

Pillars of Peace - Spain

This stone comes from Lastres Beach, in Asturias.

Asturias is a region located in northern Spain, known for its stunning natural landscape, which includes mountains, lush valleys and cliffs bathed by the Cantabrian Sea.

The region has a rich archaeological heritage that includes megalithic monuments and cave paintings, revealing human presence since prehistoric times.

It is one of the most mountainous regions in Europe, its landscape hosts the Picos de Europa, an impressive mountain range that attracts hikers and nature lovers from all over the world. Its towns and cities combine historic architecture with a vibrant cultural and gastronomic scene.

Asturias is also an important industrial and mining center in the history of Spain, with coal mining as a key economic activity. However, in recent years, it has undergone a transition to sectors such as sustainable tourism and environmental conservation.

The natural beauty of Asturias, together with its culture and gastronomy, attract national and international tourists. Rural and adventure tourism is especially popular in the region.

Located on the coast of the Cantabrian Sea, Lastres Beach, where this stone comes from, is surrounded by impressive cliffs. This beach, which stretches for about 300 meters, is composed of a mixture of gravel, sand and boulders, and it bathes the picturesque tourist town that bears the same name.

The fishing port of Lastres is recognized as one of the most emblematic and beautiful of the Asturian coast.

In addition, this beach also receives the name of L'Estilleru (shipyard) as it has been a place of construction of various types of boats for centuries.

The stone has the particularity of having the fossil of a seashell on one of its sides. This fossil is a tangible testimony of the geological history of the area, providing a direct connection to the ancient marine ecosystems that once thrived in these waters.

By incorporating this stone into the project, not only it provides an authentic and significant element of the region of Asturias, but also a piece of the natural history of Spain. This donation will serve as a reminder of the geological and marine richness of this area and the need to preserve and value our shared natural heritage.

This stone was found by C.R.M.

Lastres Beach, Asturias.

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