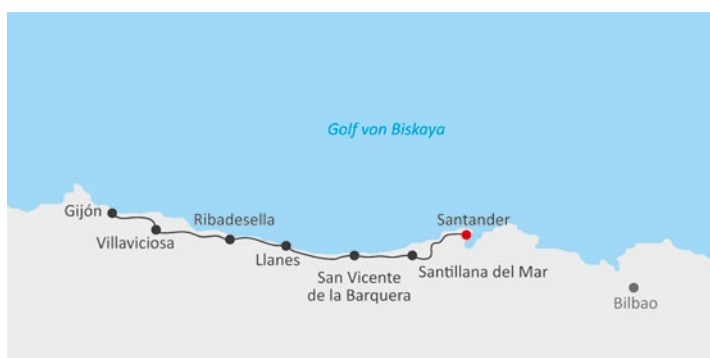


Cycling tour along the Atlantic coast in Spain

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 260 KM
BOOKING CODE: ES-SPSG7

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●●●
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Your tour

Our cycling tour along the Atlantic coast of Spain takes you on a very special cycling holiday experience. The north of the Iberian Peninsula will surprise you, because it does not correspond to the usual ideas you will have of Spain. Lush green landscapes, varied coasts with steep cliffs, long beaches and fascinating mountain regions characterise the picture of our cycling tour. You start in Santander. On small country roads that wind between the foothills of the Cantabrian Mountains and the nearby Atlantic coast through the regions of Cantabria and Asturias, you will cycle to your destination Gijón on the Costa Verde. If you want to discover northern Spain away from the tourist crowds, avoid excessive heat and are not afraid to pedal hard from time to time, our cycling tour is just right for you.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival to Santander
Day 2	Santander – Santillana del Mar, approx. 50 km
Day 3	Santillana del Mar – San Vicente de la Barquera, approx. 30 km
Day 4	San Vicente de la Barquera – Llanes, approx. 50 km
Day 5	Llanes – Ribadesella, approx. 40 km
Day 6	Ribadesella – Villaviciosa, approx. 45 km
Day 7	Villaviciosa – Gijón, approx. 45 km
Day 8	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	01.04. – 30.06.	16.09. – 31.10.
Season B	01.07. – 15.09.	

Daily arrival 01.04. – 31.10.2024
The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 7 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Gijón, max. 20 kg / piece
- Travel documents in English, with maps (1 x per room)
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)

Not included services

- City or visitors tax, if payable

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	1029,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1329,-
Surcharge single room, season A	249,-
Surcharge single room, season B	319,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec	179,-
Rental bike (24-gear)	119,-

Notes

- Minimum number of participants: 2 persons

Exemplary hotel list Standard

Santander	Hotel Chiqui Santander	https://www.hotelchiqui.com/de/
	Hotel Hoyuela Santander	https://www.hotelhoyuela.es/en/
Santillana del Mar	Hotel Altamira Santillana del Mar	https://hotelaltamira.com/
	Hotel Los Angeles Santillana del Mar	https://losangelessantillana.com/
San Vicente de la Barquera	Hotel Faro De San Vicente de la Barquera	https://hotelfarodesanvicente.com-hotel.com/
	Hotel Luzón San Vicente de la Barquera	https://hotelluzon.net/
Llanes	Hotel Don Paco Llanes	https://hoteldonpacollanes.com/
	Hotel Sablón Llanes	http://www.hotelsablon.com/restaurante.html
Ribadesella	El Jardín De Eugenia Ribadesella	https://hoteljardindeeugenia-ribadesella.com-hotel.com/de/
Villaviciosa	Hotel Carlos Villaviciosa	https://www.hotelpalaciocarlosi.com/
	Hotel Casa España Villaviciosa	http://www.hotelcasaespana.es/
Gijón	Hotel Alcomar Gijón	https://www.hotelalcomar.com/
	Hotel San Miguel Gijón	https://www.hsanmiguel.com/de/

Child reduction on basic price

Due to the challenging stages, we do not recommend this trip for children.
Since family rooms are not available on this trip, the children's discount cannot be offered.

Languages Travel documents

→ English

Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- In Spain, helmets are compulsory for cyclists.
- Return journey to Santander: Optional with a transfer bus from Gijón, duration approx. 2 hours. Price on request. Just get in touch with us.
- Twin / double rooms / separate beds are only occasionally available. We treat requests as non-binding customer requests, if above mentioned room types are a booking condition, it must be mentioned as a condition at the time of booking.

Equipment of our rental bikes

- Replacement tube (per room)
- Bike lock (per room)
- Bottle cage
- Luggage rack
- Map holder
- Odometer
- Helmet for hire
- Air pump (per room)
- Multi-Tool
- Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- Waterproof pannier

Journey to Santander

- Nearest airports: Santander, Bilbao, Asturias
- Train station: Santander

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival to Santander

Your bike tour along the Atlantic coast in Spain starts in Santander, the elegant capital of the Spanish region Cantabria. Take your bike after the check-in at the hotel and explore the city. Visit the futuristic-looking Centro Botín, one of the most popular museums for modern art worldwide. Or what about a detour to one of the numerous sand beaches and a boat trip through the cove of Santander?

Day 2: Santander – Santillana del Mar, approx. 50 km

Along the coast, you cycle to Santillana del Mar. Especially a long walk through the centuries-old old town with its medieval palaces and picturesque squares is worthwhile. The Colegiata de Santillana del Mar is especially worth seeing here. The name of the city derives from the Holy Juliana, whose remains are preserved in the Roman collegiate church. A bit outside of the city, there is the cave of Altamira. The

prehistoric rock paintings there achieved world fame due to their uniqueness. A faithful replica of the cave can be visited in the museum nearby.

Day 3: Santillana del Mar – San Vicente de la Barquera, approx. 30 km

Today your first cycle on small roads to Comillas. The small coastal town is ideal to dare a refreshing jump into the sea. Treat yourself with a break at the beach, before you make a short detour to the city center characterized by old and modern buildings. Back on your bike, it goes through the Oyambre nature park to your stage destination San Vicente de la Barquera. The old fishing village has a remarkable Gothic church, a castle and remains of a city wall. Enjoy the end of the day with a walk at one of the beaches of the town.

Day 4: San Vicente de la Barquera – Llanes, approx. 50 km

Today you cycle to the region Asturias and the Costa Verde. The Costa Verde, the green coast, belongs to the most beautiful coastal regions in Spain. Due to its heavy rainfalls, it presents a greener landscape than other parts of Spain. With Llanes, you reach today's destination. The fishing town is located directly at the coast and at the feet of the mountain range Sierra de Cuera. Treat yourself at the end of this bike day in Llanes with typical Asturian specialties like a Fabada, a hearty bean stew or a refreshing cider. It is said, that the Sidra was drunk by the people in Asturias already more than 2000 years ago.

Day 5: Llanes – Ribadesella, approx. 40 km

At today's stage of your bike tour along the Atlantic coast in Spain you cycle not far from the coast and through small picturesque towns and get to know the town Ribadesella. At the confluence of the river Sella, the small town owns an old fishing port and an old town characterized by numerous trading houses and palaces. After your arrival, visit the stalactite cave of Tito Bustillo, that is known for its Neolithic cave paintings or treat yourself with a long afternoon break in one of the many romantic street cafés. Beach lovers can have a good time at the Playa de Santa Marina.

Day 6: Ribadesella – Villaviciosa, approx. 45 km

Today, you cycle not far from the saurian coast. Saurian coast? The coastal stretch between Ribadesella and Villaviciosa hides fossils from the time of the dinosaurs of more than 150 million years ago. Dinosaurs of different sizes left their traces and footprints, that are preserved visibly until today. The traces at the beach of La Griega belong to the biggest prints worldwide. Your stage destination Villaviciosa is considered the birthplace of the cider. Taste and enjoy the fermented apple juice in one of the Sidrerías, where the waiter pours it in a characteristic way with its raised arm to decant it.

Day 7: Villaviciosa – Gijón, approx. 45 km

Your last stage of your bike tour along the Atlantic coast in Spain leads you not far from the coast again to your destination Gijón. The biggest town of Asturias looks back to a long industrial past, that you can still notice in many places today. However, Gijón developed to a city with varied cultural activities and a vivid bar and restaurant scene. Worth seeing is the Cimavilla, the oldest part of the city. There are ruins of an old Roman settlement. Do you want to go to the beach again at the end of your journey? No problem. The Playa de San Lorenzo is just a stone's throw away.

Day 8: Individual departure

After breakfast you start your individual return journey home or extend your stay.