

# SACRED JOURNEYS

## *To Spanish lands and language*

SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 6, 2007

### EL CAMINO DE SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA



The Parador Principe de Viana, our home during the *Español Rápido* part of the trip

#### **Part I Sept.15-27, 2007 Castles, Classes and Customs**

After spending some time in Madrid we head north to the small medieval town of Olite in the Pyrenees region. We stay at a restored castle for several days while we learn Spanish and explore the surrounding areas including Pamplona, one of Hemingway's hangouts and famous for the running of the bulls.

#### **Part II Sept.22-Oct.6, 2007 The Pilgrimage**

The Road to Santiago has been traveled by pilgrims for over 1000 years. It meanders over mostly level ground, through some of Spain's most beautiful and ancient land. Our journey focuses on the regions of Navarra and Rioja. Both areas are rich in history and architecture, including La Puente de la Reina (shown), and both are famous for their wines and gastronomy. Whether you walk every day or only sometimes, you'll be part of a timeless journey where the well worn stones, centuries old bridges, churches, and monasteries will captivate your spirit and connect you to the mysteries intrinsic to this ancient path.



The Parador backs on to the palace-castle, which has been declared a National Monument. On the banks of the River Cidacos, strategically located on the plains, Olite is situated 5 km from Tafalla. The comfortable facilities of the parador blend in with the medieval characteristics of the castle, allowing the past and present to exist in harmony.

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