



## SPAIN

## EL EXPRESO DE LA ROBLA: BILBAO TO LEÓN

 (TOUR CODE: 13806)

## STARTS AND ENDS

Bilbao to  
León

## TRAVEL PERIODS

20 Jun 25 - 12 Sep 25

## EXPERIENCE

Luxury  
Cultural  
Rail

## TRAVEL STYLE

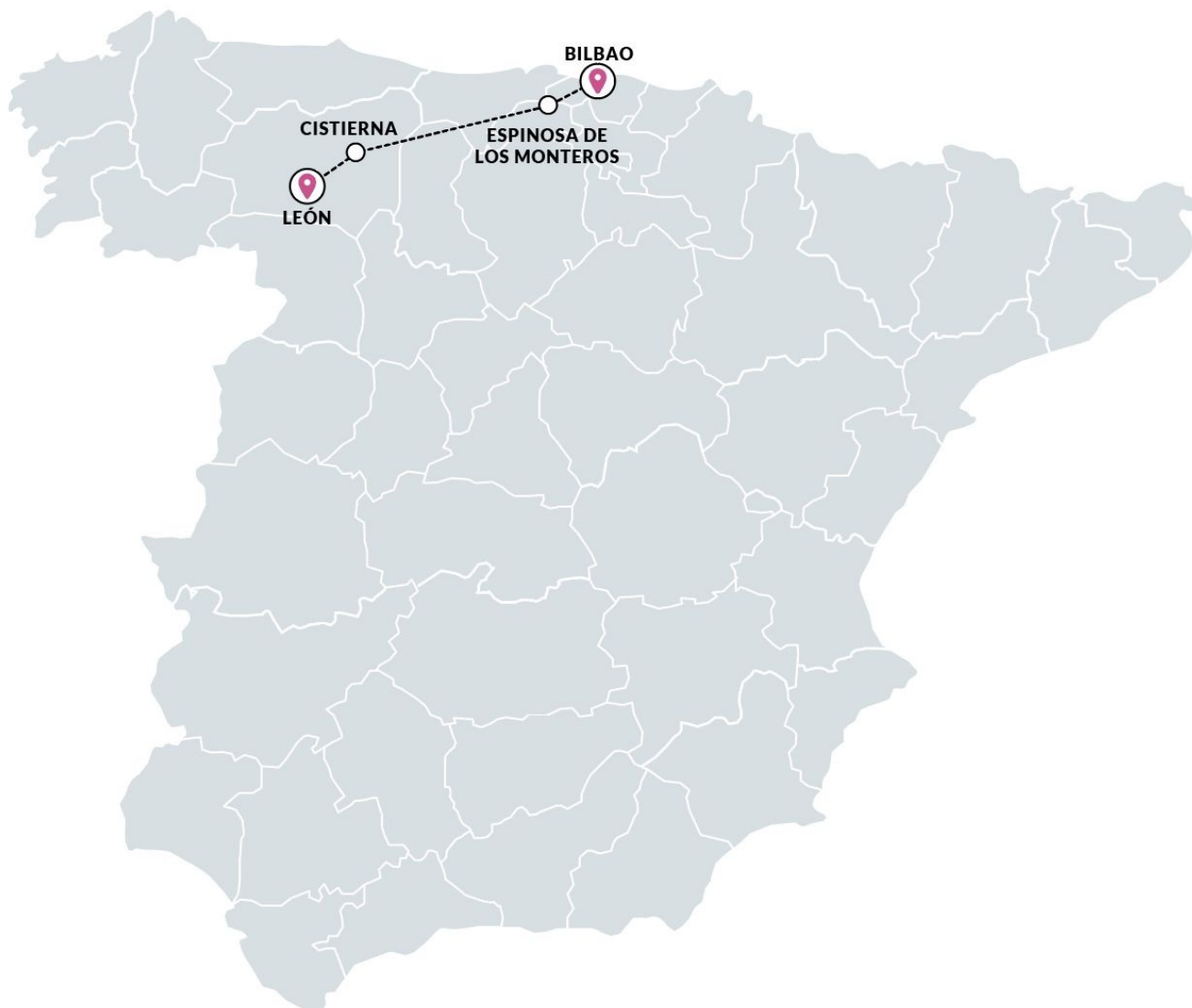
Rail Journeys

Prepare for a journey defined by comfort, exquisite cuisine, and top-notch service aboard this timeless train. Embark on a weekend tour through Castile and León, between Bilbao and León, and immerse yourself in the scenic beauty and rich culture of the Camino de Santiago French Way.

### Highlights

- Indulge in a gastronomic journey with expertly crafted dishes featuring fresh, local ingredients. Typically, in order to fully experience the visits, guests partake in lunch and dinner, indulging in the local cuisine of the towns that are being explored (inclusive of water, wine, soft drinks, and coffee).
- Relax in the lounge car, offering a space to mingle with fellow travellers, savour a cocktail, or admire the passing landscapes.
- Explore beyond the confines of the train and immerse yourself in the heart of Spain's enchanting towns and cities. Guided tours are provided for all excursions, encompassing all tickets and visits. A bus consistently accompanies the train, facilitating the group's access to various destinations and restaurants along the route.
- Immerse yourself in the medieval charm of Carrión de los Condes, a historic city steeped in pilgrimage traditions. Located in the heart of Castilla y León, this picturesque town showcases its medieval origins through its well-preserved monuments and enchanting old town.
- León, Medieval Capital and Pilgrimage Hub; it boasts a vibrant present with modern attractions like the City Auditorium and the Museum of Contemporary Art. With its rich history, cultural offerings, and status as a key waypoint on the Camino de Santiago, León offers an array of tourist options that promise an unforgettable experience for every traveller. Visit the heart of the city's historic center, where you'll marvel at architectural wonders such as the majestic San Isidoro Basilica and the awe-inspiring Cathedral of Santa Maria.

Combining the comfort reminiscent of legendary European trains with the amenities and technological advancements of the 21st century, El Expreso de la Robla boasts a youthful aesthetic. This vibrant and modern train provides an opportunity to explore the breathtaking landscapes of Castile and León.



## INCLUSIONS

- Private ensuite accommodation in a double compartment (upper and lower berth bunks) onboard the train
- Complimentary standard Renfe train travel both before and after your tour. Please be aware that this service is not a private transfer & seat reservations are allocated automatically
- Onboard the train, enjoy a welcome beverage and snack to commence your journey with a touch of elegance
- Every day, enjoy a buffet-style breakfasts served on the train
- Exceptional dining experiences for all dinners and lunches, whether served on board the train or in esteemed first-class restaurants, complete with inclusive offerings of wine, soft drinks and coffee
- Each guest will be provided with a toiletry bag containing amenities and slippers
- All entrance fees to museums, monuments, and shows, as well as scheduled excursions and guided visits
- The onboard team is available around the clock, trained to provide personalised assistance in multiple languages and to assist guests

# ITINERARY

Day **1**

## Bilbao Espinosa de Los Monteros

Depart from Bilbao to Espinosa de Los Monteros. Luggage drop-off is scheduled at 2 pm in Bilbao's La Concordia Train Station. The reception begins at 3 pm as the train sets off for Espinosa de Los Monteros. A coach trip is planned to tour the town of Frías and the Tobera waterfalls. The day concludes with dinner and an overnight stay in Espinosa de los Monteros.

Dinner

Day **2**

## Espinosa de Los Monteros Cistierna

Whilst enjoying breakfast onboard the train, you will reach Mataporquera. Upon arrival, the coach will transport you to the stunning landscapes of Palencia Romanesque along the Camino de Santiago, visiting Carrión de los Condes, Frómista, and Saldaña. After touring the town and some leisure time, proceed to explore the Canal de Castilla and the Romanesque church of San Martín, followed by free time and lunch. In the afternoon, step back in time with a visit to the Roman Villa of La Olmeda, renowned for its impressive mosaic collection. Returning to the train, El Expreso de La Robla will whisk you to Cistierna, where you will enjoy dinner and spend the night.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day **3**

## Cistierna León

Depart from Cistierna to León. Enjoy breakfast while travelling to San Feliz. A coach trip is planned to visit the city of León, exploring the Old Town, Cathedral, and San Isidoro. The journey concludes with lunch and the end of the trip at approximately 4pm at the National Parador of San Marcos.

Breakfast, Lunch

## ACCOMMODATION

### El Expreso de La Robla

#### **STANDARD COMPARTMENT (UPPER & LOWER BERTH BUNKS only):**

All compartments on El Expreso de La Robla feature bunk beds, two per compartment, along with amenities such as a luggage closet, reading light, air-conditioning, background music, loudspeakers and telephone. The modern and youthful ambiance ensures a comfortable rest. Each compartment includes its private bathroom equipped with a hydromassage shower, washbasin, toilet, and hairdryer. The electricity supply operates at 220 V. The train is entirely interconnected, allowing passengers to move freely throughout its length. With four sleeping cars, each car comprises seven compartments.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Spanish

## LOCAL CURRENCY

Euro

### 2025 Departure dates:

- 20 June
- 12 September

### Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing, and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package