



# 5Star Nature project, Working Trip to Extremadura, Spain, November 2019

### Introduction

The objective of this trip can be to visit some experiences of natural resources that have become a touristic attraction. At Guadalupe will be the Geopark, and at Valle del Ambroz its landscape with Otoño Mágico – Magic Autumn.

## Visit program

November 11th, Monday

Arrival at Madrid.

Estonians arrive at 16:25 and leave at 15:30 on Friday. They are 8 and 9 people, a total of 17.

Finnish arrive at 16:25 and leave at 13:40 on Friday, bus must be at 11:40 in Madrid.

Air Baltic flies to T4 terminal.

Italians arrive at 14:05 and fly back on Friday at 16:00. They are 2 and 2 people, a total of 4.

Transfer to Guadalupe, accommodation at Hospedería de Guadalupe.

Dinner at Hospedería de Guadalupe, pendant of confirmation.

Possible night walk after dinner to take a look at Guadalupe, a nice town.

#### November 12<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday

#### Geopark Villuercas-Ibores-Jara visits.

08:30 Meeting with APRODERVI (LAG of that area). Casa de Cultura de Guadalupe. The manager of the LAG and coordinator of Geopark will talk about their experience and will answer your questions. He also is Unesco evaluator and has to travel to some geopark candidate areas that are contesting to become one.

10:00 Take the bus.

10:15 Stop at Ermita del Humilladero (little church) and explanation of "Caminos de Guadalupe" Project. A pilgrimage hiking network.

10:30 Continue to Interpretation Center (IC) of Cueva de Castañar de Ibor through Ibor River Valley.

11:15 Visit to IC of Castañar de Ibor. Coffee Break on your own.

12:15 Departure to Cabañas del Castillo (optional stop at Apreturas del río Almonte, depending on time)

13:00 Cabañas del Castillo, climbing to the castle if possible (the route is under repairing)

14:15 Departure to Berzocana.





14:30 Arrival at Berzocana and lunch at Real Villa de Berzocana restaurant. Price 15 € 927 15 02 47

- 16:00 Departure to Cañamero.
- 16:30 Visit to Cueva Chiquita and Valle del Ruecas (Cañamero)
- 18:00 Visit to Visitors Centre of Geopark at Cañamero
- 19:00 Departure to Bodegas Ruiz (wine cellar).
- 19:15 Guided visit to Bodegas Ruiz Torres and wine tasting (12 € each one) or only the visit (is 5 € each one).
- 20:15 Departure to Guadalupe
- 20:30 Arrival a Guadalupe and dinner.

#### November 13th, Wednesday

- 8:30 Departure on the bus from Guadalupe to Trujillo
- 9:45 Arrival at Trujillo, a beautiful medieval city famous for being the place of birth of Francisco Pizarro, conqueror of Perú. Short visit, and possible coffee on your own.
- 10:30 Departure to Monfragüe National Park
- 11:30 Stop at Salto del Gitano sightseeing point
- 11:45 Departure to the Visitors Centre of the Park
- 12:15 Monfragüe Visitors Centre.
- 12:45 Departure to Valle del Ambroz.
- 13:30 Arrival at Casas del Monte, visit rural accommodation and restaurant La Perejila.
- 14:00 Lunch
- 15:30 Departure on the bus to the village of Segura de Toro, short visit, including the main square with a Celtic Bull and the natural pool.
- 16:15 Departure to Baños de Montemayor.
- 16:40 Arrival at Gran Hotel Balneario, Baños de Montemayor. Check-in.
- 17:00 Departure on the bus to the former train station of Baños de Montemayor to visit the newly opened Vía Verde Green Way. Easy walking route of 5 kilometers.
- 18:15 Bus to Hervás.
- 19:00 Visit to Jewish Quarter of Hervás, typical wines, and tapas.
- 21:00 Dinner in Hervás. Welcome dinner offered by DIVA.
- 22:30 First Bus to Hotel Balneario in Baños de Montemayor.
- 00:30 Second Bus to Baños de Montemayor.

#### November 14<sup>th</sup>, Thursday

9:00 Working meeting in Baños de Montemayor, possible assistance or regional authorities.

Welcome from LAG President and Baños Major, Óscar Mateos.

Short presentation of Ambroz Valley and Magic Autumn, Diego Curto, LAG manager.

Presentation of conclusions of the Cooperation Project up to know. Final actions.

Debate on next cooperation steps, new projects, other European grants...





- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 Bus transfer to Aldeanueva del Camino.
- 11:40 Visit to an old Cork Oak, protected as "Árbol Singular" like Special Tree.
- 12:00 Visit to a traditional smoked paprika factory.
- 12:40 Visit to accommodation for pilgrims on the Camino de Santiago Saint Jacques route
- 14:00 Lunch in Casas Sebas. (10 € each one)
- 15:30 Visit to the abandoned medieval fortify of Granadilla
- 17:30 Back to Baños de Montemayor, optional visit to de Roman Pools and Spa.
- 20:30 Dinner at El Solitario, Baños de Montemayor, and some "fiesta".

#### November 15<sup>th</sup>, Friday

8:30 Back to Madrid airport.

## Some tips

The weather forecast for next week is cold (for Spain...) between 4 and 12-14 degrees, and possibility of light rain.

Bring your swimsuits if you want to try the Roman Spa in Baños de Montemayor.

Many activities will be at open air, bring warm clothes and comfortable shoes.

Please, remind me special dietary needs...

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