

# Camino Francés from Leon

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## Camino Frances planning resources

- [Camino Frances - a detailed guide](#)
- [14 tips for planning and walking the Camino de Santiago](#)
- [How to train for the Camino?](#)
- [10 easy steps to prepare for the pilgrimage.](#)
- [What to pack for the Camino de Santiago?](#)
  - [Best shoes to walk the Camino](#)
  - [Best backpacks for the Camino](#)
  - [Best sock for walking](#)
- [A completed guide to the albergues on the Camino de Santiago.](#)
- [The cost of walking the Camino de Santiago](#)

## Camino Frances from Leon route overview

- **Total distance** – 318 km/197 mi
- **Average daily distance** - 10-16 km/6.2-10 mi
- **Days required** – 23 days
- **Walking surface** – 122 km/75.8 mi asphalt, 196 km/121 mi footpath/gravel road
- **Total ascent** (over 23 days) – 5434 m
- **Total descent** (over 23 days) – 5830 m

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### Leon - Accommodation

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Albergue del convento de las Carbajalas	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Check In León	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Palacio Real Hostel	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Hostel Palacio Jabalquinto By Quartier	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Hostel Covent Garden	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Leon Hostel	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
GLOBETROTTER HOSTEL, by Albany	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Arquitecto de la Vida - Plaza Mayor	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
Pensión Blanca B&B	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
Alda Casco Antiguo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
FC Infantas de Leon	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Quartier Leon Hostel Jabalquinto	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel La Posada Regia	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
13 suites	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Hotel SPA Paris	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

## Stage 1. León to Oncina de la Valdoncina, 11 km/6.8 mi

- Distance – 11 km/6.8 mi
- Time – 3-4 hours
- Walking surface – 8 km/5 mi – asphalt/tar; 3 km/1.8 mi – gravel/footpath

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- Walking on the road – 3 km/1.8 mi (very few cars)
- Ascent – 150 m
- Descent – 83 m
- Difficulty level – 1 out of 5

### Highlights

- Church of Virgen del Camino.

### Challenges

- The first 8 km/5 mi walking through the populated area of the city.

### Stops along the route stage 1

\*MA - Municipal albergue

\*\*PA - Private albergue

Distance	Name	Facilities
3.5 km/2.1 mi	Trobajo del Camino	Hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy
7 km/4.3 mi	La Virgen del Camino	MA*, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe
9.5 km/5.9 mi	Fresno del Camino	Bar
11 km/6.8 mi	Oncina de la Valdoncina	PA**, hotel, restaurant

### Oncina de la Valdoncina - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue El Pajar de Oncina	+34 677 567 309	\$
Domus Oncinae Hotel	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

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## Stage 2. Oncina de la Valdoncina to Villar de Mazarife, 10 km/6.2 mi

- Distance – 10 km/6.2 mi
- Time – 3 hours
- Walking surface – 1 km/0.6 mi – asphalt/tar; 9 km/5.5 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 80 m
- Descent – 100 m
- Difficulty level – 1 out of 5

### Highlights

- Walking through the countryside far from busy roads and cities.

### Challenges

- Nothing in particular, an easy and quiet walking day.

### Stops along the route stage 2

Distance	Name	Facilities
5 km/3.1 mi	Chozas de Abajo	Restaurant
10 km/6.2 mi	Villar de Mazarife	PA, restaurant, shop

### Villar de Mazarife - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue de Jesús	+34 987 390 697	\$
Albergue San Antonio de Padua	+34 607 372 686	\$
Albergue Tío Pepe	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
B&B La Santa	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$\$

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## Stage 3. Villar de Mazarife to Hospital de Orbigo, 15 km/9.3 mi

- Distance – 15 km/9.3 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface – 2 km/1.2 mi – asphalt/tar; 13 km/8 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 40 m
- Descent – 100 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

### Highlights

- Hospital de Órbigo – a beautiful little town with cobblestone streets, old houses and an impressive Medieval bridge Puente del Paso Honroso.

### Challenges

- No places to stop for food or drinks for the first 10 km/6.2 mi.

### Stops along the route stage 3

Distance	Name	Facilities
10 km/6.2 mi	Villavante	PA, hotel, restaurant
15 km/9.3 mi	Hospital de Órbigo	MA (parroquial), PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Hospital de Orbigo - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue parroquial Karl Leisner	+34 987 388 444	\$
Albergue DORMERO San Miguel	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue La Encina	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$

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DORMERO Albergue Hidalgos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
B&B Puente de Órbigo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel El Paso Honroso	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Sevihouse Casa Vicente	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Hostal Don Suero de Quiñones	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

### Stage 4. Hospital de Orbigo to Astorga, 16 km/10 mi

- Distance – 16 km/10 mi
- Time – 5-6 hours
- Walking surface – 3 km/1.8 mi – asphalt/tar; 13 km/8 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 270 m
- Descent – 230 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Villares de Orbigo, a nice small town.
- The famous David's place; a great stop on the route about 5 km/3.1 mi before Astorga.
- The historical center of Astorga; the Cathedral, the Gaudi Palace, the Plaza Mayor, Old Roman Walls, etc. The city is not big and all the main sights are close to each other.

#### Challenges

- Several ascents and descents throughout the day.

#### Stops along the route stage 4

Distance	Name	Facilities
2.5 km/1.5 mi	Villares de Órbigo	PA, restaurant, bar, shop, pharmacy

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5 km/3.1 mi	Santibáñez de Valdeiglesias	MA (very bad reviews), PA, bar
13 km/8 mi	San Justo de la Vega	Hotel, restaurant, shop, pharmacy
16 km/10 mi	Astorga	MA, PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Astorga - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue Siervas de María	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Franciscano Santa Maria de los Ángeles	+34 622 162 957	\$
Albergue San Javier	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue MyWay	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Só Por Hoje	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
Housingleón - Apartamentos Fauno	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Meraki Suites	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Vut "Shenzhen" en Astorga	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Apartamento El Atico	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Hotel SPA Vía de la Plata	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Hotel Gaudi	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

### Stage 5. Astorga to El Ganso, 13.5 km/8.3 mi

- Distance – 13.5 km/8.3 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours
- Walking surface – 2 km/1.2 mi – asphalt/tar; 11.5 km/7.1 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 800 m (very few cars)
- Ascent – 120 m

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- Descent – 30 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

### Highlights

- A change of scenery, instead of plains you start seeing more hills, forest, and later some mountains.

### Challenges

- A gradual ascent from the start to the end of the day.

### Stops along the route stage 5

Distance	Name	Facilities
2.4 km/1.4 mi	Valdeviejas	PA (temporarily closed)
5 km/3.1 mi	Murias de Rechivaldo	MA, PA, hotel, restaurant
9.5 km/5.9 mi	Santa Catalina de Samosa	PA, hotel, restaurant
13.5 km/8.3 mi	El Ganso	PA, hotel, restaurant

### El Ganso - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue Gabino	+34 660 912 823	\$
Albergue Sigo Mi Camino	+34 667 277 495	\$
Albergue Indian Way	+34 691 545 004	\$
Pension Gabino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

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### Stage 6. El Ganso to Foncebadón, 12.5 km/7.7 mi

- Distance – 12.5 km/7.7 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours
- Walking surface – 1.5 km/0.9 mi – asphalt/tar; 11 km/6.8 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 450 m
- Descent – 40 m
- Difficulty level – 4 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Rabanal del Camino – a beautiful little village.
- Different from the Meseta scenery; green hills, forests, mountains.

#### Challenges

- A long gradual ascent from El Ganso to Rabanal del Camino, 150 m up.
- A long and steep ascent from Rabanal del Camino to Foncebadon, 300 m up. Make sure to stop for rest in Rabanal and refill your water if needed before starting the ascent.

#### Stops along the route stage 6

Distance	Name	Facilities
6.5 km/4 mi	Rabanal del Camino	MA, PA, hotel, restaurant, shop
12.5 km/7.7 mi	Foncebadón	MA (parroquial), PA, hotel, restaurant, shop

#### Fonsebadon - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue Parroquial Domus Dei	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Monte Irago	+34 655 329 667	\$

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Albergue El Convento de Foncebadón	+34 987 053 934	\$
Albergue la Posada del Druida	+34 696 820 136	\$
Albergue Casa Chelo	+34 693 328 571	\$
Albergue la Cruz de Fierro	+34 655 189 575	\$
La Posada del Druida	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Convento de Foncebadón	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
El Trasgu de Foncebadón	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$

## Stage 7. Foncebadón to El Acebo de San Miguel, 11 km/6.8

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- Distance – 11 km/6.8 mi
- Time – 4 hours
- Walking surface – 3 km/1.8 mi – asphalt/tar; 8 km/5 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 1 km/0.6 mi
- Ascent – 120 m
- Descent – 400 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

### Highlights

- El Cruz de Ferro, a metal cross on the top of the hill, one of the most famous landmarks on the Camino Frances.
- Walking through the beautiful forest.
- Nice views on the way down.

### Challenges

- A couple of small hills in the first half of the day.
- A steep ascent at the end of the day, 350 m down.

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### Stops along the route stage 7

Distance	Name	Facilities
2 km/1.2 mi	Cruz de Ferro	A historical landmark
4 km/2.4 mi	Manjarín	Cafe
11 km/6.8 mi	El Acebo de San Miguel	MA (parroquial), PA, hotel, restaurant

### El Acebo de San Miguel - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue parroquial Santiago Apóstol	<a href="#">info here</a>	donation
Albergue Mesón El Acebo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Hotel-albergue La Casa Del Peregrino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
La Rosa Del Agua	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
La Trucha del Arco Iris	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Rural La Casa del Peregrino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

## Stage 8. El Acebo de San Miguel to Ponferrada, 16 km/10 mi

- Distance – 16 km/10 mi
- Time – 5-6 hours
- Walking surface – 7 km/4.3 mi – asphalt/tar; 9 km/5.5 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 1 km/0.6 mi
- Ascent – 150 m
- Descent – 740 m
- Difficulty level – 4 out of 5

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### Highlights

- Spectacular mountainous scenery and breathtaking views of the surroundings on the way down.
- A couple of small beautiful towns; Riego de Ambrós, Molinaseca.
- The Historical center of Ponferrada; the castle, the square, etc.

### Challenges

- A steep and sometimes rocky and slippery descent from El Acebo to Molinaseca, 600 m down.

### Stops along the route stage 8

Distance	Name	Facilities
4 km/2.4 mi	Riego de Ambrós	MA, hotel, restaurant
9 km/5.5 mi	Molinaseca	PA, hotel, supermarket, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy
13 km/8 mi	Campo	Restaurant
16 km/10 mi	Ponferrada	MA (parroquial), PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Ponferrada - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue parroquial San Nicolás	<a href="#">info here</a>	Donation
Albergue Alda Pilgrim Ponferrada	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Alea	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Guiana	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
La Encina Azul Rooms	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$
Hotel Alda Centro Ponferrada	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$

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Hotel Los Templarios	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hostal Rio Selmo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hostal Virgen de la Encina	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hostal Nirvana	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
AC Hotel Ponferrada	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Apartamentos Turísticos Guiana	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$

### Stage 9. Ponferrada to Cacabelos, 14.5 km/9 mi

- Distance – 14.5 km/9 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours
- Walking surface – 4.5 km/2.7 mi – asphalt/tar; 10 km/6.2 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 140 m
- Descent – 190 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Beautiful scenery, green fields with occasional parts for forest surrounded by the mountains.
- A couple of nice towns; Camponaraya, Cacabelos.

#### Challenges

- A couple of small ascents and descents throughout the day.

#### Stops along the route stage 9

Distance	Name	Facilities
5 km/3.1 mi	Columbrianos	PA, hotel, restaurant
7 km/4.3 mi	Fuentesnuevas	Hotel, restaurant

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9 km/5.5 mi	Camponaraya	PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy
14.5 km/9 mi	Cacabelos	MA, PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Cacabelos - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Cacabelos	+34 677 941 793	\$
Albergue La Gallega	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Hostal Siglo XIX	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
La Moncloa de San Lazaro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Villa de Cacabelos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Miralrio Cacabelos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

## Stage 10. Cacabelos to Villafranca de Bierzo, 10 km/6.2 mi

- Distance – 10 km/6.2 mi
- Time – 3 hours
- Walking surface – 11.5 km/7.1 mi – asphalt/tar; 3 km/1.8 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 4 km/2.4 mi (on a shoulder of a road)
- Ascent – 220 m
- Descent – 200 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

### Highlights

- Beautiful vineyards.
- Villafranca del Bierzo; the Collegiate Church of Santa Maria, the Convent of San Nicolás El Real, the Church of Santiago with its Puerta de Perdón (the Gate of Forgiveness) that get opened only in Holy Years.

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### Challenges

- A steep ascent from Cacabelos, 100 m up.
- Several short ascents and descents.
- A 70-meter descent to Vilafranca del Bierzo.
- Walking along the road for a couple of kilometers.

### Stops along the route stage 10

Distance	Name	Facilities
1.5 km/0.9 mi	Pieros	PA, restaurant
4.5 km/2.7 mi	Valtuille de Arriba	PA
10 km/6.2 mi	Villafranca del Bierzo	MA, PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Villafranca del Bierzo - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Villafranca del Bierzo	+34 987 542 356	\$
Albergue Viña Femita	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Ave Fénix	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Venecia Bed&Breakfast	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Leo	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue de la Piedra	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Hostal Cruce	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
San Nicolas El Real	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hostal Restaurante Méndez	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hostal Burbia	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

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Hostel El Campano	<a href="#">book here</a>	
Hostal Tres Campanas	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Plaza Mayor	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Apartamentos el Camino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

## Stage 11. Villafranca del Bierzo to Vega de Valcarce, 16.5 km/10.2 mi

- Distance – 16.5 km/10.2 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface – 12.5 km/7.7 mi – asphalt/tar; 4 km/2.4 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 7 km/4.3 mi (along the road)
- Ascent – 120 m
- Descent – 40 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

### Highlights

- Small charming villages along the way; Trabadelo, La Portela de Valcarce, Las Herrerías, etc.

### Challenges

- Walking surface, most of the day you walk on asphalt.
- Walking for 7 km/4.3 mi along the road with not many cars.

### Stops along the route stage 11

Distance	Name	Facilities
5 km/3.1 mi	Pereje	Hotel, restaurant
9 km/5.5 mi	Trabadelo	MA, PA, hotel, restaurant, pharmacy

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12.5 km/7.7 mi	La Portela de Valcarce	PA, hotel, restaurant
15 km/9.3 mi	Ambasmestas	PA, hotel, restaurant
16.5 km/10.2 mi	Vega de Valcarce	MA, PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Vega de Valcarce - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Vega de Valcarce	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue El Paso	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Pensión Fernández	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Las Rocas	+34 987 543 208	\$\$
Hostal El Recanto	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$

## Stage 12. Vega de Valcarce to O Cebreiro, 11.5 km/7.1 mi

- Distance – 11.5 km/7.1 mi
- Time – 5-6 hours
- Walking surface – 3 km/1.8 mi – asphalt/tar; 8.5 km/5.2 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 750 m
- Descent – 50 m
- Difficulty level – 4 out of 5

### Highlights

- Stunning views on the way up to O Cebreiro.
- Beautiful scenery from the viewpoint in O Cebreiro.
- O Cebreiro is a tiny village with breathtaking views and traditional stone houses/constructions.

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### Challenges

- A very steep and long ascent, about 700 m from Las Herrerías to O Cebreiro.

### Stops along the route stage 12

Distance	Name	Facilities
2 km/1.2 mi	Ruitelán	PA, restaurant
3 km/1.8 mi	Las Herrerías	PA, hotel, restaurant
7 km/4.3 mi	La Faba	MA, PA/pension, restaurant
9.5 km/5.9 mi	Laguna de Castilla	PA, restaurant
11.5 km/7.1 mi	O Cebreiro	MA, PA, hotel, restaurant, shop

### O Cebreiro - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de O Cebreiro	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Casa Campelo	+34 679 678 458	\$
Casa Navarro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Albergueira Frade	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Habitaciones Frade	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Venta Celta	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pensión Casa Carolo	+34 982 367 168	\$\$
Hotel O Cebreiro	+34 982 367 182	\$\$

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### Stage 13. O Cebreiro to Fillobal, 15.5 km/9.6 mi

- Distance – 15.5 km/9.6 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface – 2 km/1.2 mi – asphalt/tar; 13.5 km/8.3 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 250 m
- Descent – 550 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Spectacular scenery on the way down from O Cebreiro.

#### Challenges

- Several short ascents and descents in the first half of the day.
- A short steep ascent to Alto do Poio in the middle of the day.
- A long descent to Fillobal, over 400 m in the second half of the day.

#### Stops along the route stage 13

Distance	Name	Facilities
3 km/1.8 mi	Liñares	PA, hotel, restaurant, shop
5.5 km/3.4 mi	Hospital de Condesa	MA, restaurant
8.5 km/5.2 mi	Padornelo/Alto do Poio	PA, hotel, restaurant
12 km/7.4 mi	Fonfría	Hotel, restaurant
14.5 km/9 mi	O Biduedo	Hotel, restaurant
15.5 km/9.6 mi	Fillobal	PA, restaurant

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### Fillobal - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue O Solpor Fillobal (dorm beds & private rooms)	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$

## Stage 14. Fillobal to Samos, 13 km/8 mi

- Distance – 13 km/8 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours
- Walking surface – 3 km/1.8 mi – asphalt/tar; 10 km/6.2 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 4 km/2.4 mi, quiet road, not many cars
- Ascent – 110 m
- Descent – 450 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

### Highlights

- An incredible Galician forest 5 km/3.1 mi past Triacastela, a very peaceful walk with no towns, roads or people.
- The Monastery of Samos – a big beautiful complex. If you have time it's worth visiting the church.

### Challenges

- A long stretch at the beginning right after Triacastela along the road, about 4 km/2.4 mi but there were practically no cars.

### Stops along the route stage 14

Distance	Name	Facilities
1.5 km/0.9 mi	Pasantes	Holiday home
3 km/1.8 mi	Triacastela	MA, PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy
8 km/5 mi	Lusio	MA

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8.5 km/5.2 mi	Renche	Restaurant
13 km/8 mi	Samos	MA (monastery), PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe

### Samos - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue de Monasterio de Samos	<a href="#">info here</a>	donation
Hospedaria Externa del Monasterio	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Tras do Convento	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Pensión Santa Rosa	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
Hotel A Veiga	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Casa Licerio	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
A Casa da Botica	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$

## Stage 15. Samos to Sarria, 15 km/9.3 mi

- Distance – 15 km/9.3 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface – 10 km/6.2 mi – asphalt/tar; 5 km/3.1 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 2 km/1.2 mi
- Ascent – 130 m
- Descent – 180 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

### Highlights

- A peaceful forest scenery in the first half of the day.

### Challenges

- A 2-kilometer stretch along a quiet road after Samos.

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### Stops along the route stage 15

Distance	Name	Facilities
3 km/1.8 mi	Mesón Pontenova	Restaurant
5 km/3.1 mi	Gorolfe	Hotel, restaurant
8.5 km/5.2 mi	Sivil	Hotel, restaurant
11 km/6.8 mi	Aguiada/San Mamede do Camino	Restaurant
15 km/9.3 mi	Sarria	MA, PA, hotel, supermarket, ATM, restaurant, cafe, bar, pharmacy

### Sarria - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Sarria	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Pensión Albergue Matias Locanda	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue los Blasones	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Obradoiro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Pensión-Albergue Puente Ribeira	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Mayor	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Credencial	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Andaina	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Pensión La Estación	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$-\$
Pensión O Camiño	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pension Sarria	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pension Siete en el Camino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pensión Casa do Gallo Sarria	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

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Baixo a Lua Rooming	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Pensión CREDENCIAL	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
High Rentxacobeo penthouse apartment	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

### Stage 16. Sarria to A Pena, 14 km/8.6 mi

- Distance – 14 km/8.6 mi
- Time – 4-5 hours
- Walking surface – 6 km/3.7 mi – asphalt/tar; 8 km/5 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 420 m
- Descent – 120 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

#### Highlights

- A nice and peaceful countryside scenery; forest with chestnut and oak trees, small farms and villages, wheat fields.

#### Challenges

- The long ascent of 200 m at the start of the day.
- Several short ups and downs throughout the day.

#### Stops along the route stage 16

Distance	Name	Facilities
3 km/1.8 mi	Vilei	PA, restaurant
4 km/2.4 mi	Barbadelo (O Mosteiro)	MA, PA, hotel, restaurant
5 km/3.1 mi	Rente	Guesthouse

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7 km/4.3 mi	Molino de Marzan	PA
11.5 km/7.1 mi	Morgade	PA, restaurant
13 km/8 mi	Ferreiros	MA, PA, restaurant
14 km/8.6 mi	A Pena	PA/hotel, bar

### A Pena - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Hostel Km 100 Casa do Rego (dorm beds and private rooms)	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$-\$\$

## Stage 17. A Pena to Castromaior, 16 km/10 mi

- Distance – 16 km/10 mi
- Time – 5-6 hours
- Walking surface – 7.5 km/4.6 mi – asphalt/tar; 8.5 km/5.2 mi – gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 500 m/0.3 mi
- Ascent – 370 m
- Descent – 400 m
- Difficulty level – 4 out of 5

### Highlights

- The beautiful town of Portomarín with its charming streets, inviting restaurants, a beautiful church, and stunning views of the Embalse de Belesar Lake. The town was completely flooded in 1963, and some historical buildings like San Nicolás Church or Chapel de la Nieves were moved uphill where you can find them nowadays.

### Challenges

- A rocky and steep descent to Portomarín, 300 m.
- A 200-meter ascent from Portomarín to Castromaior.

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### Stops along the route stage 17

Distance	Name	Facilities
2.5 km/1.5 mi	Mercadoiro	PA, restaurant
4 km/2.4 mi	A Parrocha	Bar
6 km/3.7 mi	Vilacha	Restaurant
7 km/4.3 mi	Paradela	Guesthouse
8 km/5 mi	Portomarin	MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar
15 km/9.3 mi	Gonzar	MA, PA, guesthouse, restaurant
16 km/10 mi	Castromaior	PA, guesthouse, restaurant

### Castromaior - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue Ortiz (very bad reviews <a href="#">here</a> )	+34 982 09 94 16 <a href="mailto:info@albergueortiz.com">info@albergueortiz.com</a>	\$
Pension Casa Maruja	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
Casa Perdigueira	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$

## Stage 18. Castromaior to Palas de Rei, 16 km/10 mi

- Distance – 16 km/10 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface - 4 km/2.4 mi - asphalt/tar; 12 km/7.4 mi - gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – not really walking on the road but quite a lot of walking on the gravel path next to the road
- Ascent – 280 m
- Descent – 250 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

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### Highlights

- Beautiful Galician forest.
- A couple of kiosks selling fruit, snacks and cool drinks for donation.
- Palas de Rei, a small town with many albergues, cafes, a beautiful church, and a nice square.

### Challenges

- A steep ascent at the start of the day.
- A couple of stretches of walking next to the road on the gravel path.
- Several short ascents and descents throughout the day.

### Stops along the route stage 18

Distance	Name	Facilities
3.5 km/2.7 mi	Hospital da Cruz	MA, guesthouse, restaurant
5 km/3.7 mi	Ventas de Naron	PA, restaurant
6.5 km/4.6 mi	A Prebisa	Restaurant
8.5 km/5.9 mi	Ligonde	PA, restaurant
9.5 km/6.5 mi	Airexe	MA, guesthouse, restaurant
11 km/7.4 mi	Portos	PA, restaurant
11.5 km/7.7 mi	Lestedo	Guesthouse, restaurant
12.5 km/8.3 mi	Os Valos	Hotel
13.5 km/9 mi	A Brea	Restaurant
16 km/10.8 mi	Palas de Rei	MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar

### Palas de Rei - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Palas de	+34 660 39 68 20	\$

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Rei		
Albergue de Peregrinos Os Chacotes	+34 607 481 536	\$
Albergue Outeiro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Zendoira	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Freixo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Meson de Benito	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue A Casina di Marsello	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Alda Palas de Rei	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pensión Palas	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Acubillo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Estrela do Camino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Hotel O Castelo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
A Casa do Avó (2-bedroom apartment)	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

### Stage 19. Palas de Rei to Melide, 15 km/9.3 mi

- Distance – 15 km/9.3 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface - 3 km/1.8 mi - asphalt/tar; 12 km/7.4 mi - gravel/footpath
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 300 m
- Descent – 370 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Walking through the fields and forest.
- Melide is a pretty big town compared to the other places on the route from Sarria to Santiago. It's famous for its pulpo a la Feira (cooked octopus

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tentacles served with olive oil and spices), a must-try here. The [Camino Primitivo](#) merges with the Camino Frances in Melide.

### Challenges

- A steep descent from Palas de Rei.
- Several short ascents and descents throughout the day.

### Stops along the route stage 19

Distance	Name	Facilities
4 km/2.4 mi	San Xulian	PA, guesthouse, restaurant
5 km/3.1 mi	Ponte Campaña	PA
6 km/3.7 mi	Casanova	MA
9 km/5.5 mi	O Coto	Hotel, restaurant
13 km/8 mi	Furelos	Hotel, bar
15 km/9.3 mi	Melide	MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar

### Melide - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Melide	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Pereiro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue San Anton	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Arraigos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue O Candil	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Pension Berenguela	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$-\$
Pension Pereiro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$-\$

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El Molino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$-\$\$
Rincon de Noa	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pension Orois	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Lux Melide	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$

### Stage 20. Melide to Arzua, 14.5 km/9 mi

- Distance – 14.5 km/9 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface – 4.5 km/2.7 mi - on asphalt; 10 km/6.2 mi - footpath/gravel.
- Walking on the road – 2 km/1.2 mi next to the road
- Ascent – 250 m
- Descent – 380 m
- Difficulty level – 3 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Beautiful forest, small villages, fields.
- Ribadiso de Baixo – a tiny charming village.

#### Challenges

- Several ups and downs on the way but nothing very steep or long.
- A steep 150-meter descent with a subsequent ascent just before Arzua.

#### Stops along the route stage 20

Distance	Name	Facilities
1 km/0.6 mi	Santa Maria de Melide	Restaurant
6.5 km/4 mi	Boente	PA, bar
8.5 km/5.2 mi	A Fraga Alta (Castañeda)	PA, hotel, bar

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11.5 km/7.1 mi	Ribadiso da Baixo	MA, PA, bar
14.5 km/9 mi	Arzúa	MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar

### Arzua - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue de Arzúa	+34 660 396 824	\$
Albergue Ulteira	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue San Francisco	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Miraiso	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Cruce De Caminos Arzúa	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Los Tres Abetos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Pension Luis	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
A Casa do Lajueiro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Elena (3-bedroom apartment)	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Casa Costoya	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
HOTEL ARZÚA	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

## Stage 21. Arzua to Santa Irene, 15.5 km/9.6 mi

- Distance – 15.5 km/9.6 mi
- Time – 5 hours
- Walking surface – 5 km/3.1 mi - on asphalt; 10.5 km/6.5 mi - footpath/gravel.
- Walking on the road – 0 km
- Ascent – 240 m
- Descent – 260 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

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### Highlights

- Walking through the fields and forest.

### Challenges

- Several ascents and descents on the way but nothing very steep or long.

### Stops along the route stage 21

Distance	Name	Facilities
2.5 km/1.5 mi	Pregontoño	Bar
7.5 km/4.6 mi	As Quintas	Bar
8 km/5 mi	A Calle de Ferreiros	PA, pension, bar
11 km/6.8 mi	Salceda	PA, bar, pharmacy
13 km/8 mi	A Brea	PA, bars
15.5 km/9.6 mi	Santa Irene	MA, PA, café

### Santa Irene - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Municipal albergue of Santa Irene	<a href="#">info here</a>	\$
Albergue Santa Irene	+34 981 511 000	\$

## Stage 22. Santa Irene to Lavacolla, 13.5 km/8.3 mi

- Distance – 13.5 km/8.3 mi
- Time – 4 hours
- Walking surface – 6 km/3.7 mi - on asphalt; 7.5 km/4.6 mi - footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 2 km/1.2 mi along a very quiet road with no cars
- Ascent – 186 m
- Descent – 230 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

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### Highlights

- The beautiful Galician forest in the first half.

### Challenges

- A gradual 150-meter descent from Santa Irene to O Pedrouzo.
- A 100-meter ascent in the second half of the day.

### Stops along the route stage 22

Distance	Name	Facilities
2.5 km/1.5 mi	A Rúa	Pension, bar
4 km/2.4 mi	O Pedrouzo	MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar
7.5 km/4.6 mi	Amenal	Hotel, pension, bar
12 km/7.4 mi	San Paio	Guesthouse, bar
13.5 km/8.3 mi	Lavacolla	PA, hotel, bar, shop, pharmacy

### Lavacolla - Accommodation

Hotel/albergue	Booking info	Price range
Albergue Lavacolla	+34 981 897 274 <a href="mailto:reservas@alberguelavacolla.com">reservas@alberguelavacolla.com</a>	\$
Albergue A Fabrica	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
A Concha	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Garcas	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Ruta Jacobea	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$

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Pension Xacobeo Lavacolla	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
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### Stage 23. Lavacolla to Santiago de Compostela, 10.5 km/6.5 mi

- Distance – 10.5 km/6.5 mi
- Time – 3 hours
- Walking surface – 8.5 km/5.2 mi - on asphalt; 2 km/1.2 mi - footpath/gravel
- Walking on the road – 1.5 km/0.9 mi along a very quiet road
- Ascent – 150 m
- Descent – 180 m
- Difficulty level – 2 out of 5

#### Highlights

- Walking through Santiago de Compostela.
- Arriving at the Cathedral usually accompanied by the sounds of the Galician bagpipe. From morning till evening (in the season) there is a musician playing at the Palace Arch.

#### Challenges

- A 100-meter descent from Monte de Gozo.
- A stretch between 1 km/0.6 mi and 5 km/3.1 mi is a bit monotonous, it always feels long but after Monte do Gozo you enter the city, and the last 5 km/3.1 mi go very fast.

#### Stops along the route stage 23

Distance	Name	Facilities
1.5 km/0.9 mi	Vilamaior	Guesthouse
5 km/3.1 mi	San Marcos	Hotel, bar, shop

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5.5 km/3.4 mi	Monte do Gozo	MA (all year), PA, bar, shop
10.5 km/6.5 mi	Santiago de Compostela	MA, PA, hotel, ATM, supermarket, pharmacy, restaurant, bar

### 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	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Dream in Santiago	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue O Fogar de Teodomiro	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue Porta Real	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Albergue The Last Stamp	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Santiago KM-0	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$
Hostal San Pelayo	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel A Tafona do Peregrino	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Hotel Alda Avenida	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pensión Residencia Fornos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$
Pensión Residencia Fonseca	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Hospedaria San Martin Pinario	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$
Parador Hostal Reis Catolicos	<a href="#">book here</a>	\$\$\$

### 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.](#)

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10-16 km/6.2-10 mi Walking stages + Accommodation

3. [Old town walking tour in a small group.](#)
4. [Tapas Tour of Santiago de Compostela.](#)