

- Walking in the company of a donkey will make the children go a lot further without complaints!
- Excellent hotels for families with swimming pools.
- Delightful walks along Guadarrama National Park.
- Stunning traditional villages.
- Area of special protection for wildlife.
- One night in medieval town of Pedraza.
- Possible extension to visit Segovia or Madrid.

A week walking as a family, with a donkey, along ancient drove roads.

The children ride on the donkey as you walk. All this along the northern slopes of the Guadarrama National Park, an area renowned for its wildlife and stunning scenery.



# ITINERARY

## Day 1: Arrival to Navafria.

Arrival at the quaint mountain village of Navafría on the foothills of the Guadarrama Mountains. This being Spain, you will have time for a swim in the local natural pool and a walk before dinner.

### Day 2: Circular route in Navafria. 8km.

You meet your donkey and are shown how to handle and look after him. Set off towards the mountains on an excursion to the wonderful pine woodland of Navafria and its famous waterfall "el Chorro".



# Day 3: Navafria - Requijada. 15km.

A lovely walk along the "Cañada Real Segoviana", an ancient drove road taking you to the small village of Requijada. Today's walk takes you along the River Cega. You will pass through the village of Valle de San Pedro. Visit the ruined church of San Justo y Pastor, standing alone on a hill before descending to the tiny hamlet of La Mata. From here an old drovers' trail will lead you along a very picturesque route into Requijada.

### Day 4: Requijada - Pedraza. 14km.

A tiny country road takes you to the river valley you crossed yesterday. From here you wind along a flat shelf of land to regain yesterday's pretty bridge. A second bridge over a tributary leads you winding up into the hills, where you pick up a drovers' trail to reach a large cattle ranch. Following agricultural tracks you are greeted with outstanding views of the honey coloured hill village of Pedraza, before descending to cross the River Vadillo beneath the limestone cliffs. A short ascent brings you to this perfectly preserved medieval village.

#### Day 5: Pedraza - Gallegos. 12km.

A gentle walk along the drove road, with spectacular views of the nearby Guadarrama Mountains to the South until you reach the quiet village of Gallegos. Leaving Pedraza past the old monastery, today's walk follows newly built tracks in stunning landscapes, offering excellent views of Pedraza in the distance.

#### Day 6: Gallegos to Navafria. 8km.

A final day walking along the shepherds drove roads along the foothills of the Guadarrama National Park finishing back at Navafria, the village where you started for one final night.

## Day 7: Departure or extra nights.

Return or extra nights in Segovia or Madrid.

# **ACCOMMODATION**

A mountain village house in Navafria renovated in rustic style nearby natural swimming pool in the river Cega.

Traditional building in the isolated village of Requijada with only four bedrooms, its own restaurant and outdoor swimming pool. English spoken.



In the beautifully preserved medieval town of Pedraza you will stay in a rural hotel which combines comfort with old Castilian rustic style. English not spoken, but friendly staff very willing to understand.

A small rural hotel in the village of Gallegos. Common areas include dining room, living room, terrace, gardens and a small outdoor swimming pool.





**HOLIDAY INFORMATION DURATION:** 7 days, 6 nights. **ACTIVITY LEVEL:** Easy/Moderate. **AVERAGE DAILY DISTANCE: 12km. RECOMMENDED TIME OF YEAR:** April to the end of October.

START: Any day of the week. **HOW TO GET THERE:** Fly to Madrid and take a High Speed Train to Segovia. From here we take you to the starting

point for free.

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- 6 nights' accommodation in family friendly small rural hotels.
- 6 breakfasts, 5 picnics and 5 dinners.
- Free transfers between Segovia and the walking area on arrival and departure.
- Luggage transfers between hotels.
- Itinerary description, full of advice, recommendations, suggestions and information about your accommodation.
- Emergency support.

#### **OPTIONS:**

Extra nights in Madrid or Segovia.

Price per person	
Per Person in double room	634€
Solo Traveller Supplement	202€
Single room Supplement (min 2pax)	113€
1st child in Family room	421€
2nd child in family room	291€
Child sharing double room with single parent	550€
Children in their own double room (per child)	455€
Children in their own triple room (per child)	444€
Donkey hire (per donkey)	175€
Extra night in Segovia B&B	Price on Request
Extra night in Madrid B&B	Price on Request