

Spain The Way of Saint James

The Pilgrimage for shell collectors

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Details

Included services:

- 7/17 nights in rooms with private facilities incl. breakfast
- Luggage transfer
- Maps and information material per room

Day-to-day programm

Tour profile

Hilly with some challenging uphill, mostly on country-roads. For bikers with condition and experience. Minimum age: 14 years.

Tour details 8-day-trip

Day 1: Astorga

Individual arrival.

Day 2: Astorga - Molinaseca, approx. 49 km

Leave the Castillian plains behind to climb progressively towards the mountains of Leon with its highest point of the cycle being the Monte de la Cruz the Ferro (the iron cross), where it is tradition to leave a small stone that you have brought from your homeland. From here the rest of the way is mostly downhill and the views are astonishingly beautiful.

Day 3: Molinaseca - O'Cebreiro, approx. 59 km

Cycle 25 Km amongst vineyards to reach the beautiful town of Villafranca. Later climb O'Cebreiro, where the Galicia Region starts.

Day 4: O'Cebreiro - Sarria, approx. 48 km

We are now in Galicia and there is a big change in landscape, culture, gastronomy and language. A fantastic part of the day comes when we descend to the town of Samos where we find one of the oldest and most beautiful monasteries in Spain, the Benedictine monastery of Samos.

Day 5: Sarria - Palas de Rei, approx. 46 km

Today's cycle ride runs through very nice rural countryside, passing through many little villages. Most of this stage is along tree-lined roads and pathways and there is a mix of little country roads and old paths. At the end of the day we reach Palais de Rei. A small town full of the pilgrim spirit.

Day 6: Palas de Rei - Rua, approx. 46 km

Today's ride does not have great climbs but it is a constant up and down that can be quite tiring. We will ride enjoying the Galician countryside. During the day you will go through the town of Melide that is famous for its "pulperías" where they serve superb octopus.

Day 7: Rua - Santiago de Compostela, approx. 21 km

The route is not long so as to allow you to enjoy the beautiful city of Santiago de Compostela. There are hard hills to climb before arriving at the "Monte do Gozo" (the hill of joy) where you first see the Cathedral of Santiago in the distance.

Day 8: Santiago de compostela

Individual departure or extended stay

Tour details 18-day-trip

Day 1: Roncesvalles

Day 2: Saint Jean Pied de Port - Roncesvalles, approx. 25 km

Day 3: Roncesvalles - Pamplona, approx. 49 km

Day 4: Pamplona - Estella, approx. 41 km
Day 5: Estella - Logrono, approx. 50 km
Day 6: Logrono - Sto Domingo de la Calzada, approx. 50 km
Day 7: Sto Domingo de la Calzada - Burgos, approx. 73 km
Day 8: Burgos - Fromista, approx. 67 km
Day 9: Fromista - Sahagun, approx. 62 km
Day 10: Sahagun - Leon, approx. 57 km
Day 11: Leon - Astorga, approx. 53 km
Day 12: Astorga - Molinaseca, approx. 49 km
Day 13: Molinaseca - Ferrerías, approx. 59 km
Day 14: Ferrerías - Sarria, approx. 48 km
Day 15: Sarrias - Palas de Rei, approx. 46 km
Day 16: Palas de Rei - O´Pino, approx. 46 km
Day 17: O´Pino - Santiago de Compostela, approx. 21 km
Day 18: Santiago de Compostela

Prices
