# ITINERARIES

We recommend the following itineraries which you could enjoy 365 days of the year. Waves, culture and leisure for all kinds of surfers in stunning scenic locations.

## ARE YOU LOOKING FOR NEW AND POWERFUL EXPERIENCES?

## **GALICIA SURF GETAWAY**

3 DAYS

The Rías Baixas are the perfect place for an express surf-trip along the Galician coastline in autumn and spring. In just three days you could visit a great variety of beaches. On this getaway you'll enjoy nice weather, gastronomy from the *rías*, internationally known wines and two different, but complementary, cities such as Vigo and Pontevedra.

### YOU MUSTN'T MISS:

The cities of Vigo and Pontevedra Castro de Santa Trega These two must-see cities are em- The town of A Guarda has one of

blematic of the Rías Baixas. They the biggest Celtic villages remaining perfectly complement each oth- in the northwest of the peninsula er due to their proximity. Vigo is a which will transport you directly to cosmopolitan city fringed by the the century 1 B.C. From this mythosea, with a wide offering of alter- logical scenery, you can look down native activities. You'll love getting on the iconic river mouth of the river lost around Pontevedra and its live- Miño, which establishes the border ly old town, much as distinguished with the neighbouring country: Porfigures used to do in their old and tugal. In the archaeological village popular social gatherings in this and museum, you can see the charcity, capital of the province. acteristic oval houses and petroglyphs, as well as jewellery, fabrics and tools from the time.

The Cíes archipelago forms part of the Atlantic Islands National Park: idyllic beaches and crystal-clear waters transform this natural environment into a unique observatory of flora and fauna. This place is ideal for trekking and discovering quiet and wild beaches, among which we call your attention to the beach Rodas, which was chosen as the best beach in the world by the Britsh newspaper The Guardian.

## **GALICIA SURFTRIP**

7 DAYS

The area known as Costa das Ondas, which includes the regions of Ferrolterra, Eume and Ortegal, has 12 unique beaches that guarantee 365 days of surfing a year. Besides containing the Océano Surf Museo -the first surfing museum in Spain-, this coastline goes from O Barqueiro beach in the North to Doniños and promises good surfing since it has the greatest consistency of waves in Europe. You'll need a week of intensive surfing to ride all of its waves. It's also the ideal place to find out new hidden spots that don't

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The best airports to fly into are in Santiago de Compostela and A Coruña.

## YOU MUSTN'T MISS:

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This city has the only intact mili- The viewpoint Vixía Herbeira is a tary port from the Enlightenment must-visit, where you can contemin Europe and the largest naval plate this wild coastline and those base from that time. You may visit breath-taking cliffs thanks to its its two museums full of secrets and height and 80% slope. Once there, mystery. Don't forget to take your you may visit the village Santo An-ID card to get in.



est cliffs in continental Europe. dré de Teixido; one of the most picturesque and magical pilgrimage destinations in Galicia where, as the saying goes, "you shall go in death if you have not in life".

### The lighthouses route

The lighthouses' lights will lead you along this coastline to the most spectacular cliffs. If you are passionate about photography, the viewpoints in the surrounding area

# **GALICIA SURFARI**

15 DAYS

If you have enough time to get to know Galicia in depth, the Galician coastline is the perfect destination to enjoy your favourite sport. There's a wide offering of beaches that would be difficult to discover completely in under a fortnight. Depending on the conditions and the time of the year, you can find all kinds of dreamy waves; beach waves, reef breaks, urban or desert beaches in a trip adjustable to any surfer regardless of their skills or expectations.

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The most common way to start this surfari is from north to south, getting in at the Mariña Lucense, from Ribadeo to Viveiro. You may continue to the Costa das Ondas, which stands out because of its natural environment, spots and variety of waves. You could stop in the cosmopolitan city of A Coruña to visit one of the unique urban surf beaches; Orzán. From here, you could go on with your trip to Costa da Morte (Coast of Death) -which was given this name because of the maritime tragedies that struck itand get immersed in the surfing culture that characterises Razo beach. We recommend continuing along the route to Ría da Estrela or Arousa Norte, where the sandy spots in the villages of Noia and Ribeira mustn't be ignored. And if you've not interrupted your trip yet because you fell in love with any of the villages that you found on your way, you'll get to the Rías Baixas and visit the well-known Patos beach.

You may also do this trip from south to north starting in Tui and stopping at the different spots in the villages of Santa María de Oia, Baiona, Nigrán, Sanxenxo, Porto do Son, Muxía, Laxe, going across to Carballo, Valdoviño, Burela and Foz.

# YOU MUSN'T MISS:

Muralla de Lugo

best views; but don't forget to go across the city through one of its

### 10 doors and taste the best *tapas*. Torre de Hércules

The Hercules tower is the most recognisable symbol of the cosmopolitan city of A Coruña. A beautiful promenade along the seacoast of this city leads you to the oldest still-working Roman lighthouse in Santiago de Compostela the world, which was also declared a World Heritage Site. Don't forget to go for a walk in the Cantones. You're sure to be mesmerised looknist crvstal verandas which witnessed the birth of a now worldwide brand: Zara.

# Cabo Fisterra

the old city, which it was named ra was named by the Romans, who after. It was declared a World Her- thought it was the westernmost itage Site and it is the only fully point in the world, thus; the end of conserved Roman wall. It was built the world. Nowadays, due to its wild over 17 centuries ago following the landscape and its splendid lightguidelines of the elegant works by house, it's still a popular attraction Vitruvio. You can walk along its 2 for tourists and pilgrims alike; the km top to feel closer to the pow- majority of the former don't usually er of Imperial Rome and enjoy the end their trip until they get there.



The administrative and cultural capital city of Galicia opens its large old city of great architectonical value to host thousands of peoago. Without a doubt the cathedral, also declared a World Heritage Site, is its most appealing feature, but the bustle in its streets, riddled with university culture, is also sure to get

For this, you could fly to the airports in Santiago de Compostela, A

Lugo's Roman wall goes all around In Costa da Morte, the cape Fister-



you hooked.

# **LEGENDS WAVE SIZE** DIRECTION



## **PICO DE PATOS**

Patos is a beach located a few kilometres away from Vigo. Because of this, it's one of the most frequented beaches in Galicia. It's also one of the most beautiful, offering stunning views of the Cíes Islands which form

Pico de Patos, the most famous wave in the south of Galicia, is at the most western point of the beach. It's formed by a right and left reef break with a quick take-off, followed by a first tube section. To its left, there's another wave called A Esquerda de Monteferro that can endure big groundswells.

part of the National Park Illas Atlánticas.

Since it belongs to a semi-urban area, there are services including schools, clubs, surf shops and a wide range of culinary and entertainment options.



## **MONTALVO**

Montalvo is a one kilometre-long beach in a rural setting that belongs to the municipality of Sanxenxo. The best beach break in the province of Pontevedra

is characterised by variable peaks, highlighted by a left in the south of the beach, and a right when the sea is heavy in the north. Groundswell is needed for breaks and it offers big tubes under optimal conditions.

This is a white and fine-sand beach with dunes in the slope of the pine forest. Those dunes distinguish the beach, making it out as one of the delights of the Rías Baixas as well as one of the avourite beaches for summer tourism in that area



## **RÍO SIEIRA**

The beach Río Sieira, one of the most frequented by surfers from Santiago de Compostela, is located in

the spectacular A Coviña pine forest.

It has variable peaks over tongues of sand that are perfect for manoeuvres. One outstanding feature is its consistency, since it works the whole year with any kind of groundswell. The picnic area is an ideal meeting point for local surfers and anyone who's looking for a pleasant time outdoors.



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Despite being situated away from big cities, it has a great range of hostels, inns, rural tourism and restaurants with local gastronomy, all within around 500 metres off the beach.



# **SOESTO**

Near Laxe, heading to Camariñas, you can find Soesto. This is a beach of fine white sand, which is very exposed to rough water. It's orten a popular same favourite for spending the weekend, since it's one of the most consistent beaches and requires less energetic swell to

Access to the beach is via footbridges, so that visitors don't damage important dunes. It also has a large authorised area for motorhomes and vans to camp, as it's a cult place for the most mystic surfers in summer.



## **MALPICA** ≈~ **♦** № S.SW **£** NW.W **1** 0.5 to 2

Malpica de Bergantiños is a typical Galician fishing village and a must-visit for any surfari around the shore of Coruña.

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The beach Areamaior has waves at a mid-tide with a particularly noteworthy left break and a right that goes up to the centre of the beach. The water quality is excellent and there are other leisure alternatives too, such as bars along the promenade.



# **RAZO**

The iconic Razo beach sits at the beginning of the Costa da Morte ("Coast of Death") and is part of the protected natural area of Razo-Baldaio, ranging in almost 5 kilometres and holding great geographical diversity.

It offers waves every single month of the year and becomes the national capital of surfing camps in summer. These camps run from Baldaio up to past the Rock of Teirón. This beach boasts golden sands and good facilities, including a large area to park, bars and a very good atmosphere.

There are variable beach breaks along the shore under every condition and tide, which make the beach of Razo an imperative place to visit for surf-lovers.



# CAIÓN

Caión, located in the municipality of A Laracha, is one of the epicentres of surfing in the city of A Coruña, and is one of the main alternatives for surfing in summer.

You'll find beach breaks that work with different wind direction; best at mid or high tide. Two different peaks are the most common: one the middle with manoeuvrable rights and lefts, and a right wave protected from the wind by the port at the bottom of the beach.

Apart from surfing, the beach has a wide local gastronomic offering and a port with great marine life.



# **ORZÁN**

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This is the beach of A Coruña: its famous right hand

surfing spots in the north of Galicia. Beach breaks and

break is Matadeiro, and it's one of the main winter

the surfers' monument place this beach at the em-

There are often many surfers because it works the whole year, and is very accessible. Its popularity is also due to the location it's in the most important area in the north of Galicia.

blematic heart of the surfing scene in Galicia.

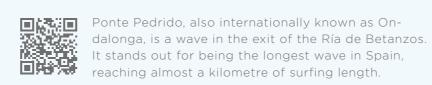
It's a must-visit beach with several different surfing zones, whose quality vary on the seafloor, the water currents and the tides, but it's always a point of interest.



# **ONDALONGA**

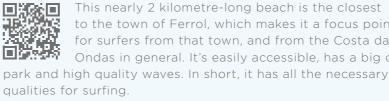
It is one of those options that the Galician rías offer when there

is a big swell and you need to explore options away from the



Ondalonga Longboard Festival is celebrated every year and it has become guite an event in the calendar of Galician surfing.





to the town of Ferrol, which makes it a focus point for surfers from that town, and from the Costa das Ondas in general. It's easily accessible, has a big car park and high quality waves. In short, it has all the necessary

Its variable right and left beach breaks are perfect for surfing manoeuvres on beach's waves.



# **CAMPELO**

The beach Campelo is one of the most beautiful environments in Europe, which makes this cliff one of the most charming places to surf in Spain. It has rapid and hollow waves from left and right

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over crystal-clear water, where two breaks can be distinguished; one on the right side of the beach and another in the middle. There's no need for a strong swell for some good quality surfing; the reason why it is one of the summer surfing favourites and one of the jewels of Costa das Ondas.



# **PANTÍN**

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Pantín is the most popular beach in Galicia due to the oldest surfing championship with the highest professional level in Spain.

Located in the municipality of Valdoviño, the most

right side of the beach, although it also has waves along its extension up until the area of Marnela. It's one of the most consistent beaches in Europe, so it's difficult to find days without waves. The beach break can offer a strong

swell and that makes it a perfect place to surf under all kinds of

conditions, even on the longer days.

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# **MACHACONA**

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One of the key features of the Galician shore is its diversity. If you're looking for strong emotions, this is your wave.

La Machacona means "the tiresome" and it is indeed a strong right slab for lovers of big and dangerous waves. It's best at mid-tide and with waves of a metre high to see the wave work in all its splendour. Without a doubt, it's the signature wave of A Mariña Lucense and by far one of the most impressive in the north of Spain.



# **PEIZÁS**

This is located in the region of Foz, one of the most beautiful areas in Galicia. It offers long beaches with white sand and transparent water, a great offering for tourists.

Peizás is characterised by long and manoeuvrable waves for all levels, particularly the reef break and beach break from left and right in the west of the beach. A strong swell is vital, so when there's a rough sea, it's one of the most crowded spots on the

coast of Lugo.



# **OLIÑAS**

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This is a long beach between Ribadeo and Foz, with

winter and by tourists in summer, which makes it an

multiple strong peaks and huge tubes. It is one of

the most frequented places by expert surfers in

ideal location for beginners. There are different beaches in its surroundings, making it one of the most representative areas in the A Mariña Lucense.



Galicia is summed up by endless beaches of fine sand and crystal-clear water with a touch of magic. It's an Atlantic idiosyncrasy which mixes together shades of green with great mountains, wide valleys, legendary villages, cosmopolitan cities and very charming regions; a remarkable territory for surf lovers where you'll be able to enjoy good waves 365 days of the year.

The different orientations of the *rías* (drowned valleys) and their geographical features are globally unique and provide the region with winds and tides that adapt to the different surfing areas. Because of this, it's always possible to find favourable conditions within a few kilometres. Constant and consistent waves will be waiting for you at over 100 spots of this natural coastline.

### **INTERPRET OUR WAVES**

From the border of Ribadeo and Asturias to the border of Tui and Portugal, Galicia offers the greatest potential of waves all through the four seasons. Costa das Ondas in Ferrolterra and Costa da Morte are the perfect places for spring and summer, and Rías Baixas and A Mariña Lucense for autumn and winter.

In A Mariña Lucense, the northernmost area in Galicia, you'll find unique beaches and reef breaks washed by the Cantabrian Sea.

Costa das Ondas is one of the most consistent seascapes in Europe and works under all kinds of conditions, which makes it a safe bet when choosing a surfing destination.

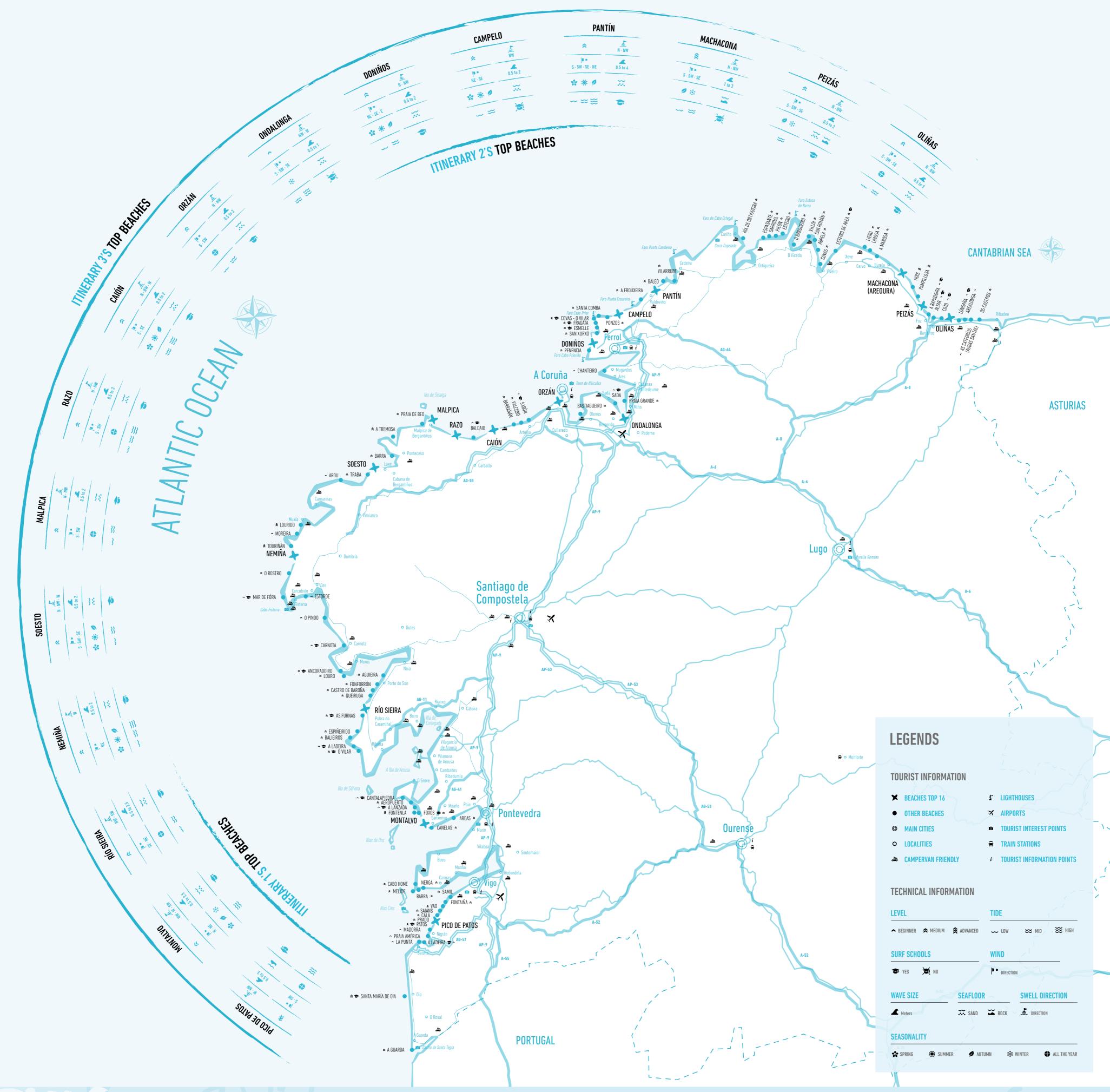
In Costa da Morte, there are still hundreds of kilometres to discover. It is a territory with a particular interpretation of the ocean and surf, and a great potential for XXL waves.

The Rías Baixas offer a variety of options for large swells and urban surfing. The Rías of Pontevedra and Vigo hide big secrets; the coastline between Baiona and A Guarda is riddled with reef breaks excellent for experienced surfers. Without a doubt, the most relevant features of the territory are the vast amount of waves and the environmental richness, so characteristic of natural beaches in Galicia.

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# PANTÍN CLASSIC GALICIA PRO

Web: pantinclassic.org

This is so much more than just a mandatory date for surfers who love professional competition. It forms part of the QS of the World Surf League and is the most relevant surfing event in Spain. You shouldn't miss this championship if you're in Galicia at the end of the summer. There, you'll enjoy the best surfing as well as live music, gastronomy, fashion and other activities which transform beach Pantín into an authentic surfing "city" for a week.



# OCÉANO SURF MUSEO

Web: oceanosurfmuseo.org

This is the only surfing museum in Spain. Its exhibition shows the world history of surfing, with an approach that questions some aspects which are normally generalised in the sector, as well as its arrival in Spain and Galicia. It also has a wide activity schedule, additional to the permanent collection, such as cinema seasons, conferences, training seminars, temporary exhibitions of board collections and photography amongst other things.





# **SPANISH SURFING CHAMPIONSHIP**

Since 2011 the Spanish national champions have been awarded on Doniños beach. This surfing event attracts the largest number of participants in Spain and competitions of different categories under the Spanish Surfing Federation are held on this beach in the Costa das Ondas every year. If you're travelling early in summer, this is a perfect chance to rub shoulders with the best riders in the country.



# **ONDALONGA SURFING DAY - LONGBOARD FESTIVAL**

This is a festival to surf the largest wave in Spain. Everybody is welcome to this event, in which fun and surfing combine; your skills on the board are the least important thing. Its special characteristics have led to the establishment of a 4-month waiting period to find the ideal conditions for the festival. Keep an eye on the information that they post in their social networks in order to plan your trip.