





Barcelona & Eastern Spain

WILD AND GORGEOUS COASTLINE, CHISELLED MOUNTAIN PEAKS AND ENCHANTING CITYSCAPES set the stage for awe-inspiring drives around Catalonia and eastern Spain. Barcelona makes a fine gateway to the region, with its madcap architecture and brilliant restaurants. Just northeast of there, the coastline known as the Costa Brava is studded with villages and beaches against headlands topped with pine forests and the odd lighthouse. West of Barcelona, the coastal plains give way to lowland mountains, and you'll drive through medieval towns and monasteries, serenely set over the vineyards of the Penedès region. The views only get more spectacular as you go north and enter the alpine world of the Pyrenees: you'll roll past old stone villages and flower-strewn meadows, with the mountains all around you.