

Central Route Portuguese Camino

17 km/10.5 mi - Walking stages + Accommodation

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Central Route from Porto to Santiago de Compostela - 243 km/150 mi

Average stage - 17 km/10.5 mi

Longest stage - 21 km/13 mi

Porto - Accommodation

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| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
| Albergue de peregrinos de Porto | albergueperegrinosporto.pt | \$ |
| Easy Host Porto | book here * | \$ |
| O2 Hostel | book here | \$ |
| Porto Spot Hostel | book here | \$ |
| Change The World Hostels | book here | \$ |
| SUPERNOVA Hostel | book here | \$ |
| Portuense Alojamento Local | book here | \$\$ |
| A Portuguesa Guest House | book here | \$\$ |
| Best Guest Porto Hostel | book here | \$\$ |
| Oporto Santa Catarina Residence | book here | \$\$ |
| The Poets Inn | book here | \$\$ |
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Porto tours and activities

1. [Discover Porto's Highlights on a 2-Hour Private Electric Tuk Tuk.](#)
2. [Porto: Douro River Boat Cruise with Port Wine Tasting.](#)
3. [Douro Valley Tour: 2 Vineyard Visits, River Cruise, Winery Lunch.](#)
4. [Porto: An Intimate Fado Show in a Historical Tavern.](#)

Stage 1. Porto to Mosteiro, 18 km/11.5 mi

- Distance – 18 km/11.5 mi
- Time – 5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 186 m
- Descent – 204 m
- Walking surface – 10 km/6.2 mi – asphalt, 8 km/5 mi – cobbled
- Walking on the road – 0 km

Highlights

- The historical center of Porto
- Occasional forests and countryside

Challenges

- A lot of walking on cobbled stones.
- A couple of stretches near a busy road and industrial areas.

Stops along the route stage 1

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 0-2.5 km/ 0-1.5 mi | The historical center of Porto | Hotels, cafes, restaurants, pharmacies, ATMs, shops |
| 2.8 km/1.7 mi | Albergue Nossa Senhora do Rosario | |

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|----------------------------|--|--|
| 5-11 km/ 3.1-6.8 mi | Residential areas and suburbs of Porto | Cafes, restaurants |
| 6 km/3.7 mi | Porto suburbs | Big supermarkets with cafes |
| 7 km/4.3 mi | Porto suburbs | The route splits into the Coastal Route (the left route) and the Central Route (the right route) |
| 8.4 km/5.2 mi | Araujo | A big supermarket |
| 9 km/5.6 mi | Araujo | Hostel for pilgrims |
| 11-12 km / 6.8-7.4 mi | | Walking along the road through the forest |
| 12-14.5 km / 7.4-8.3 mi | | Suburbs and busy roads |
| 14.5 km/8.3 mi | | Big supermarkets with cafes |
| 17 km/10.5 mi | | Shop, bar |
| 18,5 km/11.5 mi | Mosteiro | Hotel, cafe |

Mosteiro - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Casa dos Caminhos de Santiago | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| Metro Vilar Suites & Villas | book here | \$\$ |

Stage 2. Mosteiro to São Pedro De Rates, 20.5 km/12.7 mi

- Distance – 20.5 km/12.7 mi
- Time – 5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 250 m
- Descent – 273 m

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- Walking surface – 11.5 km/7.1 mi – asphalt, 9 km/5.5 mi – cobbled
- Walking on the road – 0.5 km/0.3 mi, a couple of short stretches

Highlights

- Walking through the beautiful forest
- Quiet countryside

Challenges

- Walking on a hard surface most of the day – 20 km/12.4 mi are on asphalt and cobblestones

Stops along the route stage 2

*MA - municipal albergue **PA - private albergue

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|----------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1.5 km/0.9 mi | Vilar | Shop, cafe |
| 3 km/1.9 mi | Gião | Restaurant |
| 3.9 km/2.4 mi | Gião | Shop |
| 4.5 km/2.8 mi | A route split | The right route goes through a quiet area, the left goes on the road |
| 5.1 km/3.1 mi | (600 m from the Camino route) | Guesthouse Casa Mindela |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | | Bar, shop |
| 6.5 km/4 mi | | Cafe, ATM |
| 7.5 km/4.3 mi | Veirão | MA* do Mosteiro do Veirão |
| 8.5 km/5.2 mi | Vilarinho | PA**, shop, restaurant, cafe, bar |
| 11.4 km/7 mi | A route split | Take the alternative route through the fields, the main route goes on the road |
| 14.7 km/9.1 mi | São Mamede | Cafe |

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|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 17.5 km/11 mi | Arcos | Hotel, restaurant, cafe |
| 20.5 km/12.7 mi | São Pedro De Rates (Rates) | MA, hotels, restaurants, shop |

São Pedro De Rates - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue de peregrinos de São Pedro de Rates | info here | \$ |
| Casa Mattos | +351 919 822 398 | \$-\$\$ |
| Casa da Vila Guest House | book here | \$\$ |
| CasaAnabela | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 3. São Pedro De Rates to Barcelos, 17 km/10.5 mi

- Distance – 17 km/10.5 mi
- Time – 4 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 323 m
- Descent – 355 m
- Walking surface – 6.5 km/4 mi – asphalt; 5 km/3.1 mi – cobbled; 5.5 km/3.4 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 0.3 km/0.1mi on a quiet road

Highlights

- Beautiful forest scenery throughout the day.
- The pilgrims park in the forest at 2 km/1.2 mi.
- The historical center of Barcelos. The view of the town and the church from the opposite side of the bridge is beautiful. The center

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of Barcelos has many restaurants and cafes. It's a lovely area to go out for dinner or drinks.

Challenges

- No place to stop for food or coffee for 7 km/4.3 mi between Rates and Portela.
- Several short steep ascents and descents throughout the day.

Stops along the route stage 3

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 0-7 km/0-4.3 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 2 km/1.2 mi | A Pilgrim's Park in the forest | A nice area for resting |
| 6.5 km/4 mi | Pedra Furada | PA (donation), guesthouse, restaurant, cafe |
| 7.5 km/4.6 mi | | Restaurant |
| 8 km/5 mi | | Bakery |
| 10.5 km/6.5 mi | | Bar |
| 12.5 km/7.7 mi | | Shop |
| 15.5 km/9.6 mi | Barcelinhos | MA, PA, hotel, restaurant, cafe, shop, ATM |
| 17 km/10.5 mi | Barcelos | MA, hostel, supermarkets, restaurants, cafes, bars, ATMs, pharmacies |

Barcelos - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue Cidade de Barcelos | info here | \$ |
| In Barcelos View Lodge | book here | \$\$ |

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| In Barcelos Hostel & Guest House | book here | \$\$ |
| Flag Hotel Barcelos | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Bagoeira | book here | \$\$ |
| Art'Otel Barcelos | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Casa do Theatro Guest House | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

Stage 4. Barcelos to Balugães, 16 km/10 mi

- Distance – 16 km/10 mi
- Time – 4 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 260 m
- Descent – 280 m
- Walking surface – 6 km/3.7 mi – asphalt; 5 km/3.1 mi – cobbled; 5 km/3.1 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 0.3 km/0.1 mi on a quiet road

Highlights

- Several chapels and churches along the route.
- Walking through the beautiful forest and fields.

Challenges

- Several ascents and descents; nothing long or very steep.

Stops along the route stage 4

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|---------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| 3 km/1.8 mi | Vila Boa | Albergue Flora |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | | Bakery |
| 5.5-10 km / 3.4-6.2 mi | | Forest and fields |

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|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 9.5 km/5.9 mi | | Hotel Leonchic |
| 10.3 km/6.4 mi | Portela de Tamel | MA, restaurant |
| 12 km/7.4 mi | Aborim | Casa de Santiago Albergue |
| 16 km/10 mi | Balugães | Hotels, restaurants |

Balugães - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Casa Altamira | +351 939 315 314 | \$\$ |
| Casas da Quinta da Cancela | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Casas do Rio | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 5. Balugães to Ponte de Lima, 18 km/11 mi

- Distance – 18 km/11 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 245 m
- Descent – 263 m
- Walking surface – 12.5 km/7.7 mi – asphalt; 4.5 km/2.7 mi – cobbled; 1 km/0.6 mi – footpath/gravel

Highlights

- Walking through the countryside.
- Historical center of Ponte de Lima.

Challenges

- Walking on hard surfaces, around 17 km/10.5 mi on cobbled stones and asphalt which is hard on your feet.
- Several ascents and descents throughout the day.

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Stops along the route stage 5

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|----------------|--------------------|--|
| 5 km/3.1 mi | | Hotel Casa da Fernanda |
| 6 km/3.7 mi | Vitorino dos Piães | PA, hotel, cafe |
| 9 km/5.5 mi | | Hotel Quinta da Albergaria |
| 12 km/7.4 mi | Sobreiro | Albergue O Caminheiro |
| 12.5 km/7.7 mi | Seara | Hotel, cafe, bakery |
| 18 km/11 mi | Ponte de Lima | MA, hostel, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacies |

Ponte de Lima - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|---|---|---------------|
| Municipal Albergue de Ponte de Lima | info here +351 925 403 164 | \$ |
| A Trajadinha do Lima | book here | \$ |
| HI Ponte de Lima - Pousada de Juventude | book here | \$ |
| Old village Hostel | book here | \$ |
| Anoitecer Itinerante AL | book here | \$-\$-\$ |
| Centro da Vila | book here | \$\$ |
| Graciosa Guest House | book here | \$\$ |
| Casa Cardeal Saraiva | book here | \$\$ |
| Casa das Andorinhas | book here | \$\$ |
| Guest House Alojamento Local centro Ponte de Lima | book here | \$\$ |
| Casa da Travessa | book here | \$\$-\$-\$-\$ |

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| INLIMA Hotel & Spa | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Camões Apartments | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 6. Ponte de Lima to Rubiães, 18 km/11 mi

- Distance - 18 km/11 mi
- Time - 4-5 hours
- Total ascent - 517 m
- Total descent - 332 m
- Walking surface - 6 km/3.7 mi - asphalt, 3 km/1.8 mi - cobbled, 10 km/6.2 mi - gravel/footpath

Highlights

- A decorated Camino wall on the Central Route around the corner from the public albergue in Ponte de Lima.
- Beautiful forest and tranquil fields.
- Cruz dos Franceses – a stone cross at 12.5 km/7.7 mi marks the place where locals ambushed soldiers of Napoleon’s army during the invasion of 1809.

Challenges

- A steep and long ascent that starts at 8 km. You gain over 300 m in 5 km/3.1 mi. The most challenging part is between 10 km/6.2 mi and 13 km/8 mi.
- A steep descent that starts at 13 km/8 mi. It’s not as long and steep as the ascent. You go down 190 m in 5 km/3.1 mi.
- No places to stop for food or drinks in the second half of the day so make sure to carry enough water for the ascent.

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Stops along the route stage 6

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|----------------------------|-----------|---|
| 1-7.5 km / 0.6-4.6 mi | | Walking through the field and forest |
| 3 km/1.8 mi | Arcozelo | Oasis do Caminho camping |
| 7.7-8.5 km / 4.7-5.2 mi | | Walking along the road |
| 8.5 km/5.2 mi | Codeçal | Bar |
| 9.4 km/5.8 mi | Labruja | Guesthouse Quinta da Labruja |
| 9.7 km/6 mi | Labruja | Albergue Casa da Valada |
| 9.9 km/6.1 mi | Labruja | Albergue O Comforto |
| 10.5 km/6.5 mi | Labruja | Guesthouse Casa do Chafariz |
| 10-13 km / 6.2-8 mi | | A steep ascent on a footpath through the forest |
| 12.5 km/7.7 mi | | Cruz dos Franceses, a stone cross in the forest |
| 15.8 km/9.8 mi | Agualonga | Bar |
| 16.5 km/10.2 mi | Agualonga | Casa de Lamas homestay |
| 17 km/10.5 mi | São Roque | Guesthouses, Albergue |
| 18 km/11 mi | Rubiães | Municipal Albergue, guesthouse, bar |

Rubiães - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Albergue de peregrinos de Rubiães | +351 965 053 751 | \$ |
| Casa de São Sebastião | +351 962 830 024 | \$\$-\$ |

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| Alojamento Local Ninho | +351 916 866 372 | \$-\$\$ |
| Albergue Constantino AL (1 km/0.6 mi before Rubiães) | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| Pensão Repouso do Peregrino (1 km/0.6 mi before Rubiães) | book here | \$\$ |
| Quinta das Leiras - Rubiães | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

Stage 7. Rubiães (Portugal) to Tui (Spain), 19.5 km/12.1 mi

- Distance – 19.5 km/12.1 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours (moving time)
- Accumulated ascent – 306 m
- Accumulated descent – 437 m
- Walking surface - 8.8 km/5.4 mi - asphalt, 7 km/4.3 mi - cobbled, 3.7 km/2.3 mi - gravel/footpath

Highlights

- A beautiful forest in the first half of the day.
- Valença Fortress is located on the top of the hill and offers spectacular views of the town and its surroundings.
- A metal bridge across the Minho River offers beautiful views of both shores and fortresses.
- Tui Fortress is a Spanish fortress on the opposite side of the river.

Challenges

- An ascent between 1 km/0.6 mi and 4 km/2.4 mi, 110 m up.
- A steep descent between 4,5 km/2.7 mi and 7.5 km/4.6 mi, 200 m down.

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- A change of time once you cross the bridge from Portugal to Spain. Spain is 1 hour ahead of Portugal.

Stops along the route stage 7

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 1 km/0.6 mi | | Restaurant |
| 1.7-2.2 km / 1-1.3 mi | | Walking along the road |
| 2.2-3.4 km / 1.3-2.1 mi | | Walking on the old Roman road |
| 4.3 km/2.6 mi | São Bento da Porta Aberta | Hotel, cafe |
| 7.5 km/4.6 mi | Fontoura | Guesthouse, ATM, bar |
| 10 km/6.2 mi | Paços | Albergue/guesthouse |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | Pedreira | Guesthouse, restaurant |
| 13.5 km/8.3 mi | | Cafe |
| 15.5 km/9.6 mi | Valença | MA, PA, hostels, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, bars, ATMs, pharmacies |
| 16.5-17.5 km / 10.2-10.8 mi | Valença Fortress | Hotels, restaurants, bars, shops |
| 17.5 km/ 10.8 mi | Bridge over the Minho River | Crossing from Portugal to Spain |
| 19 km/11.8 mi | Tui (Spain) | MA, PA, hostels, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, bars, ATMs, pharmacies |

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Tui - Accommodation

| Name | Booking info | Price range |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue de peregrinos de Tui | +34 649 502 704 | \$ |
| Albergue Buen Camino Tui | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Convento Del Camino | book here | \$ |
| Jacob's Hotel TUI | book here | \$ |
| Ideas Peregrinas | book here | \$ |
| Colón Tuy | book here | \$\$ |
| O refugio | book here | \$\$ |
| La Buhardilla de Tuy (1-bedroom apartment) | book here | \$\$ |
| Pension La Corredera | book here | \$\$ |
| El Atico de Villalmar (penthouse apartment) | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 8. Tui to Porriño, 16 km/10 mi

- Distance – 16 km/10 mi
- Time – 4 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 171 m
- Descent – 185 m
- Walking surface – 13 km/8 mi – asphalt, 3 km/1.8 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 2 km/1.2 mi

Highlights

- Walking through the forest at the beginning of the day.

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Challenges

- Walking through a large industrial area with many factories between 9.5 km/5.9 mi and 13.5 km/8.3 mi (if you don't take the alternative route).
- Walking next to a busy road between 13.5 km/8.3 mi and 15.5 km/9.6 mi (if you don't take the alternative route).

Stops along the route stage 8

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| 7 km/4.3 mi | Ribadelouru | Guesthouse, cafe |
| 8.7 km/5.4 mi | A route split | Take the alternative route which goes through the nature area, the main route goes through the industrial area. The distance on both routes is more or less the same |
| 9.2 km/5.7 mi | On the main route just after the split | Albergue Casa Alternativo |
| 9.5-13.5 km / 5.9-8.3 mi | On the main route | A large industrial area |
| 13.5 km/8.3 mi | On the main route | Restaurant |
| 13.5-15.5 km / 8.3-9.6 mi | On the main route | Walking next to a busy road |
| 14.5 km/9 mi | On the main route | Restaurant, bar |
| 16 km /10 mi | Porriño | Municipal Albergue, private Albergues, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacy |

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Porriño - Accommodation

| Name | Booking info | Price range |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Albergue de Peregrinos O Porriño | info here +34 986 335 428 | \$ |
| Albergue Senda Sur | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Fonte dos Aloques | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Rincon del Peregrino | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Alojamiento Camino Portugues | book here | \$ |
| Casucho da Peregrina | book here | \$-\$ including breakfast |
| Pension Cando | book here | \$\$ |
| Apartamento Sanjuan | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Apartment Nordes | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Apartment A Cabana II | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Apartment Bretema | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 9. Porriño to Cesantes, 18 km/11.1 mi

- Distance – 18 km/11.1 mi
- Time – 5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 283 m
- Descent – 305 m
- Walking surface – 16.5 km/10.3 mi – tar road; 1.5 km/0.9 mi – footpath/gravel road

Highlights

- The picturesque town of Mos.
- Walking through the forest in the last part of the day.
- The historical center of Redondela.

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Challenges

- At 2 km/1.2 there is a dangerous road crossing. It's a busy road with no traffic light or pedestrian crossing. You have to run across the road.
- A steep ascent between 5 km/3.1 and 9.5 km/5.9, over 170 m up
- A steep descent between 9.5 km/5.9 and 13 km/8 mi, over 170 m down

Stops along the route stage 9

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|----------------|-----------|--|
| 2.5 km/1.5 mi | Veigadaña | MA, bar |
| 4.3 km/2.6 mi | | A vending machine with snacks and drinks |
| 5 km/3.1 mi | Mos | MA, rental apartment, restaurant, bar |
| 9.5 km/5.9 mi | | Cafe |
| 10 km/6.2 mi | | Bar |
| 11.6 km/7.2 mi | Saxamonde | PA/bar O Corisco |
| 16 km/10 mi | Redondela | MA, PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacy |
| 18 km/11.1 mi | Cesantes | PA, hotel, bar |

Cesantes - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue O Refuxio de la Jerezana | book here | \$ |
| A Dársena do Francés | book here | \$ |
| Apartamento San Simón | book here | \$-\$ |

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| La Cueva | book here | \$\$ |
| Casa VOL - habitación | book here | \$\$ |
| Alojamiento Casa MINSO | book here | \$\$ |
| Camiño da Praia | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 10. Cesantes to Pontevedra, 18 km/11 mi

- Distance – 18 km/11 mi
- Time – 5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 396 m
- Descent – 371 m
- Walking surface – 10.5 km/6.5 mi – tar road; 7.5 km/4.6 mi – footpath/gravel road
- Walking on the road - 0.5 km/0.3 mi

Highlights

- Walking through a beautiful forest throughout the day
- The Medieval Bridge de Pontesanpaio over the River Verdugo with spectacular views
- The historical center of Redondela

Challenges

- A steep ascent (around 140 m) between 3.5 km/2.1 mi and 6.5 km/4 mi
- A steep and short descent (around 100 m) between 6.5 km/4 mi and 8 km/5 mi
- Another steep ascent (around 130 m) between 12 km/7.4 mi and 14 km/8.6 mi

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Stops along the route stage 10

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|
| 0.7 km/0.4 mi | | PA |
| 4.5 km/2.7 mi | Soutoxuste | Hotel, restaurant, bar, shop |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | Arcade | PA, hotel, restaurants, bars, shops, ATM |
| 7 km/4.3 mi | Pontesanpaio | Hotel, bar, ATM |
| 7.6-9.6 km/ 4.7-5.9 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 13.5 km/8.3 mi | | A bar, a shop, a chapel where you can stamp your Credential |
| 13.8 km/8.5 mi | | A split on the Central Route. Most people take the complementary route because it goes through the forest instead of the "official" route along the road |
| 14-17 km/ 8.6-10.5 mi | | Walking on a footpath through the forest |
| 18 km/11 mi | Pontevedra | MA, PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacy |

Pontevedra - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue de Peregrinos Virgen Peregrina | +34 986 844 045 | \$ |
| Bulezen Urban Hostel | book here | \$ |
| Acolá Hostel | book here | \$ |
| Slow City Hostel Pontevedra | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Nacama Hostel Pontevedra EXCLUSIVO PEREGRINOS PILGRIMS | book here | \$ |
| CASA MARUXA pensión | book here | \$\$ |

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| | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| PENSIÓN SANTA CLARA | book here | \$\$ |
| Acolá Rooms | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Boa Vila | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Galicia Palace | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 11. Pontevedra to Caldas de Reis, 21 km/13 mi

- Distance – 21 km/13 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 275 m
- Descent – 270 m
- Walking surface – 12 km/7,4 mi – asphalt, 9 km/5,6 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 0 km, 1 km on a footpath along the road

Highlights

- The beautiful forest between 6 and 9 km and between 16 km and 19 km
- The charming historical center of Caldas de Reis

Challenges

- No places to stop for food/coffee for the first 9 km
- 12 km/7,4 mi walking on tar (asphalt)

Stops along the route stage 11

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|------------|------------|---|
| 0-1.4 km / | Pontevedra | Cafes, restaurants, shops, hotels, ATMs |

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| | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|---|
| 0-0.8 mi | | |
| 3 km/1.8 mi | The route splits | The optional route of the Portuguese Camino - the Spiritual Variant |
| 9 km/5.5 mi | A Portela | Cafe Pousada Peregrino |
| 9.5 km/5.9 mi | A Portela | Private Albergue |
| 9.5-10.5 km/ 5.9-6.5 mi | | Walking next to the road on a footpath |
| 11.5 km/7.1 mi | | A vending machine, a bar |
| 15 km/9.3 mi | | A couple of cafes |
| 16.5 km/ 10.2 mi | Briallos | Municipal Albergue (300 m from the Camino follow the signs) |
| 18 km/11 mi | | Cafe |
| 19.5 km/12 mi | Tivo | Private Albergue/bar Vintecatro |
| 21 km/13 mi | Caldas de Reis | PA, hotels, guesthouses, supermarkets, restaurants, cafes, ATMs, pharmacies |

Caldas de Reis - Accommodation

| Name | Booking info | Price range |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|
| ALBERGUE de Caldas de Reis URRACA | book here | \$ |
| ALBERGUE A QUEIMADA Exclusivo Peregrinos | book here | \$ |
| Albergue GBC Caldas | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Agarimo | book here | \$ |
| Albergue As Pozas Termas | book here | \$ |
| Pensión A Fonte | book here | \$-\$ |
| Pensión Atenea & Via Romana | book here | \$-\$ |

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| | | |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
| Martínez Rooms Pilgrims | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| Pensión Río Umia | book here | \$\$ |
| Pension As Burgas li | book here | \$\$ |
| TERRA DE AUGAS II (2-bedroom apartment) | book here | \$\$ |
| HOTEL LOTUS | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Casa Herreria | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

Stage 12. Caldas de Reis to Padron, 18.5 km/11.5 mi

- Distance – 18,5 km/11,5 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 283 m
- Descent – 296 m
- Walking surface – 11 km/6,8 mi – asphalt, 7,5 km/4,6 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 0 km

Highlights

- The picturesque Galician forest with small waterfalls, rivers, and rest areas.
- A beautiful church at 5,8 km/3,6 mi
- The historical center of Padron

Challenges

- An easy walking day on the Camino.

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Stops along the route stage 12

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---|
| 2-5.2 km / 1.2-3.2 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 5 km/3.1 mi | | A 40-kilometers to Santiago sign |
| 5.4 km/3.3 mi | O Cruceiro | Bar, guesthouse |
| 5.8 km/3.6 mi | | Church of Santa Mariña de Carracedo |
| 7.2 km/4.4 mi | | Cafe |
| 8.5 km/5.2 mi | | Bar |
| 9.6 km/5.9 mi | O Pino | Municipal Albergue |
| 9.8 km/6 mi | | A rest area in the forest |
| 10-11.5 km / 6.2-7.1 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 12 km/7.4 mi | San Miguel de Valga | Cafe, restaurant |
| 14.6 km/9 mi | | Rest area |
| 15.5 km/9.6 mi | | A water fountain |
| 15.6 km/9.6 mi | | A coffee stall |
| 16.5 km/ 10.2 mi | Pontecesures | MA, hotels, shops, restaurants, cafes, ATMs, pharmacies |
| 18.5 km/11.5 mi | Padron | MA, PA, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, cafes, ATMs, pharmacies |

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Padron - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Municipal Albergue de Padron | info here +34 673 656 173 | \$ |
| Albergue and rooms Murgadan | book here | \$ |
| Albergue con encanto d'camino | book here | \$ |
| Albergue and rooms O Pedron | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Camino do Sar | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Corredoiras | book here | \$ |
| Ecorooms Padron | book here | \$\$ |
| Primavera | book here | \$\$ |
| Sleep Padrón | book here | \$\$ |
| Arteleira2 Rooms Apartment | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Pazo de Lestrove | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 13. Padron to O Milladoiro, 17.6 km/10.9 mi

- Distance – 17.6 km/10.9 mi
- Time – 5 (moving time)
- Ascent – 136 m
- Descent – 90 m
- Walking surface – 2 km/1.2 mi on a footpath/gravel road; 15.6 km/9.6 mi on asphalt.

Highlights

- The beautiful Galician forest

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Challenges

- Walking next to a busy road between 2 km/1.2 mi and 3 km/1.8 mi

Stops along the route stage 13

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|--------------------------|---------------|---|
| 2-3 km / 1.2-1.8 mi | | Along a busy road |
| 2.2 km/1.3 mi | | Restaurant, cafe |
| 2.7 km/1.6 mi | | Hotel, restaurant |
| 3-4 km / 1.8-2.4 mi | | Walking through villages |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | | Private Albergue O Logar de Jesus |
| 6.2 km/3.8 mi | A Esclavitude | Guesthouses, shop, restaurant, bar, |
| 8.9 km/5.5 mi | | A rest area |
| 9 km/5.5 mi | Areal | Guesthouse |
| 9.5 km/5.9 mi | Picaraña | Several hotels and restaurants along the route |
| 10-11 km / 6.2-6.8 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | O Faramello | MA, PA, restaurant, bar |
| 12.4 km/7.7 mi | Teo | Hotel/restaurant |
| 13.8 km/8.5 mi | | Cafe/shop |
| 14.2 km/8.8 mi | Pedreira | Private Albergue/cafe |
| 17.6 km /10.9 mi | O Milladoiro | PA, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, cafes, ATMs, pharmacies |

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O Milladoiro - Accommodation

| Name | Booking info | Price range |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue Milladoiro | book here | \$ |
| Pension O Camino Milladoiro | book here | \$\$ |
| B&B HOTEL Santiago Milladoiro | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Payro | book here | \$\$ |
| Alojamiento Santa Maria II | book here | \$\$ |
| Apartamento En Camino | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Casa Rural as Bentina | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

Stage 14. O Milladoiro to Santiago de Compostela, 8 km/5 mi

- Distance – 8 km/5 mi
- Time – 2 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 390 m
- Descent – 166 m
- Walking surface – 5 km/3.1 mi – asphalt, 3 km/1.8 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 600 m on a quiet road

Highlights

- The historical center of Santiago de Compostela.
- Arriving at Obradoiro Square and seeing the Cathedral and hundreds of other pilgrims.

Challenges

- Several ascents throughout the day.

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Stops along the route stage 14

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|---------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 3 km/1.8 mi | | Cafe/souvenir shop |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | | A route split both routes go to the Cathedral, one is a bit longer |
| 6.5 km/4 mi | Santiago de Compostela | MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar |
| 8 km/5 mi | Cathedral and Obradoiro Square | The end of the Camino Portuguese |

Santiago de Compostela - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue San Lazaro (3 km/1.8 mi from the cathedral) | +34 981 571 488 | \$ |
| Albergue Seminario Menor | book here | \$ |
| Dream in Santiago | book here | \$ |
| Albergue O Fogar de Teodomiro | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Porta Real | book here | \$ |
| Albergue The Last Stamp | book here | \$ |
| Santiago KM-0 | book here | \$ |
| Hostal San Pelayo | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel A Tafona do Peregrino | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Alda Avenida | book here | \$\$ |
| Pensión Residencia Fornos | book here | \$\$ |
| Pensión Residencia Fonseca | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

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| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Hospedaria San Martin Pinarrio | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Parador Hostal Reis Catolicos | book here | \$\$\$ |

Santiago de Compostela tours and activities

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