

Entry requirements: No visas are required for citizens of the United States in the Schengen region of Europe as long as your stay does not exceed 90 days within a 6 month period. Currency: Euro. Exchange rate, 1 EUR = 1.12 USD as of 4/19/19

TRAVEL ITINERARY

Clients	Destination	Trip Start	Trip End
McKenzie & Kenny	Netherlands and Spain	Aug 11, 2019	Aug 22, 2019

FLIGHTS

Date	Departs	Airline	Confirm #	Departure Time	Flight #	Arrives	Arrival Time	More Info
08/11/2019	SFO	KLM	LYJW5Z	1:55 pm	0606	AMS	9:15 am	Link here

INTERNAL FLIGHTS

Date	Departs	Airline	Confirm #	Departure Time	Flight #	Arrive	Arrival Time	More Info
08/14/2019	AMS	KLM	PFGL2X	9:15 am	1685	BIO	11:20 am	Link here
08/17/2019	EAS	Vueling	OE7VNG	6:30 pm	2489	BCN	7:35 pm	Link here

RETURNING FLIGHTS

Date	Departs	Airline	Confirm #	Departure Time	Flight #	Arrives	Arrival Time	More Info
08/22/2019	BCN	TAP Portugal	LYY2KD	6:35 am	1039	LIS	7:30 am	Link here
08/22/2018	LIS	TAP Portugal	LYY2KD	10:00 am	237	SFO	10:00 am	Link here

ACCOMMODATIONS

Date	Name	Confirm #	Phone	City	Check-out	More Info

08/11/2019	Pulitzer Hotel	7415213722565	+31 205235235	Amsterdam	08/14/2019	Link here
08/14/2019	Hotel Miro	7415331054311	+34 946611880	Bilbao	08/15/2019	Link here
08/15/2019	Hotel Villa Victoria	7415330443754	+34 943847845	San Sebastian	08/17/2019	Link here
08/17/2019	Hotel DO Placa Reial	7415324383748	+34 934813666	Barcelona	08/22/2019	Link here

ACTIVITIES / SITES OF INTEREST

Date	Departs
08/12/2019-08/14/2019	Amsterdam

Transfer Options Taxi or UberX is available from AMS airport. Always check the app for pickup locations as they are subject to change. For public transportation info or to schedule private transfers see the below link: <https://www.welcomepickups.com/amsterdam/airport-transfer-to-city/>



Van Gogh Museum The largest collection of one of the most famous artists in the world can be found nowhere else but in Amsterdam. The Van Gogh Museum (pronounced “von-hoe”) is worth a couple hours of your time to see the over 200 works on display and learn about the artists fascinating history.

Visitation Tip: visit the museum from **9 am to 11 am** or after **3 pm**. The busiest times are between **11 am** and **3 pm**.

Book here: <https://www.vangoghmuseum.nl/en/plan-your-visit/ticket-prices>

Anne Frank House Three minutes walking from the hotel is the Anne Frank House. The small museum and only takes about an hour to visit. That said, it’s an emotional experience and I suggest scheduling something low key for the rest of the day.

Ticketing Tip: Plan ahead! Tickets are ONLY sold online. 80% of tickets for any date are released exactly two months in advance at noon (Amsterdam time) The remaining 20% become available at 9:00 am local time on the day itself. <https://www.annefrank.org/en/museum/tickets/>

Rent a Boat A perfect way to see this city of canals is by private boat. You can rent and drive yourselves but I suggest hiring a captain for stress free navigation. Feeling less adventurous? Consider a paddle boat instead!

Book here: <https://mokumbootverhuur.nl/en/>

Rent Bikes Amsterdam is arguably the most bike friendly city in the world. I suggest renting a bike (ask the hotel for the closest shop) and checking out the major sites on two wheels. Average prices are only €8-10 for the day. Biking is generally very safe but look out for tram tracks as they are known for catching wheels and toppling tourists!

Insider Tips: <https://www.bootsnall.com/articles/renting-a-bike-in-amsterdam.html>

Vondelpark This park is an urban oasis in the heart of Amsterdam that is a great place to people watch. Spread out a blanket and have picnic, read a book, bike or stroll through the park and see sculpture works by Picasso. The several ponds make excellent photo opportunities and keep your eyes peeled for a flock of wild parakeets.

More info: https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g188590-d189384-Reviews-Vondelpark-Amsterdam_North_Holland_Province.html

The 9 Streets Shop, eat, and drink in one of the most unique and picture perfect areas of the city. This district is full of one-off boutiques and galleries, quirky independent stores, and bustling cafes and restaurants, overflowing with authentic Dutch culture and flair. "The Nines" are an easy walk from your hotel adjacent to the larger district of **Jordaan**.

More info: <https://awesomeamsterdam.com/negen-sstraatjes-nine-streets/>

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Bilbao

Transfer The easiest way to reach your hotel is by metered taxi. The price should be between 25 – 30 Euros total. <http://www.aena.es/en/bilbao-airport/taxi.html>



Guggenheim Even if you don't like modern art this is the one site you must see while in Bilbao. Designed by the famous architect Frank Gehry, inside are nineteen galleries with temporary exhibitions of contemporary art. At just ten Euros, the visit is definitely worth a few hours of your time.

Photo Tip: Walk across the **La Salve Bridge** to the other side of the river and capture the Guggenheim complex in its entirety.

Book here: <https://www.guggenheim-bilbao.eus/en/hours-and-admission/>

Fine Arts Museum This is another art museum within walking distance of your hotel, only 5 min from the Guggenheim. Great collection of Basque art as well as more famous international works by Picasso, Martin De Vos, and Francisco Dey Goya. Ten Euro entry but it's free after 6pm and SHOULD also be free to anyone under 25, although they may restrict this to locals only.

More info: <https://www.museobilbao.com/in/horarios-tarifas.php>

Casco Viejo Before the sun goes down check out the beautiful architecture of the Casco Viejo (over 700 years old) and wander the narrow streets. Enjoy small bars and sunny squares to sit and enjoy pintxos and a glass of wine at no more than two euros each. Pintxos (pronounced peen-chos) are Basque version of tapas and it is obligatory to try as many 'pintxos' as you can – each one with a different flavor.

La Ribera Market While in Casco Viejo don't miss the largest covered market in Europe. Inside you'll find the entire spectrum of the Basque Country's gastronomical goods. The market closes in the evening but the food court is definitely open. It has a large collection of booths selling an incredible array of Pintxos and Potes (drinks). You'll often see specials titled "Pintxo Pote" and that means a small food/drink combo!

Cathedral de Santiago The oldest Catholic church in Bilbao is found in Casco Viejo ~ 20 min walk or 8 min taxi from your hotel. The beauty of this particular cathedral is within the mix of architectural styles as it was built and expanded over the years. You will need to pay to go inside but they do include a nice audio guide.

Photo tip: The front of the church is best photographed in the late afternoon hours. <http://catedralbilbao.com/>

Live Music Near your hotel you'll find **Residence Cafe** which should have live music on Wednesdays. **La Antigua Cigarrería** is a local Bilbao institution known for its cocktails. They often have a live band or DJ. I would also check and see if any artists are performing at the large theatre and concert venue **Kafe Antzokia** <http://www.kafeantzokia.eus/en/calendar/>

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San Sebastian / Donostia

Transfer You'll want to catch a bus from the **Bilbao TERMIBUS** station to San Sebastian, which costs less than 7€ and takes ~ 1 hr 15 min. I would suggest booking these tickets at least a week in advance as this is high season and using the ASLA bus company over other options. Note that buses to San Sebastian may say "Donostia" not San Sebastian on the front.

Book here: <https://www.movelia.es/en/index.html>



Semana Grande Aug 10th – 17th is "Big Week" in San Sebastian, which is a festival celebrating Virgins Day and combining the International Firework Competition in the middle of **La Concha Bay**. These days of fiesta include cultural and sporting events, regattas, "pelota" matches, live music, theatre, and a major series of bullfights in the **Illumbe Bullring**.

More info: <https://www.sansebastianturismoa.eus/en/blog/culture/1337-great-week>

La Concha Beach One of the nicest urban beaches you'll find anywhere in the world. La Concha, the symbol of San Sebastian (or Donostia as the locals say) is a beautiful crescent shaped stretch of sand that is an easy 3 min walk from your hotel. It gets crowded in summer so I suggest going early.

Santa Clara Island Santa Clara Island, which can be accessed via ferry every 30 min, is the tiny island you'll see in La Concha Bay. It has a small beach for swimming and fantastic views from the top. The island features a charming lighthouse and cafe but I suggest bringing your own snacks and drinks for a picnic.

More info: <https://www.sansebastianturismo.com/en/offers/other/boat-trips-water-sports/2942-boat-trip-island>

Monte Igueldo The best viewpoint above the city! It offers an impressive panorama over San Sebastian's coastlines and mountains. Access to the peak is via the antique railway, which was first opened in 1912. There's also a small amusement park and tower at the top you can climb for a small fee. This will provide you with the iconic San Sebastian birds eye photo!

More info: <https://www.monteigueldo.es/organize-your-visit>

La Catedral del Buen Pastor 5 min from your hotel is this beautiful cathedral with a neo-Gothic exterior yet a rather classic interior. It is one of the most significant religious buildings in the Basque region and well worth the short trip.

Visitation tip: The entrance is free outside of service hours and I suggest visiting on a bright sunny day when the stained glass is brilliantly lit.

Parte Vieja This is the "Old Town" of San Sebastian and most likely where you'll want to eat your meals. It's also an interesting place to wander as you will find narrow streets and lanes, interesting small shops, churches, pastry stores, produce markets and of course, numerous pintxos bars.

Pintxos favorites: Arguably the best in Parte Vieja are **Goiz Argi**, **La Cuchara de San Telmo**, **Atari Gastroteka**, **Borda Berri**.

San Telmo Museum Spend an hour here to learn about Basque history and culture. Although there is not much English in some areas of the museum, the interactive displays are self explanatory. It can also be an ideal spot if there is some rain or too much heat, as most activities in Donostia are outdoors.

More info: <https://www.santelmomuseoa.eus/index.php?lang=en>

Live Music During Semana Grande the city should be buzzing with live music and shows. Check the festival schedule here: <https://www.sansebastianturismoa.eus/en/>

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Barcelona

Transfer Options The fastest option is taking a Barcelona airport taxi, which costs around 30 to 40€ on the taximeter. There are taxi stands at the airport but I suggest downloading **MyTaxi App**, which is similar to Uber but uses regular taxis to handle the rides. You can use it throughout the city. <https://mytaxi.com/>

If you buy the **Barcelona City Pass** (see below) it includes **AeroBus** transfers from Terminal 1 to **Placa de Catalunya**. Otherwise the ticket cost 5.90€ one way and takes around ~30 minutes to reach the city center. From there you will need to walk ~10 min to your hotel or take a short taxi. <http://www.aerobusbcn.com/>

More Airport Transfer Options: <https://www.welcomepickups.com/barcelona/airport-to-city/>



City Passes There are four competing cards/passes that you can purchase in advance to streamline the ticket purchases and entry to Barcelona attractions. For first time visitors with at least three days to explore, I recommend the **Barcelona City Pass** with the 1 day hop-on hop-off bus option. The basic pass includes free entrance and skip-the-line to the top two monuments, **Park Guell** and **Sagrada Família**, **AeroBus** transfers to/from the airport as well as 20% off at a host of other attractions. This is the only pass that is not time restricted and handles ticketing completely online by email.

Book here: https://www.barcelona.com/barcelona_tickets/barcelona_city_pass

Free Citywide WiFi The city council has installed free wifi access points in almost all locations throughout Barcelona. Save on your data roaming by looking for the network name "Barcelona WiFi"

Barcelona Metro This is the one city I would suggest using public transportation as much as possible. Traffic can be bad and August is high season for tourism.

Ticketing Tips: The 10 Journey option is much cheaper than buying individual tickets because each journey works out to half price! More than one person can use the ticket at the same time, just pass the ticket back and your companion can put it through the machine too. A 'journey' lasts 1 hour 15 min, so you can change metros as many times as you want in that time and even transfer to a bus. Remember to validate your ticket each time in the machine provided.

More info: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SF0oOB3D1ts>

Antoni Gaudí In addition to **Sagrada Família**, I would make time to visit two of Gaudí's architectural masterpieces, the **Casa Batlló** and **Casa Milà**, which are both 20% off with the Barcelona City Pass. For each, I suggest you purchase your tickets online and in advance. These are incredible buildings that were turned into unique pieces of art and should not be missed.

Visitation tip: Visit **Casa Milà** at night. The lighting is amazing, the crowds are much smaller, and they serve you a glass of sparkling Spanish wine at the end.

Flamenco Dance Two minutes walking from your hotel is one of the oldest and arguably most authentic Flamenco theatres in Barcelona. Being high season, you'll want to pick a date and purchase your tickets well in advance.

Book here: <https://www.flamencotickets.com/los-tarantos-barcelona>

FC Barcelona From what I understand the 2019/20 schedule is released in July and the season starts in mid August. Please check the official website for match information. <https://www.fcbarcelona.com/en/football/barca-b/schedule#>

Visitation tip: If they team is not playing, book a stadium tour instead. The hop-on, hop-off bus will stop at FC Barcelona Stadium so transport is already included.

Book here: <https://www.fcbarcelona.com/en/tickets/camp-nou-experience>

Picasso Museum It is worth a few hours of your time to visit the largest collection of picassos in the world. You'll also get 20% off tickets if you purchase the Barcelona City Pass.

More info: <http://www.museupicasso.bcn.cat/en/>

Montserrat This is a monastery and place of pilgrimage dating back to Roman times. It's also simply a gorgeous mountain range just 45 km away from the city. A refreshing natural place to take in the views, relax, hike, and breath fresh air!

The cheapest way to reach it is by train and cable car: <https://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/en/tour/barcelona-montserrat.html>

If prefer to go by private transport, I suggest this tour that includes a short hike: <https://www.viator.com/tours/Barcelona/Montserrat-Monastery-and-Natural-Park-Hiking-Tour-from-Barcelona/d562-6874HIKE>

Sitges Barcelona does have a city beach but it's not very nice in my opinion. Yet just 45 min by train, Sitges seaside resort has more than a dozen beaches dotting its shores. Head into town for lunch and then relax on the beach.

More info: <https://www.tripsavvy.com/getting-from-barcelona-to-sitges-1642829>

Collserola is the largest Metro Park in the World, 22x the size of Central Park in NYC. This is where the locals go to walk and hike outside the city. You can reach it by metro, without a tour. Here is a list of some popular hikes in the park.

More info: <https://barcelonanavigator.com/hikes-in-collserola/>

Live Music Barcelona has a plethora of live music and events during the summer months. For the best information on nightlife and live shows I rely on TimeOut Barcelona. <https://www.timeout.com/barcelona/music-nightlife>

Bunkers Del Carmel is a viewpoint just outside the city that I strongly recommend you venture to. A short hike and a perfect place for photo opportunities over the city.

More info: <https://www.barcelonahacks.com/bunkers-del-carmel/>

RESTAURANTS & DINING

City	Cuisine	Name	Address	Phone	Website
Amsterdam	Vegan Intl.	Meatless District	Bilderdijkstraat 65 1053 WP	+31 20 722 0804	Link Here
Amsterdam	Salads, Vegan	SLA	Westerstraat 34, 1015 LT	+31 203702733	Link Here
Amsterdam	Dutch Intl.	Jansz	Pulitzer Hotel	+31 205235282	Link Here
Amsterdam	French Fine Dining	Brasserie Ambassade	Herengracht 339, 1016 AZ	+31 205550255	Link Here
Bilbao	Pintxos (GF options)	Irrintzi	Santa Maria Kalea, 8, 48005	+34 944167616	Link Here
Bilbao	Gluten Free	Dabuten sin gluten	Barrenkale, 5,	+34 944152209	Link

			48005		Here
San Sebastian	Basque (GF Menu)	Gandarias	31 de Agosto Kalea	+34 943426362	Link Here
San Sebastian	Pintxos (GF options)	Bar Azkena	Puesto 36 Mercado La Bretxa, Aldamar Kalea, s/n, 20003	+34 615792655	Link Here
San Sebastian	Pintxos (GF options)	Atari Gastroteka	Puesto 36 Mercado La Bretxa, Aldamar Kalea, s/n, 20003	+34 943440792	Link Here
Barcelona	GF Sandwiches	Conesa	1 Carrer de la Llibreteria	+34 933101394	Link Here
Barcelona	GF Spanish	La Lluna	Carrer de Santa Anna, 20, 08002	+34 933424479	Link Here
Barcelona	Italian/Argentine	Tucco Real Food	Carrer dels Còdols, 27, 08002	+34 933015191	Link Here
Barcelona	GF Creps	Creps al Born	Passeig del Born, 12, 08003	+34 932690325	Link Here
Barcelona	Lebanese	Arabia Café-Restaurante	Carrer dels Escudellers, 25, 08002	+34 933025955	Link Here
Barcelona	Tapas & Cocktails	Viana Barcelona	Carrer del Vidre, 7, 08002	+34 934638295	Link Here

I'm extremely grateful to have the opportunity to design this custom itinerary for you! I look forward to hearing how much you loved this trip and also helping you with your future travels!

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