

ATTRACTIONS AND SIGHTSEEING

SPAIN | San Sebastian



LA CONCHA

La Concha, on the bay of the same name, is considered the most beautiful city beach in Europe and one of the best in the world. With its golden sands tapering down to azure blue waters it's definitely a busy place in the summer, when thousands come to claim their spot on the beach. La Concha, which is Spanish for "shell" takes on a party atmosphere.

PARTE VIEJA (OLD TOWN)

Parte Vieja (Old Town) is one of the most visited places in San Sebastian, though it isn't the oldest neighborhood – Antiguu is. Buildings with their colorful roofs are protected from the sea by Monte Urgull, with the River Urumean on one side. Social butterflies will enjoy Old Town, because it's filled with trendy bars and cafes.

MONTE URGULL

Monte Urgull has been a place to defend San Sebastian since the 12th century. The Mota Castle was added later, and, in 1960, a 12-meter (39-foot) tall sculpture of Christ was added at the top. Visitors also will find a small history museum at the top. A good way to get there is to walk from Old Town, starting either from behind the aquarium or the Plaza de Zutoaga; the spectacular views of San Sebastian and the bay make the trip worthwhile.

PEINE DEL VIENTO

The Peine del Viento, or Comb of the Wind, is, perhaps, San Sebastian's most famous sculptures. This unique sculpture, located at the end of Ondarreta beach, is one of the most visited attractions in San Sebastian. The ensemble work is considered Basque sculptor Eduardo Chillida's best and most famous work. The work consists of three 10-ton steel sculptures that are embedded in rocks. The holes in the pieces make noise when the wind passes through them. Many believe the pieces look like a twisted comb, thus the name. The sculpture has been overlooking Concha Bay since 1976.


ANOETA STADIUM

Marvel at the history of Real Sociedad, a 100-year-old club which has disseminated Basque culture through football and other sports. An area of 400 square meters with a novel design offers you the chance to visually appreciate the history of the club.

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