

Las Loras, Peña Amaya and Ebro river Canyon

“Stone Landscapes”

The importance and the amount of hidden treasures that we find in the region of Burgos reach its peak in this part of the province.

The **impressive set of canyons along rivers Ebro and Rudrón** constitutes one of the natural landscapes with more personality, richness and variety of ecosystems of the peninsula. Not any less important is the trace printed by humans; numerous megalithic tombs form one of the most important dolmens of Western Europe. Also you will enjoy one of the most interesting and beautiful rural landscapes in the country. The moorlands of La Lora are composed by wide horizontal platforms placed between 900 and 1000 meters above the sea level. They are karstic formations as dolines, depressions, dry valleys, upwelling and sinks. La Lora has a striking relief based in a narrow and long rocky structure. The landscape of this region features a unique personality. Here is where Cantabrian Mountain range meets the Duero River, being Peña Amaya its greatest exponent.

Human life has also left an important trace in the past. Some Megalithic sepulchers appear distributed on the high plateaus which govern the valley of Sedano and the moorlands Las Loras. They form one of the most important dolmens in Western Europe surpassing the 5000 years old. They are the most important monumental architecture of the province of Burgos.

Another key to understand the past of this region is the peak called “Peña Amaya”. One of the most significant areas for understanding the archeology and history of the North of Spain, from the Bronze Age to the Middle Ages. This region maintains the traditions of the ancient Castilian towns, treasuring one of the most interesting rural heritages of the North of Spain. The rural architecture shows the influence of the traditional mountain houses from the northern region of Cantabria. Also its noble past is reflected in the valuable collection of palaces and houses emblazoned with coats of arms. Here is a place where the landscape has managed to overcome Burgos yourself: Canyon del Ebro as it passes through Orbaneja del Castillo.

Duration

The recommended stay for a visit in order to get to know this area is two days. As with all our tours, if you leave any of the proposed activities your visit can be reduced to a one day stay. Due to the rich landscape, cultural, botanical and fauna of this region, your visit will be unforgettable.

Activities

- Landscapes of the Ebro river canyon
- Peña Amaya past and present
- Environmental Walk along the Ebro’s river Canyon
- Ornithological walk