



Historical visit to Hendaye + Donostia

Saturday, 14 September 2019: This *LagunCara* excursion will take in a 1 h guided visit to the *Château Observatoire Abbadia* of Dublin-born **Antoine Thomson d'Abbadie***, located across the border in Hendaye. We will then return to Donostia (DSS) for a short guided tour of the Old Town in honor of the Irish lieutenant**.

Cost of reserved seat in private luxury tourbus from DSS to Hendaye and back: **22 euro** payable into the *LagunCara* account (see below). The tourbus has been hired to take the group from the DSS bus/train hub (*Estación del Norte*) and will leave opposite the train station entrance at **10.30 h** for Hendaye. After the Hendaye visit, it will return us to the DSS Old Town for approximately **13.30 h**. People will then have the option of returning home when they wish or of staying on for an optional meal (must be reserved; see p.2).

***Antoine d'Abbadie** was the mover and shaker in the resurgence of the Basque language and literature with the creation of the Floral Games in 1851 (continued nowadays as *Loraldia*); he was known as *Euskaldunen Aita* ("Father of the Basques"). His château in Hendaye is decorated with Irish and Basque symbols. There may be a minor entrance charge.

****Lieutenant Thomas Rose** saved the lives of many *Donostiarras* from slaughter in 1813. This free guided tour will take in the 3 plaques dedicated to the event; participants have the option of "pinxto-pote" *en route*. Optional lunch after (reservation essential).

TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE:

1. Send names to Niamh Brannelly (nt.brannelly@gmail.com) by ****Friday 6th September 2019****
2. Payments of 22 € per person must be lodged into the following *LagunCara* account **Caja Laboral Popular** IBAN: ES82-3035-0122-86-1220-0213-58 (Titular "CARA"). In the "concept" field of the transfer, you should specify your surname and the number of participants.

Queries to: Niamh (nt.brannelly@gmail.com) or Joe (wordlan2012@gmail.com)
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LOGISTIC AND OTHER NOTES re. HENDAYE TOUR

1. For Public Transport Users

From **Bilbao**:

Alsa bus company at 08.45 h. 80 min journey. Last bus returns at 21.10 h.

Lurraldebus at 09.00 h. 80 min journey. Returns to Bilbao @ 30 min past each hour, with last bus returning at 22.30 h.

From **Vitoria-Gasteiz**: *Lurraldebus* at 08.45 h (80 min journey).

Return from DSS: @ 15mins past each hour, e.g. 17.15. Last bus 23.45 h.

From Pamplona-Iruñea: *Alsa* at 08.30 h. 1 h journey; Return from DSS: as with V-G but last bus at 22.15 h.

From Baiona: 816 bus to Hendaye at 09.09 h.

Please note the following times are orientative and users themselves should verify details with their transport companies. *LagunCARA* accepts no responsibility for any possible inaccuracies.

****IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU PURCHASE IN ADVANCE BUS TICKETS TO DSS ****

2. The *LagunCara* tour bus will depart from the DSS Renfe “Estación del Norte” main transport hub no later than 10.30 h. The bus station underground is where buses from the other Basque capitals arrive. Lift (better) or stairs up to ground level where the blue *Iparbus* luxury coach will be waiting opposite rail station entrance

3. For those travelling privately by car to the *Château Observatoire Abbadia*, Route de la Corniche, 64700 Hendaye, they should leave time to park in one of the designated car parks and walk to the Castle, to be there shortly before 11.00 h for the start of the tour. Those arriving earlier than the main party in the tour bus should wait at the ticket office as we have a discounted party rate.

- Parking P1 – Askubia
- Parking P2 - Rue de la Glacière
 - P1 and P2 are located on either side of the château itself. P1, at the junction of Ascoubia Fagady and the Route de la Corniche, is an 8 min walk south-west (ocean on your right);
 - P2 is a 5 min walk north-east to the Castle, at the junction of Rue de la Glacière and Rue d’Aguerria.
- Parking P3 (de pago) - Rue d’Armatonde.
- Parking PMR (for vehicles with handicapped sticker)

4. Lunch in San Sebastian Old Town. At approximately 15.00 h. Limited to 15. Again prior reservation is essential (to Niamh at nt.brannelly@gmail.com). There are 3 options: **1. a la carte.** **2.** Menú del día at 16 € which varies, but normally consists of a first course of mixed salad or fish soup or cream of vegetables and a second one which is a choice between two fish dishes or one between two meat dishes, then dessert, including water, wine, bread and VAT. **3.** A tasting menu for 29,50 € (min 2 persons): Iberian bellota ham and crab-meat filled red peppers, then house-style hake, then solomillo in choux pastry with foie sauce and a dessert selection of house pastries, including water, wine, bread and VAT. Mouthwatering!