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Castilla y León cherishes and nurtures its vineyards, which continue to produce excellent wines year after year, maturing in the region's wineries and earning global recognition and value. These spaces welcome the most curious travellers who wish to learn about the process of making the finest wines, the qualities of each grape variety, the history of the region's wines, its traditions and so on.

Moreover, many wineries offer unique tastings and tours to demonstrate in detail their work and explain the special individual features of each wine: their most precious asset.

Visiting wineries will give you a first-hand knowledge of the evolution of winemaking, with a rich heritage hidden in each of the wineries that open their doors to visitors to share their history. A perfect mix of family wineries spanning several generations and winemaking groups from other wine-growing areas provides tourists with a complete overview of the heritage linked to wine production.



TOURIST PROPOSALS

Pedro Bernardo, Ávila



PEDRO BERNARDO, ÁVILA

Pedro Bernardo (a town declared an Asset of Cultural Interest in the category of Historic Site) is located in the Tiétar Valley, on the southern slope of the Sierra de la Abantera, at the foothills of the Eastern Massif of Gredos. Positioned on the hillside and surrounded by pine forests and terraces, it the area is home to a great variety of botanical species. Famously known as "El Balcón de El Tiétar" (The Balcony of El Tiétar), it offers panoramic views of the Tiétar Valley and the Montes de Toledo. The traditional stone and timber houses are impeccably preserved, enhancing the overall aesthetic appeal of the landscape. Visitors can still see the remains of some of the old fulling mills. There is a bust erected at the entrance of the village in a beautiful garden in tribute to the eminent scientist Arturo Duperier, who was born in Pedro Bernardo (famous especially for his study of cosmic radiation). The town will host the Mascarávila Festival (a festival of masks and stick dances from Ávila) in April 2024.

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THE JUDAS FESTIVAL IN VILLADIEGO, BURGOS

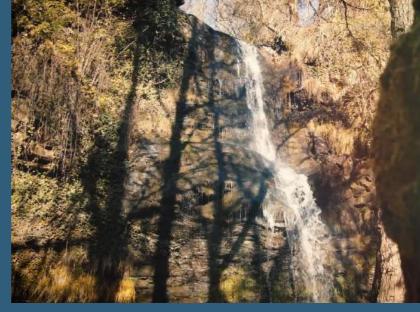
The Judas Festival in Villadiego, declared to be of Tourist Interest in Castilla y León, is a unique celebration that takes place in various locations throughout the town on Holy Saturday. Curious characters emerge, each playing a role in the event at different moments of the day: "Bulla de los Cadenas", the Judas, the King who inspects the troops, the band of Miñones, the "Chufla de la llorona", the judge, the scribe, and more. The entire celebration resembles a theatrical performance narrating a fascinating story. Come nightfall, demons in chains frighten spectators with fireworks and firecrackers. The entire festival is a succession of appearances by characters following a storyline that brings enjoyment to the people of Villadiego and the numerous visitors throughout Holy Saturday.

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Cascada Zancajones, Toreno, León

WATERFALLS IN LEÓN

Waterfalls are one of the most spectacular natural phenomena that we can enjoy. While they are most abundant in the spring, there are waterfalls that can be enjoyed all year long. The greatest variety of waterfalls is found in the mountainous regions of the province. In the El Bierzo region, visitors can discover numerous stunning waterfalls including Gualtón, Salto del Pelgo, Beiro, and Gualta. In Babia, the Foz waterfall in Torrestío features a particularly picturesque setting. Laciana boasts some wonderful waterfall, including Pimpañon, Molinos and Lumajo, while Omaña is home to the Olina waterfall. In Puebla de Lillo, there is the Forfogones waterfall, and Nocedo de Curueño is home to a waterfall of the same name.



There are the spectacular waterfalls of Redipuertas in Valdelugueros, on a scenic 3-kilometre tour of seven different waterfalls.

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DÍAZ CANEJA FOUNDATION MUSEUM, PALENCIA

For those who love contemporary art. For those who love cubism. For those who love art in itself. The city of Palencia treasures the Díaz Caneja Foundation, a museum space that exhibits the most important works of Juan Manuel Díaz Caneja (1905-1988), a painter from Palencia who offers an intense and deeply personal interpretation of the terracampino landscapes, the depth of humankind, the landscape, the villages and nature. His predominantly cubist works portray the fields in ochre and yellow tones. They tell the story of his life through his eyes and, especially, his heart. The Museum interconnects past and future through the dialogue between Caneja's legacy and the works of other contemporary artists in their most diverse creative expressions. It is a place that urges us to adopt new perspectives and encourages contemplation, imagination, interpretation and criticism. It is an in-depth exploration of the artistic life of Juan Manuel, from his discovery of cubism and the avant-garde of the 20th century to the consolidation of his own style, which gradually fades away in brushstrokes - in his old age - towards an totally enveloping abstract.



THE NATURAL PARK OF LAS ARRIBES DEL DUERO, SALAMANCA

Mirador de Saucelle, Salamanca

The Natural Park of Las Arribes del Duero lies to the west of Zamora and Salamanca, where the Duero River flows along the border with Portugal and forms the deepest and longest canyons in the entire Iberian Peninsula - almost a hundred kilometres long. This wonderful natural area, with the rugged beauty of its granite landscape is home to a rich and varied fauna and flora. In the midst of the Mediterranean vegetation, visitors may eve spot rare black storks or golden eagles. There park is full of places of great beauty, and today we show you those located in the province of Salamanca. There are several ways to explore Las Arribes: on foot, hiking from Pereña or Masueco to the Pozo de los



Humos, an impressive waterfall famous for the spectacular mist generated by the falling water; by bike, with different mountain biking routes; by car, visiting several viewpoints throughout the natural park in Saucelle, Sobradillo, Hinojosa del Duero, or Ahigal de los Aceiteros; or by boat, sailing down the Duero on river cruises from Aldeadávila de la Ribera or Vilvestre.



Trinchera, cedida Carlos de Miguel (CENEAM)



THE TRENCHES OF SEGOVIA

We find ourselves in the Sierra de Guadarrama, specifically on the Segovia side. These lands bore witness to confrontations during the Spanish Civil War. The Republicans were located throughout the upper part of the mountain range, generally speaking, and in a portion of the Valsaín forest; on the other hand, the Nationalists were situated in towns or locations near La Granja de San Ildefonso, Navafría, or San Rafael. One of the most significant battles that took place, lasting for four days, is known as the "Battle of La Granja". Some of the trenches and bunkers are among the best preserved from the Civil War. Numerous trails offer opportunities to explore the variety of structures linked to the war: trenches, gun emplacements, platoon shelters, communication lines, and more. While touring the area, you also enjoy the wonderful natural surroundings rich with fauna and flora, which of course must be treated with the utmost respect. The CeNEAm (National Centre for Environmental Education) offers fantastic guided tours at certain times of the year, with explanations of the different constructions and their uses along the way. Booking required.







DUERUELO DE LA SIERRA: CASTROVIEJO, SORIA

Duruelo de la Sierra is all about the Urbión Peaks and the source of the Duero River. These two places hold special significance for the province of Soria and are part of the vast natural wealth of this municipality. There are many hiking routes that can be explored throughout the area. There are designated car parks for hikers, to make the tour a little easier. Castroviejo, a town in Soria, is home to the famous viewpoint "Mirador de Castroviejo," formed by fascinating rock formations created over thousands of years by the natural erosion of the karst landscape. This tranquil location features multiple viewpoints offering panoramic vistas of the foothills of the Sierra de Urbión and the vast 'sea of pine trees' on the horizon. Nearby, about 300 metres along a well-marked forest trail, there is a path to the right leading to the Cueva Serena waterfall, which is spectacular in winter when the waterfall freezes, as well as in spring during the thaw.

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RAMAL DE CAMPOS: CANAL DE CASTILLA IN THE PROVINCE OF VALLADOLID



The Canal de Castilla is one of the most significant civil hydraulic engineering works of the Spanish Enlightenment, built to transport grain from Castile to the Northern ports of the Peninsula. This manmade watercourse stretches for 207 kilometers through the provinces of Burgos, Palencia, and Valladolid. Divided into three branches (ramales), it is the Campos and South branches that pass through the province of Valladolid. The canal involves a whole network of constructions - locks, dams, weirs, aqueducts, bridges, docks, and so on - that have made it a top tourist attraction and a fundamental resource for enjoying heritage, leisure, and nature. Medina de Rioseco, renowned for its significant artistic heritage, is the town where the Ramal de Campos ends. It preserves the widest dock in the

canal, which houses the passenger welcome centre, which organises various activities and tours such as the "Antonio de Ulloa" boat tour, the tour of the "San Antonio" Flour Factory, or active tourism activities.







ZAMORA CASTLE

This is not a palatial castle but a fortress for protecting the people and the city, an integral part of the history of Zamora. Fernando I ordered it to be built in the mid-11th century, although very little of the original structure remains. Set on rock and naturally adapted to the irregular surface of the terrain, its vantage point at the top of the rocky hill makes it virtually unassailable. It is rhomboid in shape with three towers, two of them pentagonal and a third heptagonal. The keep and the moat are particularly striking. Annexed to the building is the Castle Park, with beautiful gardens and viewpoints. Visitors can also admire the sculptures of Baltasar Lobo, both inside the castle and in the gardens and in the Casa de los Gigantes (House of the Giants). When this space was refurbished in 2009, the castle became an open-air museum, free for all visitors. We highly recommend climbing to the top of the keep. From here, you can enjoy amazing views of the cathedral. During the summer, the castle hosts evenings filled with theatre, comedy, music, and dance.

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REMEMBER, IN CASTILLA Y LEÓN, YOU'LL FIND EVERYTHING AND MORE... WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!!!



LAS POSADAS REALES PROPOSALS



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