

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO



**CAMINO INGLES
Ferrol to Santiago**

29th JULY - 5th AUGUST 2024

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**Every great journey begins with a single step
– will you join us on the Way?**



OUR ROUTE

This northern route to Santiago, known as the “Camino Inglés,” or the “English Way,” was the route taken by pilgrims who arrived in the northern ports of Ferrol and A Coruña during the Middle Ages, having travelled from Britain, Ireland, and Northern Europe. Our route will begin in Ferrol and end at the magnificent Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela, covering 116km over six days. Our shared Camino walk will include hotels, transfers, and an expert guide, while the mild, temperate weather and tranquil rural landscapes offer an idyllic backdrop to an enriching walk along the Way.

We want everyone to have the most enjoyable journey. There are shorter trails and transport available.

OUR ITINERARY

Day 1 - Depart Dublin

Check in at Dublin Airport for your direct Aer Lingus flight to Santiago de Compostela. On arrival, you will be met by your dedicated guide and brought to your hotel in A Coruña. The four-star AC Coruña Marriott Hotel (or similar) will be your base for the next four nights.

Day 2 - Ferrol to Neda

Walk 15.5km approx.

Begin your day with a hearty breakfast, before taking a transfer to Ferrol with your guide to begin your first day's walk. The route to Neda takes you along the dramatic Ría de Ferrol, a beautiful estuary, and covers a mix of city pavements, quiet country lanes, boardwalks, and woodland paths on a level, undemanding terrain. At the end of today's walk, you will have time to relax before being picked up by your coach and returned to your hotel for dinner.



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Day 3 - Neda to Pontedeume

Walk 16km approx.

After breakfast at the hotel, the coach will take you back to Neda to resume the trail. Today's walk will take you on a delightful path alongside the estuary, while you will find a lovely spot to rest and recharge on the sandy shores of the beach at A Madalena. There will also be time to explore Pontedeume, a charming seaside town with churches dating back to the 12th century, before being collected by your coach and returned to your hotel for dinner.

Day 4 - Pontedeume to Betanzos

Walk 20km approx.

From Pontedeume, the trail climbs upwards to give a spectacular view over Betanzos, Ares, and Ferrol. The route continues on to Miño by way of a magnificent medieval stone bridge crossing the Baixo river. As you reach the town of Betanzos, boasting over 800 years of history, you will find some of the most fascinating and decorative historical buildings in Galicia. Here, you will meet your coach and return to your hotel.



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Meixonfrio, the site of the old inn where generations of pilgrims would stop and rest. Next, we pass a pre-Roman hill fort, where tradition states that each passing pilgrim lay a stone on the already existing pile, marking their own personal moment on the Way. Finally, we enter the bustling city of Santiago, to reach our final destination of the beautifully restored Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. Here, we celebrate reaching our goal at the journey's end, and attend a special pilgrim Mass where you can reflect on and appreciate your special time along the Way.

Day 8: Day of Departure

Enjoy a morning at leisure in Santiago, before we leave the hotel at lunch time for our transfer to Santiago Airport and the return flight to Dublin.



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YOUR PACKAGE

€1,095 per person sharing*
FUNDRAISING: €900 minimum

- Return direct flights Dublin to Santiago
- 10kg checked in bag (24 x 40 x 55cm)
- Coach transfers between Santiago airport and hotels
- 4 Nights in 4 star hotel in A Coruña
3 Nights in 3 star hotel in Santiago
- Breakfast and evening meal each day
- Coach transfers between hotel and walk stages
- Official Cathedral de Santiago Passport
- Expert guide throughout
- 6 Walking days

* Single room supplement €365

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Day 5 - Betanzos to Bruma

Walk 25km approx.

Today, we pack up our bags and leave A Coruña to take the coach to Betanzos on the next leg of our journey. Leaving our bags with the coach, we begin a more challenging day's walk, with a steep climb out of Betanzos leading us to Hospital de Bruma. Bruma is a small but enchanting hamlet, where the hospital that gave the village its name cared for pilgrims as far back as 1175. The coach will meet you here, to take you to the three-star Hotel Gelmirez in Santiago, where you will check in for three nights.

Day 6 - Bruma to Sigüeiro

Walk 26km approx.

Today brings a gentler stage, as we descend towards Sigüeiro. Most of the day is spent on quiet country lanes, interspersed by stretches along woodland paths that offer welcome shade. The route includes a historic hórreo (used to store grain and food crops), the 18th-century church of Igrexa de San Paio de Buscas, and the glorious colours of the forest all around. Once again, the coach will return you to the hotel at the end of the day.

Day 7 - Sigüeiro to Santiago

Walk 16km approx.

After breakfast, a short 20-minute drive takes us to Sigüeiro, to begin our final day's walk on a picturesque path along the Tambre River. After crossing the medieval Sigüeiro Bridge, we continue into the municipality of Santiago. The Way continues on a serene path along the river, taking in the "Fonté do Ingles" (The English Fountain) and