

Spanish & Cinema

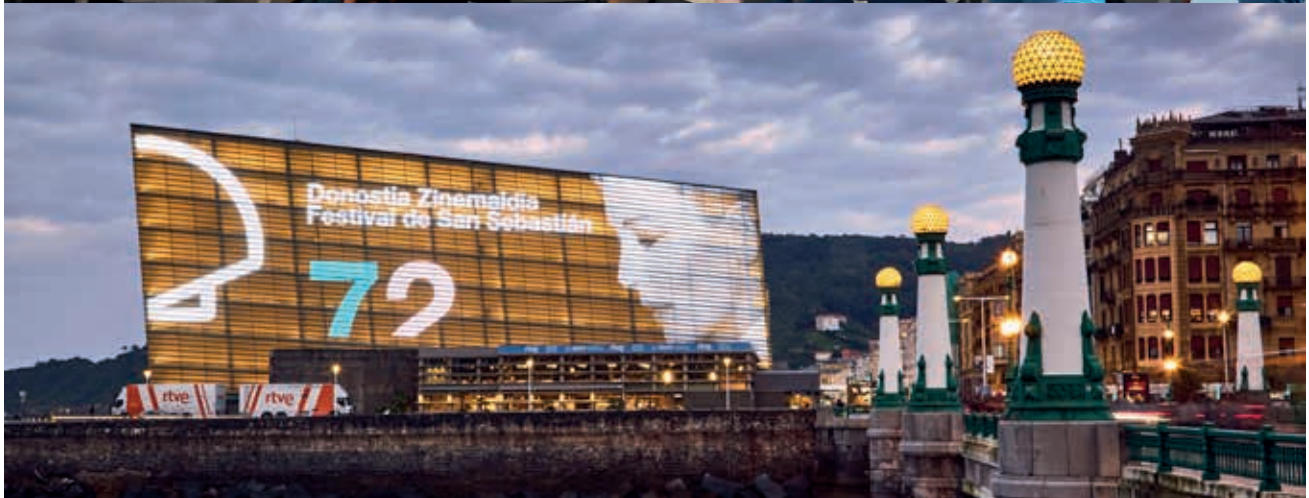
# 50+ Spanish and Cinema



SEP  
14th to 26th



Morning classes  
+ Activities



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# Spanish & Cinema



Join us in San Sebastian for two weeks of Spanish & cinema. Students will have the chance to improve their Spanish in 20 group classes with same level students of all ages, and to practice their Spanish more socially with same age students in mini group sessions and activities in the evenings.

In the senior course, some of the mini group sessions happen outside the classroom and take students to emblematic places in town where they can learn more about its culture, history, gastronomy and more specifically, how the city is linked to the world of cinema. You will be able to see your program timetable at the end of this leaflet.



**14th-26th  
SEP**



**2 weeks  
classes (Mon-Fri)**

**425€/week**

+ enrolment fee 60€  
Min. 6 students per week & course

## Activities



### San Sebastian Film city

On your first day at Lacunza, we'll take you on a very special guided tour of San Sebastián. This activity offers a cinematic journey through the city's most iconic film locations. From international film sets to hidden gems featured in Spanish cinema, participants will discover San Sebastián through a new lens—perfect for film lovers and curious explorers alike



### Pintxo Tour

One of the best activities to do in San Sebastián is to take a pintxos or food tour to discover the city's superb culinary scene. If you're not familiar with pintxos, they're bar snacks that date back to the 1940 - 1960s when bars started putting out a bit of food on the bar in order to compensate for the wine shortage that occurred after the Spanish Civil War. Today, pintxos are an important part of the drinking experience in Basque Country, as locals and tourists hop from one bar to another to drink and try some of the pintxos at each place. Pintxos take many different forms, although many are held together by a toothpick.



## Visit to San Telmo Basque History museum

In this activity you'll visit San Telmo Museum, opened in 1902, and the oldest museum in the Basque Country. Reopened in 2011 after a five-year renovation and expansion process, it is the largest museum dedicated to the interpretation of Basque society, from prehistory to the present day. The historic building is a 16th-century Dominican convent and a new pavilion has been built, located under Mount Urgull, which, among other things, hosts temporary exhibitions.



## Balenciaga, Fashion & Film in Getaria

Another highlight of the program is a guided visit to the Balenciaga Museum and the picturesque fishing village of Getaria. This immersive experience explores the fascinating connection between Balenciaga's iconic designs, cinema, and fashion history. Participants will also delve into the acclaimed Balenciaga series, discovering how the designer's life and legacy have been brought to the screen in stunning detail.

## Cinema & Contemporary Culture at Tabakalera

Our visit to Tabakalera, San Sebastián's International Centre for Contemporary Culture, offers a unique insight into the city's vibrant creative scene. Located in a former tobacco factory, this iconic building now houses cutting-edge exhibitions, film-related installations, and the headquarters of the San Sebastián International Film Festival. A must-see for anyone interested in the intersection of cinema, art, and modern cultural expression.



Film city



Home to a top European film festival and a favourite set for international cinema.

## A Boat Trip to Santa Clara Island & Hondalea

Experience San Sebastián from the sea with a scenic boat trip to Santa Clara Island. Once there, you'll visit Hondalea, an extraordinary art installation by artist Cristina Iglesias that transforms an old lighthouse into a powerful tribute to nature and the ocean. This unique outing blends art, landscape, and geology in one of the city's most iconic and peaceful spots.



## A Day Across Borders: Hondarribia, Hendaye & the Local Market

Discover the charm of two coastal towns—Hondarribia in Spain and Hendaye in France—on a cross-border cultural outing. Stroll through Hondarribia's colorful old quarter and waterfront, then hop across the Bidasoa River to explore the lively market of Hendaye, full of local flavors, crafts, and character. This excursion is a perfect blend of tradition, gastronomy, and the unique Basque identity shared on both sides of the border..

## Dinner at famous Bodega Donostiarra

Bodega Donostiarra is a local tapas bar that serves traditional local Basque Cuisine. The original business was founded in 1924, run by a family that had a network of wineries throughout the city that sold wine.

Little by little, these establishments became informal bars serving tapas and "chiquiteo" in neighbourhoods such as the Parte Vieja, Gros, Sagüés, Amara viejo, Antiguo and Loiola. This restaurant reinvented the notion of what a "bodeguilla" is. It has been running for almost 100 years is one of the Meccas for local food in San Sebastian. Outside of the Old Town, in vibrant Gros neighbourhood.



### RECOMMENDED BARS

Explore the city's legendary bar scene. From traditional pintxos to stylish cocktails, these spots capture the true spirit of San Sebastián—one bite (and sip) at a time.



Atari,  
Sport,  
La Cuchara de  
San Telmo,  
Txepetxa,  
Gandarias,  
Borda Berri,  
La Viña...







## Selected films connected to the city

To enrich your experience, we recommend watching these selected films before the course begins.

- La infiltrada
- Balenciaga
- Rifkins Festival
- 27 horas
- Loreak
- La herida
- Handia



## Game of Thrones Filming Locations: San Juan de Gaztelugatxe & Zumaia

Step into Westeros with this stunning day trip to two iconic Game of Thrones filming locations on the Basque coast. In the morning, we'll visit San Juan de Gaztelugatxe, the dramatic islet that served as Dragonstone in the series—climb the winding stairs and enjoy breathtaking views.

After lunch at a local restaurant, we'll stop at Zumaia, where the incredible flysch cliffs set the stage for Daenerys' arrival. A perfect mix of nature, fantasy, and cinematic magic.



## Farewell dinner at a local gastronomic society

Basques are known not only for their hardworking nature but also for being exceptional cooks and producers of top-quality ingredients. Their culinary tradition has its roots in gastronomic societies—gathering places for family and friends to enjoy the best of Basque cuisine around a shared table.

It is often difficult for visitors to access these societies, as they are private, invitation-only spaces reserved for local communities. This is a unique opportunity to discover this hidden gem of Basque culture thanks to the local implication of Lacunza in the city.



### Beginners



If you're a complete beginner in Spanish, we recommend taking a few classes beforehand to fully enjoy the cultural activities in our program—either in your local area or with us through online or phone-based lessons.

# Timetable

15th-27th  
Sep

## SPANISH & CINEMA

Sample Timetable ( activities subject to change according to final city programming)

Week 1						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday  Festival begins	Saturday
9.30 13.00	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	<b>Excursion to San Juan De Gaztelugatxe and Zumaia</b>
13.00 14.00	Spanish workshop (45 mins) "Vocabulario cinematográfico básico"	FREE TIME	<b>Pintxo Tour</b> Includes:  Group leader 3 pintxos 3 bebidas	Spanish workshop (45 mins) "Expresiones idiomáticas en el cine español"	FREE TIME	Group leader included Transport Stroll through San Juan and Zumaia.
14.00 15.00	FREE TIME			FREE TIME		
15.00 17.00 (aprox)	<b>Visit: San Sebastian Film city</b> Includes:  Group leader Public transport	<b>Visit to Museo San Telmo</b> Includes:  Group leader Public transport Ticket to San Telmo Museum	<b>Optional EXTRA: Cooking class with market visit (€130)</b> Includes shopping for ingredients at a local market and a hands-on cooking session. Book before the course begins.	<b>Visita Tabakalera</b> Includes:  Group leader	<b>Dinner in Bodega Donostiarra</b> Includes:  Group leader Dinner	FREE AFTERNOON
Week 2						
9.15 13.00	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	Spanish classes in mixed-age groups, organised by level	<b>09:00 -12:00</b> <b>Visit Hondarribia + Hendaye and Local Market.</b> Group leader Guided Tour in Hondarribia and Hendaye
13.00 14.00	Spanish workshop (45 mins) "Crítica cinematográfica: cómo expresar opiniones sobre películas"	FREE TIME	Spanish workshop (45 mins) "San Sebastián en el cine"	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	
14.00 15.00	FREE TIME		FREE TIME			
15.00 17.00 (aprox)	<b>Screening of a film featured in the San Sebastián International Film Festival (SSIFF)</b>	<b>Museo Balenciaga and Getaria.</b> Includes:  Group leader Access to Museo Balenciaga	<b>Screening of a film featured in the San Sebastián International Film Festival (SSIFF)</b>	<b>Boat trip to the island and Hondalea</b> Includes:  Group leader Boat to the island Hondalea Museum	<b>Farewell dinner</b> Includes:  Group leader Cena en Sociedad Gastronómica	FREE AFTERNOON



## How to get here



### Flights to



**EAS** | San Sebastian 20km  
**BIO** | Bilbao 105km  
**VIT** | Vitoria 100km  
**BIQ** | Biarritz 40 km  
**PNA** | Pamplona 92,5km

### Train lines



Barcelona - San Sebastian  
Madrid - San Sebastian  
Paris- Hendaye - San Sebastian

### By road



A1 | Madrid- San Sebastian  
AP8 | Bilbao- Irun  
A 63 | Paris-Irun  
AP15 | Pamplona - San Sebastián

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