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## *Pyrenees: Hiking Paradise Val d'Aran*

„GRAN BUCLE“ IN AIGÜESTORTES NATIONAL PARK.

Enchanting highland scenery and unspoilt nature, diverse flora and fauna, glistening rivers and high peaks - in Aigüestortes National Park you find anything, which constitutes the beauty of a mountain range. Through rocky scenery, past blue lakes and through Medieval villages you hike through the middle of the Central Pyrenees. During the crossing of the main crest, you get to know the Atlantic North side as well as the Mediterranean South side of the mountain chain. There is hardly an area in Europe featuring such an array of high-contrast landscapes, such as the „Gran Bucle“. With more than 200 high mountain lakes it is simultaneously one of Europe's largest lake districts. During your hiking holiday you not only come across unusual natural beauty, but also get to know the culture and history of the local people.

- More details and information about the [mainland of Spain](#).

## Mountain Hiking



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour



Minimum of participants: 2 persons

### To the online version



# Itinerary

DAY  
1




## *Arrival at Vielha*

Vielha is the likable capital of the Aran-valley in the Catalan High-Pyrenees with a population of approx. 5600 situated at the foot of the Maladeta-massif. Admire this characteristic Pyrenean high mountain village featuring houses built with dark natural stone and slate roofs. Worth a visit is the former Romanesque church Sant Miquèu Arcàngel.

DAY  
2

## *Vielha – Bossòst*

You leave Vielha on one of the old hiking paths towards Vilac. Surrounded by a view onto the high mountains you hike through a number of smaller villages with beautiful Romanesque churches. From the village of Vilamòs you get a glance at the highest mountain peaks of the Pyrenees, Mount Aneto (3404 m) and Mount Maladeta (3308 m). At the end of the day you reach Bossòst, a little village and home of one of the most beautiful Romanesque churches of the 12th century, the church 'Asunción de María'.

 approx. 6.5 hours       22 km       740 m       1.050 m

DAY  
3

## *Bossòst – Bagergue/Salardú*

The mountain taxi takes you far into the 'Val Torán' to today's start of the hiking tour. Today some level of stamina is required, but in return you will be rewarded with a spectacular and unique ambience of the Liat-plateau with breathtaking views into Aigüestortes National Park. The Unyola-waterfall is a special highlight of today's hiking tour, featuring a glowing orange play of colour. Alternatively it is possible to cut this stage short.

 approx. 7 hours       22 km       1.300 m       1.060 m

DAY  
4*Bagergue/Salardú – Espot*

Onwards into the next valley: After a short transfer to valley Val de Ruda you hike through fairy-tale woodland, past small waterfalls and emerald-green lakes to the mountain hut ‚Saboredo‘. After a hearty break you keep ascending and reach the crossover ‚Port de Ratera‘ with marvellous views and the option to hike to the summit ‚Tuc de Ratera‘. An exceptionally beautiful descent to Lake Sant Maurici awaits with a view onto the twin-peaks ‚Encantats‘, the ‚charmed poachers‘. At the end of this stage the mountain taxi takes you to the little village of Espot for your overnight stay.



approx. 5 hours



14 km



850 m



640 m

DAY  
5*Espot – Boí*

In the morning short transfer back to Lake Sant Maurici, from where you reach the heart of the National Park via the ‚Portarro d‘Espot‘-pass: the Aigüestortes-region is also renowned as the area of countless mountain streams shimmering in emerald-green. At the final, big waterfall the descent into the Pyrenean-village of Boí starts. The Boí-valley was declared UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its unique mountain ranges and the 9 Romanesque rural churches.



approx. 6 hours



20 km



520 m



1.190 m

DAY  
6*Boí – Aneto*

Through forests and across working alps and wide valleys you proceed towards Aneto. Via Erill de la Vall, where we highly recommend you visit the Romanesque village church ‚Santa Eulalia‘ with its six-storey belfry with a height of 23 metres, you reach the ‚Coll de Basc and the ‚Port de Gelada‘. Along old sumpter-paths you finally reach the village of Senet and continue your ascent to the village of Aneto, where you spend the night in a comfortable country house.



approx. 5.5 hours



14 km



980 m



900 m

DAY  
7

## *Aneto – Vielha*

As a finale of your hiking week another highlight awaits, a sublime hiking tour along numerous mountain lakes to huts in marvellous locations, inviting you to a proper break. After another pass-crossing with fantastic long-distance views back onto the North side of the Pyrenees-main crest, the mountain taki takes you back to Vielha, the place where you started, in the evening, where you can relax and toast to the adventures experienced on your hiking week through the Pyrenees.



approx. 6 hours



16 km



810 m



1.470 m

DAY  
8

## *Departure or extension*

# Characteristics of the route

For the daily hiking tours a good fitness level and stamina is required. You always walk on well-marked hiking trails.

The paths are easy to walk on, however can become slippery after longer periods of rain. Hence a certain level of surefootedness is prerequisite. For the longer tour on Day 3 you have the option of cutting it short.



# Prices and events

*Place of arrival: Vielha*

## Season 1

18.06.2021 - 31.07.2021 | 01.09.2021 - 30.09.2021 |

Arrival daily

## Season 2

01.08.2021 - 31.08.2021 |

Arrival daily

Pyrenees, 8 days, ES-PYWVI-08X		
Base price	98900	1,12900
Surcharge single traveler	8500	8500
Surcharge single room	20900	20900

Category: lovely 2\*\* and 3\*\*\* hotels, 2x 4\*\*\*\* hotel and 1x simple country house

Additional nights in each day Finish upon request

Prices per person in EUR

# Services and infos

## Services

### Included:

- 7 overnight stays as stated, breakfast included
- 7x evening meals
- Luggage transfer (1 piece of luggage per person)
- Transfers according to program
- Entry for Romanesque church St. Joan in Boí
- Liqueur tasting (EN)
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel information 1x per room (DE, EN)
- Tourist tax, if due, is included in the price
- GPS data is available
- Service hotline

### Optional:

- Organised transfer from/to airports Barcelona, Girona, Toulouse or Perpignan, bookable on request.

## Infos

### Arrival / Departure:

- Barcelona Airport. From there by bus to Vielha, duration approx. 5 hours ([www.alsa.es](http://www.alsa.es)).
- Optional an arrival to Girona or Toulouse airport is also possible. From there continue by bus or train ([www.renfe.com](http://www.renfe.com)) to Vielha (several changes of trains required).

### Things to note:

- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here!](#)




# Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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