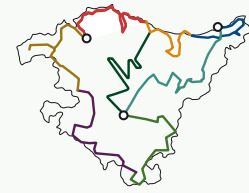


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A route of infinite paths for you to discover, experience and enjoy the Basque Country your own way.

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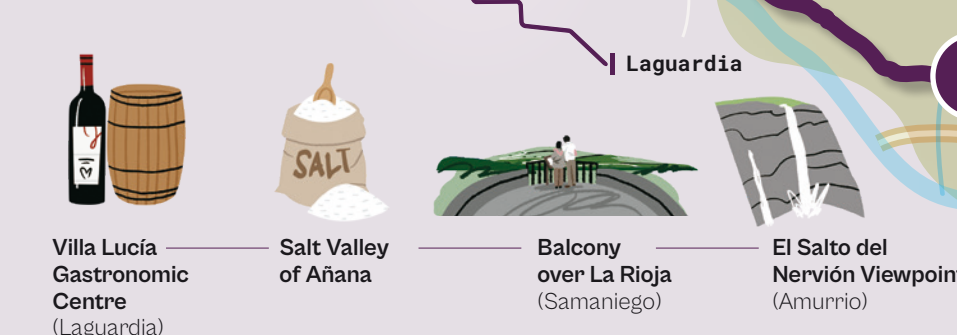
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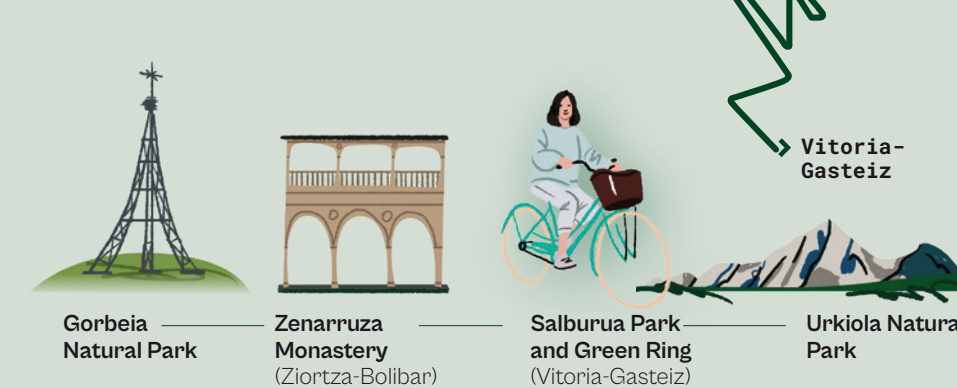
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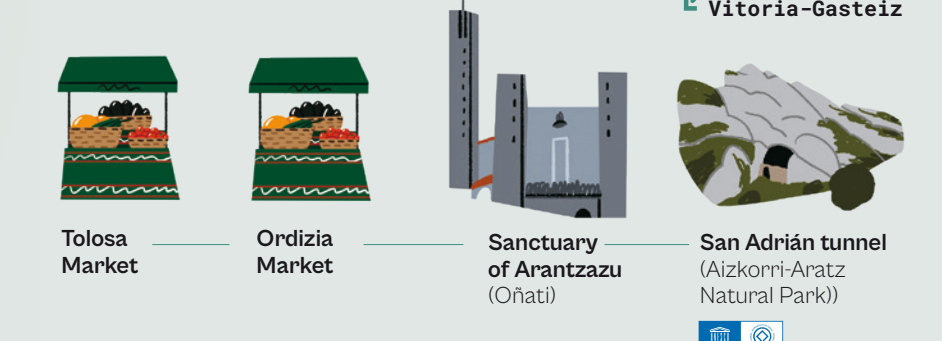
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The Basque Country's land of flavours



1

Hug the coastline

Bilbao - Lekeitio

111,3 km

A route which hugs the Bay of Biscay, touring impressive cliffs, surfing beaches, traditional fishing villages and restaurants where you can taste the very best the sea has to offer.



5

Take a trip back in time

Vitoria-Gasteiz - Laguardia

122,5 km

The Rioja Alavesa region shows us a completely different side to the Basque Country along the banks of the River Ebro. Let's start out from Vitoria on a route that will take us through a sea of vineyards dotted with walled villages.

2

Blue and green Basque lands

Lekeitio - Zarautz

89 km

Then we head inland, delving into the heart of the green Basque Country, criss-crossed with rivers and mountain ranges, where solitary homesteads are hidden in the folds of valleys.



6

Bring time to a halt

Laguardia - Urduña / Orduña

110 km

After Rioja Alavesa, we'll visit some of the most unusual spots in the Basque Country, including a church carved into the rock face, a salt valley and a pair of waterfalls.

3

Full of flavour

Zarautz - Donostia/San Sebastián

92 km

We're in Gipuzkoa, the land of char-grilled fish, Roman mines, mountains overlooking the sea and even a village with a Venetian feel. Let's not forget San Sebastian, its pintxos or a swim in the famous La Concha Bay.



7

Our origins and the future

Urduña / Orduña - Bilbao

152,5 km

Over the Urduña / Orduña Pass there hides a little-known district full of history, Las Encartaciones, and beyond it, the route from Santurce to Bilbao is a real cherry on the cake.

4

Reconnect with your senses

Donostia/San Sebastián - Vitoria-Gasteiz

163,5 km

We'll drive through a Basque landscape of meadows, beech woods and cider houses, where we might catch sight of Mount Txindoki or enjoy the shade of medieval villages with centuries' old markets.



8

Legendary paths

Lekeitio - Vitoria-Gasteiz

157 km

Today, we have a magical Basque Country on the menu. We'll leave the stark Bizkaia coast behind us to head inland and explore this land of contrasts. It is home to immense inland seas, drylands and legendary spots.

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your own way

The eight stages proposed by the **Euskadi Basque Country GRAND TOUR** are just the beginning, a starting point on a map of emotions where you set the pace.

Let yourself be guided by your instinct and your senses, exploring a place which is small in area but big on legacy. We're inviting you to discover cosmopolitan cities, tiny fishing ports or medieval villages. Start off your trip breathing in the smell of the sea or seeing how the morning mist blurs over a valley surrounded by mountains. Savour the Basque Country's famous cuisine in fishing villages or stand on your hotel balcony to watch the sun set behind a hillside covered in vines.

We'll encourage you to soak up the landscape and enjoy the slow life. The word for slow in the Basque language is rarely pronounced just once. We tend to say it twice: *poliki-poliki*. That will be because we enjoy the good things twice over: slowly-slowly, *poliki-poliki*.

Many paths await you here so make them your own. This is your journey. Enjoy it your own way.

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UNESCO heritage site in the Basque Country

World Heritage of Humanity

VIZCAYA BRIDGE

Portugalete-Getxo

CAVE ART

Santimamiñe / Ekain / Altzerrri

THE WAY OF ST JAMES

THE COASTAL WAY AND THE INLAND WAY

San Adrian Path and Tunnel / Zenarruza Monastery (Markina-Xemein)

The Way of St James (Bilbao) / Santa Maria Cathedral (Vitoria-Gasteiz)

Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve

Global Geopark. Basque Coast Geopark

The protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage

ALBAOLA Basque Sea Factory (Pasala)

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Feel, savour, smell, live...discover the Basque Country's culinary riches!

If you like to travel and love good food, the Basque Country is the place for you.

Family cookery classes, pintxo workshops, shepherd-for-a-day experiences, bike rides through the vines, salt tastings, visits to cider houses and wineries, chocolate workshops, etc.

We have a whole host of plans to explore and enjoy the Basque Country's food culture. It'll be hard to pick just one!

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