

VINTAGE SPAIN

Rutas de vino

HARVEST EXPERIENCE IN RIOJA September and October, 2009

Vintage Spain Invites you to experience the **Energy** from “**Harvest Time**” in Rioja with two experiences:

Meet in the morning and start the walk to the vineyards. You will be accompanied by an expert viticultor who will explain about Rioja, grapes, land and vineyards. Learn about the importance of the grapes and the vineyards to have a good wine, and the difference that the soil and the weather have on the final fruit. It is time of harvest, so you will pick up the grapes by hand and put them in boxes before taking them to the winery.

Harvest from grape to bottle. September 23rd, 28th, 30th - 40€ per person

where you will visit the vineyard, pick some grapes, and then go to an artisan cellar where you will learn how wine is made, taste wine from the barrel and bottle your own wine (September 23rd, 28th and 30th).

After the vineyard you will head to our traditional winery (so called *bodega de cosechero*), in the same village, where we will carry out different experiments in order to understand the fermentation of wine and winemaking in general. You will later on descend to the 16th century cellar, dug in natural stone, where you will taste wine directly from the barrels (with the appropriate explanations). Finally, each member of the group will bottle his own bottle of wine, that he will carry back home personalized on the label.



Traditional Harvest: Picking and Stomping. October 11th - 45 € per person



After picking the grapes from the vineyard you will press them with your own feet in one of the stone lagares or lakes that were in use in Rioja during the XVI century.

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OPTIONAL: LUNCH AND WINERY VISIT. FULL PROGRAM 95 euros per person. Lunch will be traditional Riojan food in a winery or a restaurant, depending on the day. And you will visit a modern winery where you will see the bustle of harvest time in a working place.

Check new dates, we keep on forming new groups....

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We can also organize similar activities for you for different dates or add more winery visits, hotel nights, etc to this experience.

This price of the harvest experience includes:

- Harvest experience, with vineyard and winery visit.
- Lunch with wine as per itinerary when applicable
- Tour information and detailed itinerary.
- Taxes

Conditions

- If you want to extend the tour in Rioja, Bilbao, or anywhere in Spain, please let us know, we will be very happy to accommodate your request.
- If for any reason any given establishment is not available during the dates requested, we will change the winery, hotel or restaurant for a different one within the same category and level of service.
- **Deposit:** Harvest tours should be fully prepaid. Lunch extra can be paid up to 2 days before the tour
- **Cancellation policy:** More than 7 days before the tour starts full refund minus 15€ handling fee. Less than 7 days before the tour starts there is no refund. Tour cancellations must be made in writing.
- **Payment has to be made to Vintage Spain - RUTAS DE VINO S.L. by:**
 - Credit Card: Visa or Mastercard (we do not accept American Express)
 - Bank Transfer to Rutas de Vino SL.

Testimonials/ References: You can review past client comments in our web page:
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Many thanks for your interest in our tours!