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25+km/15+mi - Walking stages + Accommodation

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The Coastal Route + Spiritual Variant from Porto to Santiago de Compostela - 281 km/174 mi

Average stage - 28 km/17.3 mi

Longest stage - 30 km/18.6 mi

Porto places to stay

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| 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. Se Cathedral, Porto to Vila Chã, 26 km/16 mi

- Distance - 26 km/16 mi
- Time - 5-6 hours
- Accumulated ascent - 242 m
- Accumulated descent - 273 m
- Walking surface - 15 km/9.3 mi – asphalt, 10 km/6.2 mi – boardwalks, 1 km/0.6 mi – cobbled
- Walking along the coast – 23.5 km/14.6 mi are along the Douro River and coast

Highlights

- Se Cathedral and the historical center of Porto
- Walking along the Douro River
- Walking along beautiful beaches
- Farol de Leça, a high lighthouse with the museum
- Boardwalk along the coast

Challenges

- The first 10 km/6.2 mi from the Cathedral are not marked. It's not difficult to find the route; you follow the Douro River for 10 km/6.2 mi till you get to the information office in Matosinhos. From there you can follow the yellow arrows.

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- A long distance for the first day on the Camino. There are places to stay before Vila Chã you can shorten your walking day.

Stops along the route stage 1

*MA - municipal albergue

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 0-6 km/0-3.7 mi | Porto | Along the Douro River, restaurants and cafes. You can skip the first 6 km by taking a tram #1 or #18 from the Cathedral to Passeio Alegre. |
| 6 km/3.7 mi | Foz de Douro | São João Baptista Fortress and Barra do Douro Lighthouse |
| 10.5 km/6.5 mi | Matosinhos Information office | You can get a stamp and find out where to buy a Credential. The first official Camino sign since the Cathedral. |
| 10.5-13 km/6.5-8 mi | Through Matosinhos | Restaurants, shops, cafes, ATMs |
| 13 km/8 mi | Tourism information office | You can get a stamp or find out where to get a Credential |
| 13 km/8 mi | Leça da Palmeira | Hotels, restaurants, bars, shops |
| 13-26 km/8-16 mi | Along the coast | Several cafes and restaurants along the beach. Some of them are closed in winter |
| 15-26 km/9.3-16 mi | On the boardwalk | |
| 17 km/10.5 mi | Aldeia Nova | Guesthouses, restaurant, bar |
| 20 km/12.4 mi | Agudela | A big supermarket, 400 m away from the Camino. It's the last big shop for the day. |
| 23 km/14 mi | Praia de Angeiras | Orbitur Campsite, guesthouse |
| 24 km/15 mi | Labruge, a small town | MA* (900 m away from the route, inland), guesthouse, cafes, restaurants |

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| 26 km/16 mi | Vila Chã, a small town | MA (800 m from the Camino, inland), guesthouses, campsite, cafes, restaurant |
|-------------|------------------------|--|

Vila Chã - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|---|---|-------------|
| Albergue de peregrinos São Mamede de Vila Chã | +351 934 379 460 info here | \$ |
| Trendy Villas - Albergue Peregrinos | book here | \$-\$ |
| Pensão Café Sandra | +351 919 254 629 | \$\$ |
| Camping Vila Chã | info here | \$\$ |
| Aurora's Lighthouse (1-bedroom house) | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 2. Vila Chã to Fão, 29 km/18 mi

- Distance – 29 km/18 mi
- Time – 7-8 hours (moving time)
- Accumulated ascent – 180 m
- Accumulated descent – 166 m
- Walking surface – 14 km/8.6 mi – boardwalk; 9 km/5.5 mi – tar road; 6 km/3.7 mi – cobblestones
- Walking along the coast – 19 km/11.8 mi

Highlights

- A beautiful walk along the coast between Vila Chã and Vila do Conde.
- The historical center of Vila do Conde.
- A picturesque coastal walk between Espozende and Aguçadoura.
- A beautiful walk along the beach for 4 km/2.4 mi from Aguçadoura.
- A beautiful small church in Apulia.
- The small historical center of Fao.

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Challenges

- Walking through the cities (Vila do Conde and Póvoa de Varzim) between 6 km/3.7 mi and 12 km/7.4 mi.

Stops along the route stage 2

*PA - private albergue

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|--------------------------|------------------|---|
| 0-6 km/0-3.7 mi | | Along the coast on the boardwalk |
| 2.5 km/1.5 mi | Praia de Mindelo | Hotels, restaurants, a shop |
| 4.8 km/3 mi | Praia do Árvore | Hotels, restaurants, cafes, a shop |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | Praia da Azurara | A guesthouse, cafes |
| 6-12 km/ 3.7-7.4 mi | | The route goes inland through Vila do Conde |
| 7.5 km/4.6 mi | Vila do Conde | MA, PA*, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacies |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | Póvoa de Varzim | MA (donation), hostel, hotels, restaurants, shops, ATMs, pharmacies |
| 12-22 km/ 7.4-13.6 mi | | On a boardwalk along the beach |
| 14 km/8.6 mi | O Ver a Mar | Hostel, hotels, restaurants, cafes |
| 18 km/11 mi | Aguçadoura | MA, guesthouses, a shop, a restaurant, a bar |
| 22 km/13.6 mi | | A bar |
| 25,5 km/15.8 mi | Apulia | PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, shops |
| 29 km/18 mi | Fão | Hostels, guesthouses, restaurants, cafes, shops |

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Fão - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
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| Parque de Campismo de Fão (a bed in a dormitory) | book here | \$ |
| HI Ofir - Pousada de Juventude | info here | \$ |
| Hostel do Alto - Fão | book here | \$ |
| The Spot Ofir | book here | \$ |
| TuKaza by Geyra - Fão | book here | \$\$ |
| Sunny Ofir | book here | \$\$ |
| Axis Ofir Beach Resort Hotel | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

Stage 3. Fão to Viana do Castelo, 28 km/17.3 mi

- Distance – 28 km/17.3 mi
- Time – 7 hours
- Accumulated ascent – 372 m
- Accumulated descent – 388 m
- Walking surface – 14.5 km/9 mi – tar road/asphalt; 8 km/5 mi – cobblestones; 5.5 km/3.4 mi – footpath.
- Walking along the coast – 1 km/0.6 mi along the promenade in Esposende.

Highlights

- The historical center and the promenade in Esposende.
- A spectacular forest with a river between 13 km/8 mi and 15 km/9.3 mi. One of the most beautiful forest walks on the Portuguese Camino.
- Several beautiful churches where you can get stamps.
- A nice forest walk between 16 km/10 mi and 17.6 km/11 mi.

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- The historical center of Viana do Castelo.

Challenges

- Several ascents and descents along the route.
- Walking on hard surfaces e.g. cobbled stones which are tougher on your feet.
- Walking on the sidewalk along a busy road for the last 2 km to Viana do Castelo.

Stops along the route stage 3

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| 1 km/0.6 mi | | A cafe |
| 1.8 km/1.1 mi | | Hotel/restaurant |
| 2 km/1.2 mi | Esposende | Hostels, hotels, restaurants, bars, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacies |
| 7 km/4.3 mi | Marinhas | MA, guest houses, restaurants, a shop |
| 10-12 km/ 6.2-7.4 mi | | Several cafes and bars |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | Belinho | Guesthouses, cafes, a shop |
| 13.4-14.7 km/ 8.3-9.1 mi | | On a footpath through the forest |
| 15 km/9.3 mi | Castelo do Neiva | |
| 16 km/10 mi | | The church of St.lago (stamp) |
| 16.2-17.6 km/ 10-11 mi | | A beautiful forest walk |
| 17.5 km/10.8 mi | | A food stop |
| 20.5 km/12.7 mi | Chafe | Guesthouses and a cafe |
| 23 km/14.2 mi | Anha, a small town | PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, a shop |

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| 25.5-27.5 km / 15.8-17 mi | | Walking along a busy street with many cars |
| 27 km/16.7 mi | | The Eiffel Bridge to Viana do Castelo |
| 28 km/17.3 mi | Viana do Castelo | MA, PA, hotels, restaurants, bars, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacies |

Viana do Castelo - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue de peregrinos São João da Cruz dos Caminhos | +351 258 822 264 | \$ |
| Albergue de Santa Luzia | book here | \$ |
| Villa Margarida | book here | \$ |
| Hotel Jardim Viana do Castelo | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| HI Viana do Castelo - Pousada de Juventude | book here | \$\$ |
| Rua Grande Hotel | book here | \$\$ |
| Valentim House | book here | \$\$ |
| Alex Point - Guest House | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Margarida Da Praça | book here | \$\$ |
| Pensao O Laranjeira | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| AP Dona Aninhas | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 4. Viana do Castelo to Caminha, 28 km/17.3 mi

- Distance – 28 km/17.3 mi
- Time – 6-7 hours
- Accumulated ascent – 391 m
- Accumulated descent – 385 m

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- Walking surface – 16.5 km/10.2 mi – tar road/asphalt, 8.5 km/5.2 mi – cobblestones, 3 km/1.8 mi – footpath
- Walking along the coast – 4 km/2.4 mi

Highlights

- Narrow cobbled streets with high stone walls in the first half of the walk.
- 6th-century convent Sao Joao de Cabanas, a 30-minutes walk from Carreço.
- 14 km/8.6 mi – a wonderful cafe in the middle of the forest with outside tables and chairs.
- A beautiful forest in the middle part.
- The historical part of Vila Praia de Âncora.
- The walk along the coast between 20.5 km/12.7 mi and 24.5 km/15.2 mi.
- The historical center of Caminha.

Challenges

- A long walking day, over 28 km/17,3 mi
- Several ascents and descents
- Walking on hard surfaces (tar roads, cobblestones) for most of the day

Stops along the route stage 5

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|-------------------------|------|---|
| 0-4 km/ 0-2.4 mi | | The Camino goes through Viana do Castelo and its neighbourhoods |
| 4-10 km / 2.4-6.2 mi | | The route goes through small villages and fields |

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| 10 km/6.2 mi | Carreço, a small town | PA, guesthouses, restaurants, a shop, a pharmacy |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | | PA |
| 12-13 km / 7.4-8 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 14 km/8.6 mi | | A cosy cafe in the forest |
| 17 km/10.5 mi | Âncora | A guesthouse, cafes |
| 18 km/11 mi | Vila Praia de Âncora | Hostels, hotels, restaurants, bars, supermarkets, ATMs, pharmacies, beach |
| 20.5-24.5 km / 12.7-15.2 mi | | Walking along the coast |
| 24.5 km/ 15.2 mi | Moledo, a small town | A hostel, guesthouses, restaurants, cafes, shops, ATM, a beach |
| 25.5-27.3 km / 15.8-17 mi | | A long stretch along the road |
| 28 km/17.3 mi | Caminha | MA, PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy |

Caminha - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|---|--|-------------|
| Albergue de Peregrinos de Caminha | +351 914 290 431 alberguedecaminha@caminhosantigoviana.pt | \$ |
| Bom Caminha - Private Albergue for Pilgrims | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Santiago de Caminha | book here | \$ |
| Olá Vida - Hostel Caminha | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| House Mariona | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| Muralha de Caminha | book here | \$\$ |
| Litos al alojamiento local | book here | \$\$ |

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| Casas Sebastião - Tourist House | book here | \$\$ |
| Arca Nova Guest House | book here | \$\$ |
| Litos al alojamiento local | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Design & Wine Hotel | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 5. Caminha (Portugal) to Viladesuso (Spain), 21 km/13 mi

Today you cross from Portugal to Spain. The Minho River serves as a natural border between the two countries. You cross it by boat. The boats leave regularly throughout the day depending on the tide. You can book a spot and check the timetable [online](#).

- Distance – 21 km/13 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours
- Accumulated ascent – 375 m
- Accumulated descent – 360 m
- Walking surface – 11 km/6.8 mi – tar road/asphalt; 10 km/6.3 mi – footpath/gravel road
- Walking along the coast – 14 km/8.6 mi

Highlights

- A peaceful boat ride from Caminha to A Pasaxe
- A beautiful forest walk from A Pasaxe
- The historical center and beaches in A Guarda
- The spectacular coastal scenery from A Guarda
- The Monastery of Oia

Challenges

- The time changes once you cross by boat from Portugal to Spain. Spain is 1 hour ahead.
- A steep ascent from A Pasaxe (the pier).

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- It's a relatively easy walking day mostly along the coast with short parts along the road on the cycling route with coastal views.

Stops along the route stage 5

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | Caminha pier | A boat ride from Caminha (Portugal) to A Pasaxe (Spain). Check departure times and book your ticket online |
| 0 km | A Pasaxe | A small pier |
| 0-2.2 km / 0-1.3 mi | | The route goes up through the forest |
| 3 km/1.8 mi | A Guarda | MA, PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy, beach |
| 3-5 km / 1.8-3.1 mi | | Walking through the town |
| 5 km/3.1 mi | | A small beach |
| 5.2 km/3.2 mi | | A restaurant |
| 8-9.6 km/ 5-6 mi | | On a cycling route along the road |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | Portecelo, a small town | Hotels, a bar with a seaview |
| 12.5 km/7.7 mi | | Guesthouse |
| 14 km/8.6 mi | A Mariña | Guesthouse |
| 17 km/10.5 mi | Oia | Hotels, restaurants, cafes, a shop, a monastery, a beach |
| 20 km/12.4 mi | | Hotel |
| 21 km/12.8 mi | Viladesuso | PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, a shop |

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Viladesuso - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Alojamiento Camino Portugues Oia | book here | \$ |
| Albergue da Estrela | info here | \$ |
| Hotel Costa Verde | book here | \$\$ |
| Casa Porto dos Barcos | book here | \$\$ |
| Casa Ángel 1982 | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Restaurante Glasgow | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 6. Viladesuso to Saians, 27 km/16.7 mi

- Distance – 27 km/16.7 mi
- Time – 7 hours
- Accumulated ascent – 425 m
- Accumulated descent – 432 m
- Walking surface – 21.5 km/13.3 mi – tar road/asphalt; 6.5 km/4 mi – footpath/gravel road
- Walking along the coast – 9 km/5.5 mi

Highlights

- Beautiful coastal views
- A picturesque forest walk between 8 km/5 mi and 9.5 km/5.9 mi
- The historical center of Baiona
- The Old Bridge at the entrance to A Ramallosa
- The historical center of A Ramallosa

Challenges

- Several steep ascents and descents throughout the day.

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Stops along the route stage 6

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 2.6 km/1.6 mi | Porto Mougas | PA, guesthouses |
| 4 km/2.4 mi | Pedra Rubia | A campsite/restaurant |
| 7 km/4.3 mi | A Ermida | A hotel/cafe, campsite |
| 8-9.5 km/ 5-5.9 mi | | Through the forest over the hills |
| 11 km/6.8 mi | | A restaurant |
| 14 km/8.6 mi | Baiona | PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy, castle, beach |
| 17.5 km/ 10.8 mi | Sabaris | PA, hotels, campsite, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy, beach |
| 19 km/11.8 mi | A Ramallosa | PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy, beach |
| 20-27 km/ 12.4-16.7 mi | | The route goes through the forest and villages |
| 20.5 km/12.7 mi | | A bar |
| 21 km/13 mi | Nigran (300 m from the Camino) | Hotels, restaurants, cafes, shops, ATM, pharmacy |
| 23 km/14.2 mi | | A cafe, a restaurant |
| 27 km/16.7 mi | Saians | PA, a cafe |

Saians - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
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| Albergue Peregrinos San Xurxo | +34 689 133 973 | \$ |
| Casa Albores Priegue (apartment) | +34 665 980 372 | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

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Stage 7. Saians to Redondela, 30 km/18.6 mi

- Distance - 30 km/18.6 mi
- Time – 8 hours (moving time)
- Accumulated ascent – 308 m
- Accumulated descent – 410 m
- Walking surface – 20 km/12.4 mi – tar road/asphalt; 10 km/6.2 mi – footpath/gravel road
- Walking along the coast – for 8 km/5 mi past Vigo you get beautiful coastal views from the top of the hills

Highlights

- A forest walk for 2 km/1.2 mi from Saians
- A beautiful waterfall at 1.5 km/0.9 mi
- The historical part of Vigo
- Spectacular views of the coast, the bay, and the Rande Bridge from the route.
- A beautiful waterfall in the forest
- The historical part of Redondela

Challenges

- Walking along a busy road between 2.5 km/1.5 mi and 4.5 km/2.7 mi.
- Walking through the city for 4 km/2.4 mi
- The lack of route marking in Vigo.
- No place to stop for coffee or food once you're out of Vigo till you reach Redondela.

Stops along the route stage 7

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
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| 2-4 km/ | | The Camino goes through the beautiful forest |

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| 1.2-2.4 mi | | |
| 3 km/1.8 mi | | A route split; the right route goes through the forest, the left route goes closer to the road |
| 3.3 km/2 mi | | A small waterfall |
| 3.6 km/2.2 mi | | A route split; the right route goes towards Albergue de O Freixo (5 km away from the Camino route) |
| 4-6 km/ 2.4-3.7 mi | | Along a busy road with a couple of cafes and restaurants |
| 6.3-9.5 km/ 3.9-5.9 mi | | Along the river |
| 9.5-16.5 km / 5.9-8.3 mi | Vigo | Through the city of Vigo and its suburbs |
| 13.5 km/8.3 mi | The Cathedral of Vigo | MA, hostel, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy |
| 18.5-26.5 km/ 11.5-16.4 mi | | On the slope of the hill, through villages and forest |
| 22.5 km/14 mi | | A beautiful waterfall |
| 17.5 km/10.8 mi | | The beginning of a steep descent |
| 30 km/18.6 mi | Redondela (the Coastal and Central routes merge) | MA, PA, hotels, restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, ATM, pharmacy |

Redondela - Accommodation

| Hotel/albergue | Booking info | Price range |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue de Peregrinos Casa da Torre | +34 618 338 045 | \$ |
| Santiago de Vilavella | book here | \$ |
| Albergue Parroquial Santiago Apostol de Redondela | book here | \$ |

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| Alfonso XII | book here | \$ |
| Pilgrim Rooms | book here | \$-\$\$ |
| La Casa de la Abuela Boticaria | book here | \$\$ |
| Anabel Home | book here | \$\$ |
| A Casa da Herba | book here | \$\$ |
| As Mimosas d'Cross Apartment | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |

Stage 8. Redondela to Pontevedra, 20.6 km/12.8 mi

- Distance – 20.6 km/12.8 mi
- Time – 5 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 425 m
- Descent – 400 m
- Walking surface – 13 km/7.4 mi – asphalt; 7.5 km/4.6 mi – footpath/gravel
- 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 Pontevedra.

Challenges

- A steep ascent between 1.7 km/1 mi and 4.7 km/2.9 mi, around 140 m up.
- A steep and short descent between 4.7 km/2.9 mi and 6 km/3.7 mi, around 100 m down.

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- Another steep ascent between 10 km/6.2 mi and 12 km/7.4 mi, around 130 m up.

Stops along the route stage 8

| Distance | Name | Facilities |
|----------------------------|--------------|--|
| 2 km/1.2 mi | Cesantes | PA, hotel, bar |
| 2.7 km/1.6 mi | | PA |
| 5.5 km/3.4 mi | Soutoxuste | Hotel, restaurant, bar, shop |
| 7.5 km/4.6 mi | Arcade | PA, hotel, restaurants, bars, shops, ATM |
| 9 km/5.5 mi | Pontesanpaio | Hotel, bar, ATM |
| 9.6-11.6 km/ 5.9-7.2 mi | | Walking through the forest |
| 15.5 km/9.6 mi | | A bar, a shop, a chapel where you can stamp your Credential |
| 15.8 km/9.8 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 |
| 16-19 km/ 10-11.8 mi | | Walking on a footpath through the forest |
| 20.6 km/ 12.8 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 | \$ |

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|---|---------------------------|-------------|
| Albergue Nacama Hostel Pontevedra EXCLUSIVO PEREGRINOS PILGRIMS | book here | \$ |
| CASA MARUXA pensión | book here | \$\$ |
| PENSIÓN SANTA CLARA | book here | \$\$ |
| Acolá Rooms | book here | \$\$ |
| Hotel Boa Vila | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Galicia Palace | book here | \$\$\$ |

Stage 9. 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 9

| 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 | \$\$\$ |

Stage 10. Armenteira to Vilanova de Arousa, 23.5 km/14.6 mi

- Distance – 23.6 km/14.6 mi
- Time – 5-6 (moving time)

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- 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 10

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

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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 11. Vilanova de Arousa to Santiago de Compostela, 27.5 km/17 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 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 – 27.5 km/17 mi
- Time – 7 hours (moving time)
- Ascent – 535 m
- Descent – 280 m
- Walking surface – 22.5 km/14 mi – asphalt; 5 km/3.1 mi – footpath/gravel

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- Walking on the road – 0.6 km/0.3 mi on a quiet road

Highlights

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

Challenges

- Several ascents in the second half of the stage, the accumulated ascent for the day is over 500 m.

Stops along the route stage 11

| 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 |
| 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 | | Walking through the forest |

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| 7.4-8 mi | | |
| 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 |
| 22.5 km/14 mi | | Cafe/souvenir shop |
| 25 km/15.5 mi | | A route split both routes go to the Cathedral, one is a bit longer |
| 26 km/16.1 mi | Santiago de Compostela | MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar |
| 27.5 km/17 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 | \$\$ |

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Pensión Residencia Fornos | book here | \$\$ |
| Pensión Residencia Fonseca | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Hospedaria San Martin Pinario | book here | \$\$-\$\$\$ |
| Parador Hostal Reis Catolicos | book here | \$\$\$ |

Santiago de Compostela tours and activities

1. [Santiago: Cathedral & Museum Tour + Pórtico of Glory Option.](#)
2. [Finisterre and Costa da Morte: The Most Complete Tour of Santiago.](#)
3. [Old town walking tour in a small group.](#)
4. [Tapas Tour of Santiago de Compostela.](#)

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