

FROM MADRID TO RIBERA DEL DUERO

Gourmet & Wine Tours

ITINERARY 4-NIGHTS / 5-DAYS TOUR

Day 1 Madrid: the city of Austrias

Day 2 Madrid: a royal past

Day 3 Peñafiel: Castles & Vineyards

Day 4 Aranda de Duero: Wine & Heritage

Day 5 Valladolid: Wine & Castilian Cuisine

DI. MADRID of AUSTRIAS

A GLORIOUS HISTORY & "TAPAS"

- Madrid is the capital of Spain since 1561 when the Royal Court established permanently there, so one of the greatest treasures of Madrid are their palaces.
- Transfer from Airport to Hotel, check in & accommodation.
- In our first day our guide will pick up us at the hotel and start a walking tour through the named "*Madrid of the Austrias or the Habsburgs*", it is a name used for the old centre of [Madrid](#), built during the reign of the [Habsburg Dynasty](#), known in Spain as Casa de Austria. In this amazing tour we could know much better how Madrid became the capital of Spain. After this walk we could have some "tapas", a healthy tradition based in order a drink and they serve with some food (Iberian ham, cheese...). So let's taste some of them!
- Free time in the afternoon/night.



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TAPAS & CAÑAS TOUR



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D2 MADRID: A ROYAL PAST

➤ This last day in Madrid we take a car (private driver) and with our guide we'll go ahead to outskirts of the city. Our first stop is the **Royal Palace of Aranjuez**. Used as Summer Palace and playground by the Kings of Spain, where they celebrated all kinds of parties, events, celebrations, etc... The setting is a real orchard, an oasis in the Castilian plateau. Emphasizing its gardens, bordering the Rio Tajo, where the Kings were walking with their wonderful pleasure craft.

➤ The Royal Palace was built during the reign of King Philip II in Renaissance style, although its current appearance dates from the reign of Carlos III, Neoclassical. In the nineteenth century a railway that ran from the Atocha station in Madrid and reached the main staircase of the Palace of Aranjuez was built.

➤ After having lunch we re-start our trip to the **Monastery of San Lorenzo del Escorial**, is located in the Sierra de Madrid, about 58 kilometers from Madrid. The monastery was built by King Philip II in the sixteenth century. One reason why this impressive building was built was to house a Pantheon of Kings, where they would rest the remains of the king and his father , Emperor Charles V as the whole dynasty of the Hapsburgs, the Spanish branch. At the time, this monastery was regarded as the eighth wonder of the world.

➤ We tour follows to Valladolid Accommodation





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RIBERA DEL DUERO

“WINE AND DINE”

Day 3: Peñafiel: Castles & Vineyards

Morning Program

- A private vehicle will be at your disposal during the whole day. The driver will pick you up at the selected point in Madrid and will take you to the Ribera del Duero Wine Region.
- We will start visiting Legaris Winery in Curiel Town with stunning views of the Peñafiel Castle. The private visit includes and exclusive a full visit through all the production process paying special attention to the vineyards.

Lunch

- Wine & Tapas at Legaris Winery: a perfect way of tasting the best local products paired with the wine of this impressive winery.

Afternoon Program

- We will drive to Peñafiel: The town will show us one of the most beautiful views of the Duero Valley from its castle and “Museo del Vino”. Inside, the museum shows the key of winemaking in Ribera del Duero and the evolution of winemaking process along the history, flavors and richness of our vineyards. We will also visit an impressive wine cellar which is excavated in the hillside at one of the most remarkable wineries in the area, and we taste their wonderful wines
- Protos Winery: full visit and wine tasting in a avant-garde architecture cellar at the foot of the Peñafiel Castle.
- Accommodation at hotel selected in Valladolid



Peñafiel Castle



Legaris Winemakers



Protos Winery



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Day 4: Aranda de Duero: Wine & Heritage

Morning Program

- A private vehicle will be at your disposal during the whole day. The driver will pick you up at the hotel
- We will start visiting the heritage of Aranda de Duero; St John's Church, Museum "Casa de Las Bolas", the underground cellars, located under the village, and CIAVIN "Museum Related with Wine Architecture".
- Following, the monumental town of Peñaranda de Duero will show us the Ducal Palace with impressive woodwork ceilings inside, and the typical streets of this village.

Lunch

- Traditional "Castilian Lechazo (lamb) in a local restaurant.

Afternoon Program

- Bodegas Portia: in Gumiel de Izám: most impressive avant-garde Winery in Ribera del Duero, designed by Norman Foster. Here the building rises out of the landscape, which will be the home, the habitat and the anteroom for emigration out into the world, in different forms, of the product which is made there. We'll enjoy a full visit and a wine tasting of its wines.
- We'll drive to Valladolid to taste a delicious Tapas Tour: from the Plaza Mayor we will discover some of the best Tapas in the region at different renowned and awarded bars in the old city.



Underground Cellars in Aranda



Peñaranda de Duero



Portia Cellar



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Day 5: Valladolid: Wine & Castilian Cuisine

Morning Program

- A private vehicle will be at your disposal during the whole day. The driver will pick you up at the hotel
- We will start visiting Abadia Retuerta Winery. In an endeavour to establish Christianity in Castile during the Reconquest, the Count of Castile commissioned the construction of a series of convent-fortresses. As a result, in 1146, the Premonstratensian order built the monastery of Santa María de Retuerta in a beautiful enclave on the banks of the Duero River. A 4-wheel excursion through the vineyards and a wine tasting,, an unforgettable experience in La Ribera del Duero...
- Transfer to Cepa21 Winery: Moro Family (from Emilio Moro Winery) leads this project. The aim of this project has been to build a modern, functional, minimalist new winery drawing on the savoir faire acquired over the years by several generations of the Moro family in the making of modern-style wines
- **Lunch**
- At the Cepa21 Restaurant. Exquisite Cuisine, which combines the traditional products with the latest gastronomic trends.

Afternoon Program

- Transfer to Madrid



Valladolid Plaza Mayor



Abadia Retuerta Winery



Cepa21 Terrace



RIBERA DE DUERO WINE REGION

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RIBERA DEL DUERO WINE AND HERITAGE INCLUSIONS

- Transport with Private Vehicle
- Guide and Driver from Byou Wine Tours
- Guided tour in 5 winery (Wine Tasting included)
- 3 lunch included
- 1 dinner (Tapas tour in Valladolid)
- Visit to Peñafiel Castle and Wine Museum
- Panoramic tour around Peñafiel. Plaza del Coso
- Sacred Museum in Aranda de Duero
- Picture Gallery in Aranda de Duero
- Visit to Palacio Ducal in Peñaranda de Duero
- Panorámic tour around Peñaranda de Duero

- Private guided visit with a official guide day 1 and day 2)
- 1 Tapas Tour in Madrid
- Entrance fee in Madrid according program details

ACCOMMODATION:

3 nights at Hotel Palacio de Santa Clara 5* (Marriott) breakfast included in double room
1 NIGHT AT Hotel de las Letras 4* in Madrid (SLH) breakfast included

FACTS

- We have to go back no more than 2,000 years to find the first reference to winemaking in the zone: a Roman mosaic of 66 square metres, considered the largest piece bearing Bacchic allegories of the Peninsula, that was discovered in Baños de Valdearados during the grape harvest of 1972.
- The region has produced wine for over 2000 years with proof lying in local Roman ruins. It produced the wine of kings and more recently the area has cultivated the grapes and conditions needed to create one of the world's most prestigious wines, Vega Sicilia, as well as classics like Pesquera and Pingus
- Surface: 20.905 has
- Main Grapes:
 - Red wines: Tempranillo (min75%, Garnacha, Cabernet Savignon
 - White wines: Albillo



The Tempranillo grapes region



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ACCOMMODATION

VALLADOLID: HOTEL AC PALACIO DE SANTA CLARA 5* (MARRIOTT)



An spectacular old monastery converted into a charming. Located on the banks of the famous Pisuerga River, the historic AC Hotel Palacio de Santa Ana by Marriott is located in Arroyo de la Encomienda, next to the Hispanidad Bridge and just a five-minute car-ride from the Center of Valladolid





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Accommodations

MADRID: VILLA REAL 5* (SMALL LUXURY HOTELS)



Villa Real is an exquisite 5-star hotel located in the heart of Madrid, in the Plaza de las Cortes, in front of the Congress of Deputies and only a few minutes from the Puerta del Sol. An ideal setting for exploring the 'Madrid of the Austrians' on foot and discovering the charming surroundings, perfect for business stays in the city centre.





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LOCATION: FROM MADRID TO RIBERA DEL DUERO WINE REGION

DISTANCE FROM MADRID 140KM.



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