



July 21 - Madrid Arrival

Your VIP Experience begins on July 21 at the group hotel. Time will be advised. Greeting by your Interact Family Team and Spain Courier. Orientation. Panoramic motor coach and walking tour of Old Madrid. Conclude today with a tour of Santiago Bernabéu Stadium.

July 22 – Madrid / Bilbao High Speed Train

Visit the Prado to view Goya's royal portraits and works by El Greco. Later, meander through the popular El Retiro Park. Next, transfer to the train station for your Alvia high speed train to Bilbao. Transfer to the host families meeting point. Dinner.

Middle class host families are selected and monitored by the Bilbao homestay director. Linguatur Internacional is widely regarded as the most respected homestay organization in Spain today. Additionally, a native resident works directly with Organizing Teachers and their students during the homestay, thus ensuring a well-coordinated, memorable experience. Spanish is spoken in the homes.

July 23 – Bilbao / Guggenheim

Meet your local guide and explore Casco Antiguo, Catedral, 7 Calles, Mercado de la Rivera, Teatro Arriaga and Basilica de Begonia. Later, explore the magnificent Guggenheim Museum.

July 24 – San Sebastian

Arrive in San Sebastian and visit the old town, Monte Igueda and Playa de la Concha. Then, explore Pasajes de San Pedro, a typical Basque village, before returning to Bilbao for small group exploration.

July 25 – Santander / Santillana del Mar

Travel to Santander where you'll meet your local guide and visit El Palacio de la Magdalena, La Plaza Porticada, and El Banco de Santander. Then, continue to Santillana del Mar and the medieval village.

July 26 – Bilbao / Barcelona Flight

Farewell to your host families. Enjoy a short flight (included) to Barcelona. Upon arrival, visit Interact's newest homestay center, Castelldefels. Continue to Barcelona, experience Montjuich and meander Las Ramblas and the Gothic Quarter.

July 27 - Barcelona

Enjoy a full day in Barcelona. Visit Gaudi's La Sagrada Familia and Casa Mila, commonly known as La Pedrera. Later, stroll through Parque Guell, one of the most intriguing parks in the world. The pavilions and main staircase, designed by Gaudi, look like they belong in a fairy tale.

July 28 - Barcelona Departure

Your VIP Experience concludes with breakfast at the group hotel.



July 21-28, 2017



7 Nights: Madrid Hotel 1, Bilbao Homestay 4, Barcelona Hotel 2



Madrid & Barcelona hotels: Daily continental breakfast and dinner
Bilbao homestay: all meals

