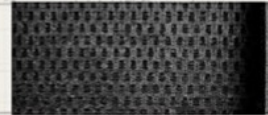
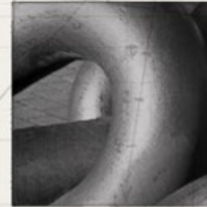
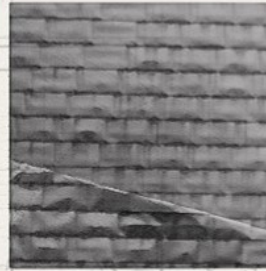


MAP OF MUSEUMS

IN BILBAO



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INTRODUCTION

Bilbao has changed a great deal in recent years, in ways that have made it famous all over the world.

Bilbao is now a very modern city and one of the best places in the world to live, work and enjoy yourself.

But it is also a city with a wealth of history, and this is reflected in its museums.

From the oldest part of Bilbao, the medieval Old Quarter, following the estuary we can discover the 700-year history of the city.

In the Euskal Museoa and in the Archaeological Museum we will learn about Basque traditions and history.

The Museum of Sacred Art and the Museum of Passages show us the connection between art and religion.

We can take a journey through the history of art
in the artistic Reproductions Museum and,
perhaps more especially, in the Museum of Fine Arts.
And very nearby, next to the estuary,
is the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao,
the symbol of our city around the world.

Following the estuary, the Itsasmuseum helps us
to understand the importance of the sea for our city.
The Athletic Club Museum presents the history
of our famous football team. And the Bullfighting Museum
preserves the history of bullfighting in Bilbao.

This guide offers a tour of our museums,
of art, history and the way of life in Bilbao.
It will help you to enjoy our wonderful city even more.

JUAN MARI ABURTO, Mayor of Bilbao



BILBAO FINE ARTS MUSEUM

Museum opening times

🕒 Closed on Tuesdays. Monday to Saturday 10:00-20:00.
Sunday 10:00-15:00.

Contact information

📍 Address: Plaza del Museo, 2. 48009 Bilbao
☎ Telephone: (+34) 94 439 60 60
@ E-mail: info@museobilbao.com
🌐 Website: <https://www.museobilbao.com>

Other information of interest

📍 During the renovation of the museum,
there is free admission to the modern building.

**BILBOKO ARTE
EDERREN MUSEOA
MUSEO DE BELLAS
ARTES DE BILBAO**



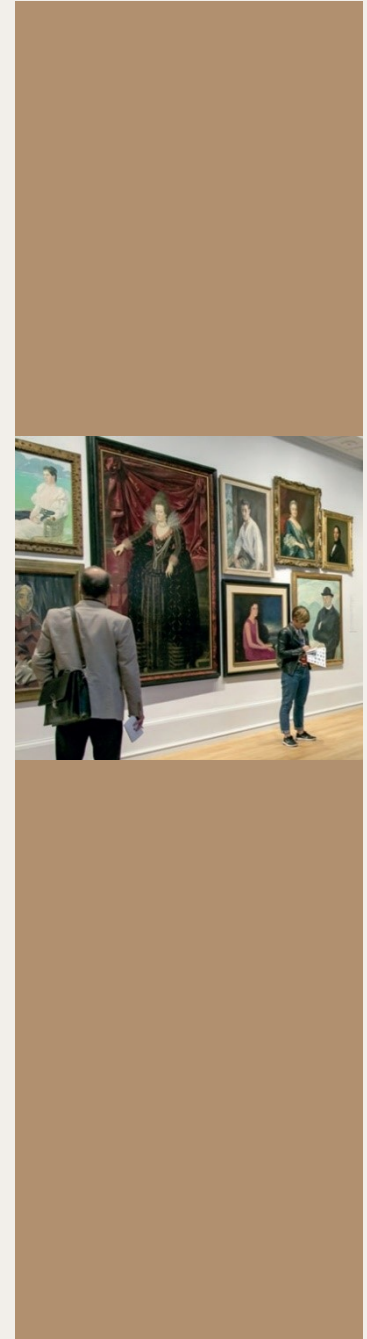
A stroll through the history of art

The Fine Arts Museum is in Doña Casilda Park, in the Indautxu neighbourhood.

The museum is home to paintings and sculptures from all eras, from as long as 9000 years ago to the present day.

There are works by very important artists, including:

- Basque artists:
Arteta, Arrue, Iturrino, Zuloaga, Chillida, Oteiza, Ibarrola.
- Other Spanish artists:
Murillo, Zurbarán, Goya, Sorolla, Tàpies.
- Artists from other countries:
Cranach the Elder, El Greco, Cézanne, Gauguin, Cassatt.



Outside the museum, in a pond,
you can see the monument dedicated to
the musician Juan Crisóstomo de Arriaga,
a modernist work by Francisco Durrio.

The Fine Arts Museum carries out many activities,
such as:

- Temporary exhibitions.
- Visits and activities for schools.
- Film screenings.

You can visit the museum and its works on the website.



BILBAO FINE ARTS MUSEUM EXTENSION

“Agravitas” project

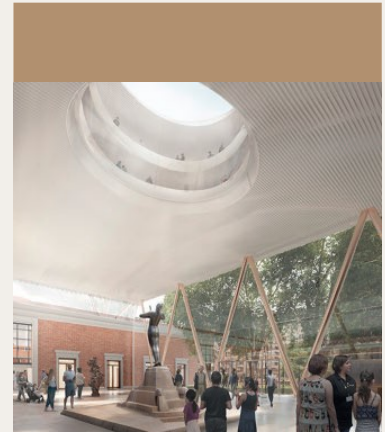
There is a project to extend the museum.

The project is called “Agravitas” and has been designed by the architects Norman Foster and Luis María Uriarte.

A large gallery will be built on top of the museum, respecting the existing buildings.

In addition, it will have a large opening for sunlight to enter.

Below that opening will be the monument to the musician Arriaga.



GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM BILBAO

Museum opening times

🕒 Closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Sunday 10:00-19:00.

Contact information

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☎ Telephone: (+34) 94 435 90 00

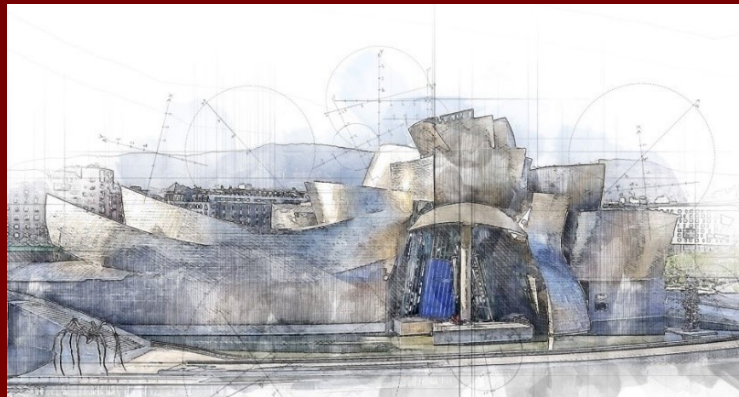
@ E-mail: informacion@guggenheim-bilbao.eus

🌐 Website: <https://www.guggenheim-bilbao.eus>

Other information of interest

📄 On the website you can find out about the temporary exhibitions.

GUGGENHEIM BILBAO



The new symbol of the city

The Guggenheim Museum opened in 1997.

It is a museum of contemporary art and has become famous throughout the world.

The building was designed by the architect Frank Gehry.

From the outside, it looks like a huge sculpture made of metal, glass and stone.

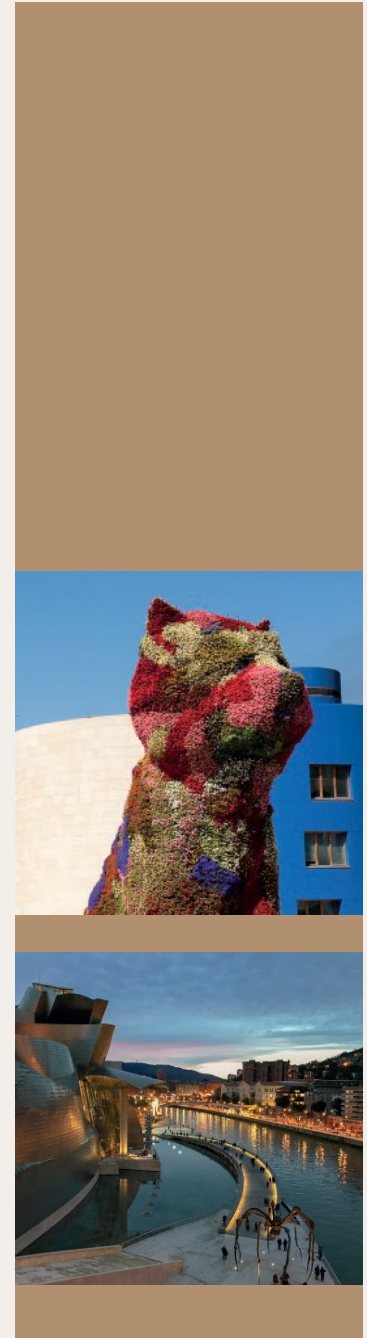
Its shapes are very new and bold, which is why it has become the symbol of the city.

The Guggenheim Museum has brought many changes to Bilbao and has improved the economy, culture and life of the city.

You can walk all the way around the building.

This walk allows you to enjoy its different forms.

In addition, outside the museum there are very famous works of art, such as the dog “Puppy”, by Jeff Koons, and “Mamá”, the huge spider created by Louise Bourgeois.



Inside the museum, there are works by the most important contemporary artists in the world, such as Rothko, de Kooning, Warhol, Rauschenberg, Kiefer, Baselitz, Basquiat or Jenny Holzer.

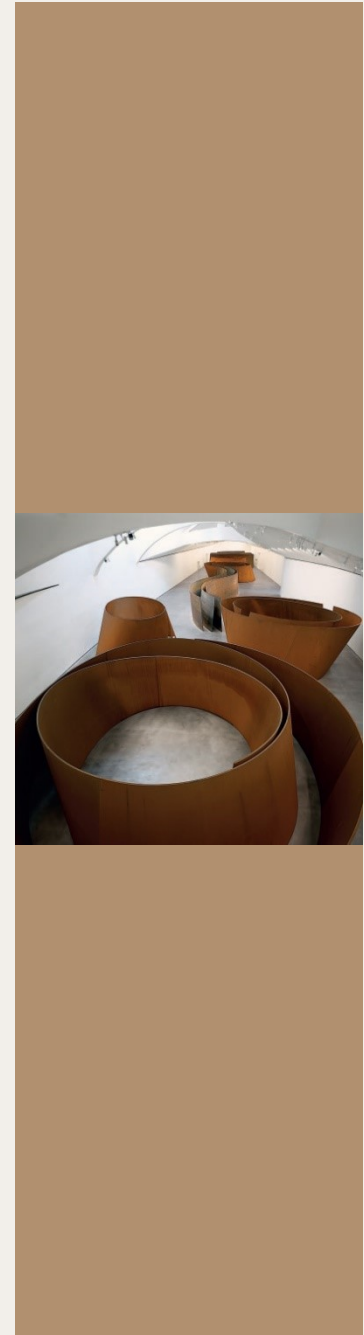
Contemporary Basque art has an important place, with works by Chillida, Oteiza or Cristina Iglesias.

The work “The matter of time”, by Richard Serra, is one of the most important in the collection.

This consists of 7 huge steel sculptures which the artist created especially for the museum.

The museum organises many different activities involving music, cinema, theatre and cuisine.

These are intended to allow everyone to enjoy the great artistic heritage that the museum represents.




Museum opening times

 This will be provided when the museum opens again.

Contact information

 Address: Plaza Miguel de Unamuno, 4. 48006 Bilbao

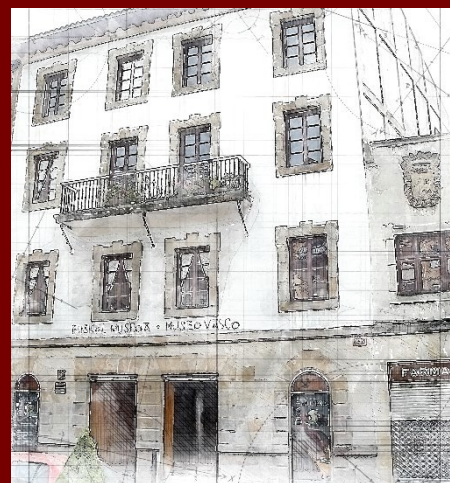
 Telephone: (+34) 94 415 54 23

 E-mail: administrazioa@euskalmuseoa.eus

 Website: <https://www.euskalmuseoa.eus>

Other information of interest

 Temporarily closed due to renovation works.



Find out about the traditions of the Basque people

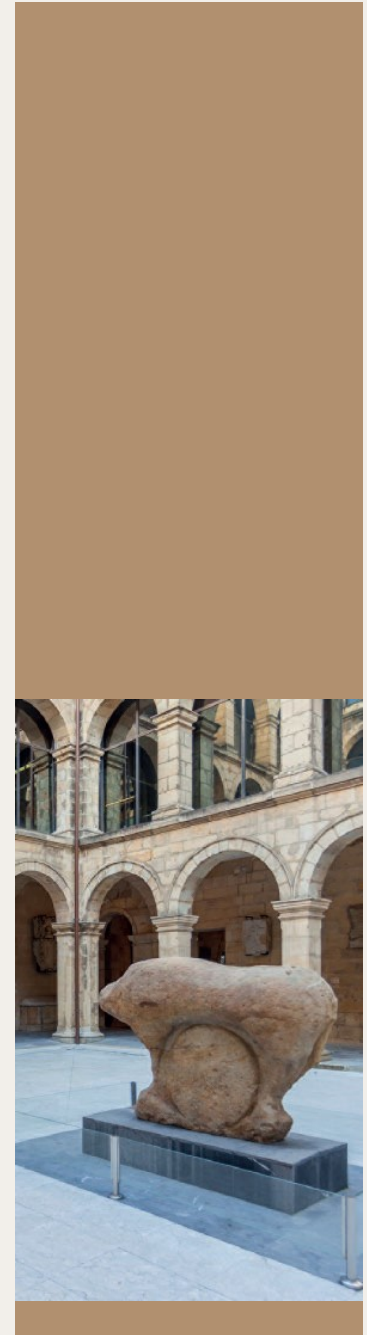
The Euskal Museoa is in the Old Quarter of Bilbao, in the old Jesuit school. This museum preserves thousands of pieces and photographs so that you can learn about the history and culture of the Basque people.

Through these pieces you can discover the relationship between the Basque Country and the sea, the traditions of the livestock farmers and the importance of metal in Basque culture.

You can also see handicrafts, such as ceramics and historical costumes.

Some of the most important pieces in the museum are the “Idol of Mikeldi”, a sculpture that is over 2,000 years old, and the huge 200-square-metre scale model of Biscay.

Also outstanding are the photographs of Eulalia de Abaitua, the first photographer to portray life in the Basque Country at the beginning of the 20th century.



COMPREHENSIVE RENOVATION OF THE EUSKAL MUSEOA

“Aretz bizia” project

The Euskal Museoa has celebrated its 100th anniversary and now it is closed to completely renovate the museum.

The project is called “Aretz bizia”, which means “live oak” in Basque.

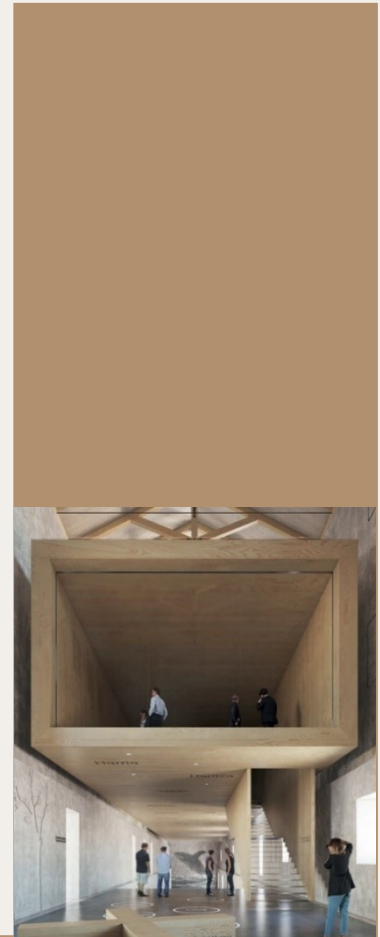
The museum is going to be extended, joining it to the adjacent Kurtze building.

An auditorium will also be built.

While it is closed to the public, the museum continues to work and organise the collection.

In this way, the Euskal Museoa aims to become

The grand centre of Basque culture.



REPRODUCTIONS MUSEUM


Museum opening times

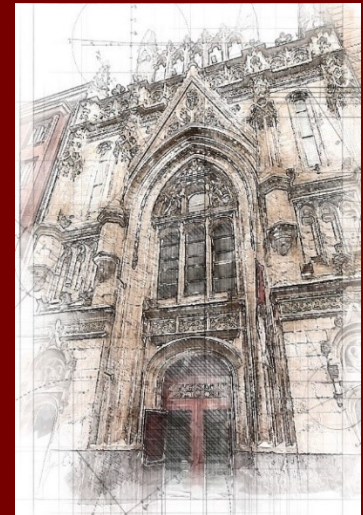
 Closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Saturday 10:00-13:30 and 16:00-19:00.
Sunday 10:00-14:00.

Contact information

 Address: San Francisco, 14. 48003 Bilbao
 Telephone: (+34) 94 679 02 55
 E-mail: info@bilbokoberreginenmuseoa.eus
 Website: <https://www.bilbokoberreginenmuseoa.eus>

Other information of interest

 Check the website for the public holidays on which the museum is closed.



BILBOKO BERREGINEN MUSEOA
MUSEO REPRODUCCIONES BILBAO

Visit the best museums in Europe without leaving Bilbao

The museum is in the old church of Corazón de María, a beautiful building in “Old Bilbao”.

The museum has exact copies of important sculptures from the best museums in the world.

During the visit we can see life-size works such as “Moses” by Michelangelo, the “Venus of Milo”, “The Winged Victory of Samothrace” and “Laocoön and His Sons” up close.




SITE OF THE PLAZA CORAZÓN DE MARÍA

Museum opening times

 Monday to Friday 08:00-14:00.

Contact information

 Address: Plaza Corazón de María. 48003 Bilbao

 Telephone: (+34) 94 415 02 31

Other information of interest

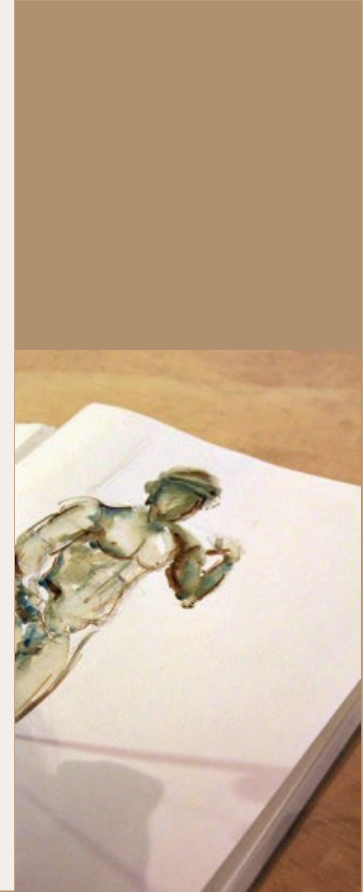
 The visit must be booked in advance. Entrance on Calle Conde Mirasol, 2.



An underground treasure

Near the Reproductions Museum
is the Bilbao Bizkaia Museoak building.

Drawing and painting classes are given here
and you can also visit the remains
of an old convent built 500 years ago.
This convent gave its name to the San Francisco neighbourhood.
The convent was demolished more than 100 years ago.
A barracks was built in its place.
The remains of the barracks can also be seen during the visit.




ITSASMUSEUM, MARITIME MUSEUM

Museum opening times

 Closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Sunday 11:00-19:00.

Contact information

 Address: Muelle Ramón de la Sota, 1. 48011 Bilbao

 Telephone: (+34) 94 608 55 00

 E-mail: info@itsasmuseum.eus

 Website: <https://www.itsasmuseum.eus>

Other information of interest

 This museum is regularly visited by ships from all over the world.



ITSasMuseum

Discover the secrets of the Cantabrian Sea

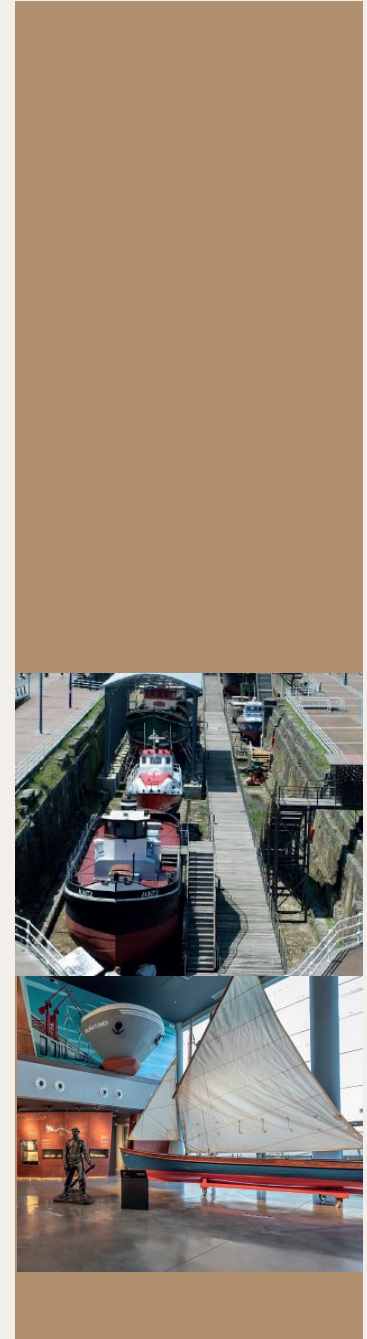
The museum is on the edge of the estuary, on the site where the old Euskalduna shipyards used to be. The museum aims to draw attention to Bilbao's relationship with the sea, through the estuary and the entire Bay of Biscay.

Outside the museum we can see the "Carola" crane and a number of important ships.


For example, the "Athletic" Barge, which the soccer team used to celebrate their last league win.

You can also see the "Portu", the first ship built in the Euskalduna shipyards, more than 100 years ago.

Inside the museum, you can learn about the history of the Bilbao Consulate created in 1511, and about maritime trade, industry and shipyards. You can also find out about sea sports, such as the "traineras" (traditional rowing boats used for racing) and surfing.



Museum opening times

-  Closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Saturday 10:30-13:30 and 16:00-19:00.
Sundays and public holidays 10:30-13:30.

Contact information

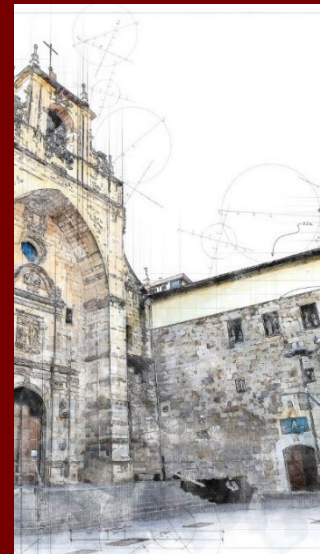
-  Address: Plaza de la Encarnación, 9B. 48006 Bilbao
-  Telephone: (+34) 94 432 01 25
-  E-mail: museo@eleizmuseoa.com
-  Website: <https://www.eleizmuseoa.com>

Other information of interest

-  The museum shows art applied to the sacred.



MUSEO DE ARTE SACRO
ELEIZ MUSEOA • BIZKAIA



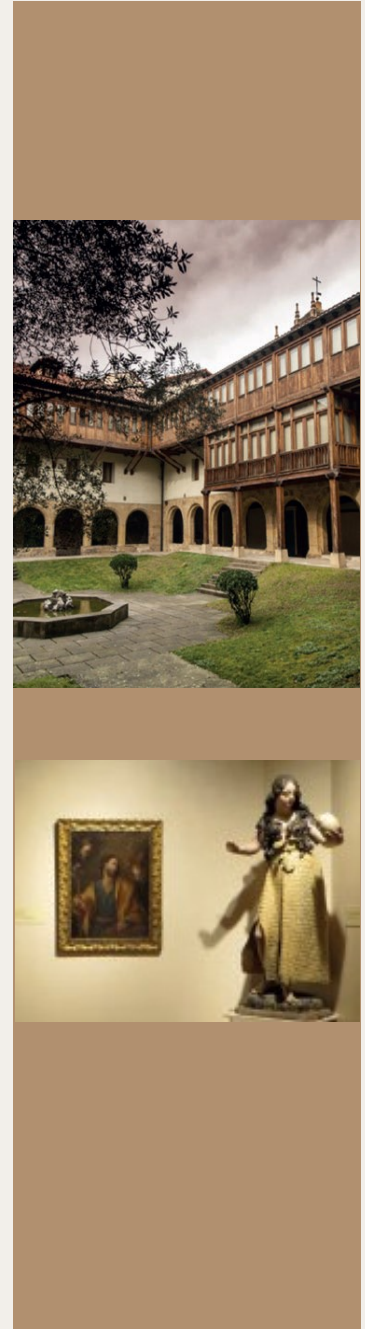
Experience the charm of an old convent

The museum is in the Encarnación convent,
in the Atxuri neighbourhood.

The building has been restored,
but retains the charm and tranquillity of the old convents.
Visiting the museum therefore brings
a feeling of peace to the visitor,
either walking along a beautiful cloister or through its rooms.

The museum has paintings and sculptures from churches,
convents and hermitages from all over Biscay.
It also has jewellery and other religious adornments.

In the museum we can take part in an escape room,
a game in which we have to escape from the convent.
The game is called “The Atxuri Abbey”.



BULLFIGHTING MUSEUM

Museum opening times



Closed Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

Monday to Thursday 10:30-13:00 and 16:00-18:00. Friday 10:30-13:00.

Contact information



Address: Martín Agüero, 1. 48012 Bilbao



Telephone: (+34) 94 444 86 98



E-mail: info@plazatorosbilbao.com



Website: <http://www.bilbao.bmftoros.com/plaza/bilbao/>

Other information of interest



It is located in the bullring.



BILBAO
VISTA ALEGRE

PLAZA DE TOROS - ZESENTOKIA



The history of bullfighting in Bilbao

The museum is in the Vista Alegre Bullring, in the neighbourhood of Ametzola.

Inside the museum, we can find posters, Goya prints, photographs and panels that explain the history of bullfighting.

There are also bullfighting costumes and models of the old bullrings of Bilbao.

The museum is divided into 8 parts.

Each part shows the history of bullfighting in different times, from 300 years ago to the present day.

Here we can get to know great bullfighters such as Guerrita, Manolete and El Cordobés.



ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

Museum opening times

🕒 Closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Saturday 10:00-14:00 and 16:00-19:30.
Sundays and public holidays 10:30-14:00.

Contact information

📍 Address: Calzadas de Mallona, 2. 48006 Bilbao
Calle Prim. 48006 Bilbao

☎ Telephone: (+34) 94 404 09 90

@ E-mail: arkeologimuseoa@bizkaia.eus

🌐 Website: <https://bizkaikoa.bizkaia.eus>

Other information of interest

📍 To enter via Mallona you have to climb stairs,
but the other entrance via Prim has a lift.



Following the footsteps of history

The Archaeological Museum is in the Old Quarter, in the old Lezama train station.

There are pieces covering the entire history of Biscay, including: the bust of Mesterika, from the prehistoric era; the figure of Isis-Fortuna from the Roman settlement in Forua; and a medieval boat.

The museum is a very important showcase for the archaeological excavations in Biscay, and also for the restoration and preservation of the pieces found. In this regard, the museum organises many activities and publishes books that make the history of Biscay accessible to everyone.



MUSEUM OF PASSAGES

Museum opening times



Closed on Mondays and public holidays.

Tuesday to Friday 11:00-13:30 and 17:00-19:30.

Saturday 11:00-14:00 and 17:00-20:00. Sunday 11:00-14:00.

Contact information



Address: Iturribide, 3. 48006 Bilbao



Telephone: (+34) 94 415 04 33



E-mail: info@museodepasosbilbao.org



Website: <https://www.museodepasosbilbao.org>

Other information of interest



It is located in an 18th century building.



Experience the essence of Holy Week

In this museum in the Old Quarter you can see many passages –or floats– from the Holy Week processions. These floats show scenes from the Passion of Christ and have made their way along the streets of Bilbao many times.

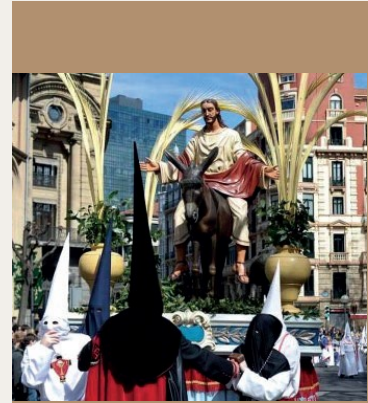
Some of them are over 400 years old.

Others are from the 20th century, made by sculptors from Biscay.

One of the most modern floats is that of Santa María Magdalena, created by the artist Lourdes Hernández in 2007.

In the museum there are also scale models describing the life of Jesus, flags, costumes worn by the brotherhoods and photographs of Holy Week in Bilbao.

The museum is managed by the brotherhoods who are responsible for carrying the floats in the processions.



ATHLETIC CLUB MUSEUM

Museum opening times

🕒 Closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Sunday 10:00-20:00
from March to October, 10:00-19:00 from November to February.

Contact information

📍 Address: Rafael Moreno Pitxitxi. 48013 Bilbao
☎ Telephone: (+34) 94 466 11 00
@ E-mail: museoa@athletic-club.eus
🌐 Website: <https://www.athleticclubmuseoa.eus>

Other information of interest

📍 There are also guided tours of the football stadium.



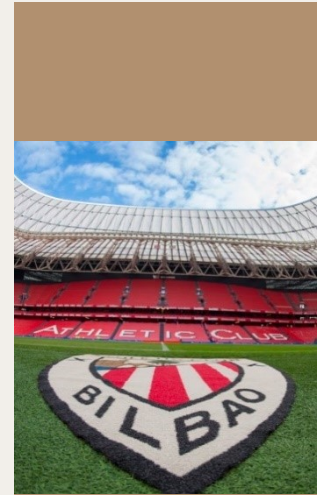
Learn about the history of a unique football team

The museum is in the San Mamés stadium, in the Basurto neighbourhood.

The entrance to the “Cathedral” of football is between gates 19 and 20 of the stadium, on the street named after the famous striker Rafael Moreno “Pichichi”.

In the museum we can find out about the history of Athletic Club, founded in 1898. The team stands out for its values and its unique philosophy. More than 1000 items and videos will help you to learn about them. An outstanding feature is the huge wall with 102 screens, showing important moments in the history of the club.

Apart from the museum, you can visit the San Mamés stadium. There are guided tours, either in groups or individually, with an application for your mobile phone.

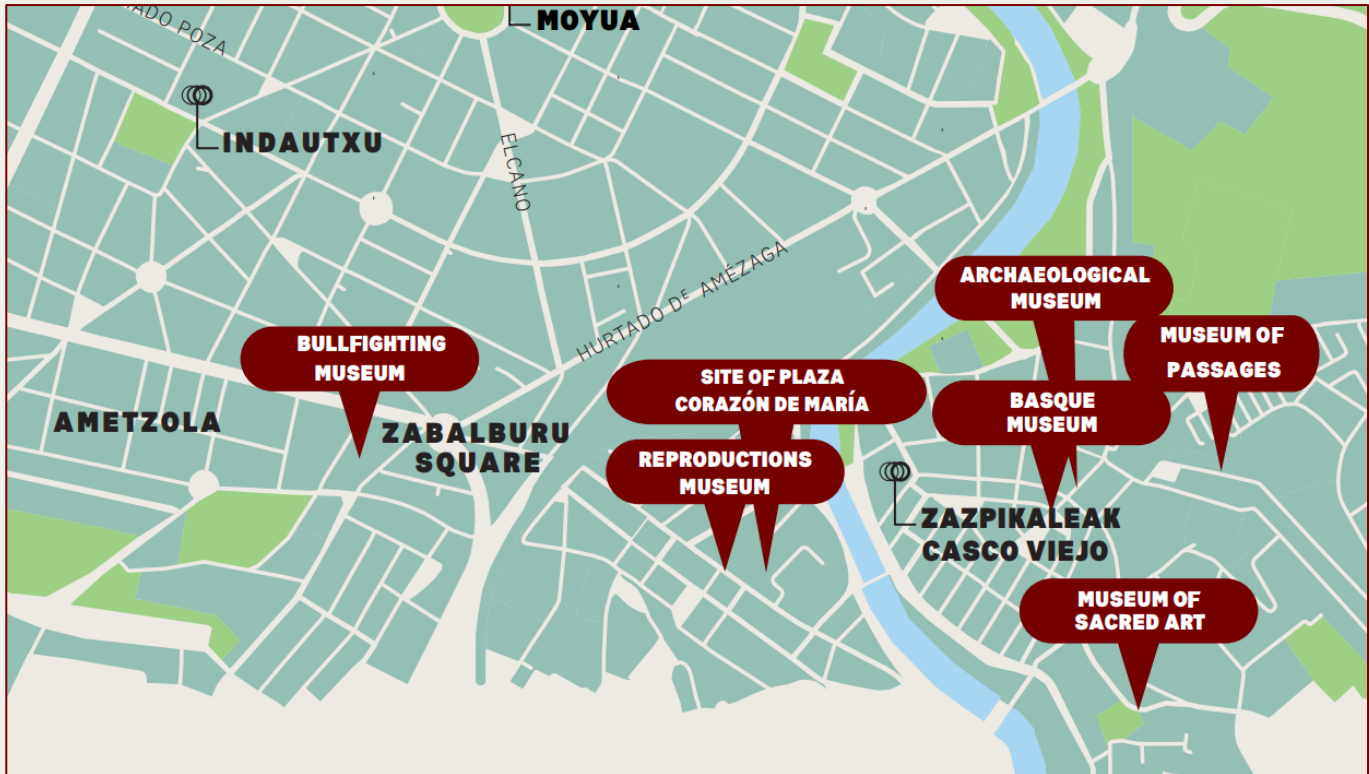


MAPS OF MUSEUMS IN BILBAO

MAP OF MUSEUMS IN THE NORTH AREA OF BILBAO.



MAP OF MUSEUMS IN THE SOUTH AREA OF BILBAO.





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