

Bilbao

Doggy-walking along the Bilbao estuary

We suggest you discover Bilbao with your dog starting on one of the most emblematic walkways. Following the trail of the Nervión Estuary, the city's industrial epicentre of yesteryear, you will find great open spaces, avenues filled with the smell of fresh grass and the sea. This will take you to the heart of the Old Quarter, where modernity and tradition come together, offering snacks, aperitifs and long chats by the banks of the Estuary.



We start our walk at **Grua Carola (Carola Crane)**, a reminder of the city's shipbuilding past.

Next, we stroll by the **Palacio Euskalduna** conference centre's striking facade, made of sheets of rusted steel, inspired by the hull of a ship under construction.

We continue along the banks of the Estuary (beware if your dog likes to go for a splash, he/she might make a dash) and come across **Iberdrola Tower**, surrounded by green gardens and fields to delight your furry-friend.

On the other side of the Estuary, you will find the **Deusto University** campus' stately buildings, declared a Historic Monument in 2002. And immediately, you will see one of the most spectacular views along the walkway: the **Guggenheim Museum**.

With large parks and paths, streets full of life, an exquisite gastronomic culture and a great love for dogs, Bilbao is the perfect setting for an urban adventure with your dog. Don't forget to take a photo of Puppy, the largest dog in the country!

Doggy-advice: *even if accompanied by your dog, don't miss out on a visit to the Guggenheim. There are many doggy day-care centres that can look after your dog for a few hours.*



If your dog is afraid of spiders, or is one of those that likes to eat them, we hope pooch doesn't run off or try to get his/her teeth into “Mamá”, a 9-metre bronze sculpture by the French-American artist Louise Bourgeois.

Continuing our route we soon encounter the **Zubizuri Bridge** (in Basque White Bridge), the work of Santiago Calatrava. A good option is to cross it and continue the walk on the other side of the Estuary.

Little by little you will notice more hustle and bustle along route as we get closer to **Bilbao Town Hall** and **Arriaga Theatre**, built at the end of the 19th century by the architect



Joaquin Rucoba.

Half way between both buildings are the **Arenal Gardens**, a space where you can see children playing, dogs walking and the locals enjoying some free time.

The hustle and bustle is unmistakable as we reach the entrance to the **Old Quarter** of Bilbao, also known as the “**Seven Streets**” where a large part of the city's commercial, hotel and gastronomic activity in the city is concentrated.

Doggy-advice: *A typical activity plan is to go out for snacks (pinchos) in the Old Quarter. Remember that on holidays, around lunch time and evenings a large number of people gather in this area; there are toothpicks on the ground etc. So try to enjoy this activity with your dog at a time when there are fewer people, in more open spaces etc. No one knows your dog better than you so don't forget about his/her well-being.*

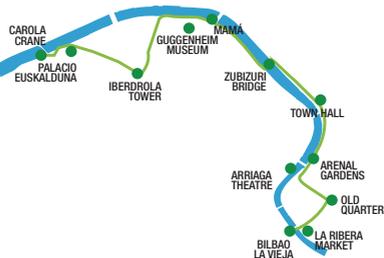
Having wandered around the streets at your leisure, look for one of the streets leading back to the estuaryWOW! You will see the attractive façade of **La Ribera market** (remodelled in 2013). You can cross one of the bridges



and finish the excursion in

Bilbao La Vieja (known as Bilbi), one of the more alternative cultural, musical and gastronomic areas in the city. Ideal to rest your legs and have a bite to eat in one of its numerous dog-friendly bars or cafés.

Bon appetite! You deserve it.



Estimated time: 2 hours (although we recommend you wander around the Old Quarter and let your pooch stop and greet other dogs). You will find various fountains along the route.



The perfect plan for: walkers, both dogs and humans, who want to enjoy open spaces in the centre of the city.



Bow-wow track: We recommend you complete this route on foot, but if you are in a hurry or get caught in a rain shower, you might be interested to know that along route there are Bilbao Tram stops, a city transport option that welcomes both you and your dog.

Green Bilbao

The capital of Biscay also has large central green spaces, ideal for your dog to make friends while you get your strength back with a more relaxed activity. Here, you will find two areas frequented by local dogs with a good nose for fun.



A break at Doña Casilda Park

More than 100,000 m² of **green space and a tree-lined boulevard** where your best friend will find the most illustrious local dogs running around the fields. What's more, there is a leisure area set up where your dog will be able to run free at the following times:

- Winter (November to May): from 19:00 to 11:00 hours.
- Summer (June to October): from 20:00 to 11:00 hours.



Estimated time: 30 mins/1 hour. Always remember to keep your dog on a lead if not in indicated areas at the times established for free-running dogs, and to pick up their poops.



Perfect plan for: ending the day with a good release of doggy energy, so your best friend can sleep like an angel.

A walk with a view of Artxanda

This excursion is perfect for some fresh air and to capture a unique view of “El Botxo”. In the 100-year-old **Artxanda cable car**, you can travel with your dog in the last carriage. You can board at Funicular square, very near the **Zubizuri bridge**. After a few minutes' climb, you reach **Artxanda mountain**, where you will find a park with dense forests, paths and unforgettable views.



Estimated time: 1 hour. (to leisurely enjoy the view and take a stroll, even have something to drink before going down again).



Perfect plan for: going up in the cable car after visiting the city to see if you can spot all the places you already visited.



Note: you can also travel the road by car, but from the centre of Bilbao this is the easiest (and most enjoyable) way to do so.

Bridge of Biscay and Getxo.

Less than half an hour from Bilbao, we find Portugalete, Santurce and Getxo, towns nestled around the unique spectacle offered by the mouth of the Nervion Estuary, where industrial activity on the left bank coexists with Getxo's more leisurely activities, including the port of arrival for cruise liners.



We begin the route at the famous **Biscay Bridge, World Heritage**. A transporter bridge that has joined both banks since 1893.

Here you begin a long walk next to the sea, along the dockside **Muelle de las Arenas**, passing large Basque bourgeoisie mansions up to **Ereaga Beach**, where in the **off-season** you and your dog can enjoy a dip, from 18.00 hours in the evening to 11.00 hours in the morning.

If by now you are hungry, you can finish off with a dish of fresh fried squid or whitebait in one of the dog-friendly restaurants and terraces you will find in the area, at the Marina, in the

charming **Old Port** and its famous steps, or even going up to the **Algorta** district.

For those of you who still have leftover energy and want to continue walking, by skirting the coast, you can reach **Arrigunaga** beach and continue along the **cliffs of Galea** as far as **Azkorri**, the last beach in the municipality of Getxo.

HOW TO GET TO GETXO IN PUBLIC TRANSPORT WITH YOUR DOG.

With Bilbao Metro, which has several stops in Getxo, only dogs up to 8 kg are allowed. If you want to go to Getxo by public transport with large dogs, we recommend you take the Renfe city train (one dog per passenger, with no size limit, but with a muzzle), which stops in Portugalete.

Consult the dog-friendly policy of Biscay Bridge in Practical Information.



SHORT WALK: BISCAY BRIDGE - OLD PORT



Estimated time: 1 hour. From Biscay Bridge to the Old Port of Getxo (outgoing trip only).



Perfect plan for: a relaxing walk along the seashore, discovering the Greater Bilbao and its privileged environment.



LONG WALK: BISCAY BRIDGE - AZKORRI

Estimated time: 3 hours From Biscay Bridge to Azkorri Beach (outgoing trip only).



Perfect plan for: lovers of quick-paced coastal routes, sports footwear essential!



Bilbao : Practical Information

This is where you'll find the best dog-friendly businesses, dog relaxation and forms of transport in which you and your dog are welcome. Always remember to consult the complete and up-to-date policy regarding access for dogs, as well as photos, opinions, exact location and other forms of contact on business websites or on websites specialising in tourism and leisure with dogs.

BILBAO DISTRICTS



GREATER BILBAO + SURROUNDING KOSTA TOWNS



Bars/ Restaurants

ARRIGORRIAGA

Mendikosolo
+34 946 714 387

BARAKALDO

Mandarina Garden
+34 644 530 331
Lula'S Bakery
+34 946 756 594

BASAURI

Karma Basauri
+34 627 207 579

BILBAO : ABANDO

Tegobi Bierhaus
+34 946 531 281

Antigua Cigarrera

+34 944 248 973

Basquery

+34 944 072 712

Copper Deli

Mazarredo

+34 946 570 899

Coppola Bilbao

+34 944 249 463

De Boca Madre

+34 944 103 552

Gin Fizz Bilbao

Cocktail Bar

+34 946 421 410

La Camelia Vegan Bar

+34 946 112 612

La Roca Bilbao

+34 944 255 009

Morrocotuda

+34 671 765 241

Mr. Marvellous

+34 944 249 759

Promenade Bilbao

+34 944 070 429

Residence

+34 944 05 26 66

Porrue Restaurant

+34 944 677 924

Sumerian Club

+34 946 531 281

BILBAO :

ABANDOBARRA

Copper Deli Museo

+34 946 570 899

Dock Bilbao

+34 944 024 643

Terraza Quatre

+34 944 280 000

Txocook

+34 944 005 567

BILBAO : THE OLD
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**Alpamayo Basque-
Peruvian Bar
Restaurant**

+34 944 715 967

Café Nervión

+34 944 169 189

El Laterio

+34 665 94 86 96

Happy River Bilbao

+34 946 411 504

Zubiburu

+34 944 064 006

BILBAO : OLD
QUARTER

Plaza Unamuno Bar

+34 944 987 741

Kebasque

+34 944 360 920

La Ley Seca

+34 628 92 79 68

Lurrina

+34 944 163 277

**Patri Gastrobar
(Martín Berasategui)**

+34 944 652 069

Soiz 3

+34 946 057 996

The Beetle Bar

+34 944 009 872

BILBAO : CASTAÑOS
Restaurant Zubizuri

+34 944 057 752

BILBAO : DEUSTO

Eguzki Bar

+34 944 751 132

Deustoarrak

+34 944 754 154

BILBAO : INDAUTXU

Casa Del Café Y Del Té

+34 944 416 665

Garibolo

+34 944 223 255

Le Club Rooftop Bar

+34 944 705 700

Let'S Cereal By

Tuiniks

+34 688 664 180

Oker Bilbao

+34 944 025 250

Via De Fuga

+34 944 001 348

BILBAO : MATIKO

Batzoki Matiko (El

Rincón De Julius)

+34 946 181 370

BILBAO : MIRIBILLA

Clover House

+34 946 039 312

BILBAO : MONTE

COBETAS

Cobetas Beer Bar

(Terrace)

+34 944 271 002

BILBAO : OLABEAGA

La Lonja De Olabeaga

+34 944 335 828

BILBAO : SANTUTXU

Taberna Astuy

+34 944 051 363

GALDAKAO

Zurrut Taberna

+34 688 630 214

GETXO

Aremuna
+34 655 119 644
Golezti Charcoal Grill
+34 944 912 593
Don Peppone
+34 944 644 330
El Laterio LA
+34 665 948 696
La Oia
+34 944 606 722
Fadura Restaurant
+34 946 569 755
Ekia Bar
+34 944 607 275
Txinuk Beertoki
+34 605 701 979
Los Tamarises Bar with Terrace
+34 944 910 544

PORTUGALETE

Cup Y Cake
+34 944 042 905
Casa Vicente
+34 944 961 448

SANTURTZI

El Parque
+34 944 741 533
El Txoko
+34 946 057 653
La Estación
+34 944 057 653



Accomodation

BILBAO : ABANDO

Hotel López De Haro *****
+34 944 235 500
Zubia Urban Rooms
+34 944 248 566

BILBAO : ABANDOIBARRA

Meliá Bilbao
+34 944 280 000

BILBAO : ARANGOTI

Viewpoint Flat By Next Stop Bilbao
+34 670 783 940

BILBAO : ATXURI

Hotel Gran Bilbao****
+34 944 328 575

BILBAO : BASAURI

Bilbao Hostel
+34 944 270 054

BILBAO : OLD QUARTER

Casual Bilbao Gurea
+34 944 163 299
Hotel Nyx Bilbao
+34 946 790 279
Hotel Petit Palace Arana Bilbao ***
+34 944 156 411

Hotel Tayko Bilbao
+34 944 652 070

BILBAO : INDAUTXU

Hotel Ercilla ****
+34 944 705 700

BILBAO : MONTE

ARTXANDA
Hotel Artetxe
+34 944 747 780

GETXO

Getxo Tranquility Apartment
+34 650 282 944
Hotel Embarcadero
+34 944 803 100
Hotel Petit Palace Tamarises Bilbao***
+34 944 915 092

SANTURTZI

Urh Palacio De Oriol
+34 944 934 100

SESTAO

Hotel Naval Sestao
+34 944 186 216



Shops

BARAKALDO

Bizislow
+34 946 125 235

BARAKALDO

Leroy Merlin Barakaldo
+34 944 859 600

La Florida Chemist's
+34 944 370 356

BILBAO : ABANDO

El Almacén Secreto 3.0
+34 944 742 484
La Barbería Del Norte
+34 944 740 128
Laneria Tricotoki
+34 688 961 020

BILBAO : OLD

QUARTER

Aparté Fashion and Accessories
+34 944 151 778
Cardenal Casco Viejo
+34 944 157 586

BILBAO : OLD

QUARTER

Gys Sport Dalmau
+34 944 656 213
La Fabrique Hairdresser's
+34 944 069 939
Maldejo Optika Atelier
+34 946 029 676

Muebles Padiber (forniture)
+34 944 160 370

Jesús Opticians
+34 944 792 110

Original Tea Casco Viejo
+34 944 412 804

Semillas Antuñano
+34 944 156 099
Tuinkis American Market
+34 946 056 760

BILBAO : DEUSTO

Julio Aristion Interiors
+34 944 479 924
Epic Games Bilbao
+34 946 853 093

BILBAO : INDAUTXU

Avenue Hair Salon
+34 944 658 658
Cardenal Indautxu
+34 946 404 232

Koena Salud
+34 946 856 584

La Clé Fashion and Accessories
+34 944 106 991

Mil Rosas Bilbao
+34 944 152 791

Noname Bilbao
+34 944 423 927

Original Tea
+34 944 412 804

Pacas Interior Design
+34 944 013 032

Ricardo Upholstery
+34 944 214 437

BILBAO : MIRIBILLA

Ametsak
+34 620 975 385

BILBAO : MOYUA

Ongezate Centre for Integral Psychology
+34 946 415 216

La Favela Hairdresser's
+34 686 461 717

BILBAO : SAN MAMÉS

Aloklub
+34 722 722 287

George and Mildred, Graphic Design Studio
+34 944 417 626

BILBAO : SANTUTXU

Flor de Hibisco Herbalist's Shop
+34 946 072 770

ERANDIO

Natalia Zubizarreta Interior Design
+34 627 534 847

Txorierri Kirotrak Surf
+34 944 671 966

GETXO

Fincas Euskadi
+34 946 540 733

Korat
+34 944 649 070

Sofás Cama Galea
+34 944 302 870

Vito, 52 Shoeshop
+34 944 910 359

Arte Barria

+34 944 316 103
Alejo Uribe Sporting Goods

+34 944 637 662
Nui Style

+34 646 282 061

LEIOA

Oinazpi Children's Shoe Shop

+34 605 709 815

Leroy Merlin Artea
+34 944 819 200

PORTUGALETE

Sportalandia Sporting Goods
+34 944 617 971

SANTURTZI

Soho Surfshop
+34 944 839 082



Things to do

BILBAO

Nis - North Incoming Service
+34 944 255 830
Guided tour of Bilbao, 2 or 4 hours.

Bilbao Green Tours
+34 677 024 643
Trails and guided excursions with sustainable, 0 km. philosophy, with doggy.

BILBAO : ABANDO

Bilbao Tourist Information Office
+34 944 795 760

Tourné Bilbao
+34 944 249 465

Trails and bike hire with baskets and carriers for dogs of all sizes.

BILBAO : CASCO VIEJO

Bilbao Xperience
+34 688 608 184
Hire bicycles, paddle surf, Gymkhanas, etc.
All kinds of activities to enjoy Bilbao.

BILBAO : INDAUTXU

El Volante Driving School, Bilbao
+34 944 101 000

GETXO

El Bote Tours Getxo
+34 605 014 365
Guided tours by boat along Bilbao Estuary.

Sailing And Wine
+34 667 408 858
Sailing boat trips.

Getxo Tourist Information Office
+34 944 910 800

Marmitako Sailing (Sailing in Getxo)
+34 609 303 627

Sailing boat trips along the Catabrian Coast and the Bilbao River. Our dog and other friendly dogs will enjoy the deck of the yacht with us and it's always a pleasure to receive dogs and their owners on board.

LEIOA

Ekobideak
+34 666 857 761
Trips around Bizkaia Geo-tourism area.

SANTURTZI

Santurtzi Tourist Information Office
+34 944 839 494



Doggy businesses

BARAKALDO

Txakur Eskola
+34 944 388 626
Dejá Vu Pet Grooming
+34 687 127 221

BASAURI

Ori Bašaur Feed, Shop for Dogs' Requirements
+34 617 972 548

BILBAO

Belfos Y Trufas
+34 944 159 968

Facedog grooming
+34 636 620 796
Indomable
946 087 042

Reguaupsos Dog Grooming
+34 657 134 024

Bilbao : Practical Information

Troylo Animal Health and Well-being
+34 680 283 045

Indartsu Txakur Taldea

+34 665 719 304

MESTIZAA Photography for a Dog's Life..

+34 645 734 952

P. Zabalburu Washing and Auto-Washing for Dogs

+34 695 787 510

Patrizia Zubieta Fotografía Canina
+34 686 142 529

Peluquería Canina Szenia

+34 944 105 697

Pet Nature
+34 944 395 130

Telepienso Bilbao
+34 944 457 737

BILBAO: AMETZOLA

Kni2 Educaci3n Canina
+34 659 320 653

BILBAO: INDAUTXU

Mimopets, Dog Grooming and Spa (Ozone Therapy)
+34 946 964 846

Txakur Etxea Dog Kennels

+34 615 705 653

BILBAO: MATIKO

Zubizuri Dog Grooming
+34 946 126 531

ERANDIO

Guau Guau Dog Grooming
+34 946 557 460

GETXO

Txintxo Shop and Grooming for Dogs
+34 944 912 322

Animalex Animal Rights
+34 622 904 518

LEIOA

Katukan
+34 944 801 831

SESTAO

Zaunka Ladridos. Leisure Centre for Pets.
+34 946 520 673



Veterinary clinics

ARRIGORRIAGA

Arkakuxo Veterinarian Clinic
+34 946 712 726

BARAKALDO

Adei Veterinarian Centre
+34 946 121 453

BILBAO: ABANDO

Ensanche Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 246 826

BILBAO: AMETZOLA

Etxepeit Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 10 12 12

BILBAO : THE OLD

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Saralegi Veterinarian Centre
+34 946 851 228

BILBAO: DEUSTO

Bidarte Veterinarian Clinic
+34 94 4750 224

BILBAO: LA PEÑA

Garay Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 164 070

Emergencies 24 h.

BILBAO: MATIKO

Campo Volantín Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 465 333

BILBAO: MIRIBILLA

Nuevo Ensanche Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 432 702

BILBAO: SAN MAMÉS

Garellano Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 742 188

Avenida Veterinarian Hospital
+34 944 424 040

Emergencies 24 h.

GETXO

Algorta Veterinarian Centre
+34 944 362 970

Bikelnor Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 303 226

Maidagan Veterinarian Medicine Centre
+34 944 913 256

LEIOA

Artaza Veterinarian Centre
+34 944 802 735

SANTURTZI

Santurtzi Veterinarian Clinic
+34 944 833 037

Tucan Veterinarian Hospital
+34 944 615 077

SESTAO

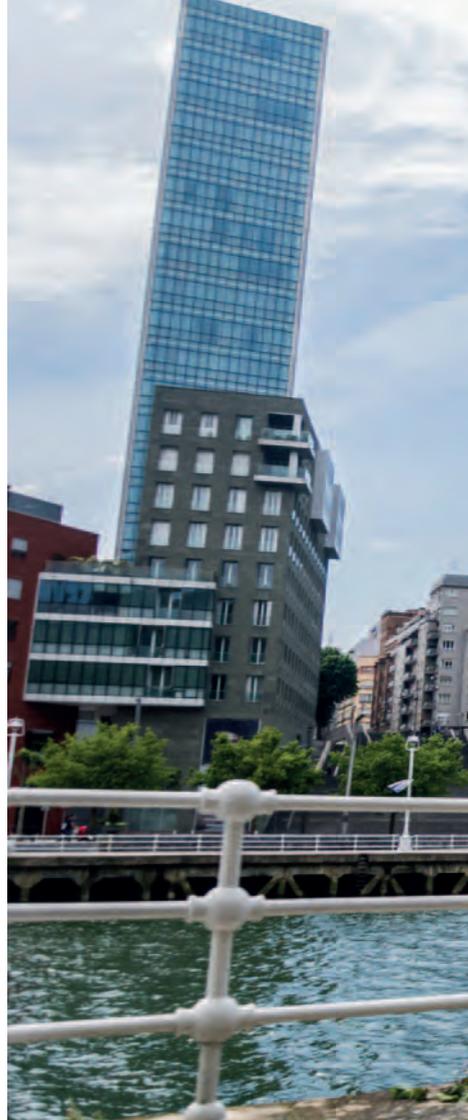
Clínica Veterinaria Sestao
+34 944 722 239



Transport

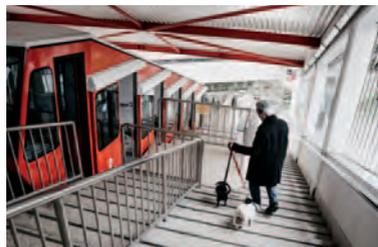
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Taxi 021 Bilbao Aitziber
+34 665 703 751





Dog-friendly transport



Bilbao tram

www.euskotren.eus

Dogs of any size can travel on the Bilbao tram, provided they are on a leash. Access prohibited to Dogs Considered Potentially Dangerous.

Bilbobus

www.bilbao.eus

They can travel, provided they are in a carrier.

Euskotren

www.euskotren.eus

On Euskotren lines, dogs of any size can travel provided they are on a leash. Access prohibited to Dogs Considered Potentially Dangerous.

Renfe (suburban rail)

www.renfe.com

Dog allowed regardless of size. They must travel in a dog carrier or held with a lead and fitted with a muzzle. One dog only per traveller.

Bilbao Metro

www.metrobilbao.eus

Lines 1 y 2: Lines 1 and 2: Dogs of up to 8kg may travel either on a leash or held in arms, or within a closed dog carrier.

Line 3: Dogs of any size can travel, provided they are on a leash. Access prohibited to Dogs Considered Potentially Dangerous.

Taxis

Call headquarters and mention you are travelling with a dog. They will look for a vehicle you can travel in.

Radio Taxi Bilbao: 944 488 888

www.taxibilbao.com

Teletaxi Bilbao: 944 192 121

www.teletaxibilbao.com

Radiotaxi Nervión: 944 269 026

www.radiotaxinervion.com

Artxanda Cable car

www.bilbao.eus

Dogs not considered PDD (potentially dangerous dog) may travel provided they are on a lead and wearing a muzzle. Dogs considered PDD are not admitted in the cable car.

Bizkaibus

www.bizkaia.eus

Dogs can travel, as long as their weight is lower than 8kg and they travel within a closed carrier.

Biscay Bridge

www.puente-colgante.com

Dogs weighing up to 40 kg can go in the passenger side compartment, provided they are on a leash or in a carrier. Dogs of any size can travel in the central barge, not on deck.

For the safety of the dogs, you are not permitted to go on the upper footbridge.

Dog recreation areas



The Town Council of Bilbao has created recreational areas for dogs in parks, indicated with established times, where dogs can be free (off the leash), heeding following criteria:

Times:

Winter (November to May):

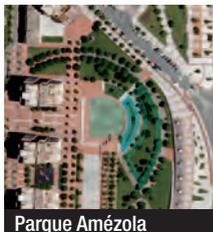
from 19:00 to 11:00 hours.

Summer (June to October):

from 20:00 to 11:00hr.

- Dog owners or minders must comply with ordinances on animal ownership at all times, especially the points referring to collecting dog-poops and keeping the dogs permanently under control.
- Dogs catalogued as potentially dangerous may NOT use these areas.
- Each recreational area in the park is indicated with information panels.

The parks in Bilbao where dog recreation areas exist are:



Parque Amézola



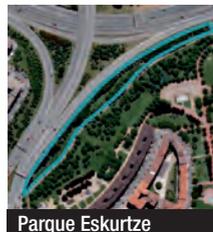
Parque Azoka-Zorroza



Parque Casilda Iturrizar



Parque Encarnación



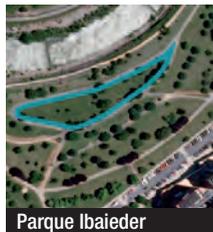
Parque Eskurtze



Parque Etxebarria



Parque Europa



Parque Ibaieder



Parque Miribilla



Parque Sarriko



Information on Getxo's beaches in the practical information on the Basque Coast (page 29).