

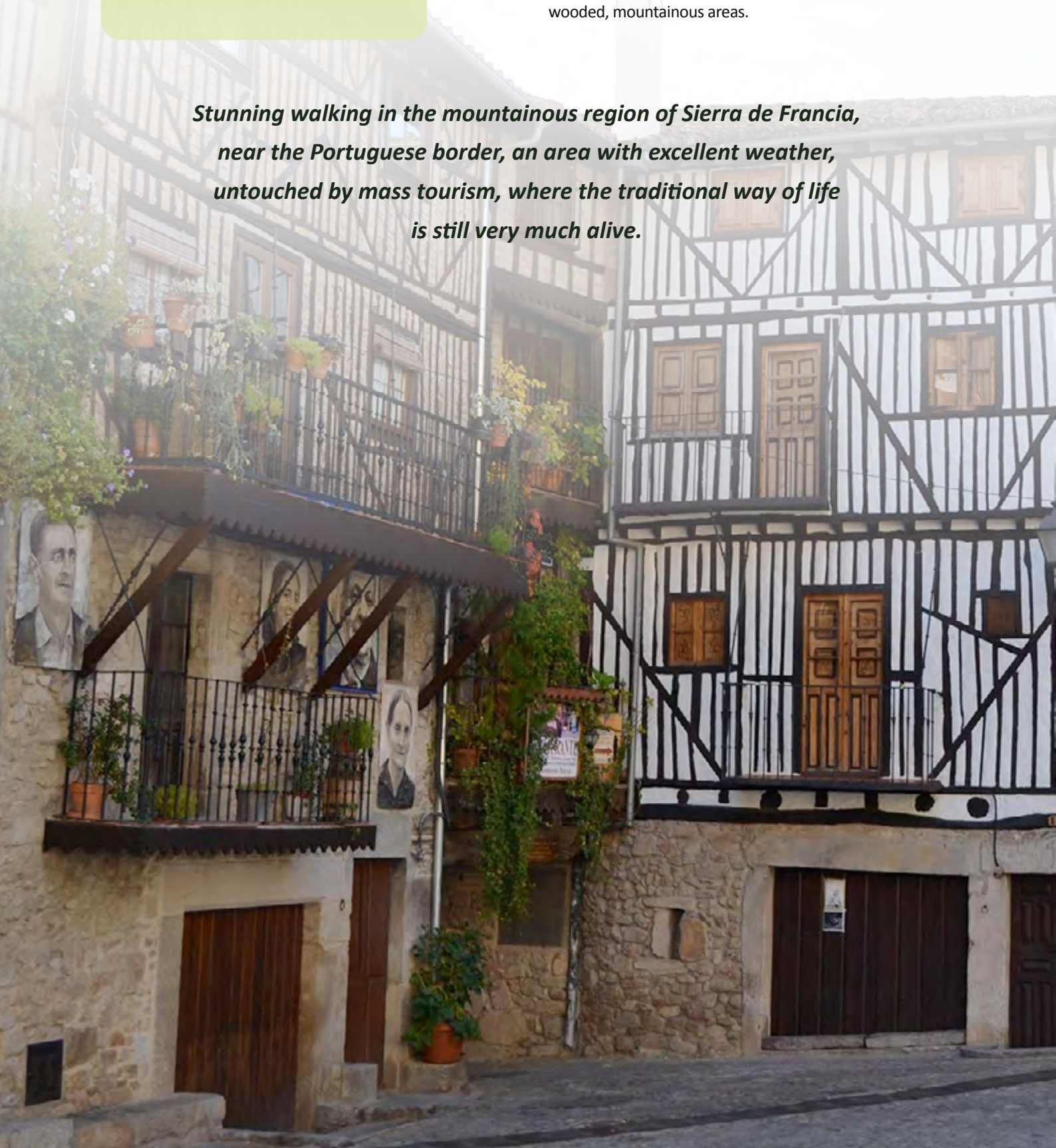
# WALKING THE HIDDEN SIERRA DE SALAMANCA

Moderate Level



- Discover Salamanca, World Heritage Site.
- Delightful walks along beautiful countryside in Sierra de Francia Natural Park.
- Stunning traditional villages, rich in culture, architecture and food.
- Area of special protection for wildlife.
- Varied walks along well signposted tracks mostly in wooded, mountainous areas.

*Stunning walking in the mountainous region of Sierra de Francia, near the Portuguese border, an area with excellent weather, untouched by mass tourism, where the traditional way of life is still very much alive.*





## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Arrival to Salamanca.

Arrival to the world heritage city of Salamanca.

### Day 2: Salamanca and La Alberca.

You have all morning to explore Salamanca and enjoy this beautifully preserved historic town before your taxi transfer to Sierra de Francia in the afternoon. City tour and village walk.

### Day 3: Walk La Alberca - Las Batuecas.

**12km / Climb: 260m**

Walk down into the spectacular Batuecas Valley and its isolated Monastery to then visit prehistoric paintings along a pleasant river walk. A taxi transfer will take you back up the hill.

### Day 4: Batuecas - Mogarraz.

**19km / Climb: 800m**

Wonderful walk through oak and chestnut woodland crossing several mountain villages, and finishing off in the quaint village of Mogarraz.

### Day 5: Mogarraz - Miranda del Castañar.

**10km / Climb: 260m**

Another beautiful walk following the river Francia through woodland and terraced cultivation to reach the medieval town of Miranda del Castañar with its curious castle and ancient bull ring.

### Day 6: Miranda del Castañar - San Martin del Castañar.

**12km / Climb: 741m**

A walk taking you through the south facing slopes, cultivated with vineyards and olive groves and surrounded by strawberry tree and oak woodland. You will walk past two traditional mountain villages to reach the wonderful village of San Martin del Castañar.

### Day 7: Peña de Francia - San Martin del Castañar.

**17km / Climb: 395m**

A taxi transfer will take you to the top of the highest mountain in the area "Peña de Francia" where there is a monastery. From here your walk takes you through open mountain landscapes, pine forest and later the beautiful woodland of oak and Chestnut.

### Day 8: Departure or extra nights.

Departure or extra nights in Salamanca.

## ACCOMMODATION

First night in Salamanca in a city hotel in the heart of town.



Spend six nights in charming small rural accommodations.



## HOLIDAY INFORMATION

**DURATION:** 8 days, 7 nights.

**ACTIVITY LEVEL:** Moderate.

**AVERAGE DAILY DISTANCE:** 14km.

**CLIMB:** 493m.

**RECOMMENDED TIME OF YEAR:** April to the end of October.

**START:** Any day of the week.

**HOW TO GET THERE:** Fly to Madrid Airport and take a bus from the airport to Salamanca (2 hours and 45 min).

## WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- 7 nights' accommodation in charming small rural hotels, 7 breakfasts.
- Luggage transfers between hotels.
- Private transfers on days 2, 3 and 7.
- Detailed maps and roadbook.
- Itinerary description, full of advice, recommendations, suggestions and information about your accommodation.
- Emergency support.

## OPTIONS:

Extra nights in Salamanca and Madrid.

Half board (dinners).

Transfer at the end of the holiday from San Martin to Salamanca.

## Price per person

Per Person in double room	623€
Solo Traveller Supplement	242€
Single room Supplement	143€
Half Board (dinners)	115€
Transfer from San Martin to Salamanca	97€
Extra night in Salamanca B&B	Price on Request
Extra night in Madrid B&B	Price on Request