



## PO3 Camino Portugues Porto-Santiago

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.

**Itinerary Overview:**

Stage	Itinerary	Nights	Location	Services	Drive Time
1	Day 1 to 3	2 nights	Porto, Porto	HOPO2 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	20mins from Porto airport
2	Day 3 to 5	2 nights	Minho Coast, Vila de Punhe	HMIN2 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	50mins from airport (car hire pick-up)
3	Day 5 to 7	2 nights	Galicia, Santiago and the Interior, Santiago de Compostela	HSAC6 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs 10mins
4	Day 7 to 9	2 nights	Galicia, Rias Bajas, San Amaro	HAMA1 Boutique-Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	50mins
5	Day 9 to 11	2 nights	Braga and Guimaraes, Guimaraes	HBRA1 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 50mins

**Includes:**

- Accommodation in our listed hotels - 2 sharing 1 std. double ensuite, B&B
- Economy 4-door car hire from leaving Porto
- Guide book to Portugal
- [Personal Travel App](#) including highlights, weather forecast and restaurant suggestions for all areas en-route
- Instructions to find all accommodation

**Excludes:**

- Flights - but we are able to advise
- One-way car hire charges, where applicable (see your quote email)
- The following car hire extras - these can be added at pick-up point
  - extra driver
  - child seats
  - GPS
- Parking fees where applicable (mostly city stops, unless specifically included) - please ask us about parking charges
- Local tourist taxes where applicable



## Stage 1

### Porto



#### Highlights

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

### HOPO2 3-star Hotel, Porto

[See full details](#)

**Accommodation:** 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



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 away - and the manicured gardens with their stunning "azulejos" provide respite from the hustle and bustle of the city.



<b>Main facilities</b>	• 24 hour reception • Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds
<b>Room facilities</b>	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning • Tea/coffee making facilities
<b>Dining</b>	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
<b>Room types</b>	• Double, twin, (castle or garden) superior, suite, family suite • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
<b>Other</b>	• On-site parking (extra charge) • No pets allowed

## Stage 2

### Minho Coast



#### Highlights

Delightful Caminha and the fortress towns of Valença, Monção and Melgaço

Historic step in the Portuguese Santiago pilgrim way

Viana do Castelo with its windswept Atlantic coastline

Graceful Ponte de Lima with its Roman bridge

Sample the Vinho Verde wine and hearty local fare

### HMIN2 3-star Hotel, Vila de Punhe

[See full details](#)

**Accommodation:** 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



As you come up the long vine-covered cobblestone drive to this grand C17th manor house, 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. Read a good book or wander in the woods!

Its charming and enthusiastic owners, Joao and Ana, transformed the old farm buildings on the estate into cosy traditional cottages and then with flair and imagination added two more very modern minimalist properties - very chic - all blending in happily with the lush vegetation.



<b>Main facilities</b>	• Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, all year)
<b>Room facilities</b>	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
<b>Dining</b>	• Breakfast only
<b>Room types</b>	• One and two-bedroomed cottages • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
<b>Other</b>	• On-site parking (free) • No pets allowed



## Stage 3

### Galicia, Santiago and the Interior



#### Highlights

- One of Europe's most important pilgrim destinations
- Take a walking tour around this World Heritage City
- Visit the Cathedral said to house the bones of St James
- Always lively with a strong tradition of street music
- Multitude of bars and restaurants!

### HSAC6 3-star Hotel, Santiago de Compostela

[See full details](#)

**Accommodation:** 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



With the emphasis on personal service and designed using the oriental principles of 'Wabi-Sabi' this truly unique hotel in the old town of Santiago is an experience in itself.

In one of the quieter parts of town, but within easy reach of the main sights, this 19th century house is a charming, perfect balance of old and new, creating an atmosphere of peace and harmony - its original old stone walls and oak beamed ceilings blending more than happily with elegant modern design and furnishings.



<b>Main facilities</b>	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas
<b>Room facilities</b>	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
<b>Dining</b>	• Breakfast only • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
<b>Room types</b>	• Ensuite double, superior double, single; Standard with balcony. • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
<b>Other</b>	• On-street parking • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • No pets allowed

## Stage 4

### Galicia, Rias Bajas



#### Highlights

- Feast on delicious shellfish, locally farmed
- Take a trip to the idyllic islands of Cies & Ons
- Lively Vigo, Europe's largest fishing port
- Cambados, at the heart of the Albariño wine region
- Get active! Watersports for all in the Rias

### HAMA1 Boutique-Hotel, San Amaro

[See full details](#)

**Accommodation:** 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Looking out over Albariño vineyards and rolling hills beyond, in the heart of the Salnes valley with its mild and agreeable climate in the Rias Baixas, this very special hotel, 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 features and oriental touches, creating a feeling of tranquility and well being.

Fantastic beaches, ancient towns and cities, impressive monasteries and churches, busy resorts, wonderful river walks and bodegas galore are all within very easy reach.



<b>Main facilities</b>	• Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, all year)
<b>Room facilities</b>	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
<b>Dining</b>	• Restaurant, open to the public • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
<b>Room types</b>	• Double, twin, superior and superior with terrace; connecting rooms available • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
<b>Other</b>	• On-site parking (free) • Pets allows by prior arrangement - please consult



## Stage 5

### Braga and Guimaraes



#### Highlights

- 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

### HBRA1 4-star Hotel, Guimaraes

[See full details](#)

**Accommodation:** 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



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.

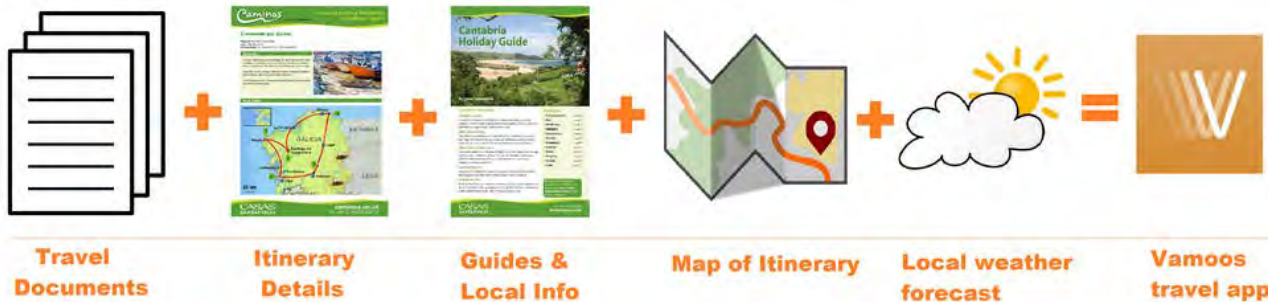
The pousada is in a privileged spot, on the lively Praca da Oliveira, renowned for its porticoed buildings and C14th Padrao do Salado; its rooms, designer decorated in contemporary style to blend with original features and polished wood floors, have views of the historic centre and square.

Most of the city's famous monuments and landmarks, are within an easy walk from the hotel.



<b>Main facilities</b>	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas
<b>Room facilities</b>	• En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
<b>Dining</b>	• Restaurant, open to the public • Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
<b>Room types</b>	• Standard doubles, Junio Suites and Deluxe Suites • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
<b>Other</b>	• On-street parking • Public parking nearby (pay locally) • No pets allowed

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