

Casa Busturia

Region: Basque Country **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

The delightful Casa Busturia is an apartment (within a large house) for four to six guests in the small, tranquil town of Busturia. With a fabulous garden and gorgeous mountain views, the apartment is part of a chalet style building which lies in the countryside of the Basque Country. Busturia enjoys a stunning natural location, surrounded by nature and the Urdaibai wetlands, listed by UNESCO as a Biosphere Reserve and on the list of must-see locations. The Urdaibai Estuary is formed in the mouth of the Oka River, in Vizcaya. It looks totally magical, brimming with beautiful plants, flowers and wildlife. It is a great spot for those that love the outdoors and abundant nature.

The town Busturia dates back to the Middle Ages, with the Palace of Altamira being built in the 10th century. The Church of Santa Maria de Axpre was built in the 11th century. The town is just 5 km from the nearest beach and 41 km from Bilbao in the direction of San Sebastian. Bilbao is a city filled with history, art and flavour and San Sebastian, framed by golden beaches and lush hillsides, offers an astounding dining scene as well as grand architecture and a long list of cultural events.

This cheery apartment is built over two upper floors. It is spacious, bright and comfortable. The lower floor is home to a bright and airy open plan living space with its modern kitchen and dining area at one end. With bright orange walls it is a happy, sociable space with everything you need for your self-catering break. A modern open staircase breaks the space and leads upstairs to the bedrooms. The living area is very spacious and enjoys a double sofa bed, television, modern art and a pool table for some friendly, competitive fun. One of the bathrooms is located on this level with a bath.

The upper floor offers two fairly compact bedrooms and



one shower room. One of the rooms boasts twin beds which are placed next to each other creating one huge bed, or they can be separated. The other enjoys a comfy double bed. The modern bathroom offers a shower.

Outside, guests enjoy the large, lush garden and a covered alfresco dining area with a barbecue. The mountain views are amazing. It is such a quiet spot surrounded by forests where you can plan your beach days and Basque adventures. The apartment is within a larger house with the owners living on the other side, they are lovely and will keep to themselves.

Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Indoor Games • Great Value • Rural Location • Townhouse/Apartment • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Satellite TV • Pool/Snooker • Heating • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

The Apartment

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First Floor

- Ample living room with double sofa-bed (140 x 190 cm), TV, dining table, pool table and access to a balcony
- Well-equipped kitchen with 4 ceramic glass hob hotplates, microwave, freezer and electric coffee machine
- Small reading area with collection of books
- Bathroom

Second Floor

- Bedroom with double bed (140 x 200 cm)
- Bedroom with two single beds (90 x 200 cm)
- Shower and toilet

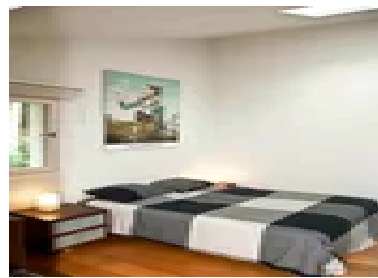
Exterior Grounds

- Communal large garden
- Separate garden
- Covered balcony with outdoor dining
- Shared barbecue
- Private parking

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Washing machine
- Private entrance
- Oil heating

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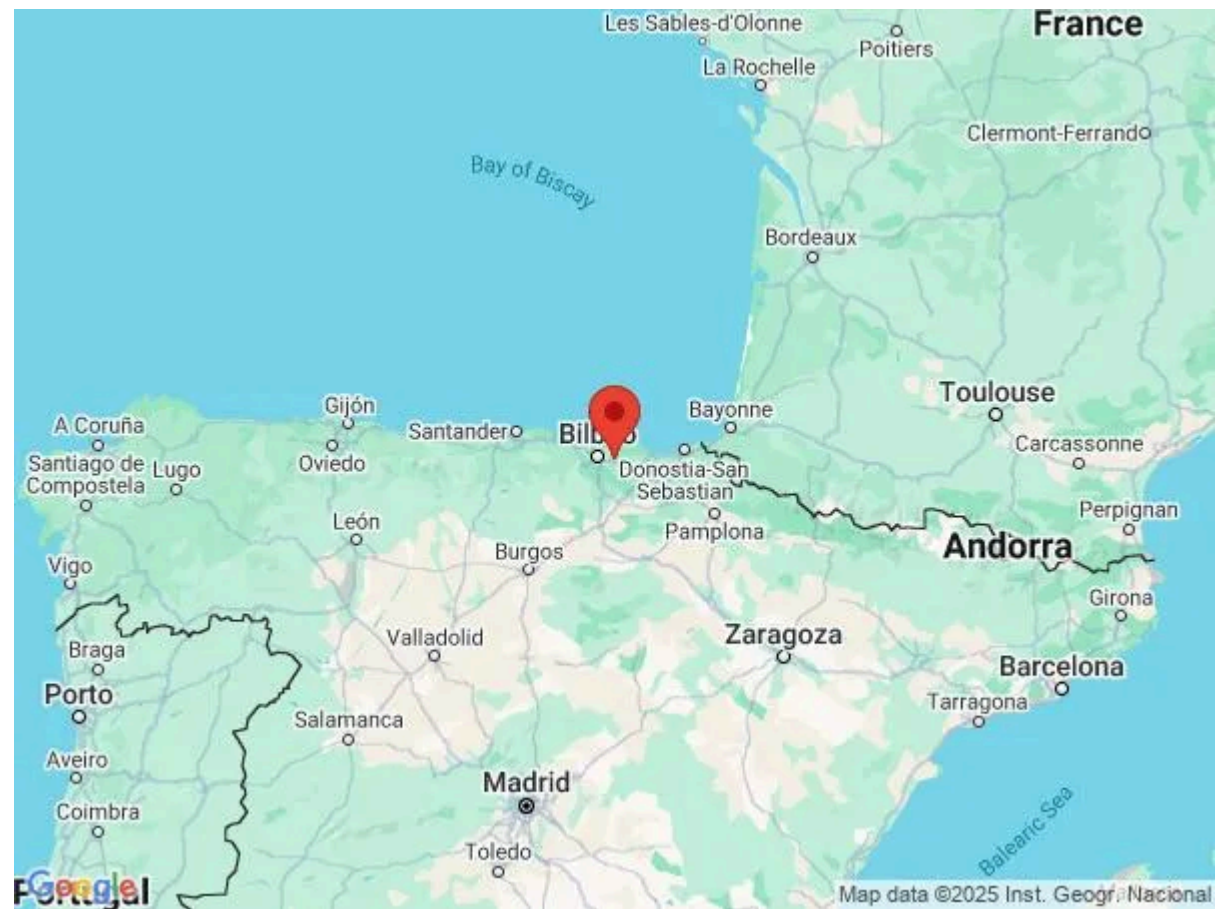


Location & Local Information

Casa Busturia lies in the countryside five kilometres from sandy Basque beaches, deep in the Biscayan estuary of Urdaibai. The location is 41 km from Bilbao and close to San Sebastian. The old port of Bermeo is 8 km from the apartment with its coastline featuring cliffs, spectacular rocks such as San Juan de Gaztelugatxe and the islands of Alatz and Izaro. Bermeo is one of the main fishing ports in the Basque Country. There are five beaches, all within ten minutes drive of the apartment.

Between the capes of Matxitxaco and Ogono, the 12 km stretch of sandbanks were declared a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve in 1984. It is an area of holm oak forests, incredible wildlife and a richly diverse natural landscape. There are low altitude mountains with steep slopes that give way to a valley that leads to the Cantabrian Sea, forming a wide estuary. The floodplain turns to marshland while shaping cliffs and beaches. The wetland is a stopping point for many migrating birds. The Urdaibai Bird Centre is very informative.

The splendid city of Bilbao boasts ground breaking architecture, delicious eateries and a very unique character. It is full of charming streets and bars offering pintxos. There are many famous eateries, including the legendary Cafe Iruna next to the Albia Gardens which opened in 1903. There is plenty to do and see in Bilbao. You can cross the Bilbao Estuary and walk along the riverbank, you can take the Artxanda cable car linking the area of Campo Volantin with Mount Artxanda for some amazing city views or visit the art museums. The Zubizuri Bridge was designed by the architect Santiago Calatrava and offers wonderful views of the towers designed by the Japanese architect Isozaki Atea. A stroll along the estuary leads you to the magnificent Guggenheim Museum made from 33,000 titanium sheets and designed by Frank Gehry. The sculptures outside the museum are equally famous including the enormous dog with its steel base and living flowers. The stunning Euskalduna Palace, another jewel of contemporary architecture, hosts exhibitions and shows. Other buildings that you should include in your tour of



Bilbao are the Bilbao Town Hall, Begona Basilica, Bilbao Museum of Fine Arts, the colourful Mercado de la Ribera Market, Plaza Neuva Square, the cultural centre Azkuna Zentroa and the Deusto University. If you are there on a Sunday, the lovely Arenal Park hosts a pretty flower market. The area known as ‘the seven streets’ is where you will find the Ribera market amongst the cobblestones. Here you will taste some of the very best pintxos. Another Sunday market takes place in Plaza Nueva. If you have enough time when you are in Bilbao you can take a sailing boat along the Nervion Estuary or make a trip to Portugalete and the Bizkaia Hanging Bridge, a UNESCO World Heritage site designed by the architect behind the Eiffel Tower.

The culinary city of San Sebastian is blessed with an enchanting coastline, the Playa de la Concha. Surfers head one beach over to the thrilling waves of Playa de la Zurriola. San Sebastian enjoys a justly deserved reputation as one of the world’s great dining destinations. You can snack on fresh oysters, stop for pintxos at one of the bars that litter the streets or linger over a decadent, multi-course feast in a Michelin-starred restaurant. Just offshore lies the Isla de Santa Clara, a small hilly island that you can visit. San Sebastian is full of elegant art nouveau buildings, beautifully manicured parks, plazas and ornate bridges. It is a beautiful city that should not be missed.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Bilbao Airport (25 km)
Nearest Airport 2	Vitoria Airport (71 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Bilbao Ferry Port (39 km)
Nearest Village	Amorebieta-Etxano (3 km)
Nearest Town/City	Bilbao (26 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Boroea Jatetxea (6 km)

Nearest Bar/Pub	Bar A (4 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Eroski (4 km)
Nearest Beach	Ereaga Beach (33 km)
Nearest Golf	Meaztegi Golf Club (43 km)
Nearest Tennis	Ibarreta Tennis Club (32 km)
Nearest Train Station	Gernika Station (16 km)

What we love

- Casa Busturia enjoys a fabulous countryside position with wonderful mountain views and within easy reach of the wetlands of the Urdaibai estuary and a number of beaches
- The apartment is bright and spacious, ideal for a small family or two couples
- The location offers the best of both worlds; you will be enveloped in nature yet within easy reach of the fabulous cities of Bilbao and San Sebastian

What you should know...

- Please note that the owner of Casa Busturia lives in the same building, and you have a separate area of the garden for private use
- The staircase is semi-open with just a cord to secure it so please take care with young children
- This house does not accept bookings from groups of young people
- The living room boasts one sofa bed which you are welcome to use for extra guests

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €200 charged to client's credit card by the owner before/upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4 pm.
- **Departure time:** 10 am.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Bed linen, bath and pool towels are included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that quiet and non-intrusive owners live on the ground floor of this property, they will be very happy to help.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday during peak season. Flexible during other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- **Other 2:** Please be aware that groups of young people are not permitted to book this property.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Tax:** Tourist Tax included in the rental price.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included in rental price.