

Art and culture in Priorat

The delights of the Mediterranean: The legacy of the Carthusian and Cistercian monks, wine and olive oil

05 - 09 June 2020

| **History** | **Nature** | **4 days** | **Bus**

Quan: 05 - 09 June 2020

Dia de sortida: Friday, 5 de June de 2020

Hora de sortida: 20:00

Punt de trobada:

Preu del Viatge: 2€

Reserva: 1€

Suplement habitació Individual: +1€

Resum del viatge

The **Cartuja de Scala Dei**, founded in the 12th century, is the point of reference and must-see in the region. Its domains currently occupy much of the Priorat DOQ territory, which is characterized by slate slopes. Their wines are a reflection of the harsh climatic conditions and the peculiar orography. The presence of the monks until the middle of the 19th century favored the cultivation of the vineyard and the quality of a product that today enjoys international prestige.

In 1775, the British traveler Henry Swinburne claimed...

Programa del viatge

Day 1: Falset - wine beats - Mas Martinet

Departure from Barcelona towards Falset, capital of the **Priorat region**. As we

arrive we will take a panoramic walk through its old town and visit the Falset Marçà Cooperative where we will taste its DO Montsant wines. After free time to eat in one of the local suggested restaurants with Menú del Dia, we will start a easy walking a stretch of the Camino "wine beats" that will take us to the internationally renowned cellar Mas Martinet, where we will visit its facilities and taste its best wines. Then we will transfer to the hotel in Falset / Gratallops where we will spend the night.

Day 2: Consolation Chapel - Vilella Baja - Torroja del Priorat

Today we will start early. After breakfast we be embarking on a small excursion that will take us to the top of a hill where we it is found the best view of the Priorat from the Consolation Chapel, until we complete the hike arriving at La Vilella Baixa, a very picturesque village where we will taste Biodynamic Wines and Oils of great quality. We will enjoy, as usual, free time to eat, stroll or buy typical products of the region. In the afternoon, will be time to visit one of the most unique collections of Priorat's old wine utensils, the private collection of Joan Pàmies in Torroja who has been collecting tools and artefacts since childhood in a building of over 400 years. The panoramic view from here is a must and we will enjoy a breathtaking view of the valleys and mountains of the region. Then we will go to the hotel located at the foot of the Sierra Mayor del Montsant.

Day 3: Escaladei Cartuja - Wines and Oil of Scala Dei - Siurana

Today we will be able to get up a little later and to warm up the engines will walk down between vineyards and olive trees to the Cartoixa of Scala Dei along the old path of the Carthusian monks. To finally visit what is left of the ancient ruins of what was the see of the Prior for more than 7 centuries. The village of Escaladei, a few kilometers from the Cartuja, hides in its small dimensions one of the best oil mills in the region and one of the most internationally renowned wineries of which and taste their products before eating and discover all its secrets. We will enjoy a free time to eat before heading to Siurana, the last stronghold of the Arabs in Catalonia in 1154 and locations of the legend of the Moorish Queen, where we will walk its postcard-worthy streets and marvel at the breathtaking views of the water reservoir of Siurana from its majestic cliffs. Finally we will transfer back to the Hotel where to can rest and stroll, if you wish, through the lovely Cornudella del Montsant

Day 4: Poblet Monastery - Milmanda Castle - Montblanc

On our way to Barcelona we will stop in Poblet to visit the Royal Monastery of Santa María de Poblet, an 11th-century architectural complex that is among the largest monasteries in Europe and a World Heritage Site. After the visit we will enter the lands of the Monks to reach the Castle of Milmanda, dating from the 11th century and where one of the best wines of the Conca de Barberà is

produced. We will try their wines and eat in the castle owned by a noble Catalan family. Before heading to Barcelona, we cannot leave the region without visiting the fabulous villa of Montblanc, with its imposing medieval walls witnessing the adventures of the legend of Sant Jordi, patron saint of Catalonia.

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2 €

Formes de paiement

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