

Camino Portugues Porto-Santiago PO3

Porto to Santiago by the coastal route

One of the more scenic Ways of St James, the Portuguese Camino combines coast and country with delightful towns and cities throughout.

Summary

Combine the gentle charms of northern Portugal with the drama of the Galician Rias Baixas, monumental Santiago de Compostela, with time to explore the wild Atlantic coast. Discover two countries in one trip: so much in common and yet so different.

From start to finish you'll find striking scenery, wonderful walking, delicious local gastronomy and world-class wines; fascinating historic towns and cities to discover, as well as the legacy of centuries of pilgrimage.

Start and finish in Porto or Santiago, stops are interleaved to avoid long drives. The full route takes ten days but you can do as little, or as much, as you like.



Your Route

Tour Highlights:

- Follow the Camino Portugues – St James' Way – heritage, coast and countryside
- World class wines – Port, Douro, Vinho Verde, Albariño
- Historic Porto's charming wine lodges
- Monumental Santiago de Compostela
- Braga, Guimaraes, Viana, Pontevedra, Tui, Cambados – strung like pearls along the way...

Travel Tips:

Fly directly to Porto:

Gatwick: TAP Portugal or Easyjet

Stansted: Ryanair

Heathrow: British Airways

Edinburgh: Ryanair

Liverpool & Birmingham: Ryanair

Manchester: Ryanair, TAP or Easyjet

Luton & Bristol: Easyjet

Dublin: Ryanair and TAP

Or fly to Galicia from:

Stansted with Ryanair to Santiago

Gatwick with Easyjet to Santiago

Heathrow with Vueling to La Coruña

Please consult for other travel options



Itinerary Overview

Stage	Itinerary	Region	Location	Hotel, Room *	Travel/drive time
			Arriving Porto		
1	Day 1 & 2	Porto	Porto	HOPO2 Elegant, baroque castle hotel in Porto, 1 x Double room (Garden or Castle, two sharing)	20mins from airport
2	Day 3 & 4	Minho / Costa	Vila de Punhe	HMIN2 Manor house with pool, surrounded by vineyards near coast, 1 x One bedroom cottage (two sharing)	50mins
3	Day 5 & 6	Santiago	Santiago de Compostela	HSAC1 City hotel with garden, 1 x Double room (2 sharing)	2hrs 20mins
4	Day 7 & 8	Rias Bajas	San Amaro	HAMA1 Stylish hotel with pool among vineyards, near coast, 1 x Double room (2 sharing)	1hr 10mins
5	Day 9 & 10	Braga-Guimaraes	Guimaraes	HBRA1 Comfortable boutique hotel in the historic centre of Guimaraes, 1 x Double room (2 sharing)	1hr 50mins
			Departing Porto		45mins to Porto airport

* Double room (2 sharing) can be either double or twin bedded. If you have specific requirements, please let us know.

Your Itinerary

What the cost includes:

- Two people in rooms as detailed, bed & breakfast accommodation in each of the hotels
- 4 door economy class car hire for the duration
- Point-to-point directions
- Complementary map and Northern Portugal
- Our own Vamoos travel app
- NB Flights not included

If you would like to book this itinerary please call us at your earliest convenience.

If, on the other hand, you require further help or information or wish to investigate alternatives please don't hesitate to contact us.

Stage 1



Region: Porto

Ribeira, Porto's fascinating historic centre, a World Heritage site
Cross the impressive Dom Luis I iron bridge to the Port Wine Lodges
Art for all from finest museums to simple galleries
Walk the lanes, sail the river, live and breathe Porto
Ferry to Afurada and the golden beach of Estrela

Elegant, baroque castle hotel in Porto

This gorgeously romantic, Baroque castle, full of character, set in its own beautiful gardens, is the perfect base to visit historic Porto. Built in 1887 as a private house, this listed building with its imposing tower is wonderfully atmospheric and, being set on a vantage point, commands lovely views of the city. The location is excellent - fairly near the centre (a twenty minute walk) with on site parking and the metro just a short walk a...[Read More](#)



Stage 2



Region: Minho/Costa

Imposing Viana do Castelo with its long, surfy windswept Atlantic coastline
Delightful towns and villages along the river Minho: Caminha, Valença, Monção and Melgaço
Historic step in the Portuguese Santiago pilgrim way
Graceful Ponte de Lima with its Roman bridge
Sample the Vinho Verde wine and hearty local fare

Manor house with pool, surrounded by vineyards near coast

As you come up the long vine-covered cobblestone drive to this grand C17th manor house, home to the Abreu Teixeira family for the last three hundred years, you immediately feel a certain magic, the pull of the past... Surrounded by vineyards and woodlands, the delightful grounds with courtyards, lawns, shrubberies, and a lovely pool area create a feeling of total relaxation and serenity. No better place to read a good book or wander in the ...[Read More](#)



Stage 3



Region: Santiago & the interior

Santiago, journey's end, for centuries Europe's Nº 1 pilgrim destination
Take a Catamaran trip down the magnificent Rio Sil
Ribeiro wines from vineyards on the steep river valleys of the Miño and Sil
Ourense, full of surprises, and Monforte de Lemos, both steeped in history
Take a trip around the monasteries of the Ribera Sacra Lugo, a thriving city with Roman walls
Los Ancares nature park, little discovered acres of native woodlands

City hotel with garden

In the heart of the medieval city of Santiago de Compostela, this charming and popular hotel combines traditional architectural features with modern comforts and has the added blessing of a lovely garden, where you can eat breakfast or enjoy an aperitif among the apple and lemon trees. There is also a "cristalera" - a glassed-in verandah - for breakfast and for sitting in, a coffee-shop/bar with old stone fireplace and a small library with an e...[Read More](#)



Stage 4



Region: Rias Baixas, Galicia

Feast on the shellfish farmed locally in the Rias
The idyllic islands of Cies and Ons, both National Parks
Vigo, Europe's largest fishing port and a lively city at any time of year
Albariño wines - arguably Spain's finest whites - visit Cambados, the charming old town at the heart of the region
The Galician Rias - broad estuaries, a haven for watersports from sailing to surfing.

Stylish hotel with pool among vineyards, near coast

Looking out over Albariño vineyards and gently rolling hills beyond, in the heart of the Salnes valley with its mild and agreeable climate in the Rias Baixas, this very special hotel, in a sleepy hamlet, with a pool and an excellent restaurant, is a dream come true. The owners spent many years searching for the perfect location and this is it! A harmonious blend of century old stone buildings with dynamic modern, with original features and or...[Read More](#)



Stage 5



Region: Braga/Guimaraes

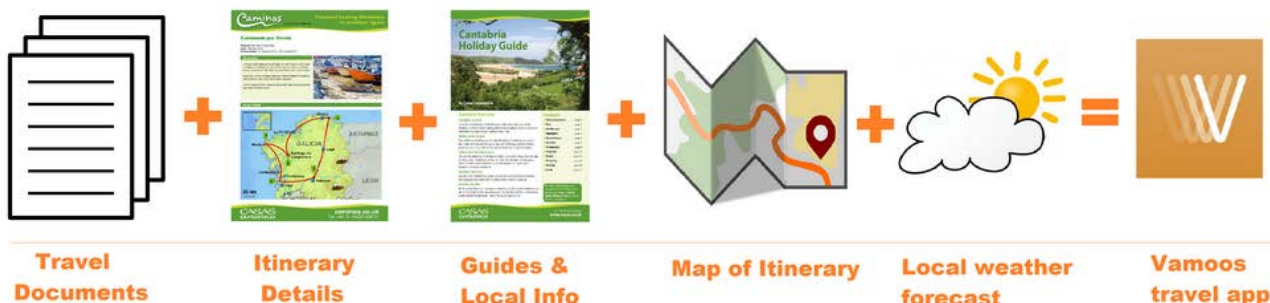
Stunning Guimaraes – World Heritage Site, full of culture and art
Historic Braga with Portugal's oldest Cathedral
Bom Jesus del Monte with its famous baroque staircase
Lively Barcelos – oldest market in the north, a must!
Celtic Citania de Briteiros, 2500 years of history

Comfortable boutique hotel in the historic centre of Guimaraes

A beautifully restored old pousada, now a charming boutique hotel, offers very comfortable, stylish accommodation in the medieval heart of the beautifully preserved city of Guimaraes, a Unesco World Heritage site. The pousada is in a privileged spot, on the lively and atmospheric Praça da Oliveira, renowned for its porticoed buildings and C14th Padrao do Salado; its rooms, designer decorated in contemporary style to blend with original featur...[Read More](#)



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