

# Wines of Spain in 5 days

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Monday  
**Day # 1**



## Madrid – Ribera del Duero Wine Route

Arrive Madrid in the morning and travel to Ribera del Duero. The [Ribera del Duero Wine Route](#) runs over the northern plain, where Burgos, Segovia, Soria and Valladolid accompany it on its way along the River Duero, a corridor linking over 100 towns along its 115 km wine-growing fringe.

Time and the bounty of nature have given the whole area an exceptional soil for the cultivation of vines. A climate marked by contrasts that alter the normal course of the vineyards, giving them a character and strength that makes them unique.

Rosé wines, young reds, Crianzas, Reservas and Gran Reservas. All with a common denominator: the Tempranillo grape, native to the Ribera del Duero, which brings the colour, aroma and body which make our wines unrepeatable. Along with Tempranillo, the Regulatory Council allows other varieties: reds like Cabernet-Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec and Grenache Rouge, or the only authorised white, Albillo. Six varieties of grape for an exceptional and unmistakable flavour that marks the quality in every bottle.

In La Ribera there's a wine for everyone and every occasion. The more than 900 brands that bear the Ribera del Duero seal are the living image of the 8,000 wine growers and over 270 wineries dedicated in body and soul to growing vines. An effort rewarded when they open a bottle to make you a toast.

Overnight stay in **Burgos** or **Segovia** or **Soria** or **Valladolid**.



## Tuesday Day # 2



### La Rioja Alavesa Wine Route

Today travel to La Rioja Alavesa.

The [Rioja Alavesa Wine Route](#) runs through the south of the Basque Country, alongside the Ebre and sheltered by the Cantabrian mountains. Its capital, Laguardia, is 45 km from Vitoria-Gasteiz via Puerto Herrera and less than 18 km from Logroño.

Set in the south of the province de Álava, Rioja Alavesa is made up of 15 municipalities that still conserve the charm of the original mediaeval towns. With 12,000 inhabitants, this territory has 13,500 hectares of vineyards and almost 400 wineries that each year produce 100 million bottles of wine under the control of the Regulatory Council of the Rioja Qualified D.O.

Rioja Alavesa lets you experience the contrasts between underground wineries, family wine cellars and age-old wineries in contrast with the most avant-garde architectural projects of the day. An incredible experience that lets you share the warmth of the people of Rioja Alavesa and learn about the traditions that have been cultivated in this land down the centuries.

Stay 2 overnights in **Logroño** or **Laguardia** or **Vitoria-Gasteiz** or **Bilbao**

## Wednesday Day # 3



### Txakoli Route

Today, enjoy an day visit to Aiaraldea located in the northern part of Álava, where selected native grape varieties such as "Hondarribi Zuri" and "Hondarribi Beltza"—the main varieties of the D.O.—are perfectly adapted to its Atlantic climate.

Sufficient sunshine and moderate rainfall ensure the grapes are harvested at an alcohol content of around 12°C (53°F)

Txakoli is a special wine with a characteristic pale yellow color, fresh acidity, and, in the case of Álava, a slight touch of natural carbonation. It is smooth and light on the palate. Today, production stands at approximately 450,000 bottles per year and covers approximately 100 hectares of vineyards. Seven wineries are now registered under the Arabako Txakolina Designation of Origin, and underground txakoli cellars have been discovered in the historic center of the town of Artziniega.

Return to **Logroño** or **Laguardia** or **Vitoria-Gasteiz** or **Bilbao** for overnight.



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## Thursday Day # 4



### Calatayud Wine Route - Penedès Wine Route

In the morning, travel to Calatayud, the main town in the province of Zaragoza.

It is one of the highest altitude wine-growing areas in Spain, with centuries-old vineyards in extreme natural conditions, very conducive to the production of wines of excellent quality and recognized prestige.

The wineries here provide a wide range of activities such as visits to their bodegas and vineyards and wine tasting. You can enjoy the unique chance to become a wine expert for one day, take part in photography tours, mountain-biking tours or go trekking amongst vineyards. A superb 18-hole golf course is also available.

In the afternoon, visit [Penedès](#) – less than 30 minutes south of Barcelona, only 15 minutes from the magnificent beaches of Sitges, a unique rural landscape with endless vineyards and rural tourism establishments rubbing shoulders with the unspoiled local heritage, plus the multitude of wineries and cellars that have earned this area its international reputation.

Visit wineries, stay among vineyards, sample the cuisine, taste the wines and cavas, have fun at the local festivals, explore the territory's cultural routes, discover the timeless architectural heritage, path walking and cycle trips among the vineyards— this is all part of the tourism you can enjoy in Penedès.

Overnight in **Sitges** or **Barcelona** or **Tarragona** or **Salou**.



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## Friday Day # 5

End the trip with [visits in Barcelona](#)

