



CAMINO MINI



Experience the best the French Way has to offer in only a few days. Spend 4 nights in the most beautiful, peaceful and historical places and eat at the best gourmet restaurants along the last 150 km of the French Way. Walk three of our favorite sections and visit unique places like the Celtic village of O Cebreiro, the Benedictine Monastery of Samos and the Historic-Artistic town of Portomarin. However, we must warn you, you will want to come back with more time to do the full walk.

PRICE & DATES

Can be organized on request for groups of 6 to 20 participants on the dates of your choice - subject to availability and price fluctuations.

€990 per person

- Single room supplement: +€480 per room
- Guaranteed Botafumeiro: +€300
- Extra night in the 5* Parador of Santiago: +€250 per room (dinner not included)

FACT FILE

Accommodation Luxurious Manors & 4 to 5* Hotels

Total Walking Distance 46 km

Duration 5 days / 4 nights

Starts Ponferrada

Stops Villafranca do Bierzo, O Cebreiro, Samos, Monforte de Lemos, Sarria, Portomarin, Lavacolla

Ends Santiago de Compostela

CAMINO MINI INCLUDES

- En-suite accommodation in charming luxurious manors & 4 to 5* historical hotels including the Paradores of Villafranca del Bierzo, of Monforte de Lemos and of Santiago de Compostela
- All transfers from Santiago airport and to and from the hotels
- Private Transport in luxury Mini-Van or bus and Support during the walking days
- Luggage transfers from hotel to hotel
- Emergency support from our local team
- All taxes and gratuities for the guides and hotels
- All breakfasts and three-courses dinners (house wine included with dinners on request)
- A Pilgrim Kit per person including an official Pilgrim Passport (Credential)
- Walk between 5 km and 22 km per day

HIGHLIGHTS

- Perfect for a short break or a first taste of the Camino
- Stay only in the best accommodation along the Way including three Paradores
- Walk only the most beautiful and meaningful stages of the Camino
- Eat at the most delicious gourmet restaurants



CAMINO MINI STEP BY STEP ITINERARY

This 4 nights tour includes visits of the main attractions between Ponferrada and Santiago de Compostela and 3 days walk.



DAY 1 - MAKING OUR WAY TO VILLAFRANCA AND VISITS OF PONFERRADA



We will pick you up at your arrival airport and drive you to Villafranca del Bierzo where you will spend the night and forget about today's transit at the town's 4* Parador. Villafranca del Bierzo is a lively medieval town with great importance for the pilgrimage. Indeed, Pilgrims who could not make it to Santiago de Compostela because they were ill were given the jubilee blessing once they passed the Puerta del Perdón gate (as detailed in the book "the Pilgrimage" by Paulo Coelho). On the way to the hotel, if the time of arrival of your flight allows, we will make a 2h stop in Ponferrada to visit one of the last remaining Templar Castle or to visit the impressive Médulas de Carucedo, Roman gold mines declared World Heritage Site..

DAY 2 - 5KM - VISITS, MIRACLES & BREATHTAKING VIEWS

You are in for a treat today, so wake up early. After breakfast at the Parador, we will drive you up the mountain to the border of Castilla-y-León and you will walk the last 5 km through beautiful mountain paths into the region of Galicia and into the timeless Celtic village of O Cebreiro.

With stunning panoramic views of the valleys below from 1300 meters up, the ancient pallozas (circular pre-Roman stone dwellings built by the Celts of the region) and the rebuilt Romanesque church of St. Mary's, site of a 14th century Eucharistic miracle, few places along the Camino are as enchanting as O Cebreiro!

After lunch, we will let you discover the Benedictine Monastery of Samos, one of the wealthiest and most powerful of all the monasteries of the peninsula in Medieval Times (option to visit the Ribeira Sacras and go wine-tasting instead). We will spend the night at the Parador de Monforte de Lemos a XVIIth century Benedictine Monastery transformed into a luxury hotel with incredible views, gardens and a swimming pool.





DAY 3 - 22KM - WALK FROM SARRIA TO PORTOMARIN



After a short drive to Sarria (there is an option to start around the 100 km marker instead of Sarria to reduce the walking time) you will start your pilgrimage by walking to Portomarin. Walk along easy paved trails through beautiful countryside, meadows and oak woods, charming villages with slate roofs and a huge medieval bridge.

Take a picture of yourself in front of the 100 km marker and witness those who have walked hundreds of kilometers get emotional. Expect some steep uphill and downhill at some point today, but it will be made up by the beauty of the route and remember if you are tired our van is never far away. At arrival in Portomarin, we will transfer you to a beautiful Galician Mansion near the Camino where you will discover Galician hospitality.

DAY 4 - 10KM - WALK FROM LAVACOLLA TO SANTIAGO!

Wake up early as today, we walk into Santiago de Compostela. We will bring you ten kilometers away from your goal to the town of Lavacolla, where pilgrims used to bath before reaching the Cathedral. The first hour walk is through peaceful oak and eucalyptus forests.

Half-way you will pass Monte do Gozo (Mount of joy) which was transformed into an area for pilgrims for the Jacobean Holy Year of 1993 and you will get your first glimpse of the City of Santiago de Compostela. The last hour walk will be entering the City of the Apostle mostly going downhill before getting to the Medieval Old Town and the Plaza del Obradoiro. We will quickly check-in into the Parador de los Reyes Catolicos directly on the Plaza del Obradoiro before heading to the pilgrim mass at twelve. The afternoon will be free to enjoy the facilities of your hotel, relax and marvel at our beloved City.



DAY 5 - HALF DAY IN SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

On the last day of your tour, we will gather for a guided visit of the City and the Cathedral where you will be told about the fascinating stories of each monument you see. We will then set out for your departure airport and say our farewells until next time.





ABOUT ULTREYA TOURS

Ultreya Tours is an incoming Tour Operator specialized in **organizing comprehensive and highly personalized walking, cycling and horse-riding tours for groups and solo travelers on the Camino de Santiago**. Founded and based in Santiago de Compostela, at the end of the Camino, we know the region of Galicia and the secrets of the Camino by heart.

The Camino de Santiago is not just our business it is our way of life and we would love nothing more than to introduce you to our vision of the Camino.

Our name Ultreya comes from the Latin word for Onwards. "Ultreya, Suseya, Santiago" was the common greeting amongst pilgrims in Medieval times. It meant courage, further and higher is Santiago. We are already in Santiago so our goal is to bring you there & help you every step of the Way.

WHY CHOOSE US?

- ✓ Fully bonded, ensured and registered as retail & wholesale Travel Agency in Spain
- ✓ We are based in Santiago and you can reach us 24/7 while you are on the Camino
- ✓ Founded by a women, we understand the concerns of single women traveling the Camino and are here to help!
- ✓ We carefully choose, rate and regularly visit all our providers & ONLY book quality accommodation
- ✓ Create your own Camino! All our tours are fully customizable to provide the most magical experience possible
- ✓ You will get a dedicated Camino Account Planner to assist at every step
- ✓ Excellent commission structure for resellers and travel agents



ONLY 4 STEPS AWAY FROM YOUR JOURNEY

- STEP 1** Get in touch with one of our Camino Planner for a personalized quote
- STEP 2** Once you are satisfied with the Terms & Conditions of your tour, we will invoice you for a 50% of the total price non-refundable deposit to process the booking
- STEP 3** Immediately after receiving the initial deposit we will start booking your accommodation, meals, activities, guides and any other services
- STEP 4** 30 days before the departure, we will request the 50% remaining deposit and you will receive the list of your accommodation, confirmation vouchers for extra services & activities, your pilgrim kits (including the Pilgrim Passports & guidebooks) will be sent to your first hotel

If you dream of walking the Camino de Santiago, don't delay it any further contact info@ultreyatours.com or visit our website to find the best Way for your group!