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In Transit

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Day 7 | San Sebastián / Bilbao

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France and Spain

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A World Apart

Perspective and commentary.

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Your one-of-a-kind journey

of each exciting day, take in remarkable panoramic views of the distance from Hondarribia’s city center and restaurants. At the end of your stay, enjoy the upscale services, amenities and accommodations, allowing.

We are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

Discover an apricot blossom

in a Basque cherry house.

Excursions: Art | Architecture | Cuisine | History | Taste

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AHI Travel Expertise

Our travel experts have carefully selected this first-class parador, the Parador de Hondarribia, located just a short walk from the historic center of the town of Hondarribia, Spain, to ensure a comfortable and enriching stay.

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- Personal VOX headset to hear your guide clearly.
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On the ground, three layers of top-quality professionals offer their expertise to prepare you fully for your journey.

Expert Guides

We want you to have a comfortable and enriching stay. That’s why we send our specialists to help you plan and execute your trip. Depending on the excursion, our specialists are on hand to help you assess this program’s physical requirements and limitations.

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For the region and its heritage.

Expert Guides

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Local Immersion.

These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, accommodations, and more. Whether it’s a question about local landmarks or upcoming attractions, our lecturers can provide valuable insights. We are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

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Lecturers

and enthusiastic local professional guides who understand the area before leaving St. Jean Pied de Port, then sample the best of the region’s produce, and enjoy a traditional Basque dinner at a private Basque dinner society, Hondarribia’s AHI Connects: Local Dining Club.

Elective experiences available at an additional cost.

Enrichment: French Basque Traditions and Gastronomy.

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This lovely gem at Hotel Parador de Hondarribia stands out within the area between San Sebastian and Donostia in Basque, has been a beloved resort since the 1850s. Explore the town’s atmospheric streets, where crowds gather for the Running of the Bulls, in his worldwide attention to Pamplona’s signature event at one of Hondarribia’s clubs tonight.

Delve into the striking past on a walking tour. Enrichment: The Romance of Hemingway and Spain. Appreciate in Pamplona’s passion for Spanish culture, which greatly influenced his writing.

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MULTIPLE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

AIR PROGRAM DATES

Air Program dates: October 3–11, 2020

LAND PROGRAM DATES

Land Program dates: October 4–11, 2020

FULL LAND PROGRAM

Full Price

Special Savings

Special Price*

$3,145

$250

$2,895

Program fees do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated). Right accommodations are available at both levels of availability.

Send your completed reservation form and a check made payable to AHI Travel. Partial payments are due by September 15, 2020, and deposit is non-refundable if not received. Multiple reservations may be made using one reservation form. All prices are in USD. Special offers, promotions and discounts cannot be combined.

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MOBILITY AND FITNESS TO TRAVEL

In order to participate in this trip, you must genuinely believe that you are in good health and mentally and physically capable of meeting the demands of this trip. AHI Travel reserves the right to determine if you are fit to travel. Potential participants are responsible for their own health and fitness.

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Check or money order enclosed for full payment of trip.

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SUMMARY OF INCLUSIONS

• Round-trip travel by AHI FlexAir from Chicago O’Hare, Chicago, IL 60631

• Hotel accommodations (double occupancy)

• Meals as noted in this brochure

• All transfers between hotels, airports and points of interest

• Ground transportation and transfers

• Entrance and admission fees to all sites and museums covered by the program

• Guided sightseeing excursions

• Local expert lecturers

• Local host/representative

NOTE: Some meals are not included in this package. See itinerary for information on meals included.

SUMMARY OF NON-INCLUSIONS

• Air transportation

• Baggage fees

• National park fees

• Gratuities

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