

PICOS DE EUROPA
WALKING TRIP
13-19 MAY 2018
&
19-25 MAY 2018



Outline Details

The Costa Blanca Mountain Walkers (CBMW) have arranged a couple of trips to the Picos De Europa in Northern Spain. The dates for the trips are 13-19 May and 19-25 May. We are booked into the Posada El Corcal in the village of Tama, which is in the Liebana valley 2 km from the main town of Potes.



The Area

The Picos de Europa are a range of mountains 20 km inland from the northern coast of Spain, in the Autonomous Communities of Asturias, Cantabria and Castile and León; they are part of the Cantabrian Mountains. The route from Denia is 855km and takes 8hr 30 mins driving so when the trip was held previously it was found that it is was worth making an overnight stop along the way in places such as Burgos, Segovia or Salamanca to name but a few.

Potes is capital of the Picos De Europa and is located in the centre of the Liebana region where the Deva and Quiviesa rivers meet.

The Hotel - Posada El Corcal

The hotel (<http://elcorcaldeliebana.es/en/roural-inn-in-cantabria/>) is located away from the main road in a quiet rural setting. The modern rustic building is well maintained and consists of lounge area on the ground floor with fireplace, library and computer with wifi throughout the building. Breakfast is served in this area in a morning.

There is a small fitness centre in the basement consisting of a Jacuzzi and sauna plus some exercise equipment.

The bedrooms are all individually decorated with classical furnishings, cheerful colours and rustic touches. Enjoy fabulous views of the mountains from your bedroom window.

Evening meals are served in the restaurant, Casa Fofi, which is owned by the same family and is about 20 m away from the main accommodation in a separate building.

The cost of the accommodation and half-board is approximately €300 per person based on two people in a double room for 6 nights.

The Walking

There are a variety of walking trails both from the area of the Hotel and around the area of Potes. The outline plan is to have guided walks on all the 5 days (Mon-Fri & Sun-Thu) and to take in the high level routes around the Fuente De cable car or the lower level upland pastures meadows and woodlands that at this time of year should be at its best for flowers. All plans will be totally dependent on weather and fitness/interest levels of the group. There is no expectation that walkers will walk every day or that you will be on the guided walks. You are free to decide on whether to either self-guide using the information available in the hotel or on Walk in Spain, join the guided walking or perhaps take a trip around the area or to the coast which is about 40 mins away.

Booking

The cost of the trip will be €300 per person half-board in the Posada El Corcal based on two people sharing a double room for 6 nights. There are a limited number of rooms available in the hotel as this is the peak time for the flora and fauna viewing in the area. If you wish to join the group for a trip to the Picos please contact Jo Fletcher as soon as possible (Tel:634349985 or jofletcher@distantshore.com). Once we have received confirmed your interest in attending the trip and accommodation for you has been confirmed there will be a requirement to pay a deposit of €50 pp to secure your place on the trip. If your availability changes and you have to cancel, deposit are refundable if the hotel accepts the cancellation or we are able to find a replacement walker.