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LUXURY SPANISH RAIL JOURNEYS 2021

'EL TRANSCANTABRICO GRAN LUJO' 8 DAY / 7 NIGHT: SAN SEBASTIAN – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

Come and join us in the North, the greenest part of Spain, for sheer joy aboard El Transcantabrico Gran Lujo. Imagine a luxury hotel on rails that takes you to the nostalgia and charm of 20th century trains, but with the technology and comfort of the 21st century. The Transcantábrico Gran Lujo means comfort, glamour, gastronomy, culture, rest and fun.

Discover unique experiences, the pleasure of observing, listening, smelling, touching and tasting.

Let time pass with the pace of a soft clatter while moving towards new places and new sensations.

The train, the suites, the crew, the cuisine..., everything that the offer entails of El Transcantabrico Gran Lujo, is oriented towards one goal: make this journey a unique and unforgettable experience.

Eight days of luxury and a time travel experience that you will never forget.



Day 1 (Saturday) San Sebastian – Carranza

Meet in San Sebastián at 1200. Travellers welcome and guided tour. Lunch in this elegant and beautiful city, where major cultural events take place every year. After lunch, the luxury coach will take you to Bilbao, where the Transcantábrico train awaits you. Upon arrival, enjoy a welcome drink with the crew. Enjoy the ride along the rails to Carranza along with sumptuous fine dining on your first dinner on board. Overnight in Carranza.



Day 2 (Sunday) Carranza – Santander

Begin your day with the delicious a-la-carte and buffet breakfast. The Transcantábrico will return to Bilbao; a vibrant town that has reinvented itself after the decline of its traditional heavy industry. The visit includes an entry ticket to the famous Guggenheim Museum, the iconic symbol of this new Bilbao. Back on board the train to enjoy a sumptuous lunch with spectacular views on the way to Santander. Tour through the elegant capital of Cantabria and enjoy free time to discover it at your leisure. After dinner, you can visit the Santander Grand Casino with entry included. Overnight in Santander.

Day 3 (Monday) Santander – Cabezon de la Sal

Travel to Unquera on the train. The luxury coach will take you to Potes, crossing through the impressive Gorge of la Hermida. After visiting this charming Cantabrian village, enjoy the thermal baths at Balneario de la Hermida. After lunch visit El Capricho, in Comillas; a fantastic and colourful nineteenth-century palace designed by Antonio Gaudí. Dinner and overnight stay in Cabezón de la Sal.



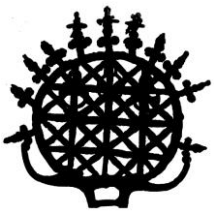
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Day 4 (Tuesday) Cabezon de la Sal – Arriondas

The day starts with a visit to the town of Santillana del Mar, with its magnificently preserved medieval historic quarter. The next stop is the famous Altamira 'Neocave', a museum and scientific reproduction of the finest Upper Palaeolithic rock art ever found. After lunch, return to the train and enjoy spectacular scenery as you enter the enchanting lands of Asturias on the way to Arriondas. Dinner and overnight stay in Arriondas.



Day 5 (Wednesday) Arriondas – Candás

After breakfast the coach will take you into the heart of the Picos de Europa National Park. Visit Lake Enol and then the Covadonga Sanctuary; a sacred place full of tradition and legends. Return to the Transcantábrico train to have lunch on board on the way to Oviedo, the capital of the Asturias Principality and the heart of pre-Romanesque Asturias, with treasures such as San Julián de los Prados. Visit and free time. Dinner and overnight stay in Candás.



Day 6 (Thursday) Candás – Luarca

The day begins in Avilés; a well-preserved and valuable historical centre. The next destination on your rail adventure is Gijón; a city that is wide open to the great Cantabrian Sea and hosts many cultural events. Then all aboard the Trans-Cantabrian train once again to explore the Asturias coast to Luarca, the 'white village' on the 'green coast', where you can enjoy a guided tour in this charming seaside town. Dinner and overnight stay in Luarca.

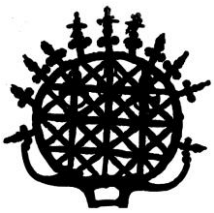
Day 7 (Friday) Luarca – Viveiro

Enjoy the ride on the rails to Ribadeo, a historic Galician village bordering the Asturias Principality. The luxury coach will take you to the Lugo coastline to enjoy Las Catedrales beach, one of the most spectacular in the world. The next destination is a panoramic tour of Ribadeo, where we stop for lunch. In the afternoon, relax on the train as it heads to Viveiro, where you can enjoy a guided tour of the city and then free time to explore at your leisure. Dinner and overnight stay in Viveiro.

Day 8 (Saturday) Viveiro – Santiago de Compostela

Enjoy your last breakfast on board as the train rolls along the rails to Ferrol, where the Transcantábrico coach awaits to take you to Santiago de Compostela. Visit the historic centre of this city, a pilgrim destination for a thousand years. Explore the city's vast wealth of artistic culture and don't miss the magnificent cathedral. End of trip after visiting the Reyes Católicos Parador, at around 1300.





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THE TRIP INCLUDES:

El Transcantábrico Gran Lujo – Deluxe Suite

- Accommodation on-board in Deluxe Suite
- Daily breakfast
- All dinners and lunches (including wine, water, soft drinks, coffee) either aboard the train or in restaurants
- Welcome drink and snack
- Farewell dinner & party
- All non-alcoholic drinks available in the cabin's minibar (complimentary)
- Activities on board: music and live shows, parties in the pub car, etc
- Tickets to museums, attractions and shows
- Scheduled excursions and tours
- Luxury coach accompanying the train along the trip
- Taxes and services
- Daily newspapers and magazines
- Security service
- Multilingual guide throughout the tour



OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE AT PASSENGER'S EXPENSE:

- Laundry service
- Bar service

2021 Departure Dates Saturdays	Per Person in Deluxe Suite Double or Twin	Per Person in Deluxe Suite Single
May: 15, 29 June: 12, 26 July: 10, 24 September: 4, 18 October: 2, 16	AUD 9,920	AUD 14,425

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