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Costa Verde Express – Short Journey: Santiago de Compostela to Oviedo

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Overview

A Taste of Wonders, end of the season Luxury Train Short Journey onboard Costa Verde Express

3 Days 2 Night between Santiago de Compostela to Oviedo.

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

FERROL / SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA / VIVEIRO

Meeting point at the Parador de los Reyes Católicos in Santiago de Compostela at 12:00 p.m. After the reception, we will visit the historic center of this city, a destination for pilgrims for a thousand years. Lunch. Our luxury bus will take us to Ferrol, where The Costa Verde Express awaits. Upon our arrival, the crew will offer us a welcome toast, while the train travels to Viveiro. Visit, dinner and night in Viveiro.

DAY 2

CANDAS / LUARCA / OVIEDO / RIBADEO / VIVEIRO

We will start the morning, enjoying our delicious buffet breakfast while The Costa Verde Express will take us to Ribadeo, a historic Galician town bordering the Principality of Asturias. From here we will travel by bus along the Lugo coast to Las Catedrales Beach, one of the most spectacular in the world. Visit of Ribadeo and food. With the train we enter Asturian lands. Arrival and visit to Luarca, the White Village of the Costa Verde, to return to the train and head to Oviedo. Night in Oviedo.





DAY 3

OVIEDO

After breakfast we start the day with a visit to Oviedo, Capital of the Principality of Asturias. We will return to the train and collect our luggage to finish the trip around 2:00 p.m.

Tips & Travel Guide

The Train:

What is the capacity of the train?

There are 23 suites on the train (4 rooms in each of the 6 suite coaches). The number of passengers depends on the occupancies sold in that departure. The maximum capacity of the train is 48 passengers.

Is there a dress code on board?

There is no official dress code on board, but we recommend comfortable shoes and clothes due to the nature of the visits and excursions.

What kind of food is served on the train?

Galicia, Asturias, Cantabria, the Basque Country and Castilla y León are, in the opinion of the most fastidious chefs and gourmets, the regions where you can still find the best cuisine in Spain. The cheeses, sausages, meat, vegetables, fish and seafood are all universally renowned.

The restaurants on our route not only select the highest quality raw materials and have them prepared by the greatest professionals; they are also the ideal setting for tasting the local cuisine. All of our menus include a careful selection of wines that blend harmoniously with the ingredients of each lunch and dinner. Coffee and liqueurs are also included.

How are the meals served?

Breakfasts are buffet-style and are served on board the train in the four lounge carriages. Lunches and dinners are either taken at restaurants in the cities as mentioned in each day's itinerary or in the Restaurant Cars on board the train.

Is there a laundry/dry cleaning service on the train?

Yes, laundry service is available at an additional charge. Please see the crew for details.

Is there internet or telephone accessibility on the train?

There is internet access on board the train and in cybercenters in several cities along the route. Your room on board is equipped with a telephone, which you may use for long distance calls (guest's own account). Phones will generally get reception, however sometimes this is a bit difficult due to the mountains and tunnels along the way.

Is the train accessible to wheelchairs / physical challenges?

Wheelchairs for sightseeing excursions are available upon request; kindly advise our office as soon as possible

for entering/exiting the train, and the train's corridors are too narrow to accommodate wheelchairs. For those with other physical challenges, please contact our office.

Is smoking allowed on board?

No. Since January 2006, it is forbidden by Law to smoke on board the train and in the train stations.

What facilities are available on the train?

The four lounge carriages on the train are the most unusual and beautiful places on the train. They are veritable rail treasures that are much admired owing to their exquisite design, their finish and the interior decorations. The "pub carriage" has a bar and dance floor and is decorated and lit like a small night-club, where lively entertainment is provided every night until the early hours of the morning. Another lounge carriage also has a bar where you can sit back and have a quiet drink. The other two lounges are for other types of entertainment, such as reading, enjoying a board game with your fellow passengers, talking or watching the passing scenery through the big picture windows. And wherever you are, you will always be served by our attentive waiters.

Passengers are offered daily newspapers, magazines, a thoughtful collection of books from the library, television and videos; all that you need to make your journey a pleasure.

The Rooms:

Are there different types or sizes of rooms on board the train?

Suites onboard the train are specially designed for rest and privacy. You can sleep in comfort as the train will be parked at a station each night. This means that your sleep will not be disturbed by moving and jolting and also gives those who enjoy nightlife an opportunity to go out and savor the atmosphere of each town.

24 Suites double/matrimonial bed (120cm x 185cm, or about 4ft x 6ft) The suites measure 64.8 square feet. The private en-suite bathroom has a hydro sauna, turbo massage and steam bath, and a hairdryer. The air-conditioning and heating, piped music and lights are all controlled individually. The electrical power is 220 volts. All suites are equipped with a luggage rack, minibar, safe deposit box, wardrobe, writing desk and a telephone with an outside line.

Are rooms pre-assigned or can you choose your own room?

The rooms are assigned on site. If you have any specific room requirements, please contact us at least one month prior to departure so that we can send your request to our Operations Team.

Is there a hairdryer in each bathroom? Are toiletries provided?

Yes, there is a hairdryer provided in every bathroom, along with a dental set, comb, eau de toilette, shaving set, shower cup, shoe polish and more.

Yes, bottled spring water is provided free of charge throughout the tour.

The Tour:

What is the weather like?

Northern Spain experiences a mild oceanic climate, with not too many extreme temperatures. Please bring along a jacket or coat for chilly evenings, and sun protection for warm afternoons.

Do I have to stay aboard all seven nights?

You are not required to stay aboard the train for seven nights. However, as the train follows a fixed itinerary, you will be responsible for your own transportation to/from your points of embarkation/disembarkation, for any hotels you use during the journey, for meals taken while separated from the group, etc. There are no refunds for unused portions of the tour. Therefore, should you choose to shorten the journey in any way, you are still required to pay for the full seven-night tour.

Are doctors available at all times?

The train carries a first aid kit, and El Transcantábrico has contacts with various health centers along the train route.

Expenses:

What expenses will I have during the trip?

Costa Verde Express is a very inclusive experience, so you will not need to pay for any meals, beverages during lunch/dinner, sightseeing, monument entrances or accommodations. You will incur additional cost if you choose to purchase any additional beverages on board; laundry services; camera fees at monuments; transfers, additional sightseeing, or other services in Leon or Santiago de Compostela; gratuities; and/or souvenirs.

How can I settle my expenses on the train?

You may settle your onboard expenses by paying in Euros or by major credit card.

How much should I expect to tip?

Tipping is not mandatory, and is left to the sole discretion of the traveler. This is a decision that should be made based on your enjoyment of the journey and the service.

What are the passport/visa requirements for travel to Spain?

Please ensure that your passport has at least three blank pages and that it is valid for at least six months beyond your departure date from Spain. Please check with your local embassy regarding visa requirements.

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Oct 31, 2026	Gran Clase Suite	€4,600	€2,600
Oct 9, 2027	Gran Clase Suite	€4,900	€2,800

Rates shown in Euro (EUR). Approximate USD equivalents available upon request.

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.



Look for Coupons and Special Rates on our website.

Visit <https://www.palacetours.com/tour/Costa-Verde-Express-ShortTrip-Santiago-Oviedo> for the latest information.

Terms & Conditions

PAYMENT TERMS:

15% of total tour cost due at the time of booking
85% or balance no later than 35 days prior to tour departure date

CANCELLATION FEES:

Up to 30 days before departure: refund less 15% of official price.

Between 30 and 15 days: refund less 25% of the total.

Between 14 and 5 days: refund less 50% of the total.

Between 4 and 1 day(s): refund less 80% of the total.

Less than 24 hours or failure to turn up: No refund, 100% of the total is payable.

A 15% Administrative fee will be charged from Palace Tours against any refunds. All cancellation fees and administrative fees is applicable for FULL Tour price before coupons.

All cancellation, change, or update requests must be submitted in writing by email to travel@palacetours.com. Please allow at least 48 hours (and in some cases longer) for us to review, confirm, and process the request and advise any applicable fees. A cancellation, change, or update takes effect only once we have received and processed the request, and we will confirm the outcome to you once it has been processed. Cancellation timeframes and the applicable fee are calculated by reference to the local time and normal business hours at the destination where the tour is provided; a request received outside those business hours (including evenings, weekends, and public holidays at the destination) is treated as received on the next business day at the destination, and a further processing period of at least 48 hours (and in some cases longer) then applies before the request takes effect.

CHANGE OF DATE/OCCUPANCY/NAME/SCHEDULE (not including changes to itinerary)

WITHIN SAME TRAVEL SEASON (September to August) may be possible if requested up to 120 days prior to the first scheduled service of the tour. For certain tours, change of date/name/occupancy/schedule will NOT be possible. No changes will be permitted within 65 days of the first scheduled service; any requests for such are not guaranteed and will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Change of date/occupancy/name/schedule is subject to availability and at the sole discretion of TRAVBUZZ / PALACE TOURS. There might be a cost associated with any changes to a booking and the same will be communicated before the time of such change being processed or confirmed. No changes will be done without a formal change request and confirmation and payment of any fees acceptance by the client.

The above times are based on local time of the destination where the tour is provided. In order to provide enough time for processing cancellation, guests need to add 3 business days to the above timeframes.

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance to cover the losses incurred in case of cancellation. For information on available plans or to purchase travel insurance, please visit www.palacetours.com/insurance.

Frequently Asked Questions

How big are the suites?

The suites on the El Transcantabrico Clasico are 64 square feet, or about 6 square meters.

What size are the beds in the suites?

The size of the bed is dependent on the type of suite you reserve.

- A double/matrimonial bed is 1.2 x 1.85 m
- The bunk beds are 0.90 x 1.85 m
- The fold-down bed is 0.75 x 1.75 m

Will I have internet connection on the train?

The El Transcantabrico train does have wifi in the lounge of the train, although the signal is not strong and may not reach outside of the lounge car. (The signal is also best when the train is stationed.) You may use the computer in the lounge provided for guests' convenience, or you may connect to the train's wifi using your personal laptop, tablet or device.

How long is the Costa Verde Express short journey from Santiago de Compostela to Oviedo?

It is a 3-day, 2-night journey. Guests meet at 12:00 noon on day 1 in Santiago de Compostela, spend the nights on board in Viveiro and Oviedo, and the trip ends in Oviedo at around 2:00 p.m. on day 3 after a morning visit to the city.

Where is the meeting point in Santiago de Compostela?

The meeting point is the historic Reyes Catolicos building beside the cathedral in Santiago de Compostela, at 12:00 noon. After the welcome you visit the historic centre, have lunch, and then travel by luxury coach to Ferrol to board the train.

What route does the short journey take?

From Santiago a coach takes you to Ferrol, where the Costa Verde Express waits. The train runs to Viveiro for the first night, then on to Ribadeo, with a coach excursion to Las Catedrales Beach, into Asturias for a visit to Luarca, and finally to Oviedo.

Why does the train start in Ferrol rather than Santiago?

The narrow-gauge line along the northern coast begins at Ferrol, so guests start with a visit and lunch in Santiago and then transfer by the luxury coach that accompanies the train. A welcome drink is served as soon as you board.

What is Las Catedrales Beach?

Las Catedrales Beach on the Lugo coast of Galicia is famous for its towering rock arches and cliffs, and is often ranked among the most spectacular beaches in the world. You visit it by coach from Ribadeo on day 2.

What is special about Lluarca?

Lluarca is known as the White Village of the Costa Verde, a fishing town of white houses set around a small harbour on the Asturian coast. You visit it on day 2 before the train continues to Oviedo for the night.

What will I see in Santiago de Compostela and Oviedo?

In Santiago you tour the historic centre, the goal of pilgrims for a thousand years. On day 3 you visit Oviedo, the capital of the Principality of Asturias, before returning to the train to collect your luggage.

When does the Costa Verde Express short journey run?

This end-of-season short journey has two departures on sale: Saturday 31 October 2026 and Saturday 9 October 2027. Availability for each date is shown on this page, and with only 23 suites on the train, space is limited.

How much does the Santiago to Oviedo short journey cost?

Fares start from about EUR 2,600 per person sharing a Gran Clase Suite, and single occupancy fares are also available. The exact fare for each departure is shown on this page. Palace Tours is the Official Representative and Authorized Renfe Sales Agent for Spain's luxury trains.

What deposit is required and when is the balance due?

A 15% deposit confirms your Gran Clase Suite. The balance is due 35 days before departure, and bookings made within 35 days are paid in full at the time of booking.

Are there child fares on the Costa Verde Express short journey?

Yes, child pricing uses two bands based on age at departure: under 12, and from 12 to 18 years. Please contact us before booking so we can confirm how children share a suite and the fare that applies.

What is included in the short journey fare?

The fare includes your suite, daily breakfast, all lunches and dinners on board or in selected restaurants with beverages, a welcome drink and snack, excursions and entrance tickets, the accompanying luxury coach, a multilingual guide, live music and performances on board, and taxes. Flights, travel insurance, laundry and extra hotel nights are not included.

Are rail tickets to Santiago and from Oviedo included?

Yes. The fare includes a complimentary Spanish rail ticket from anywhere in Spain to Santiago de Compostela and another from Oviedo to anywhere in Spain, for travel on the closest date to the journey. This offer may change without notice.

How many guests travel on the Costa Verde Express?

The train has 23 suites across six sleeping coaches, so group sizes are small and service is personal. The exact number of guests depends on how suites are occupied on each departure.

Is there a dress code on the Costa Verde Express short journey?

There is no official dress code on board. Comfortable clothes and good walking shoes are recommended because the programme includes walking visits in Santiago, Luarca and Oviedo and a beach visit at Las Catedrales.

What food is served on the Costa Verde Express?

The route crosses Galicia and Asturias, regions famous for their cheeses, meats, vegetables, fish and seafood. Meals are served on board or in selected local restaurants, so regional cooking is a highlight of the journey.

How do I ask a question or book the Costa Verde Express short journey from Santiago to Oviedo?

Every departure listed on this page can be booked directly online. For questions, email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at <https://wa.me/17864080610>, where a travel specialist or our AI assistant will answer.

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