masterpieces of Spanish Gothic architecture and the only cathedral in Spain to be declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



LERMA

Our lodging during this astronomical event is the iconic Parador de Lerma, once the Ducal Palace and the seat of the Spanish Empire from 1599-1618 under the clandestine rule of the Duke of Lerma, a favorite of King Phillip III. Dating back to pre-Roman times, Lerma experienced significant growth and wealth in the 17th century under the Duke's patronage, including the construction of buildings in the Herrerian style that today are among the best-preserved historical-artistic complexes in Spain.

Eclipse Program Schedule

DAY 1, AUGUST 9: BILBAO

- Arrive in Bilbao and Transfer to the Hotel Carlton
- Welcome Reception and Dinner

DAY 2, AUGUST 10: BILBAO

- Morning Lecture on Eclipses
- Walking Tour of Bilbao, and Cruise Down the Nervión River
- Haute Cuisine Pintxos Lunch Designed by Chef Zuriñe García
- Tour of the Guggenheim
- Afternoon Lecture on the History and Culture of the Basque People

- Late Afternoon Astronomy Presentation

DAY 4, AUGUST 12: LERMA

- Morning Astronomy Presentation
- Free Time to Explore Lerma
- Transfer to Viewing Site
- Pre-Eclipse Presentation, Winery Tours and Tasting
- Eclipse!
- Celebratory Farewell Dinner at the Winery

DAY 3, AUGUST 11: BURGOS / LERMA

- Transfer to Lerma, via Burgos
- Tour of Atapuerca Archaeological Site
- Walking Tour of Burgos' Historical Center and Gothic Cathedral

DAY 5, AUGUST 13

- Depart Lerma on Your Post-Eclipse Tour



Overview



TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

- Length:** 11 days
Arrive: Bilbao, Spain
Depart: Santiago de Compostela, Spain
Lodging: 10 nights hotels
Meals: All meals included (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
Activity: Cultural, Walking

Trip Level: 1 ② 3 4 5 6

A mix of easy to moderate walks and hikes, 2-4 hours a day, van support

QUESTIONS?

Our Area Specialists are your single point of contact and would be happy to answer any questions about your trip!

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Witness the dramatic phenomena of a total solar eclipse with renowned astrophysicist Alex Filippenko, PhD (veteran of 14 eclipse events with WT!)
- Enjoy the fabulous Parador de Lerma and our private eclipse-viewing site at a hilltop winery
- Experience magical Santiago de Compostela, culmination of the famed El Camino pilgrim trail
- Explore Oviedo, the Asturian capital, a university town and foodie hub
- See the extraordinary prehistoric art of the famed Altamira Caves
- Visit Gijón's Roman sites, including the thermal baths of Campo Valdés
- See A Coruña's Roman-era lighthouse, hike the coastal cliffs of Buelna

Introduction



After the thrill of experiencing the total solar eclipse, we embark on a captivating cultural journey along Spain's northern coast. Here, we will discover a world defined by rugged seascapes, picturesque vineyards, cider farms, and charming coastal towns that move at their own unhurried pace. Our adventure will take us along breathtaking sea cliffs, we'll explore the awe-inspiring cave paintings at Altamira, and we'll savor the delectable cuisine of Asturias. The stylish and walkable foodie hub of Oviedo, the Asturian capital, is one of the highlights of our journey. From fresh seafood to hearty bean and chorizo stews, *sidra* (cider), to cave-aged cheeses, your taste buds are in for a treat. We conclude our journey in the extraordinary city of Santiago de Compostela, the culmination of Europe's renowned pilgrim trail. Here, amid the twin-towered limestone cathedral that houses the remains of St. James, all pilgrim paths converge, making this an unforgettable experience.

TRIP DATES

August 9-19, 2026

Itinerary



Overnight: Hotel Carlton

The Hotel Carlton, built in 1919, is an impressive Beaux Arts monument in the grand style of its era. It is centrally located in the Old Town on Plaza de Federico Moyúa and just a short walk to the Guggenheim Museum. The hotel was the seat of the Basque government during the Spanish Civil War.

Meals: B, L, D

DAYS 1-2 TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE PROGRAM, BILBAO TO LERMA, SPAIN

Our eclipse program begins in Bilbao, with a tour of the acclaimed Guggenheim Museum, a masterpiece by Canadian architect Frank Gehry that put Bilbao on the map for art lovers, a cruise along the Nervión River, which flows through the city to the Cantabrian Sea, and a walking tour of the pedestrianized Old Quarter. We'll savor a pintxos lunch designed by chef Zuriñe García, the first Basque woman to get a Michelin star, and enjoy dinner in the old Alhóndiga, or wine warehouse, of Bilbao. Our Guest Astronomer, Dr. Alex Filippenko, will begin his series of lectures on eclipses and other astronomical phenomena, and we'll discover the ancient and mysterious culture of the Basque people with a local historian, Professor Alberto Santana. Our Bilbao accommodation on Days 1-2 is the luxurious Hotel Carlton, a Bilbao landmark. Meals begin with Dinner on Day 1.

Itinerary



Overnight: Parador de Lerma

Built in the 17th century atop a medieval castle, this former Ducal Palace was built by the Duke of Lerma as a place of lodging, rest, and general enjoyment for his close friend, King Felipe III. The palace has a central courtyard surrounded by stately columned galleries, and features interiors from the era of the Hapsburgs, with beautifully designed lighting and décor.

Meals: B, L, D

DAYS 3-4 TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE PROGRAM, BILBAO TO LERMA, SPAIN

Departing Bilbao, we visit the prehistoric Atapuerca archaeological site, whose caves hold a rich fossil record of Europe's early humans. Heading to the charming town of Burgos, located on the Camino Frances, we'll tour its imposing Gothic cathedral before continuing to the medieval town of Lerma, where you will have time to explore before we gather for another astronomy lecture. On eclipse day, we'll craft our viewers and enjoy a bit more of Lerma before heading to our private eclipse-viewing site at an expansive winery on a hill—virtually on the centerline. Winery tours and tastings will be available this afternoon as we prepare for the eclipse and enjoy the winery's grounds and views. On Days 3-4, we stay at the fabulous Parador de Lerma, a Ducal Palace originally built for King Felipe III.

Itinerary



**Overnight: Hotel Casa del Marqués
(or Parador de Santillana del Mar Gil Blas)**

Tucked away behind a canopy of lush foliage stands the Hotel Casa del Marqués. This historic building-turned-hotel has 15 rooms individually decorated in a charming style. Throughout the property are well-preserved furniture, artworks, and antique decorations. The staff is attentive and helpful, and there is a wonderful patio garden to enjoy a drink after a day of exploring.

Meals: B, L, D

Approximate Driving Time: 2.5 hours

DAY 5 LERMA, SPAIN / SANTILLANA DEL MAR

We depart Lerma and travel this morning to medieval Santillana del Mar, whose cobbled lanes surround sandstone churches and mansions with flower-bedecked balconies. Some of the 15th to 18th-century mansions close to the Plaza Mayor still belong to the original families. The town's name comes from Santa Juliana, who was buried here 1,200 years ago. Locals call their hometown “the place of three lies,” because it's not *santi* (holy), *llana* (flat), or *del mar* (on the sea). We'll tour the city and visit the 12th-century Romanesque church, said to be the home to the remains of Santa Juliana, along with curious sculptures of erotic art. We gather for a Welcome Dinner at a historic local restaurant.

Itinerary



Overnight: Hotel Casa del Marqués
(or Parador de Santillana del Mar Gil Blas)

Meals: B, L, D

Driving Time: 2.5 hours

DAY 6 ALTAMIRA CAVES / COMILLAS / EL CAPRICHO

Our day begins with a visit to the renowned Altamira Caves, known as the Sistine Chapel of prehistoric art. This extraordinary system of caverns was created by prehistoric people who etched their paintings in red and black to portray images of bulls, bison, and boars, along with other animals. The original caverns are closed to protect them from damage. We'll take a private tour of the very beautiful new Altamira Cave, a meticulous and exact reproduction, made in full scale, reconstructing the cave as it was between 22,000 and 13,000 years ago. We then drive through beautiful and lush countryside to the coastal town of Comillas to visit some of its iconic buildings, including the imposing neo-Gothic Sobrellano Palace, designed by the Catalan architect Joan Martorell, and the flamboyant El Capricho mansion designed by the famed Antoni Gaudí, who belonged to the Modernisme (Art Nouveau) movement. The mansion was one of Gaudí's earliest works and is now a restaurant where we'll enjoy our lunch.

Itinerary



Overnight: Numa Hotel Boutique (or Abba Playa Gijón Hotel)

The 4-star Numa Hotel Boutique has a modern aesthetic and combines industrial interiors with wood and leather accents to create a wonderful play of color and textures. Guest rooms are thoughtfully designed with comfortable beds, nice bathrooms, and views overlooking the city. Relax in the lounge on one of the large leather chairs or enjoy a drink at the hotel bar.

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 2.5 hours, 4.7 miles

Driving Time: 1 hour

DAY 7 BUELNA / BUFONES / GIJÓN

This morning we'll take a gentle hike on the coastal cliffs of the village of Buelna. Depending on the tides, we should be able to see the spray of the Bufones de Santiuste (blowholes) as it jets out of the cracks in the limestone cliffs. These marine geysers along the Cantabrian Sea are protected as a natural monument. After lunch, we continue to the port city of Gijón, the largest city in Asturias yet still largely surrounded by open countryside and farm fields, with a dynamic Old Town and a long, curving beach. After lunch, we'll visit the Old Town and some of Gijón's Roman sites, such as the thermal baths of Campo Valdés. Tonight's dinner will be in a traditional Asturian *sidra* (cider) tavern. The Asturias region cultivates nearly half of the world's apple varieties, and most rural homes here have pomaradas, or apple orchards, where families grow the fruit for cider-making. Asturians have been making and drinking sidra since Greco-Roman times and we'll learn about the role sidra plays in Asturian culture.

Itinerary



**Overnight: Hotel U Viveiro
(or Hotel Ego)**

This modern hotel is located near the river and has comfortable guest rooms with spacious bathrooms. There is a lovely rooftop area where breakfast is served al fresco and a relaxing terrace perfect for savoring the views.

Meals: B, L, D

Walking Details: 4 miles

Driving Time: 2.5 hours

DAY 8 OVIEDO / VIVIERO

Today we spend most of the day visiting the delightful town of Oviedo, the Asturian capital, a university town and foodie hub cradled in green hills. The celebrated El Camino de Santiago pilgrim trail goes right through this ancient town, starting from the town's striking Gothic cathedral. The Old Quarter, now largely pedestrianized, is a knot of squares and narrow streets built in warm yellow stone, and there is an immense collection of public art scattered through the streets. On our private guided walking tour, we'll see some of the churches and courtly palaces that were built over a thousand years ago: San Julián de los Prados, Santa María del Naranco, San Miguel de Lillo, and the Holy Chamber. In the late afternoon, we continue to Viveiro, and enjoy dinner in this medieval fishing town with a beautiful harbor.

Itinerary



DAY 9 CABO DE ESTACA DE BARES / CORUÑA LIGHTHOUSE

A morning hike brings us along the cliffs of the Cabo de Estaca de Bares to the northernmost point of the Iberian Peninsula, with its 19th-century lighthouse, still in operation. The lighthouse is in a spectacular location and is also a hotspot for watching seabirds. After lunch, we'll head to the port city of Coruña, known for its Roman-era lighthouse, still standing and active. Known as the Tower of Hercules, it provided the first light for ships crossing the Atlantic from America. We'll have dinner tonight in the fishermen's quarter.

Overnight: Meliá Maria Pita (or Hotel Riazor)

The Meliá Maria Pita is set on Riazor Beach and has wonderful amenities for your stay. You'll enjoy spacious guest rooms with modern bathrooms. The hotel's restaurant offers Galician and Mediterranean cuisine. Just outside, you're a short walk on the promenade to many delights in the area.

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 5.5 miles

Driving Time: 2 hours

Itinerary



Overnight: Parador de Santiago de Compostela

Adjacent to Santiago's soaring Romanesque cathedral is the 5-star Parador de Santiago de Compostela, one of the oldest hotels in the world. Staying at this parador brings you into the heart of Santiago's rich history. It's location right on the central square makes it a great place for people watching—sit with a glass of wine looking out over the square and the cathedral of St. James as pilgrims reach the conclusion of their long journey, a moment of extraordinary emotion. The breakfast buffet is legendary here, from chocolate churros to fine Serrano hams and cheeses.

Meals: B, L, D

Driving Time: 1 hour

DAYS 10-11 SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

On the morning of Day 10, we arrive in amazing Santiago, where all roads lead to the vast central plaza and extraordinary twin-towered limestone cathedral containing the remains of St. James. Santiago is one of Spain's most beautiful cities, built of golden granite and declared a national monument in its entirety. We have a guided visit upon arrival and the rest of the afternoon is free if you wish to explore town or attend the daily noon or evening mass held for pilgrims in the cathedral. Even people who are not religious are moved by the emotional nature and pomp of this spectacle, with the organ music swelling into the vaulted ceilings and the jostling crowd of pilgrims from around the world joined in song. If we're lucky, we may see the dramatic swinging of the huge, smoking botafumeiro, a 200-pound incense burner hauled up a pole by eight red-robed priests. As it is swung from one side of the cathedral to the other, the smoking incense often glows—quite a spectacle! (Our local sources will keep us posted if this will occur when we're here). The town is also a wonderful place to walk, with its arcades and flagstone streets, or just enjoy an afternoon coffee on our hotel's terrace, overlooking the plaza and the magnificent cathedral. Witnessing the scene as many pilgrims conclude their journey is tremendously moving. Our accommodation is the extraordinary 5-star Parador de Santiago de Compostela (Hostal dos Reis Católicos), one of the most beautiful hotels in the world, built in 1499 by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella and set adjacent to Santiago's soaring Romanesque cathedral. We gather this evening for our Farewell Dinner. Depart on homeward-bound flights after breakfast on Day 11.

Pricing

TRIP COST

\$10,895 (12-15 members)
\$11,495 (8-11 members)
\$12,095 (4-7 members)
Single supplement: \$1,760

PAYMENT TERMS

At time of reservation \$1,000 per person
Due 180 days prior to departure: 25% of land cost
Due 90 days prior to departure: Balance

Please note that this differs from our standard policy.

CANCELLATION & TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Minimum cancellation fee: \$500 per person
365-181 days prior to departure: \$1,000 per person
180-91 days prior to departure: all deposits to date (\$1,000 plus 25% of land cost)
90 days or less prior to departure: 100% of land costs

We reserve the right to treat the reservation as canceled if payments are not received when due.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details:

www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance

TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Presentations by Guest Speakers
- Expert Trip Leaders and local guides
- All accommodations based on double occupancy
- Meals as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- All ground transportation and baggage handling from meeting until departure
- All activities as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- Entrance fees to museums and archaeological sites
- Gratuities during the Eclipse Program portion of your journey
- A glass of wine or beer with lunch & dinner

TRIP DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Travel to and from the arrival and departure location as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- Additional hotel nights outside the trip's scheduled dates
- Optional gratuities to Trip Leaders or staff
- Optional travel insurance
- Other expenses of a personal nature (some alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.)

Arrival & Departure

ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Suggested Airport: Bilbao Airport (BIO)

Suggested Arrival Date & Time: Day 1, August 9, 2026, by 5 pm

Note: Depending on your routing, it may be necessary to depart from the US one or more days prior to Day 1 of the trip itinerary.

Meeting Place: We will gather for a Welcome Reception in the Crystal Hall of the Carlton Hotel before dinner. Timing to be advised prior to departure.

DEPARTURE

Suggested Airport: Santiago de Compostela Airport (SCQ)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 11, any time

On Day 11, trip members are responsible for transferring to the Santiago de Compostela Airport on their own. Taxis are available for direct hotel to airport service (9 miles, approximately €25). It only takes 20 minutes to get to the airport and you don't need to be there until 90 minutes prior to departure for domestic flights (a minimum of 45 minutes is required for luggage check-in).

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

If you would like assistance booking your flights, there are many online consolidators for booking travel who can help, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 1-800-655-4053 in the US or 1-800-670-2605 in Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found on Exito's website at www.exitotravel.com.

Please remember that the name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US. Please do not purchase your tickets until you are confirmed on the trip (as specific as arrival and departure details could change) and we have sent final arrival and departure instructions.

Once your tickets have been purchased, please forward us a copy of your email flight confirmation from the airline. It is your responsibility to ensure your flight times coordinate with the arrival and departure logistics for this trip.

EXTRA HOTEL NIGHTS

If you are arriving one or more days early, we can book extra nights for you at the group hotel in Bilbao (an 'on your own' expense).

Trip Leaders

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<https://wildernesstravel.com/trip/spain-eclipse-northern-coast-walking-tour>



ITZIAR ZORILLA

Itziar Zorilla is a native of the Basque country in Spain and considers the mountains of the Pyrenees her home. An expert climber, she has traveled solo in Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America pursuing higher summits and exploring new cultures. Itziar loves to share her passion for Basque culture, the Pyrenees, and the beauty of Spain. One of her favorite hiking areas is in Anboto, close to Bilbao, where "vertiginous limestone peaks rise just from the valley—the most impressive mountains of our land." Itziar's personal rules for happiness are many: "Never leave the house without a book, never say 'no' to a movie, and never waste an opportunity to go on a trip, whether nearby or far away."

What to Expect

WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is rated **Level 2, Easier**, according to our trip grading system. You will need to be comfortable walking and hiking 2-3 miles a day and being on your feet for up to 5 hours a day. For your enjoyment of the trip, you should be a fit walker.

Average Hiking Day:

- 2 miles
- 2 hours
- 200 feet gain/loss

TERRAIN

Our hikes are over easy to moderate terrain, with well-marked paths throughout. We will occasionally walk a few miles on pavement, with some of the hiking on dirt paths. Some hikes follow coastal paths that can be easy to moderate.

GETTING IN SHAPE

We strongly urge you to train for your trip, as your enjoyment will be highly dependent on your level of fitness. The best training for a hike is to hike, especially over hills or rough terrain. Next best are running, swimming, bicycling, or other cardiovascular exercise. Stair climbing machines are excellent preparation for hiking uphill. Your feet should also be well prepared—make sure your hiking boots are sturdy, comfortable, and thoroughly broken-in.

WEATHER

While we have timed our trip for ideal hiking weather, you should be prepared for a variety of conditions. In August, the days are usually warm and but can be hot. Nights can be quite cool. There is typically sunshine, but showers can occur at any time.

ACCOMMODATIONS

You will be welcomed each night in our carefully selected hotels, including a night at the extraordinary Parador de Santiago de Compostela. The rest of our accommodations are very comfortable and well located. Since they are often in historic buildings, the rooms are not always of uniform or international size. Our leaders do their best to assign rooms in a fair way so that all participants experience an equal advantage throughout the trip as a whole. Single rooms can be requested but are not always available, due to the limited space in the hotels. If you prefer a single room, please make your request as early as possible.

CUISINE

A buffet breakfast is served at our hotel each morning with fruit, bread, whole grains, cold cuts, cheese, butter, ham, olive oil, tomato, yogurt, coffee, and tea. We'll enjoy lunches and dinners in cafés or restaurants that offer local foods including cheeses, fresh vegetables, salamis, ham, fresh fruit, and bread. We convene for our lunches around 1:00 pm as lunch starts late in Spain. Dinner is at our hotel or a nearby restaurant and includes other local specialties like lamb and fresh seafood. Please note that in Spain, the dinner hour is considerably later than what it is in the US. We do our best to secure early reservations for our groups, but most often the evening meal will be at 8:00 pm.

Additional Information

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

Adventure travel often involves exotic destinations, unusual levels of physical exertion, or activities you may not have participated in previously. We work hard to help you choose the right trip for you, paying attention to your individual interests, abilities, and needs. If you have questions about the level of comfort or any of the activities described in this itinerary, please call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 or email us at info@wildernesstravel.com.

REFERENCES

We'd be happy to put you in touch with a past client that has traveled with us on this trip.

ABOUT NEW TRIPS

This is a new adventure and one that we are particularly excited about offering. However, as with all new departures, flexibility and a spirit of adventure are always appreciated! Activities are described in the itinerary but they can vary, sometimes considerably, depending on weather conditions, the group, and other factors.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

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Travel Notes



WILDERNESS TRAVEL HAS BEEN AWARDED:

- World's Best Tour Operators: *Travel + Leisure*, 2022, 11-time winner
- Best Travel Specialists in the World: *Conde Nast Traveller*, 2022, 3 years in a row
- Best Wildlife, Hiking & Walking Trips: *AFAR Magazine*, 3 years in a row
- Best Adventure Travel Companies: *USA Today*
- Trip of the Year: *Outside Magazine*, 9-time winner
- 50 Tours of a Lifetime: *National Geographic Traveler*, 9 years in a row
- Best Adventure Travel Companies: *National Geographic Adventure*, 3-time winner

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