

Bilbao (City in Spain)

- Bilbao, an industrial port and 10th largest city in northern Spain, surrounded by green mountains. Also the capital of Basque Country.
- Population: Around 350 thousand
- Official Language: Basque,
 Spanish
- Founded: 1300AD







Guggenheim Museum



Nervión river



City View from Mount Artxanda



From the Cit

San Juan de Gaztelugatxe.
20km from the city.
(Featured in famous TV series Game Of Throne)



Salt Valley of Añana, 1hr drive from the City of Bilbao



Mirador de Piedrasluengas
Beautiful landscape, Just wow!! and my breath taken away by the beauty of the place.





Pamplona, Spain
Best known for the Running of the Bulls (Feast of San Fermin) in July.

Gastronomy;



- Gastronomic tourism in the Basque country is one of the best in the world.
- **Pintxos**: A Basque snack it is a small slice of bread with a small portion of food pierced by a small stick or toothpick.
- Tortilla de patatas (Spanish omelette): Omelette made with eggs and potatoes, sometimes including onions and peppers.
- Fish: Fish is a cornerstone of Basque cuisine. Bacalao pil-pil, Bacalao a la Vizcaína, Langurro, Marmitako, Kokotxas, Txipirones are some of the famous fish and second dishes.
 - Meat and cheeses: In my six weeks stay in Bilbao got to know that Sirloin steaks, fillet steaks and grilled veal and cold cuts are widely available in Bilbao. And Cheese is also a regional speciality.
- **Drinks**: The combination of incredible food and drinks makes an incredible gastronomic experience. Bilbao's wine is always of the highest standard. Txakoli is a Basque elassic, a fruity white wine. La sidra, a regional apple cider, is another local favourite.



Pintxos





Tortilla de patatas







Bacalao pil-pil





8 times Pil Pil prize
winner of Basque
gastronomy, Crowned
as "King of Cod" and
Currently President of
Famous Athletic
Bilbao Football Club
Mr. Aitor Elizegi is the
owner of the Bascook
along with other two
restaurant i.e.
Txocook and Basquery.

BASCOOK RESTAURANT & MAGAZINE

- The space of the restaurant is an old salt warehouse which was abandoned 150 years ago.
- The menu come in newspaper form, except for the English translation. Hmm Interesting!!
- The menu is very good and creative with a column of vegetarian options, options from local products with more traditional preparations and a third of international influences.
- The Bascook ample spaces has cozy lighting and stone and bricks walls rescued from old salt warehouse have 80 people capacity for dining.
- The cozy atmosphere, decoration, conception, the architecture of the restaurant is great.
- Perfect for informal and casual occasions.









Ceviche



Carbonara



Ensalada de tomate aguacate



Bonito del Norte











Food from Home country (Nepal) for colleagues





Busy to make customer Happy





Kitchen Close®



Final day Teachers visited from Finland, Restaurant chef and exchange program negotiator.



Was good experience with this team.

Time for Group Picture ©



!Muchas gracias! Thank you all for making my time in Bilbao so good and giving me the opportunity to experience little bit of Basque gastronomy.

Memories to Cherish



















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