

### HIGHLIGHTS OF NORTHERN SPAIN 8 days October 2-9, 2017

#### MONDAY, OCT 2, 2017 DAY 1 ARRIVE MADRID

Welcome to the Spanish capital, Madrid! On arrival at Madrid Airport transfers will operate at 10:30am, 1:00pm and 3:30pm. Relax after check-in, or go for a walk through the bustling streets. This evening, meet your Travel Director and travelling companions for a Welcome Dinner. Later enjoy an evening orientation drive – the perfect introduction to your holiday!

## TUESDAY, OCT 3, 2017 – DAY 2 – MADRID – BURGOS – SANTANDER

Journey over the Guadarrama Mountains to Burgos. Cross the Ebro River and the Cantabrian Cordillera mountains to the coast. Arrive later in Santander, capital of the Cantabrian region, where you dine tonight at your hotel. **Buffet Breakfast, Dinner** 

### WEDNESDAY, OCT 4, 2017 – DAY 3 – SANTANDER – PICOS DE EUROPA – COVADONGA – OVIEDO

Spectacular scenery awaits today as you travel through the Picos de Europa, a mountain range rich in flora and fauna. The region sits between two main pilgrim routes and has numerous historic market towns. Visit the grotto of 'Our Lady of Covadonga'. Here you also have the chance to visit the Basilica made from the pink marble of the surrounding hills. Arrive in Oviedo and sample local cider at one of the cities siderias. This evening enjoy a Be My Guest dinner where you dine on delicious Asturian cuisine.

Buffet Breakfast, Be My Guest Dining

### THURSDAY, OCT 5, 2017 – DAY 4 – OVIEDO -LUARCA – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

Hidden on the Asturian coast, Luarca is a quiet village and has managed to preserve its seafaring charm. Later, arrive in the pilgrim city of Santiago de Compostela. This, for many people, will be the end of their 'camino'. **Buffet Breakfast, Dinner** 

## FRIDAY, OCT 6, 2017 – DAY 5 – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA - SIGHTSEEING

Your Local Specialist will explain the 'Way of St James' and why hundreds of people walk here as part of a pilgrimage on a daily basis. Visit the vast Cathedral and the Plaza do Obradorio, a square dominated by four distinct architectural styles. The region has long waterways stretching inland which are said to be the mark left by God's hand when he cleansed himself after creating the world. Enjoy free time to explore the city at leisure. **Buffet Breakfast** 

### SATURDAY, OCT 7, 2017 – DAY 6 – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA – ZAMORA – SALAMANCA

Start the day with a drive through Galicia and the region of Castilla-Leon to Zamora, known as a 'museum of Romanesque art'. See the 12th century Cathedral with its richly sculptured Bishop's Door and the scaled Dome. Later arrive in Salamanca where a Local Specialist will take you on a sightseeing tour including a visit to Spain's oldest University as well as a walk through the imposing Plaza Mayor. **Buffet** 

#### Breakfast, Dinner

### SUNDAY, OCT 8, 2017 – DAY 7 – SALAMANCA - TOLEDO – MADRID

See the walled city of Avila before arriving in Toledo. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to one of El Greco's most famous paintings— The Burial of Count Orgaz. Visit the Synagogue during your guided walk through the narrow streets with your Local Specialist. Later, arrive in Madrid, your home for tonight where you will be joining your fellow companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **Buffet Breakfast**, **Farewell Dinner** 

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# MONDAY, OCT 9, 2017 – DAY 8 – MADRID – RETURN HOME

Say 'adios' to your traveling companions, your Travel Director and this beautiful country at the end of a memorable vacation. Return transfers will arrive Madrid Airport at 8:30AM and 11:00AM.

**Buffet Breakfast** 

#### **MORE ABOUT YOUR TRIP**

**International Air:** Trafalgar guarantees to quote you the lowest possible airfare available on the day that you book. Please note that airfares are not included in the price.

**Shared Rooming:** Room share is not available on this trip.

**Triple Discount:** C\$45.00 (2 adults & 1 child)

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