

EUROPEAN WALKING HOLIDAYS

2023

FRANCE & SPAIN - CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

Inn-to-inn SELF-GUIDED walking on the Way of Saint James - walk in 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 or 15-day sections





The Camino de Santiago or Chemin St Jacques - the route to the shrine of St James the Apostle in northwest Spain - has attracted pilgrims from all over Europe since the 12th Century when an estimated two million people each year walked, rode or were carried along the route to the city of Santiago de Compostela.

One of the major pilgrimage routes in France was from Le Puy crossing the Pyrenees at the Roncesvalles Pass, joining other trails at Puente la Reina in Navarra (near Pamplona) to form a single path across northern Spain to the shrine at Santiago de Compostela. The Spanish part of *El Camino de Santiago* runs some 800km from the Roncesvalles Pass through Puente la Reina, La Rioja, Burgos, Leon, crossing Galicia to Santiago.

Today, it is possible to experience the same route as the medieval travellers, walking the most unspoilt sections of the route on a self-guided 'inn to inn' walk – staying mostly in simple but comfortable 1 or 2-star hotels usually with your own bathroom / toilet - and with your baggage transferred each day. We offer one or two week easy to moderate walking sections from Le Puy in central France, south to the Pyrenees and along the northern coast of Spain to Santiago, on the road to Compostela.......

Share in the sheer scale, the mystery and the history of this great medieval pilgrimage phenomenon. Take a journey where you can imagine the hardships, the pleasures and interests of those early pilgrims. Follow an infinitely varied succession of paths and trails that link cities and villages, great cathedrals, fine churches and ancient monuments. Travel through the wooded valleys of central France, cross the Pyrenees and the great Navarre plains, see the Montes de Leon, the vineyards of Rioja and the Bierzo, before reaching the fertile valleys of Galicia and - like millions of others through history - the sacred shrine of St James.

From: Le Puy en Velay in France to St Jean Pied du Port to Santiago de Compostela in Spain

Departs: Daily from 1 May to 30 October 2023

Cost from: \$1325 per person twin share Duration: Walks in stages of 7 to 15 days

Tour cost includes:

- * Self-guided Inn-to-Inn walking
- * 1, 2 or 3-star accommodation as shown
- * Local shuttle-bus transfers as indicated
- * Daily baggage transfers from Inn-to-Inn
- * Breakfast daily and most dinners as indicated
- * Local English speaking contact / support

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Suggested itineraries from 7 days to 11 weeks with daily departures and extra nights on request:

LE PUY EN VELAY - NASBINALS - 7-days / 6-nights (5-days walking in France)

DAY 1 Arrive at Le Puy in time for dinner. Arrival point: Le Puy en Velay.

DAY 2 Le Puy – St Privat d'Allier, 24km Nearest train station: Le Puy en Velay

DAY 3 St Privat d'Allier – Saugues, 20km Departure point: Nasbinals

DAY 4 Saugues - Les Faux, 26km

Difficulty: 4 to 7 hours easy to moderate walking DAY 5 Les Faux – Aumont, 21km

each day (with 150 – 500 metres of elevation)

DAY 6 Aumont - Nasbinals, 26km Accommodation: 6 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels with DAY 7 Trip ends after breakfast.

half board (breakfast and dinner) each day

Costs per person: From \$1540 (twin share) Single room supplement: From \$330 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)





NASBINALS - CONQUES - 7-days / 6-nights (5-days walking in France)

DAY 1 Arrive at Nasbinals in time for dinner. Arrival point: Nasbinals

DAY 2 Nasbinals - St Chély d'Aubrac, 17km Nearest train station: Aumont-Aubrac St

DAY 3 St Chély d'Aubrac – Espalion, 24km Christophe

DAY 4 Espalion – Estaing, 13km Departure point: Conques

DAY 5 Estaing - Sénergues, 26km Difficulty: 3 to 6 hours of easy to moderate walking

each day (with 150 – 450 metres of elevation) DAY 6 Sénergues - Conques, 11km

DAY 7 Trip ends after breakfast Accommodation: 6 nights: 1 or 2-star hotels, half

board (breakfast & dinner)

From \$1470 (twin share) Costs per person: Single room supplement: From \$330 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)

CONQUES – CAHORS – 8-days / 7-nights (6-days of walking in France)

DAY 1 Arrival at Conques in time for dinner Arrival point: Conques

DAY 2 Conques - Decazeville, 17km Nearest train station: Rodez, then bus for Conques

DAY 3 Decazeville - Figeac, 32km Departure point: Cahors

DAY 4 Figeac - Cajarc, 32km Difficulty: 4 to 8 hours easy to moderate walking DAY 5 Cajarc – Limogne, 17km

each day (with 50 – 350 metres of elevation)

Accommodation: 7 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels with

half board (breakfast and dinner) each day

Costs per person: From \$1635 (twin share) From \$555 (as available) Single room supplement:

DAY 6 Limogne – Lalbenque, 22km DAY 7 Lalbenque - Cahors, 19km

DAY 8 Trip ends after breakfast.

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)

CAHORS – LECTOURE – 7-days / 6-nights (5-days of walking in France)

DAY 1 Arrival at Cahors in time for dinner

Arrival Point: Cahors DAY 2 Cahors - Montcuq, 32km Nearest train station: Cahors

DAY 3 Montcuq - Durfort, 26km

DAY 4 Durfort - Moissac, 14km

DAY 5 Moissac - Auvillar, 19km

DAY 6 Auvillar - Lectoure, 34km

DAY 7 End of the trip after breakfast

Departure: Lectoure

Difficulty: 4 to 8 hours easy to moderate walking

each day (with 50 – 150 metres of elevation)

Accommodation: 6 nights in 1, 2 or 3-star hotels with

half board (breakfast and dinner)

Costs per person: From \$1530 (twin share) Single room supplement: From \$425 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)

LECTOURE — AIRE-SUR-ADOUR – 8-days / 7-nights (6-days of walking in France)

DAY 1 Arrival at Lectoure in time for dinner

DAY 2 Lectoure - La Romieu, 19km

DAY 3 La Romieu - Condom, 16km

DAY 4 Condom – Montréal du Gers, 16km

DAY 5 Montréal du Gers – Eauze. 17km

DAY 6 Eauze - Nogaro, 20km

DAY 7 Nogaro - Aire-sur-Adour, 30km

DAY 8 Trip ends after breakfast.

Arrival point: Lectoure

Nearest station: Agen or Auch, then bus to Lectoure

Departure point: Aire-sur-Adour.

Difficulty: 4 to 8 hours easy to moderate walking each day (with 50 - 150 metres of elevation)

Accommodation: 7 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels or in a country cottage, with half board (breakfast and dinner)

each day

Costs per person: From \$1840 (twin share) Single room supplement: From \$540 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)





AIRE-SUR-ADOUR - ST JEAN PIED DE PORT - 10-days / 9-nights (8-days walking in France)

DAY 1 Arrival at Aire-sur-Adour in time for dinner

DAY 2 Aire-sur-Adour - Miramont Sensacq, 18km

DAY 3 Miramont Sensacq - Arzacq, 15km

DAY 4 Arzacq - Pomps, 22km

(stay in Morlanne, return transfers included)

DAY 5 Pomps - Maslacq, 27km

DAY 6 Maslacq - Navarrenx, 22km

DAY 7 Navarrenx - St Palais, 29km

DAY 8 St Palais - Larceveau, 15km

DAY 9 Larceveau - St Jean Pied de Port, 18km

DAY 10 Trip ends after breakfast.

Arrival point: Aire-sur-Adour

Nearest train station: Aire-sur-Adour

Transfers: Return transfers between Pomps and

accommodation in Morlanne.

Departure point: St Jean Pied de Port

Difficulty: 4 to 7 hours of easy to moderate walking

each day (50 - 150 metres of elevation)

Accommodation: 9 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels with half

board (breakfast and dinner)

From \$2040 (twin share) Costs per person: Single room supplement: From \$715 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)





ST JEAN PIED DE PORT – LOGROÑO 9-days / 8-nights (7-days of walking from France into Spain)

DAY 1 Arrival St Jean Pied de Port before dinner

DAY 2 St Jean Pied de Port - Roncesvalles, 25km

DAY 3 Roncesvalles - Zubiri, 22km

DAY 4 Zubiri - Pamplona, 21km

DAY 5 Pamplona – Puente La Reina, 24km

DAY 6 Puente La Reina – Estella, 22km

DAY 7 Estella - Los Arcos, 22km

DAY 8 Los Arcos – Logroño, 28km.

DAY 9 Trip ends after breakfast

Arrival point: St Jean Pied de Port

Nearest train station: St Jean Pied de Port

Departure point: Logroño

Difficulty: 6 to 8 hours of moderate walking daily (300 metres except on DAY 2 with a 1300m climb) Accommodation: 7 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels, with

half board (breakfast and dinner) – except Pamplona

and Logroño where we provide B&B only.

Costs per person: From \$1730 (twin share)
Single room supplement: From \$355 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$95 per person (as available)



LOGROÑO – BURGOS – 7-days / 6-nights (5-days of walking in Spain)

DAY 1 Arrival at Logroño

DAY 2 Logroño - Najera, 29km

DAY 3 Najera – Santo Domingo de la Calzada, 21km

DAY 4 St Domingo de la Calzada – Belorado, 23km

DAY 5 Belarado – San Juan de Ortega, 24km (Return by taxi to Belorado - included)

DAY 6 Taxi to San Juan de Ortega (included) then walk San Juan de Ortega – Burgos, 28km

DAY 7 Trip ends after breakfast.)

Arrival point: Logroño

Nearest train station: Logroño

2 transfers ex Belorado included in tour cost.

Departure point: Burgos

Difficulty: 4 to 7 hours of flat easy walking each day Accommodation: 6 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels, with 1 night half board (breakfast and dinner), 5 nights B&B only (in Logroño, Santo Domingo, Belorado, Burgos).

Costs per person: From \$1470 (twin share)
Single room supplement: From \$545 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$190 per person (as available)





BURGOS – LEÓN – 9-days / 8-nights (7-days of walking in Spain)

DAY 1 Arrival at Burgos in time for dinner

DAY 2 Burgos – Castrojeriz, 39km (optional shuttle)

DAY 3 Castrojeriz – Frómista, 25km

DAY 4 Frómista - Carrión de los Condes, 19km

DAY 5 Carrión - Moratinos, 30km (taxi from Moratinos to Sahagún included)

DAY 6 Taxi Sahagún to Moratinos included, then walk Moratinos - El Burgo Ranero, 28km

DAY 7 El Burgo Ranero - Mansillas d/l Mulas, 22km

DAY 8 Mansillas - León, 19km DAY 9 Trip ends after breakfast Arrival point: Burgos

Nearest train station: Burgos

2 transfers ex Sahagun included in tour cost

Departure point: León

Difficulty: 6 to 8 hours of moderate walking each day (except DAY 2 where the 11-hour walk may be

shortened with the use of the shuttle bus)

Accommodation: 6 nights in 1 or 2-star hotels with half board, except B&B only in Burgos. One night is in a room without an ensuite. León accommodation upgrade to Parador available at extra cost.

Costs per person: From \$1835 (twin share) Single room supplement: From \$220 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$425 per person (as available)

LEÓN – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA – 15-days / 14-nights (13-days of walking in Spain)

DAY 1 Arrival at León in time for dinner

DAY 2 León – Hospital de Orbigo, 34km (Optional local bus at extra cost)

DAY 3 Hospital de Orbigo – Astorga, 14km

DAY 4 Astorga - Rabanal del Camino, 20km

DAY 5 Rabanal - Ponferrada, 33km

DAY 6 Ponferrada – Villafranca del Bierzo, 25km

DAY 7 Villafranca del Bierzo - O Cebreiro, 30km

DAY 8 O Cebreiro – Triascastela, 21km.

DAY 9 Triascatela - Sarria, 21km

DAY 10 Sarria – Portomarin, 22km

DAY 11 Portomarin - Palas de Rei, 25km

DAY 12 Palas de Rei - Arzua, 29km

DAY 13 Arzua - Lavacolla, 29km

DAY 14 Lavacolla – Santiago de Compostela 10km

DAY 15 Trip ends after breakfast

Arrival point: León

Nearest train station: León

Departure point: Santiago de Compostela

Difficulty: 4 to 8 hours of easy to moderate walking daily (there are 3 long days that may be shortened using a shuttle-bus at extra cost - ask for details) Accommodation: 14-nights in 1 or 2-star hotels with half board (breakfast and dinner) except in Santiago

where we offer B&B only.

Upgrade to the Parador Hotel in Santiago at extra

cost - ask for details

From \$2920 (twin share) Costs per person: Single room supplement: From \$745 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$470 per person (as available)

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SARRIA – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA (STANDARD) – 7-days / 6-nights (5-days of walking in Spain)

DAY 1 Arrival at Sarria in time for dinner

DAY 2 Sarria – Portomarin, 22km

DAY 3 Portomarin – Palas de Rei, 25km

DAY 4 Palas de Rei – Arzua, 29km

DAY 5 Arzua – Lavacolla, 29km

DAY 6 Lavacolla - Santiago de Compostela 10km

DAY 7 Trip ends after breakfast

Arrival point: Santiago (airport transfer to Sarria available at extra cost) or utilise local buses.

Nearest train station: Sarria (infrequent trains)
Departure point: Santiago de Compostela

Difficulty: 4 to 8-hours of easy to moderate walking daily (there are 3 long days that may be shortened using a shuttle-bus at extra cost - ask for details)

Accommodation: 6-nights, 1 or 2-star hotels, with half-board (breakfast and dinner) except in Santiago

where we offer B&B only.

Costs per person: From \$1325 (twin share)
Single room supplement: From \$345 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$75 per person (as available)

To avoid the long 29km section to Arzua, we offer an alternative 'Easier Km' 8-day version via Melide:

SARRIA – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA (EASIER KM) – 8-days / 7-nights (6-days of walking in Spain)

DAY 1 Arrival at Sarria in time for dinner

DAY 2 Sarria – Portomarin, 22km

DAY 3 Portomarin – Palas de Rei, 25km

DAY 4 Palas de Rei - Melide, 13km

DAY 5 Melide – Arzua, 15km DAY 6 Arzua – Rua, 19km

DAY 7 Rua – Santiago de Compostela 20km

DAY 8 Trip ends after breakfast

Arrival point: Santiago

Nearest train station: Sarria (infrequent trains)
Departure point: Santiago de Compostela

Difficulty: 4 to 8-hours of easy to moderate walking daily (there are 3 long days that may be shortened using a shuttle-bus at extra cost - ask for details) Accommodation: 7-nights, 1 or 2-star hotels, with half-board (breakfast and dinner) except in Santiago

where we offer B&B only.

Costs per person: From \$1540 (twin share)
Single room supplement: From \$365 (as available)

Solo Traveller supplement: From \$175 per person (as available)

Getting to Sarria: public transport is infrequent; we strongly recommend you make your way to Santiago and take either a local bus to Sarria or book a pre-paid taxi to Sarria (cost is @ €100 per taxi - ask for details).

Upgrade to the Parador Hotel beside the cathedral in in Santiago at extra cost on either tour – ask for a quote.



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