

camino - leon to santiago

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TRIP COST

Joining Leon : \$2490

All prices are per person

OPTIONS & SUPPLEMENTS

- Supplement for 18 day version - twin room: \$110
- upgrade to superior hotel in Arzua - twinshare pp: \$110
- Supplement for 18 day version - single room: \$140
- upgrade to superior hotel in Arzua - single: \$170
- Single Supplement: \$660
- Single Traveller Surcharge: \$840

As the trip price is based on twinshare, a single supplement is payable if a single room is required - or a single traveller supplement if you are travelling solo*. Please refer to the price options for costs or ask our office for details.

Note regarding single rooms - The single supplement guarantees the privacy of your own room, however, rooms can at times be small and in some places may not enjoy the same facilities as double/twin rooms.

***The single traveller surcharge is only available on trips deemed suitable

TRIP NAME: CAMINO - LEON TO SANTIAGO

TRIP CODE: CT2

TRIP DURATION: 17 DAYS

GRADE: MODERATE - 3



ACTIVITY: SELF GUIDED WALK

ACCOMMODATION: 16 NIGHTS IN A COMBINATION OF QUALITY HOTELS, FARMHOUSE B&B'S (POSADAS) AND GUESTHOUSES

DATE DETAILS: DAILY FROM 1 APR TO 31 OCT



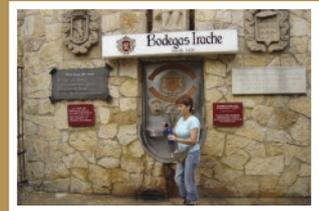
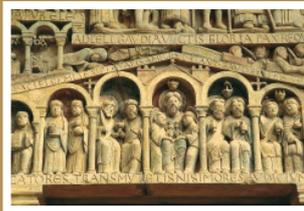
highlights

- Walk through stunning scenery, visiting mountain villages
- Experience the history of the trail marked by crosses, statues and grain silos
- Arrival into Santiago and experience the satisfaction of reaching the end of the 'Camino'
- Enjoying the camaraderie of fellow hikers and pilgrims
- Explore the magnificent cities of Leon and Santiago with their impressive architecture and cathedrals.

the trip

Traverse the centuries of time and the borders of Europe on the medieval pilgrim trail of Compostela. In the 9th century, the tomb of the apostle St James was unearthed in Compostela. The site became the focus of a pilgrim trail beginning in France, and crossing northern Spain to Santiago de Compostela. This journey, also known as the 'Way of St James' winds its way across borders, following in the footsteps of thousands of medieval pilgrims through the beautiful Sierras of Navarre and Aragon. The route passes a multitude of churches and monasteries, resembling a travelling museum of Romanesque art.

This last stage of the pilgrimage route offers a fine balance of walks in spectacular natural settings with visits to inspiring cultural sites including the magnificent cathedral city of Leon. Enroute there are numerous reminders of the pilgrims who travelled the route including crosses, statues and grain silos. The Valley of Ponferrada, O'Cebreiro welcomes us to the gates of Galicia and leads us to the fabled Santiago de Compostela.



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for solo travellers. It is usually more expensive than the single supplement due to the extra cost for luggage transfers and organisation.

IMPORTANT NOTES

DN1- A 15 day version of this trip is available. DN2- An 18 day version is available with the stage from Palas de Rei split over two days - 14km or around 4 to 4.5hrs for both days

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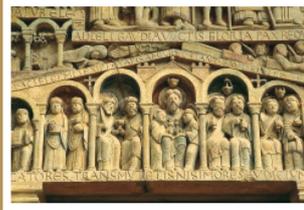
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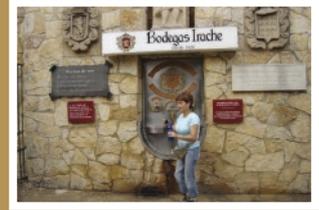
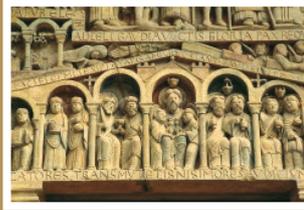
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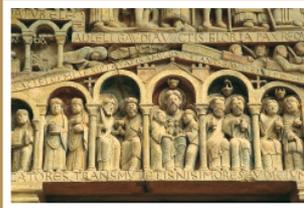
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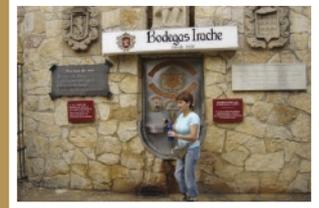
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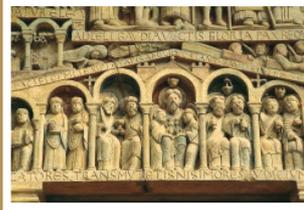
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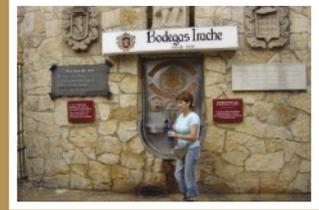
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inclusions

- 16 breakfasts, 15 dinners (no dinner in Santiago): Breakfasts are usually continental inclusive of breads, cheese, ham, tea, coffee & juices. Dinner will consist of 3 courses, usually starting with a salad, followed by chicken, red meat, fish or a pasta dish & finishing with a dessert of fruit or cakes.
- 16 nights in a combination of quality hotels, farmhouse B&B's (Posadas) and guesthouses on a twin share basis generally with private facilities
- Map and detailed day-by-day description of the itinerary for each room booked
- Visitor tax
- Organisation and booking fees
- Baggage transportation (max 20kgs per person)
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items not included

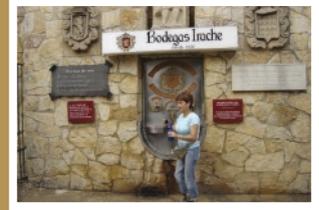
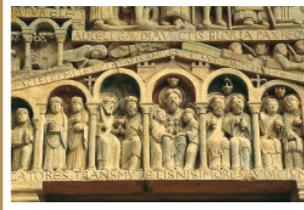
- Travel to and from Leon / Santiago de Compostela
- Drinks
- Items of a personal nature
- Entrance fees
- Tour guide – this is a self guided walking trip
- Transfers
- Travel insurance

getting there

BY CAR Driving routes can be accessed via the following websites: www.viamichelin.com

BY TRAIN Leon and Santiago de Compostela have regular services from points throughout Spain. Go to the website <http://horarios.renfe.es/hir/ingles.html> for more information. From Madrid to Leon takes approximately 4 hours and from Barcelona around 9 hours (overnight or day train). From Santiago to Madrid takes around 8 hours.

BY AIR Your closest international airport is Madrid and you will then need to take a regional flight to Leon/ from Santiago. On arrival take a taxi to the joining hotel.



Daily walks are between 12-30km on well marked trails over diverse terrain – from relatively flat to mountainous. This is a well worn path where route finding will be reasonably straight forward (refer below for further details on self guided adventures). The main areas to concentrate on route finding are arriving and leaving towns and cities. The accent is on keeping a steady pace to take in all of the attractions, with time to stop and take photos. You will need a good level of fitness to participate fully in this adventure.

a note on our self guided adventures

Self guided walking or cycling requires individuals to use problem solving skills, be adaptable and have a keen eye. It is recommended that you are comfortable map reading, referring to route notes and that you have a good sense of direction (or are willing to work on improving this!) Sometimes route finding, losing your way, finding it again and asking the locals for help is all part of the adventure. If you've never been on a self guided trip, after the first couple of days you will get the hang of it as the vast majority of our first time travellers attest. Please be assured that our written material issued to you for route finding is updated regularly and we provide a 7day service hotline in the event of any problems. Using directions and maps can be more difficult for solo travellers as often two heads are better than one when it comes to finding your way. There is a certain level of the unknown that comes with self guided trips, however with a methodical approach potential problems will be averted. The freedom of a self guided trip is something that, once experienced, is sought time and time again.

joining instructions

Three weeks prior to your departure from your home country you will receive details of the hotel and joining instructions. At this time you will also receive your hotel list. On arrival at your first hotel you will receive all the necessary documentation for your tour. This will include:

- Detailed route notes
- Maps

fast facts

COUNTRIES VISITED Spain

VISAS Visas not required for citizens of Australia, Canada, USA and New Zealand for up to 90 days in a period of 180 days for all Schengen countries (see www.schengenvisa.info.com/schengen-visa-countries-list/ for countries part of the Schengen). Please ensure your passport is stamped on arrival in the Schengen area. For all other nationalities and for longer stays in countries covered by the Schengen Agreement (Australian New Zealand, Canadian and US passport holders), please contact the relevant embassy. Stays of longer than 90 days in the Schengen area require a long stay visa for the country you are spending most time in. However long stay visas are unlikely to be issued unless there is a valid reason (eg. studying in country). Unfortunately we cannot assist in obtaining visas for long stays due to individual country visa requirements.

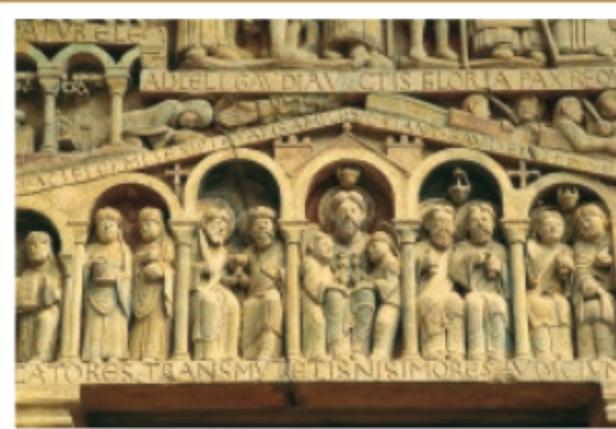
CLIMATE Semi-continental climate on the Meseta: cool in spring and mild in autumn (14 to 25°C), very warm in summer (28 to 35°C). Oceanic climate in Galicia: less warm in summer but more humid. This itinerary also comprises some mountainous stages: it can always be windy and cold.

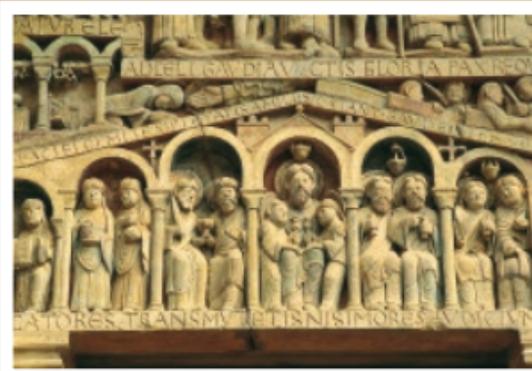
MIN GROUP SIZE 1

SPECIALIST GEAR REQUIRED Wet weather gear, sunscreen, good walking boots / shoes, sun hat and walking poles. A comprehensive gear list is included in the pre-departure information provided on booking.

special notes

MEALS: Breakfast is served from 8am which is not always conducive to an early start, particularly required in the summer months. You may choose to skip breakfast and take a bread roll and cheese from the breakfast buffet. Dinner is served late in traditional Spanish style starting from 9-9:30pm. An afternoon siesta may be required!





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