

# CASTILLA Y LEÓN







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In this November newsletter we would like to introduce you to some of the places in Castilla y León that are sure to surprise you and where you can enjoy nature, art, gastronomy and leisure to the fullest... in a safe and healthy way.

Castilla y León is prepared to welcome all visitors and tourists who come to our many towns and cities, complying with all recommended prevention and safety measures. In addition, to make you feel safer, we have launched a Reliable Tourism seal that you will find in many establishments, services and spaces throughout our extensive territory, and that distinguishes all those who meet all these requirements.

We hope that the proposals we make this month of November will encourage you to come to Castilla y León to get to know us and enjoy our many tourist resources and services. We are sure that if you come to in Castilla y León you will find everything you are looking for on your holidays: rest, tranquillity, open spaces, contact with nature, delicious gastronomy, history, heritage, etc.

We'll see you soon in Castilla y León!

# **TOURISM IDEAS IN CASTILLA Y LEÓN**

#### DISCOVER THE HEART OF THE SIERRA DE GREDOS IN ÁVILA

We suggest that you delve into the heart of the sierra de Gredos mountain range, and from the town of Hoyos del Espino in Ávila, we encourage you to embark on an adventure that will surely not leave you indifferent. Put on some good boots and discover the spectacular cirques and the beautiful lagoons, which are indelible traces of the Ice Age. Before you start, we recommend that you visit the Pinos Cimeros Visitor Centre in the Sierra de Gredos mountain range, "Pinos Cimeros" where you will be given broad information about the park, the flora and fauna of the surroundings and its many activities. Starting from the Gredos Platform, you will find several hiking routes that delve into the mountain range and lead to the lagoons. There are routes for everyone and with varying difficulty levels. Don't miss out on the route that leads to La Laguna Grande (the great lagoon) or, for the more adventurous, the route that reaches the Cinco Lagunas (five lagoons) and the El Almanzor peak.







## **ENJOY WINE TOURISM IN BURGOS**



We would like to invite you to visit Aranda de Duero, the capital of the Ribera de Duero region. And we do so because, in addition to being a town that will surprise you with its interesting monuments and its magnificent gastronomy, it has been awarded the title "European Wine City" for 2020 and 2021. Aranda de Duero celebrates the awarding of this title with all kinds of activities that will take place during this period and that you can consult on its website. Come and discover this town that has 7000 meters of underground cellars in the historic centre, a whole underground city, which is sure to surprise you. Also, take the opportunity to visit the many wineries in the area. You will be surprised to know that the winemaking tradition in Ribera del Duero has been passed down from generation to generation for some 3,000 years, that there are more than 23,000 hectares of vineyards in the area and that almost 80 million bottles of wine are produced each year, certified by the Ribera del Duero Designation of Origin.





# LEÓN SHOWS YOU ITS NATURAL CHARMS

In León we encourage you to make a route through the Montaña de Riaño y Mampodre Regional Park. You will discover an overflowing nature, forests, reservoirs, mountains, etc. We suggest that you start by visiting the Sabero Metallurgy and Mining Museum, then you can walk through the Crémenes juniper grove, discover the Montaña Cathedral in Lois and enjoy a wonderful boat route in Riaño through the "León Fjords", a forest bath in the Hormas forest, and a visit to its interesting ethnographic museum. From there you have many other possibilities, delving into the National Park arriving at Oseja de Sajambre and Posada de Valdeón, reaching the town of Boca de Huérgano to see its popular architecture and the Tovar tower; or going to the glacial lake of Isoba passing by the villages of Burón and Lario, where you will find the Visitor Centre. We also recommend that you do not miss the Wildlife Museum in Valdehuesa, the Visitor Centre in Lillo, the Porma reservoir or the Pardomino forest in Boñar.





#### THE STARS AND MUCH MORE AWAIT YOU IN PALENCIA





The world of stars is closer than ever at the San Pedro Cultural Astronomy Centre, a place where you can learn about our solar system, located in the town of Becerril de Campos, in the province of Palencia. This museum has been installed in an old restored Romanesque church and brings us closer to astronomy in an enjoyable, fun and scientific way. You will be able to understand the Earth's rotation through Foucault's Pendulum, see the constellations in the Stellarium, observe the Sun's projection on the meridian line, which is the only one in operation in the whole of Spain, in addition to many other things that will surprise you on this stellar journey through Tierra de Campos. One of the best sacred art museums in the province is in the Church of Santa María, in Becerril, where you can visit the majestic church of Santa Eugenia, next to the Plaza del Ayuntamiento (Town hall square), a modernist building, famous for its coats of arms with proverbs. Do not miss the humilladero (shrine), the gate at the medieval wall, the Castilla Canal, and of course take a break to recharge your batteries in one of the town's bars or restaurants. San Pedro Cultural is part of the International Starlight Foundation. In 2019 it was certified as the First Starlight Astronomical Monument for its uniqueness and for its work in disseminating and promoting this science.



#### SALAMANCA INVITES YOU TO DISCOVER ITS ART TRAILS IN NATURE

The proposal that we wish to make for you to discover Salamanca is very suggestive. We invite you to get to know the Sierra de Francia-Batuecas Nature Park, an area where tradition, culture, gastronomy and nature merge perfectly, creating a magical space. We suggest that you do any of the four enchanting circular paths in the Sierra de Francia-Batuecas Nature Park, a labyrinth of remote valleys of great environmental value, which integrate the so-called Art in Nature Trails. This is an original proposal for active tourism, in which walkers will be surprised by the works of art placed on the route: cages over the valley, mermaids by the stream, bronze feathers, asteroids lost in a shrine, doors in the field, sewn stones or organic beds. They are the so-called Camino de los Prodigios, between Miranda del Castañar and Villanueva del Conde; the Asentadero-Bosque de los Espejos, which links Sequeros, Las Casas del Conde and San Martín del Castañar; the Camino de las Raíces, around La Alberca; and the Camino del Agua, which runs between Mogarraz and Monforte de la Sierra. Do not miss visiting one of these towns, as they will undoubtedly surprise you.





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# COME AND SEE THE SEGOVIA COUNTRYSIDE



In Segovia we propose you to get to know the Segovia countryside and especially the petroglyphs at the rock art station of the Cerro San Isidro hill. Just over 40 km from Segovia, in the town of Domingo García, we invite you to discover the largest number of engravings from the Upper Palaeolithic (57) and from the Post Palaeolithic (1151), in the Macizo Santa María massif. The figures, which date from the Palaeolithic, are zoomorphic representations of bovines, horses, deer, etc. The human figure becomes more important in the Post Palaeolithic, with hunting or fighting scenes. The site is signposted for visiting with explanatory lecterns and has surveillance. We recommend that you start your visit to the site at the Domingo García Interpretation Centre, where you will find basic information about the area and explanations of the site and its characteristics, historical aspects, etc. and then come and see the engravings on the hill. To make the most of your trip, we recommend that you visit other towns in the area such as Santa María la Real de Nieva, Nava de la Asunción, Bernardos, etc.



#### IN SORIA YOU WILL BE CAPTIVATED BY THE DUERO RIVER

We invite you to discover and enjoy the city of Soria, and especially its symbiosis with the Duero River. Here are some of the places that served as literary inspiration to Gustavo Adolfo Bécquer, Antonio Machado or Gerardo Diego, among others. Our suggestion is that you walk along the riverbank, enjoying the freshness of its waters and the art and heritage built on its shores. On the left bank you will find the old monastery of San Juan de Duero from the 13th century, where you will be surprised by its church and its cloister decorated with magnificent arches, a mixture of styles: Romanesque, Muslim and Mudejar. Further along the way you will come across the independent monastery of San Polo, which conserves a Romanesque church, and at the end of the walk the shrine of San Saturio, patron saint of the city, in Baroque style, set on top of a rock, which is a very recognisable feature of the city of Soria. On the right bank you will find the remains of the city walls, upstream you have a route with footbridges that follows the riverbank and downstream, near the Paseo de San Prudencio, you can visit the water museum, the old wool washing place and the eco-centre. You can take a break and rest in the middle of the river, on the Sotoplaya island.







#### IN VALLADOLID TASTE THE TIERRA DE CAMPOS





The region of Tierra de Campos, located in the north of the province of Valladolid, has much more to offer than its golden cereal fields and its landscape dotted with dovecotes. This area is full of towns with a very interesting cultural, ethnographic, natural and gastronomic heritage. We suggest that you come to discover and taste Tierra de Campos through two of its most outstanding products: bread and cheese. We invite you to visit the town of Mayorga, known for its "Fiestas del Vítor", declared of national tourist interest, where, in addition to visiting its civil and religious heritage, you can also visit the Bread Museum. Bread is a product that has been part of our culture and diet since time immemorial and in the province of Valladolid, it even has a guarantee mark. At the museum you will be able to learn more about this product, its varieties and production processes, etc. We also invite you to come to the town of Villalón de Campos and visit its Cheese Museum, another product that is deeply rooted in our gastronomy, a cheese made by hand from sheep's milk that is known as Villalón or Pata de mulo cheese



# VISIT PUEBLA DE SANABRIA IN ZAMORA

We invite you to visit Puebla de Sanabria, one of the most magical and beautiful towns in Spain. This town has been declared a historic-artistic complex. You will enjoy walking through its cobbled streets with its stone houses and wooden balconies. Do not miss out on a visit to the castle, converted into the Centre of Fortifications, the Museum of Giants and Bigheads, the Church of Santa María del Azogue or the Convent of San Francisco. We also recommend you visit Puebla de Sanabria's mediaeval market, one of the best in Spain, which is held in August. It includes dramatised visits to the Castle, tournaments, falconry exhibitions and traditional music concerts, although the most impressive event is the representation of a Trial and burning of a witch.





Remember, in Castilla y León, you'll find everything and more... WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!!!









# LAS POSADAS REALES DE CASTILLA Y LEÓN PROPOSALS



For a fully immersive experience involving the nature and authenticity of Castilla y León, we recommend Las Posadas Reales, our high-quality rural tourism brand! Not only will you stay in singular buildings, but excellent accommodations and service are guaranteed! They are the perfect place to stay for an unforgettable experience, immersing yourself in all the activities, heritage and nature of Castilla y León.





# RUTAS DEL VINO DE CASTILLA Y LEÓN PROPOSALS



Nature is certainly one of the biggest attractions of Las Rutas del Vino de Castilla y León. Hundred year-old vineyards are surrounded by fairytale scenery where flora and fauna coexist in perfect harmony, creating a magical horizon full of contrasts. Natural, warm and welcoming spaces give our wine and people a unique personality. Nature parks, protected spaces, rivers, tracks and trails will allow you to leave your worries behind and reconnect with yourself. It's nature in its purest form.





# CASTILLA Y LEÓN INCOMING TOUR OPERATORS PROPOSALS

In this newsletter, we would also like to share the proposals of some **incoming tour operators in Castilla y León** that organise different activities based on their thorough knowledge of the area and extensive experience.

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