



GTI Travel on behalf of the Military History Society of Ireland

The Irish at War in north-eastern Spain: the Catalan Revolt 1639-1640, and the Peninsular War

Irishmen have been fighting in European armies for centuries and this is particularly so in the case of many Irishmen who fought in Irish Regiments in the Spanish Army. In later centuries, Irishmen were also involved in Spain while fighting in the British Army. The Society's 2025 tour will explore battles and locations in the 17th and 19th centuries in the north-east of Spain (and France) which involved Irishmen in the Catalan Revolt and the Peninsular War. In addition, our tour will also visit the last action of the 15th International Brigade at Lleida in the Spanish Civil War. Among the ranks of this Brigade were many Irish. A visit to the Spanish Civil War Museum in Barcelona is included.

In addition to battle sites, we will tour the fortifications of Gerona, Castle de San Ferran the largest 17th century bastion fortification in Europe, Castell de Montjuich, Bayonne, and Barcelona



7 - 15 September 2025

9 Days / 8 Nights

Price Includes:

- Flights into Barcelona (12:10 arrival approx.) and departing from Bilbao (18:10 departure approx.)
- 10kg Luggage allowance per person
- Executive coaching throughout tour (subject to EU regulations)
- 4 nights in Girona
- 1 night in Zaragoza
- 3 nights in Pamplona
- Breakfast to be included at hotels
- 1 x packed lunch (Date TBD)
- 2 x light lunches (Day 1 & 5)
- 3 x evening meals (Day 1, 5 & 8)
- Visit to Girona Fortifications
- Visit to Castell de Sant Ferran, Figueras
- Visit to Castell de Montjuic
- Guided tour of Barcelona
- Visit to Spanish Civil War Museum
- Visit to Salses
- Transfer to Pamplona
- Excursion to Vittoria
- Excursion to Bayonne
- Visit to Fuenterrabia

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TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1: Travel from Dublin to Girona

Depart Dublin to Barcelona Girona Airport, on arrival transfer to Hotel for check in. Visit after lunch TBC. Orientation on site before evening meal in hotel.

Day 2: Visit Girona & Figueras

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before transfer to Fortifications of Girona. Guided tour of the site before a visit to Castell de Sant Ferran for a guided tour of the largest 17th century bastion fortification in Europe.

Day 3: Barcelona & The Spanish Civil War

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before transfer to Barcelona. Visit Castell de Montjuich in the morning, while in the afternoon experience the Spanish Civil War Museum alongside a guided tour of Barcelona.

Day 4: The Defence of Salses in 1640

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before visit to Salses, where we will find out more about the role of Tyrconnell's tercio in the defence of Salses 1640. In the afternoon spend some free time in Girona.

Day 5: Zaragoza & Lleida

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel, check out before transfer to Lleida (TBC) - Lunch in Lleida before a visit to Asco. Check into your hotel in Zaragoza before your evening meal.

Day 6: Pamplona

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel, check out before transfer to Pamplona. Enjoy free time in Pamplona.

Day 7: Vittoria & Wellington's 1813 Campaign

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before transfer to Vittoria. Here you will learn about Wellington's campaign of 1813 which featured the Connaught Rangers and the Royal Irish Fusiliers.

Day 8: Pamplona & Battle of the Pyrenees

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before morning spent learning about Wellington's capture of Pamplona. Afterwards, transfer to Roscasvalles to learn about the Battle of the Pyrenees. Return to hotel for evening meal.

Day 9: Bayonne & Fuenterrabia

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel, check out before transfer to Bayonne, the site of Wellington's siege. Afterwards, stop at Fuenterrabia to hear about the role of O'Donnell's tercio in the defence of the Fuenterrabia from the French assault in 1638. Transfer to Bilbao Airport for your flight home.

Itinerary subject to change, €300 deposit required to secure space on tour, balance due 10 weeks before travel date, insurance available upon request



Booking Remarks: Price based on 2 sharing including all airport taxes & charges. Single Room supplement of €430 on single rooms. Non-refundable / nontransferable deposit of €300 pp is required at time of booking. Balance due 10 weeks before departure. Price based on a minimum of 30 paying. Price includes 10KG luggage. Optional insurance available (terms & conditions apply). If you are travelling alone and are willing to share a twin room with another group member of the same sex, we will do our best to accommodate this request although it cannot be guaranteed. You are authorising GTI Travel to act as your agent and we will arrange for you to enter into a contract with the provider (travel provider) of the travel related service, including among others, airlines, hotels, insurance companies, coach hire companies, transfer companies and various destination management companies. You are bound by the travel provider's terms and conditions of booking. We are acting as your agent in arranging your booking and the travel provider is the principal or the agent to the principal. City taxes may apply, payable locally at your hotel. Flights, hotel, taxes, prices & itinerary subject to change. Booking terms & conditions apply. Licenced by the Irish Aviation Authority TA 0533. E&OE.

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