

# CONTENTS

---

## **38 REGIONAL OVERVIEW**

---

### **40 BASQUE COUNTRY**

San Sebastián	44
Around San Sebastián	48
Bilbao	50
Around Bilbao	53

---

### **56 CANTABRIA**

Santander	60
Around Santander	64

---

## **72 ASTURIAS**

---

Gijón	76
Around Gijón	82
Oviedo	91
Around Oviedo	94

---

## **96 GALICIA**

---

A Coruña	100
Around A Coruña	105
Vigo	111
Around Vigo	114

# CONTENTS ■

## MARCO POLO TOP HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Top 10 highlights

## BEST OF THE NORTH SPAIN COAST

- 10 ... when it rains
- 11 ... on a budget
- 12 ... with children
- 13 ... classic experiences

## GET TO KNOW THE NORTH SPAIN COAST

- 16 Discover the North Spain Coast
- 19 At a glance
- 20 Understand the North Spain Coast
- 23 True or false?

## EATING, SHOPPING, SPORT

- 28 Eating & drinking
- 32 Shopping
- 34 Sport & activities

## MARCO POLO REGIONS

- 38 Regional overview

## DISCOVERY TOURS

- 120 A day in the Picos de Europa
- 123 Cycling through Santander
- 125 Santiago & its surroundings (for non-pilgrims)
- 128 The Basque coast hinterland

## GOOD TO KNOW

### 130 HOLIDAY BASICS

*Arrival, Getting around, Emergencies, Essentials, Festivals & events, Weather*

### 136 USEFUL WORDS & PHRASES

*Don't be lost for words*

### 138 HOLIDAY VIBES

*Books, films, music & blogs*

### 140 TRAVEL PURSUIT

*The Marco Polo holiday quiz*

### 142 INDEX & CREDITS

### 144 DOS & DON'TS

*How to avoid slip-ups & blunders*