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Central Route + Spiritual Variant from Porto to Santiago de Compostela - 250 km/155 mi

Average stage - 20 km/12.4 mi

Longest stage - 23.5 km/14.6 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	\$\$
Hotel Peninsular- Porto	book here	\$\$
Aparthotel Oporto Sol	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
Utopian - Design Suites Porto	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
Oporto Comfort Dom Hugo Apartment	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	\$\$

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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
- 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

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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
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

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- 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 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

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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	\$\$
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 Vitorino dos Piães, 22 km/13.6 mi

- Distance – 22 km/13.6 mi
- Time – 6 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 403 m
- Descent – 337 m
- Walking surface – 11 km/6.8 mi – asphalt; 7 km/4.3 mi – cobbled; 4.2 km/2.6 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 0 km

Highlights

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

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Challenges

- Walking on hard surfaces, around 18 km/11 mi are on cobbled stones and asphalt which is hard on your feet.
- Several small ascents and descents.
- A long ascent and descent (170 m) in the second half of the day.

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
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	Hotel Casa da Quinta da Cancela
21 km/13 mi		Hotel Casa da Fernanda
22 km/13.6 mi	Vitorino dos Piães	PA, hotel, cafe

Vitorino dos Piães - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue Casa da Fernanda	+351 914 589 521	\$-\$\$
Albergue Casa Sagres	+351 962 916 441	\$-\$\$
Hotel Estabulo de Valinhas	book here	\$\$

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Alminhas da Mindua	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
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Stage 5. Vitorino dos Piães to Labruja, 21.5 km/13.3 mi

- Distance – 21.5 km/13.3 mi
- Time – 6 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 205 m
- Descent – 284 m
- Walking surface – 10.5 km/6.5 mi – asphalt; 7 km/4.3 mi - cobbled; 4 km/2.4 mi – footpath/gravel.
- Walking on the road – 0 km

Highlights

- Walking through the beautiful forest and countryside for 7 km/4.3 mi
- The historical center of Ponte de Lima, one of our [favorite towns on the Portuguese Camino](#).
- A decorated Camino wall on the Central Route around the corner from the public albergue in Ponte de Lima.

Challenges

- Not many places to stop for food or coffee after Ponte de Lima.

Stops along the route stage 5

Distance	Name	Facilities
0.4 km/0.2 mi		Restaurant
3 km/1.8 mi		Hotel Quinta da Albergaria

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5 km/3.1 mi	Sobreiro	Albergue O Caminheiro
5.5 km/3.4 mi	Seara	Hotel, cafe, bakery
12 km/7.4 mi	Ponte de Lima	MA, hostel, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacies
13-19.5 km / 8-12.1 mi		Walking through the field and forest
15 km/9.3 mi	Arcozelo	Oasis do Caminho camping
19.7-20.5 km / 12.2-12.7 mi		Walking along the road
20.5 km/12.7 mi	Codeçal	Bar
21.5 km/13.3 mi	Labruja	Private Albergues, guesthouse, restaurants

Labruja - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue Casa da Valada	+351 967 742 694	\$-\$\$
Albergue O Comforto	info here	\$-\$\$
Guesthouse Quinta da Labruja	book here	\$\$

Stage 6. Labruja to Valença, 23.5 km/14.6 mi

- Distance – 23.5 km/14.6 mi
- Time – 7 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 535 m
- Descent – 542 m
- Walking surface – 8 km/5 mi – asphalt; 3 km/1.8 mi - cobbled; 12.5 km/7.7 mi – footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 0 km

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Highlights

- Beautiful forests and tranquil fields.
- Cruz dos Franceses – a stone cross at 2.5 km/1.5 mi marks the place where locals ambushed soldiers of Napoleon’s army during the invasion of 1809.
- Valença Fortress, located on the top of the hill and offers spectacular views of the town and its surroundings.

Challenges

- A steep and long ascent from the start. You gain 300 m over 5 km/3.1 mi.
- A steep descent that starts at 3.5 km/2.1 mi. It’s not as long and steep as the ascent. You go down 190 m over 5 km/3.1 mi.
- A steep and short ascent after Rubiães, 110 m up
- A steep descent at 12.5 km/7.7 mi, over 200 m down

Stops along the route stage 6

Distance	Name	Facilities
0-3 km/ 0-1.8 mi		A steep ascent on a footpath through the forest
2.5 km/1.5 mi		Cruz dos Franceses, a stone cross in the forest
5.8 km/3.6 mi	Agualonga	Bar
6.5 km/4 mi	Agualonga	Casa de Lamas homestay
7 km/4.3 mi	São Roque	Guesthouses, Albergue
8 km/5 mi	Rubiães	Municipal Albergue, guesthouse, bar
9 km/5.5 mi		Restaurant
9.7-10.2 km/ 6-6.3 mi		Walking along the road

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10.2-11.4 km/ 6.3-7 mi		Walking on the old Roman road
12.3 km/7.6 mi	São Bento da Porta Aberta	Hotel, cafe
15.5 km/9.6 mi	Fontoura	Guesthouse, ATM, bar
18 km/11 mi	Paços	Albergue/guesthouse
19 km/11.8 mi	Pedreira	Guesthouse, restaurant
21.5 km/13.3 mi		Cafe
23.5 km/14.6 mi	Valença	MA, PA, hostels, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, bars, ATMs, pharmacies

Valença - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal Albergue São Teotonio	+351 961 168 501	\$
Alvorada Medieval	book here	\$
Hostel Bulwark	book here	\$
Albergue e AL O Brasão Valença	book here	\$-\$\$
Hotel MABI	book here	\$\$
Hotel Val Flores	book here	\$\$
Alojamento da Vila	book here	\$\$
Residencial Portas do Sol	book here	\$\$
Domus Avocat	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$

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Apartamentos Lumar	book here	
Pousada de Valença	book here	\$\$\$

Stage 7. Valença (Portugal) to Porriño (Spain), 20.5 km/12.7 mi

- Distance – 20.5 km/12.7 mi
- Time – 5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 192 m
- Descent – 204 m
- Walking surface – 17.5 km/10.8 mi – tar road; 3 km/1.8 mi – footpath/gravel road
- Walking on the road - 2 km/1.2 mi

Highlights

- The historical center of Tui
- A beautiful forest walk after Tui

Challenges

- A change of time after crossing the bridge between Portugal and Spain. Spain is 1 hour ahead of Portugal.
- If you don't take an optional forest route at 14.5 km/9 mi you will walk through a large industrial area. So take the optional route (the left route) that goes along the river.

Stops along the route stage 7

Distance	Name	Facilities
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1-2 km / 0.6-1.2 mi	Valença Fortress	Hotels, restaurants, bars, shops
3 km/1.8 mi	Bridge over the Minho River	Crossing from Portugal to Spain
5 km/3.1 mi	Tui (Spain)	MA, PA, hostels, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, bars, ATMs, pharmacies
12 km/7.4 mi	Ribadelouru	Guesthouse, cafe
13.7 km/ 8.5 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
14.2 km/ 8.2 mi	On the main route just after the split	Albergue Casa Alternativo
14.5-18.5 km/ 9-11.4 mi	On the main route	A large industrial area
18.5 km/ 11.4 mi	On the main route	Restaurant
18.5-20.5 km/ 11.4-12.7 mi	On the main route	Walking next to a busy road
19.5 km/12.1 mi	On the main route	Restaurant, bar
20.5 km/12.7 mi	Porriño	MA*, PA**, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacy

Porriño - Accommodation

Name	Booking info	Price range
Albergue de Peregrinos O Porriño	info here +34 986 335 428	\$

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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 8. 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 8

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	\$

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Apartamento San Simón	book here	\$-\$\$
La Cueva	book here	\$\$
Casa VOL - habitación	book here	\$\$
Alojamiento Casa MINSO	book here	\$\$
Camión da Praia	book here	\$\$\$

Stage 9. 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 9

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	\$

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CASA MARUXA pensión	book here	\$\$
PENSIÓN SANTA CLARA	book here	\$\$
Acolá Rooms	book here	\$\$
Hotel Boa Vila	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
Galicia Palace	book here	\$\$\$

Stage 10. Pontevedra to Armenteira, 21 km/13 mi

- Distance – 21 km/13 mi
- Time – 5-6 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 606 m
- Descent – 358 m
- Walking surface – 9 km/5,5 mi footpath/gravel road, 12 km/7,4 mi asphalt/cobblestones

Highlights

- The historical centre of Pontevedra
- The monastery of Poio
- The [beautiful old town of Combarro](#)
- A pleasant walk through the forest between Combarro and Armenteira
- The Monastery of Armenteira

Challenges

- Several short ascents and descents in the first half of the day between Pontevedra and Combarro.
- A steep and long ascent, 400 m in the second half of the day from Combarro to Armenteira. After conquering the hill by the end of the day you're quite tired.

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Stops along the route stage 10

Distance	Name	Facilities
3 km/1.8 mi	A route split at the bridge in the forest	The right route is the Central Route, and the left route is the Spiritual Variant. If you want to continue on the Spiritual Variant take the left route.
5.5 km/3.4 mi	Cabaleiro	Hotel, restaurant
9 km/5.6 mi	Poio	Hotel, restaurant
11 km/6.8 mi	Combarro	Private Albergue, hotel, supermarket, restaurant, ATM, pharmacy
21 km/13 mi	Armenteira	Municipal Albergue, hotel, restaurant

Armenteira - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Armenteira	+34 619 53 40 87	\$
Albergue Turistico En Armenteira A Fragua do Ferreiro	book here	\$
Albergue Armenteira	book here	\$-\$\$
Albergue CAROI HOSTEL & ROOMS Armenteira	book here	\$-\$\$
Monasterio de Armenteira	info here	\$\$
CARBALLO DE PRADO 1900	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
Pousada Armenteira	book here	\$\$\$

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Stage 11. Armenteira to Vilanova de Arousa, 23.5 km/14.6 mi

- Distance – 23,6 km/14,6 mi
- Time – 5-6 (moving time)
- Ascent – 170 m
- Descent – 417 m
- Walking surface – 15 km/9.3 mi on a footpath/gravel road, 8 km/5 mi on asphalt, 500 m/0.3 mi on a quiet road

Highlights

- A beautiful walk through the lush green forest along the river with small waterfalls and big boulders
- A quiet walk through a beautiful natural area along the river and between the vineyards
- A walk along the coast of the Atlantic Ocean on the last 3 km/1.8 mi before Vilanova de Arousa

Challenges

- It was a relatively easy walk with no particularly challenging parts besides the downhill walk at the beginning but it wasn't steep, more of a gradual downhill.

Stops along the route stage 11

Distance	Name	Facilities
5 km/3.1 mi		Restaurant
6,5 km/4 mi		Restaurant
10 km/6.2 mi		Restaurant

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13 km/8 mi	Ponte Arnelas	Hotel, restaurant, shop, pharmacy
16 km/10 mi		Restaurant
19,5 km/12 mi		Bar
21-23 km /13-14 mi		A couple of restaurants
23.5 km/14.6 mi	Vilanova de Arousa	Municipal Albergue, hotel, restaurant, bar, pharmacy, ATM

Vilanova de Arousa - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Arousa	+34 619 534 087	\$
Albergue A Corticela	book here	\$
Albergue A Salazon	info here	\$
Hotel Bradomin	book here	\$\$
Guest house SAL E PEDRA	book here	\$\$
Apartamentos AD	book here	\$\$
Arco da Vella apartamentos	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
Alquileres Delfina (1-bedroom apartment)	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$
Marujita Vilanova	book here	\$\$\$

Stage 12. Vilanova de Arousa to Milladoiro, 19.5 km/12 mi

This stage involves a boat ride. It's an official part of the route. You can buy a boat ticket online or at the office in Vilanova de Arousa. I suggest

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booking it online in advance to make sure you get a spot on the boat, during the season it fills up quickly.

Two companies offer a boat ride

- [La Barca del Peregrino](#)
- [A Mare Turismo Nautico](#)

- Distance – 19.5 km/12 mi
- Time – 5 (moving time)
- Ascent – 136 m
- Descent – 90 m
- Walking surface – 2 km/1.2 mi on a footpath/gravel road, 17.5 km/10.8 mi on asphalt

Highlights

- A spectacular boat ride from Vilanova de Arousa to Pontecesures
- The beautiful Galician forest

Challenges

- Walking next to a busy road between 4 km/2.4 mi and 5 km/3.1 mi

Stops along the route stage 12

Distance	Name	Facilities
28 km/17.3 mi (boat ride)	Pontecesures The start of the walk	Municipal Albergue, hotel, restaurant, bar, shop, pharmacy, ATM
2 km/1.2 mi	Padrón	Municipal Albergue, private Albergues, hotel, restaurant, bar, supermarket, pharmacy, ATM
4-5 km/ 2.4-3.1 mi		Along a busy road
4.2 km/2.6 mi		Restaurant, cafe

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4.7 km/2.9 mi		Hotel, restaurant
5-6 km/ 3.1-3.7 mi		Walking through villages
7.5 km/4.6 mi		Private Albergue O Logar de Jesus
8.2 km/5 mi	A Esclavitude	Guesthouses, shop, restaurant, bar,
10.9 km/6.7 mi		A rest area
11 km/6.8 mi	Areal	Guesthouse
11.5 km/7.1 mi	Picaraña	Several hotels and restaurants along the route
12-13 km /7.4-8 mi		Walking through the forest
13 km/8 mi	O Faramello	MA, PA, restaurant, bar
14.4 km/8.9 mi	Teo	Hotel/restaurant
15.8 km/9.8 mi		Cafe/shop
16.2 km/10 mi	Pedreira	Private Albergue/cafe
19.5 km /12 mi	O Milladoiro	PA, hotels, supermarkets, restaurants, cafes, ATMs, pharmacies

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	\$\$

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Casa Rural as Bentina	book here	\$\$-\$\$\$

Stage 13. 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

Stops along the route stage 13

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,

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		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	\$\$
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Parador Hostal Reis Catolicos	book here	\$\$\$

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