

## **ENJOY THE LATEST AVANT-GARDE ARCHITECTURE IN SPAIN!**

Famous architects such as Frank Gehry, Santiago Calatrava, Richard Rogers, Norman Foster, Jean Nouvel, Toyo Ito, David Chipperfield, Ricardo Bofill, Arata Isozaki, Zaha Hadid, Owings & Merrill, Rafael Moneo, Jacques Herzog y Pierre de Meuron... have chosen Spain to build their latest works.

Strolling around the streets of many cities in Spain you'll notice that innovation and design are to be found, outstanding examples of 21st-century avant-garde architecture and visiting UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Don't forget to delight your palate in the most artistic wineries, you'll love both its wines as its modern architecture! Days of merrymaking, gastronomic delicacies and general joy!

International environment, share the trip with architects, designers and art lovers from around the world!

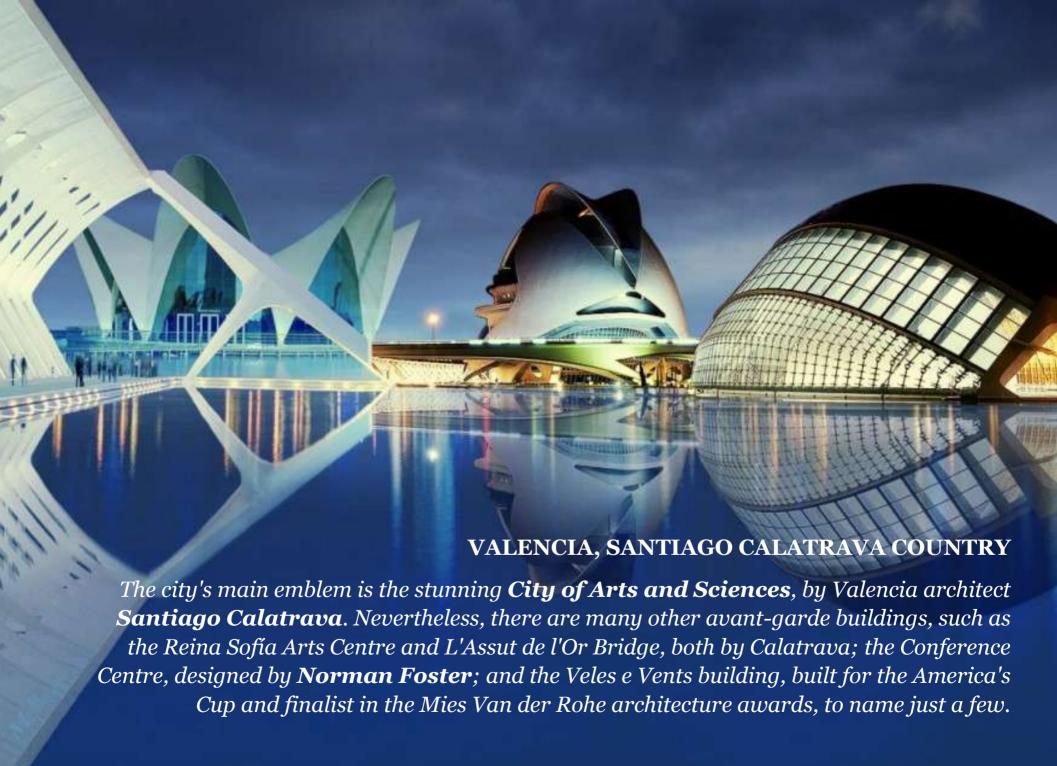
"Architecture is the great book of humanity"



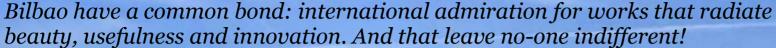
# BARCELONA, A REAL OPEN-AIR MUSEUM

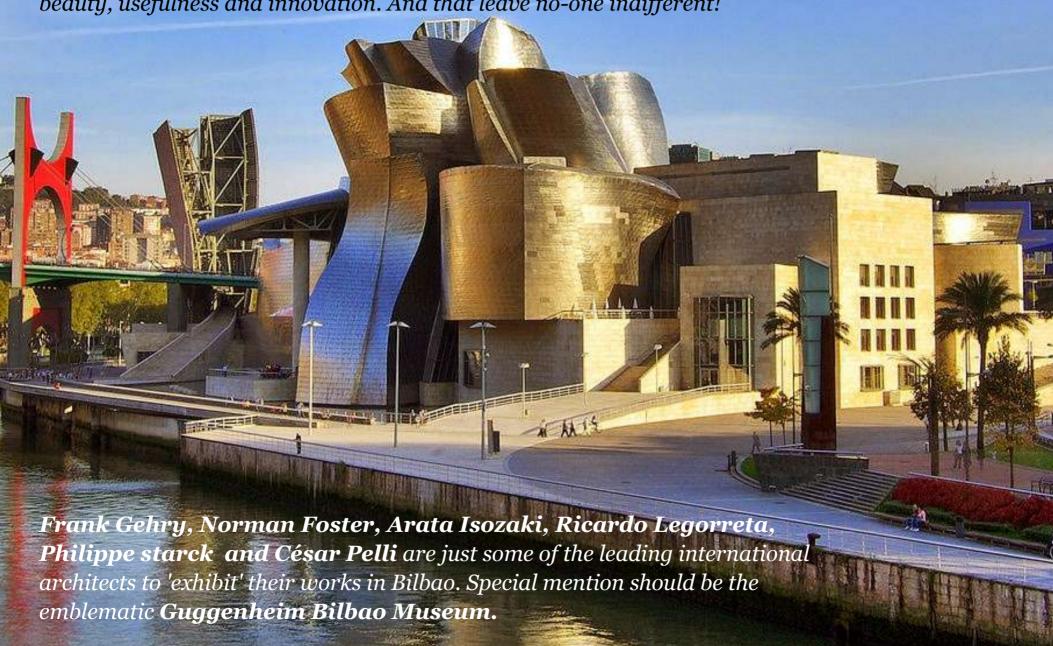
Barcelona, is a Mediterranean and cosmopolitan city with Roman remains, medieval quarters and the most beautiful examples of 20th century Modernism and avant-garde. It is no surprise that emblematic constructions by architects have been declared World Heritage Sites by the UNESCO.

Waiting for you! Architecture,
Design, Art, Exhibitions,
Beaches and masterpieces of
Antoni Gaudí, Frank Gehry,
Jean Nouvel, Arata Isozaki,
Jacques Herzog& Pierre de
Meuron, Mies Van der Rohe,
Ricard Bofill, Toyo Ito among
others...



## BILBAO, OUTSTANDING ARCHITECTURAL SITE





## LA RIOJA, VISIONARY ARCHITECTURE. VINTAGE WINE EXPERIENCES.

Rioja lets you experience the contrasts between underground wineries, family wine cellars and age-old wineries in contrast with the most avant-garde architectural projects of the day. An incredible winetourism experience that lets you share the warmth of the people of Rioja and learn about the traditions that have been cultivated in this land down the centuries.





A COUNTRY TO TASTE. THAT'S SPAIN.



Delicious Local Foodie Experiences and traditional Markets! You'll be able to discover the exquisite and typical dishes of each area, the famous miniature canapés known as 'tapas', paella, iberian cured ham, some of the best wines in the world and much more...it's healthy, it tastes delicious, and it's been awarded the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage designation.

Come and enjoy it!



We arrive in Valencia and meet our fellow passengers. We check in to the hotel and join our group for dinner and a tour briefing. There are international overnight flights to Valencia (VLC) or you can travel to Madrid (MAD) and high speed train to Valencia.

## 2nd day Valencia, Santiago Calatrava Country

There are few cities like **Valencia**, able to harmoniously combine the remnants of its farthest past, dating to the year 138 BC, with the most innovative and **avant-garde** buildings from the new millennium.

The City of Arts and Science is a big complex made up of 8 different buildings (L'Hemisferic, El Meseu de les Ciencies Principe Felipe, L'Umbracle, L'Oceanografic, El Palau de les Arts Reina Sofia, El pont de l'Assut de l'Or, L'Agora and Torres de Valencia), the outstanding work of two Spanish architects of international prestige: Santiago Calatrava and Félix Candela. We will discover and enjoy it through an architect, who will explain us from the beginning of the project to the final of construction, from the viewpoint of architecture.

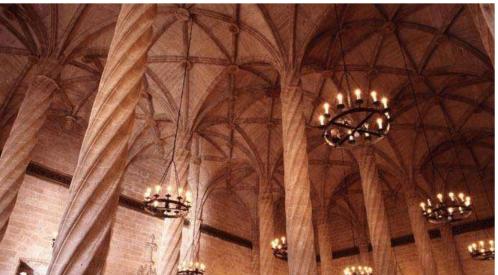




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Lunchtime! Did you know? Valencia is home of **Paella** dish originated in the 18th century.



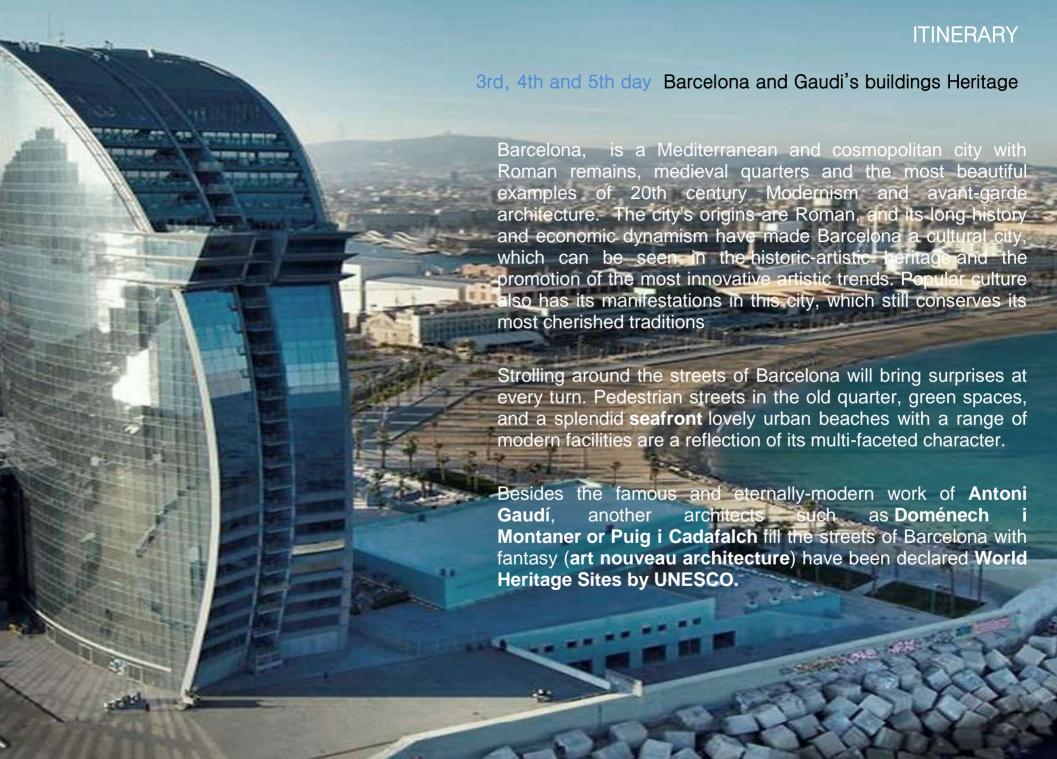




We will have time to enjoy a great paella in **The Veles e Vents** innovative building, won on the **LEAF Award**, a prestigious European architectural prize, from the prestigious architect **David Chipperfield**. A tasty rice, overlooking the Mediterranean sea, the sun and good vibes are the best attraction.

After lunch, why not spend the afternoon getting to know Valencia's historic quarter in the daylight? **Silk Exchange** (the jewel of European Gothic civil architecture. Built in the 15th century) which boasts **UNESCO World Heritage** status, the Palace of the Valencia Regional Government and the Cathedral.

In the evening departure from Valencia to Barcelona private transportation in the comfort of an executive minibus.





3rd, 4th and 5th day Barcelona and Gaudi's buildings Heritage

Soaring, vertical, stylised... it defies the heights. This is how the **Sagrada Familia** rises up towards the sky. It is Barcelona's most visited building and the finest work of modernist architect **Antoni Gaudí**.

The Sagrada Familia UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a grandiose work, architecturally complex and full of religious symbolism.

The great genius dedicated more than 40 years to the church, and, after his death in 1926, the project continued according to his original plans and drawings and is still unfinished - work is scheduled to end in 2026, the hundredth anniversary of his death. This earned him the nickname "God's Architect".

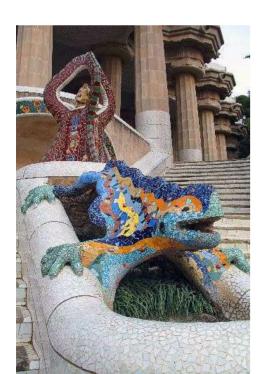
It will be the tallest church building in the world as well as the church with the tallest spire in the world.



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Park Güell: The architect's passion for natural shapes. Park Güell is like something out of a fairy tale. It's a strange place, peculiar, even dreamlike, but it's certainly beautiful. A walk through this park awakens even the least active imagination. The weird shapes and daring colour combinations, mingling with the plants, create a different world that visitors find irresistibly attractive.

When Gaudí gained his architecture degree, Elies Rogent, head of the Barcelona School of Architecture, said: "Whether we have given a degree to a madman or a genius only time will tell." Undoubtedly, time has opted for the second choice and Güell Park, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1984, is proof of this!









# 3rd, 4th and 5th day Barcelona and Gaudi's buildings Heritage

Casa Milà "La Pedrera" house a masterpiece by Gaudí. An ironic allusion to the resemblance of its façade to an open quarry. For its uniqueness, artistic and heritage value was inscribed on World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Everything in this building is curved and undulating. Architecturally it is considered an innovative work by having a structure of columns and floors free of load bearing walls. Similarly, the front – which is made of stone – is also self-supporting, i.e., not loads of floors.

**Salvador Dalí** about Gaudí: "His houses are for erotomaniacs, where you can dream as well as live"



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The Casa Batlló: The House of Bones or carnaval, one of the jewels of Art Nouveau. It remains one of Gaudí's most important works, due to its symbolism, as well as his contribution to geometry and new design and building techniques which tie in with some of the characteristics of surrealism, cubism, expressionism and constructivism. UNESCO World Heritage Site!

Let's take a walk starting in Fundació Antoni Tàpies with an experienced architect to the **Eixample master plan**, designed by engineer and visionary **Ildefons Cerdà** visiting some examples to understand it.





Passatge Permanyer | Inner block private passage. Jeroni Granell i Barrera. 1864

Jardins de la Torre de les Aigues | Inner block courtyard. 1987 | Historic water tower. Josep Oriol Mestres. 1870

**Mercat de la Concepció** | Market hall. Antoni Rovira i Trias. 1888 | Albert de Pineda i Álvarez. 1998

Casa Terrades - "Casa de les Punxes" | Residential building. Josep Puig i Cadafalch. 1905

Palau del Baró de Cuadras | Residential building. Josep Puig i Cadafalch. 1906

Mansana de la Discòrdia | Group of residential buildings. Josep Puig i Cadafalch, Lluís Domènech i Montaner, Antoni Gaudí. 1898-1906

Lunch at a modernism building by the architect Josep Puig i Cadafalch and where Pablo Picasso visited the restaurant often!

Barcelona will surprise you with many unusual buildings, is a real open-air museum!

3rd, 4th and 5th day Barcelona and New urban strategies - Plaça de les Glories, 22@

Along with Barcelona's new business and technology district 22@ in the former industrial area of Poblenou it probably has been the neighbourhood with the liveliest planning and building activity in recent years.

Plaça de les Glòries - Canòpia Urbana | Green public square. Agence Ter, Ana Coello de Llobet. Estimated completion 2018 Nou Mercat dels Encants | Flea market. b720 Fermín Vázquez Arquitectos. 2013

**Disseny Hub Barcelona** | Museum. MBM Arquitectes Josep Martorell + Oriol Bohigas + David Mackay + Francesc Gual + Oriol Capdevila. 2013

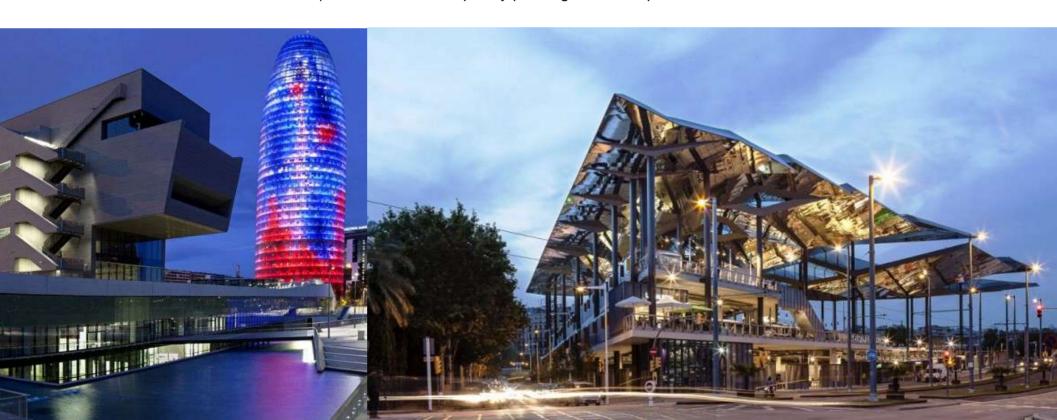
Torre Agbar | Office tower. Jean Nouvel. 2005

Edifici Mediapro | Office building. Carlos Ferrater, Patrick Genard + Xavier Martí. 2008

UPF Campus de la Comunicació Poblenou | Teaching and research facility. Josep Benedito, Ramon Valls. 2009

Media-TIC | Office building. Cloud 9 Enric Ruiz Geli. 2010

Can Framis - Fundació Vila Casas | Museum of contemporary painting. BAAS Arquitectura Jordi Badia. 2009





3rd, 4th and 5th day

Seafront, the city with its back to the water

What a pleasure is to enjoy a delicious meal in front of the Mediterranean sea! Why not swimming in the Mediterranean Sea?

And we will have the opportunity of visiting:

Passeig Marítim de la Barceloneta | Sea promenade. Julià Espinàs + Olga Tarrasó, Jaume Artigues, Miquel Roig, Jordi Henrich.

Edifici Gas Natural - Torre Mare Nostrum | Office building. EMBT Enric Miralles + Benedetta Tagliabue. 2006

Parc de Recerca Biomèdica de Barcelona | Biomedical research centre. Albert de Pineda, Manuel Brullet + Alfonso de Luna. 2006

Port Olímpic | Olympic harbour. MBM Arquitectes Oriol Bohigas + Josep Martorell + David Mackay + Albert Puigdomènech. 1991

The Fish, Frank Gehry 1992



In the evening departure from Barcelona to Zaragoza.



## 6th day Zaragoza "Water and Sustainable Development" buildings

The Expo 2008 was an international exposition held in 2008 in Zaragoza, with the theme of "Water and Sustainable Development".

Aragon Pavilion: Architects Olano y Mendo

**Conference Centre:** the building was designed by the renowned firm of architects Nieto and Sobejano.

**The Water Tower:** its vertical icon. Designed by Enrique de Teresa, it is 76 metres high with 10,400 accessible square metres.

**Zaragoza Bridge Pavilion:** is a building designed by British-Iraqi architect Zaha Hadid.

Visit to **Pablo Gargallo Museum**, famous spanish sculptor and **Aljafería Palace**, a Moorish palace belongs to the Mudéjar architecture which has been declared **UNESCO World Heritage**.





7th and 8th day La Rioja, visionary architecture. Vintage wine experiences.

Along with medieval wineries, you will also find avant-garde art in the form of installations designed by the most famous architects. An array of sensations awaits to you! A brilliant, bright colour, fruity flavour and pleasant palate are just a few of the features of **Rioja** Alavesa red wines from the grape varieties of Tempranillo. We won't forget to delight your palate in the most artistic wineries, **you'll love both its** wines, gastronomy as its modern architecture!

## Bodegas Marques de Riscal, by Frank O.Gehry

Marques de Riscal winery is the oldest and most traditional of the Rioja. The architecture of Gehry follows a sculptural style and a personal vision of architecture, creating functional sculptures. The building is a rectilinear composition of prisms that float above the ground thanks to three supercolumnas that support the entire building. Lunch time!

## Bodegas Lopez de Heredia by Zaha Hadid





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#### **Bodegas Baigorri by Iñaki Aspiazu**

A building, that is fully adapted to the existing topography, developing all the process harmoniously underneath its surface. It is a place where the visitor can gaze at the production process of the wine. Bodegas BAIGORRI was designed and built by the architect Iñaki Aspiazu, who tailored the building to the unique way our wines are made and it is considered as a reference of modern architecture in the area which blends with its surroundings. Lunch time!



## **Bodegas Ysios by Santiago Calatrava**

In an idyllic enclave at the foot of the Sierra de Cantabria, Ysios opens its doors to invite you to discover an signature winery that surprises and fascinates. It is the only winery in the world designed by Santiago Calatrava, fully integrated into the landscape, which the author describes as an ongoing dialogue between the construction and nature, which certainly overwhelms and leaves no one indifferent among the thousands of people who visit us every year.

Ysios Winery, designed to develop expressive and delicious reserve wines, it is a must that will leave a lasting memory forever!



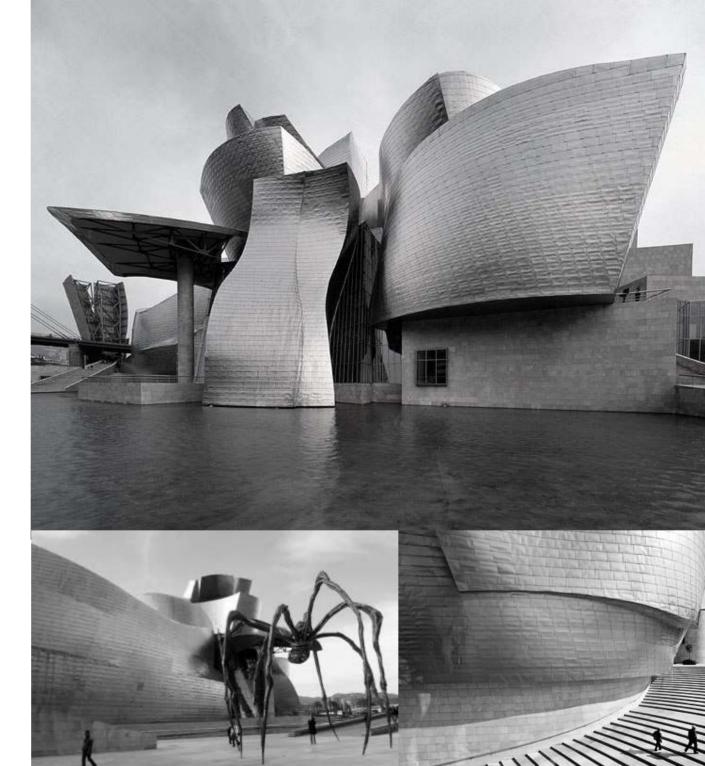
## 9th day

Bilbao, outstanding architectural site

Guggenheim museum, a titanium building. It is a museum of modern and contemporary art, a spectacular structure made of titanium, glass, and limestone – designed by architect Frank Gehry, he has won, among others, the Pritzker Architecture Prize, but will go down in history for projecting what is considered to be the best building in the world in the second half of the 20th century, namely the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao.

A singular tour taking you not only through the exhibitions, but also giving you an exclusive glimpse behind the scenes at the Museum!

The Guggenheim Museum Bilbao kicked off the ground-swell of creativity and Bilbao has successfully used that to create an innovative and contemporary architectural jigsaw, both in terms of the shapes and the use of materials.

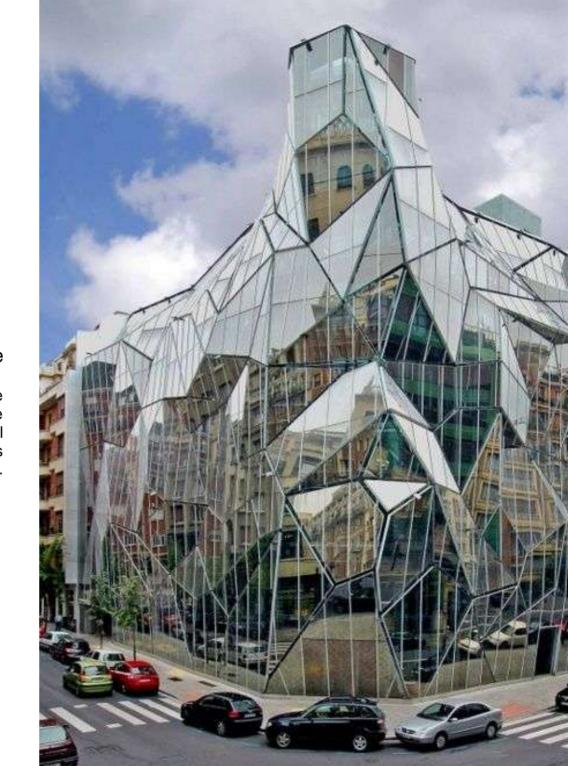




9th day Bilbao, outstanding architectural site

They are striking buildings, brand new or built on the sites of the past, but they are, above all, universal works that summarises the world architecture of the first decades of the 21st century. We will spend the day visiting them and enjoying the delicious gastronomy.









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## 9th day Bilbao

Walking tour: Bilbao Arena Designed by Javier Perez Uribarry&Nicolas Espinosa Barrientos, Bilbao subway by Norman Foster, Biblioteca de Deusto by Rafael Moneo, Puente Zubi Zuri by Santiago Calatrava, Torres Isozaki by Arata Isozaki, Sede Osakidetza by Coll Barreu Arquitectos, La Alhóndiga by Philippe Starck, Torre Iberdrola by Cesar Pelli, Hotel Meliá by Ricardo Legorreta, Palacio Euskalduna by Federico Soriano&Dolores Palacios, Paraninfo UPV by Álvaro Siza.

10th day Bilbao, end of tour

Breakfast in Bilbao and group transfer to Airport by Santiago Calatrava, end of the tour.



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we want to share our passion for architecture. We do this by taking you on scenic tours of some of the most beautiful locations to enhance your photography skills! We also want you to have a real spanish experience you won't forget, making new friends and memories for a lifetime!"

## MALAN KOTZÉ

"Spain is a photographer's dream; the light, architecture, vibrant colour and culture are unique. If you have adventure in your soul and you are passionate about architecture, pack your camera and your creativity, Spain is for YOU!"



He is best known for his photographs in Architecture, Interior, Industrial, Corporate, Real Estate, Commercial, and Hosp Food & Wine Photography in Europe, South Africa, Kenya, Mozambique, Namibia and Swaziland.

The work of Malan has been used for advertising and editorial layouts.

Malan Kotzé photography provides images to numerous magazines and publications around the world such as African Design Magazine, Marklives.

Malan Kotzé is an official Nikon Lecturer - South Africa. He is an official photographer of Luxury chain Hotels and multinational Restaurant companies and has worked in marketing campaigns of awarded designers and international architecture studios.

Malan is member of the South Africa Professional Photographers (SAPP). www.malankotzephotography.com

#### **ISABEL TORRECILLAS**

"Nothing please me more than to share my beautiful homeland with like- minded people and to present a personal and real view of Spain, its culture, its gastronomy, its people, and of course share my passion for history, art and architecture. See you soon!"

Isabel Torrecillas is a Spanish artist from Barcelona, entrepreneur in branding/tourism industry, also photographer best known for her architecture, interior, travel photography and street photography for stock photo agencies.

Her previous background was as a corporate trainer and consultant as an engineer in energy companies in Spain and South America. Her passion for travel has taken her to many places around the world and she has experience in promoting photography and architecture/cultural tours in Spain.

Isabel is member of the Asociación de Fotógrafos Profesionales de España.





# ARCHITECTURE TOUR DATES AND PRICES

## Tour Dates 26 May – 4 June 2017 (10 days/9 nights)

The architecture tour commences in Valencia and ends in Bilbao (Spain)

Cost is €4,300 per person, twin share.

Single occupancy is available upon request and availability with extra cost.

Minimum of 8, Maximum 12 participants A deposit of €1,000 is required when you book the Architecture&Photographic Tour.

## **Terms of payment**

- A deposit of €1,000 must be paid to secure your place. The deposit is non-refundable unless you can sell your place to someone else. If the tour does not proceed, deposit is refunded in full
- The Registration Form must be filled in and signed by each participant at the time of paying the first deposit. Participation will be declined otherwise
- The remaining balance must be paid on or before 15 April 2017
- The photographic tour requires a minimum of 8 to run so please don't book your flights until this has been confirmed.

#### What's included

- 4 Star Charming accommodation
- All Tour Transportation
- Incredible Meals with wine (Breakfast and Lunch or Dinner)
- All excursions, winery experiences, tickets, local guides and walking tours
- Sunrise/Sunset photography
- All photographic tuition
- Arrival/Departure Transfer

#### What's not included

- · Airfares to/from Spain
- Travel insurance with emergency evacuation is mandatory as a condition of booking
- Visas
- Camera/Equipment Insurance
- Optional personal activities
- Additional Snacks & Meals
- Extra Alcohol consumption and beverages
- Tips to the local guides along the way
- Any other personal expenses such as excess baggage fees, laundry, and phone
   calls

## **Pre-Registration Bookings**

New tours often sell out very quickly so we're glad your taking the steps to reserve your seat on our tour. Pre-registering guarantees the first 12 guests a seat on our tour and are sold on a first come first serve basis.

Pre-Registration Bookings and if you have any questions please feel free to contact us:

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### Camera gear

There is really no limit to what camera gear you take but we always recommend to travel light!. Check with your airline about weight restrictions. Whatever level of camera equipment you have, we will help to ensure you get the most out of it

Recommended photography equipment

- DSLR or Mirrorless camera(s)
- Sturdy Tripod
- Wide angle lens 16mm or less
- Zoom lens 24-70mm
- Zoom Lens 70-200mm
- Cable release
- ND & Polarizer filters

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

## **Cancellation Policy**

Payment in full is required when registration is completed less than 60 days before the departure date. Space is subject to cancellation by the Tour Operators if payments are not received when due. If a participant would like to cancel they must send an email notification.

Please note your cancellation is not considered official until you have received a return email confirmation acknowledging your cancellation. At the time we receive your cancellation notification, the following per person charges will be applied.

91 days or more before departure: €300 cancellation fee, plus any additional costs incurred, as well as any fees that are charged by the suppliers providing the services included in the Trip. If your spot is filled by another participant, we'll refund your deposit minus payment processing fees and €100 administrative fee.

61-90 days before departure: €500 cancellation fee, plus any additional costs incurred, as well as fees, if applicable, that are charged by the suppliers providing the services included in the Trip. If your spot is filled by another participant, we will refund your deposit minus payment processing fees and €100 administrative fee.

60 days or less before departure or anytime after departure: NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN and your deposit will be forfeited. Payments in Full are required no later than 60 Days prior to departure. If full and final payment is not received by this date you will be notified via email two times requesting final payment. After that, we will consider your failure to make payment a cancellation and your spot in the Trip will be forfeit and offered to those participants on the waiting list.

#### Camera skills

We will assist you out in the field with the camera skills and Post-processing tips needed to capture those incredible moments. Regardless of your level and your camera equipment, you will improve your skills as a photographer and you will learn the craft with an expert team.

## Not too young & Not too old

We don't put specific age limits on our tours. After all, age is a state of mind. However, do bear in mind that our itineraries are specifically designed for people who have good mobility and a reasonable level of fitness. As we explore the world expect to do lots of walking and you may need to carry your own bags to your room. Our suggestion to feel you comfortable, between 18-60 years old.

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#### **Visas**

American citizens can enter Spain visafree for periods of up to three months

Spain as a member of the Schengen States. On arrival from a non-Schengen state citizens will be issued with a short period visa, or the common 'Schengen Visa', which permits a maximum stay of 90 days. Please check with your consulate/embassy regarding VISAS. Please make sure that your passport/visa does not expire during the tour period.

## Liability

- The operation of the photographic tour is at the sole discretion of Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas, having in mind the wellbeing and interests of all participants and the safe and sensible operation of the program as specified within this itinerary
- Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas do not accept any liability for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise of third party providers
- Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas disclaim liability for any injury, damage, loss, delay, additional expense or trouble caused by force majeure (force of nature) or any other event which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas' part.

## Fitness and health considerations

The photographic tour has been planned within the ability of average people in good health conditions but If vou have concerns about vour own capabilities or health please check with vour doctor before booking a place. We recommend that you do some walking every day to get fit for the trip. By signing the Registration Form, you guarantee that to the best of your knowledge, you do not have any physical or other disability that could create a risk for you or other tour participants. Once a booking has been accepted by Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas, medical circumstances will not be accepted as an exemption to the Cancellation Policy above. When you fill the Registration Form, please indicate any health issues, allergies or dietary requirements Malan Kozté and Isabel do not assume any responsibility or liability for medical care or special dietary requirements. If a participant becomes ill during the photographic tour, Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas reserve the right to continue the tour for the benefit of the rest of the participants. Malan Kotzé and Isabel will make every effort to assist you whilst trying to minimize disruption of the photographic tour for other participants.

## **Rights**

Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas reserve the right to:

- Substitute hotels/accommodation
- Make changes in the itinerary or transport if required due to changes in airline schedules, other schedule changes or when necessary
- Cancel the photographic tour prior to departure, in which case a full refund of all payments received will be given. If such event occurred, Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas will not be responsible for any other expenses such as non-refundable air fares, visa fees and other related expenses. The responsibility for such bookings lies with the participant. As such Malan Kotzé and Isabel Torrecillas recommend participants to purchase a travel protection insurance prior to paying the first deposit.
- Substitute any of the tour leaders as originally specified, in which case this substitution will not entitle the participant to a refund
- Accept or refuse any person as a participant in the photographic tour
- Change the price of the photographic tour due to adverse currency exchange fluctuations, airline schedule changes, fuel and tax price charges (VAT).



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