



Silver Route

Feel the Roman heritage in Spain while you walk this ancient route full of historic sites and wonderful architecture.



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By bike



8 nights/9 days

Guesthouses
& Inns**850€**

Salamanca to Santiago de Compostela



Map



Itinerary

Day 1. Arrival to Salamanca

Salamanca or Salmantice is known as a University City, being recognized around the world because of its artistic wealth: cathedrals, palaces, churches... It is also a place where many artistic styles combine: Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, etc. This variety helped it to be declared World Heritage City by the UNESCO and named European City of Culture in 2002. The main landmarks are the Main Square, Casa de las Conchas, the two Cathedrals and the University.

Accommodation in Salamanca.

Day 2. Salamanca - Zamora (68,2 Km)

Breakfast in Salamanca.

You will start this stage from Plaza Mayor, continuing via Calle de Zamora until you get close to the bull ring; then, continue on road N-630 towards Zamora. You will pass by Aldeaseca de Armuña and Castellanos de Villiquera. Soon, you will also get to Calzada de Valdunciel, where you can visit its church, from the 12th Century and rebuilt in the 16th Century; inside, you will find a statue of Santiago as Pilgrim. You will continue your way to El Cubo de la Tierra del Vino, passing by close to Topas Prison. Later on, you will arrive at the first village in Zamora province. You leave El Cubo de la Tierra del Vino and take the old road, crossing a bridge and coming back to the causeway parallel to the railroad; continue on it for 5 km. From the top of a hill, you will be able to see Villanueva de Campeán. You will enter the village via Calle Calzada and keep going on Calle Santiago, taking a path that leads to San Marcial, which you will leave to the left to then ascend a mound; from here, you will see Zamora in the distance. You will enter Zamora via San Frontis Borough, enjoying a wondrous sight of the Cathedral. Bordering the river Duero, you will leave on the left the remains of the Roman bridge and will enter the city via the medieval bridge. This is a really important city for the pilgrim on the Silver Route since here, and thanks to Ramos Castro Foundation, was born the idea of reviving this old route for the pilgrims to get to Santiago. It is highly recommendable to stop and visit this city, considered a true gem of the Romanesque with the greatest concentration of art of this kind in the whole Europe, and also with an important number of Modernist buildings.

Accommodation in Zamora.

Day 3. Zamora - Santa Croya de Tera (88 Km)

Breakfast in Zamora.

Leaving Zamora, you will head towards Santa Croya de Tera, passing by many interesting places such as Montamarta (where you can visit the Chapel of Virgen del Castro), the ruins of Castrotofafe, Granja de Moreruela and its impressive monastery, Ricobayo Reservoir and Tábara (which features a nice Romanesque church).

Accommodation in Santa Croya de Tera.

Day 4. Santa Croya de Tera - Puebla de Sanabria (76 Km)

Breakfast in Santa Croya de Tera.

This stage offers the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful landscape of the Valley of Tera. Some interesting sites along the Way are the dam and reservoir of Agavanzal, Rionegro del Puente and its Sanctuary of Virgen de la Carballeda and Mombuey (famous for the delicious bread they bake). Once you get to Puebla de Sanabria, you should visit the old town and the main square, the Castle and the church of Nuestra Señora del Azogue.

Accommodation in Puebla de Sanabria.

Day 5. Puebla de Sanabria - A Gudiña (53,3 Km)

Breakfast in Puebla de Sanabria.

You will leave Puebla de Sanabria crossing the medieval bridge over the river Castro. You will keep cycling until reaching the Church of St James, next to the village of Terroso. This stage is quite challenging, as you will have to go up Padornelo Pass before reaching A Gudiña. This town belongs to Ourense (Galicia), and it features the churches of San Martiño (from the 18th Century) and San Pedro (from the 17th Century).

Accommodation in A Gudiña.

Day 6. A Gudiña - Xunqueira de Ambía (68,2 Km)

Breakfast in A Gudiña.

This stage will take you from A Gudiña to Xunqueira de Ambía, passing by some nice villages along the Way, such as Campobeceros, Portocamba and As Eiras. Finally, you will arrive at Laza, where you can visit the church of San Xoán de Laza. This town is also very popular because of the Carnival festivities. You will leave Laza and will head towards Xunqueira de Ambía, which features the Collegiate Church of Santa María la Real.

Accommodation in Xunqueira de Ambía.

Day 7. Xunqueira de Ambía - Castro Dozón (59 Km)

Breakfast in Xunqueira de Ambía.

Leaving Xunqueira de Ambía you will pass by Ourense, where you should not miss the opportunity to visit its wonderful Cathedral, a great temple of Romanesque style. Other landmarks to take into account include the Ponte Vela over the river Miño, the church of the Saint Trinity, the old town

and the Church of Saint Francis. You will leave Ourense through the Roman Bridge and will start walking towards Oseira, which features a beautiful monastery from the XIII century. On the Way, you will pass by Cea, where you can taste their delicious bread. From the Monastery of Oseira, you will continue the route passing by Vilarello, Carbadeleña and A Gouxá, entering the province of Pontevedra. Greenery and rural landscapes surround the Way.

Accommodation in Castro Dozón.

Day 8. Castro Dozón - Santiago de Compostela (59,2 Km)

Breakfast in Castro Dozón.

You will leave Castro Dozón and continue towards A Laxe and Prado. Leaving Prado, you will walk towards Ponte Ulla, crossing the beautiful bridge of Taboada. Before arriving at Silleda, the biggest town on this stage, you will get the chance to see the Romanesque church of Santiago do Transfontao and lovely 18th-century manor. You will keep walking, crossing the river and entering the province of A Coruña, arriving at Ponte Ulla. This last stage leaves from Ponte Ulla, crossing several roads and railway lines, until reaching the nice chapel of Santa Lucía. Once in Santiago, you will be surrounded by many landmarks. The main points of interest are the Cathedral and the Square of Obradoiro, but that does not mean those are the only remarkable places, as it is also recommendable to take a stroll around the historic district, to taste the gastronomy and to visit some other iconic buildings such as the Catholic Monarchs Inn, the Monastery of San Martín Pinario or the Pazo de Raxoi.

Includes

- ▶ Bed & Breakfast
- ▶ Luggage Transportation between stages
- ▶ Travel Insurance
- ▶ Full itinerary of the route
- ▶ Pilgrim Credentials
- ▶ Phone assistance on route
- ▶ VAT

Additional options

- ▶ Single Supplement (Inns/Guesthouses): 475 € / Person
- ▶ Half-Board Supplement (Inns): 160 € / Person
- ▶ Extra Night in Santiago (Inns & Guesthouses, Double/Triple Room, BB): 65 € / Person
- ▶ Extra Night in Santiago (Inns & Guesthouses, Single Room, BB): 90 € / Person

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Salamanca

This guesthouse offers free Wi-Fi and it is located 100 m from the main square. Modern and colourful rooms, with flat-screen TV, desk, wardrobe and private bathroom. Bar and restaurant with typical Castilian dishes and tapas. Laundry service available.



Zamora

Located close to Zamora old town. It features rooms with free Wi-Fi, a flat-screen TV and private bathroom. Information about the city available at the reception. Left-luggage facilities.



Santa Croya de Tera

Rural house located in Camarzana de Tera. Bedrooms with bathroom and heating. Garden and barbecue available.



Puebla de Sanabria

Located in Puebla de Sanabria town centre. Bedrooms with en suite bathroom and hair-dryer. 24h Reception service, tourist information, laundry service. Free Wi-Fi.



A Gudiña

Hotel located 5,6 km away (free transfer from A Gudiña). Bedrooms with en suite bathroom, desk, heating, flat-screen TV and Wi-Fi. Restaurant, bar, 24h reception service, tourist information, private parking and barbecue.



Xunqueira de Ambía

Rural house from the 20th Century which has been restored. Bedrooms with en suite bathroom. Washing machine, dining room, TV and sitting room. Garden and terrace.



Castro Dozón

Located in Lalín town centre, 11 km away from Castro Dozón. Bedrooms with en suite bathroom, TV, heating and telephone. Cafeteria, restaurant, hall and living room.



Santiago de Compostela

Ancient monastery in front of the Cathedral. Bedrooms with private bathroom, heating and desk. Garden, restaurant, parking, 24h reception, tourist information, WiFi.



Terms & Conditions

Reservation and contracting of any of the trips included in this program involves the full acceptance of these general conditions.

The present general conditions shall be governed by the "Royal Legislative Decree Nº 1/2007, of 16 November", approving the Codified Text of the General Law for the Protection of Consumers and Users, other complementary laws (BOW 287 of 30 November 2007) and any other provisions currently in force.

The contractual relation between the Organizing Agency and the customer is subject to the present general conditions or to the particular clauses that agree in the contract of the combined trip and in the label of the product (the trip) which details its final content.

The customer is under obligation to check the documentation received from the Organizing Agency, and any questions concerning the booking must be consulted before the trip begins.

Organization

Technical Organization of the trips included in this program has been carried out by AGENCIA DE VIAJES CARMÍ, CIF: 11944976H, based on C/Candelaria Ruiz del Árbol, 3, 3º Dcha 49016, Zamora. This is an Online Travel Agency properly registered at the Directorate General for Tourism in the Castilla y León region, with license CICL. 49-030. The Agency is covered by a compulsory civil liability insurance and compulsory endorsement in the Public Administration. The Agency is wholesaler.

Reservation and Management

The services included are the ones offered in each catalogue or brochure. In case there is a modification of the trip by either of the two parts involved, the services included and no included shall be notified. In the moment the customer accepts the reservation, he/she will have to pay a 60€/person deposit as administration charge, which is non-refundable. Once the booking is confirmed, the deposit will be discounted of the final price of the trip. In case the Agency is not able to offer the trip requested, the deposit will be returned to the customer. If the information and the trip itinerary have been sent, the deposit of the booking and management will be not refundable.

Method of Payment

The full payment must be done by the client 15 days before the trip begins. If the payment is not done, the Agency will understand that the client is no longer interested in the trip and he/she will not be able to receive a refund of the deposit.

Modification of the Reservation

Any kind of modification or booking by Viajes Carmi, for the various reasons such as overbooking and other, will be notified to the client, who will be able to accept or desist. If the client desists, the Agency will not make any penalization; but in case the modification is done by the client, Viajes Carmi reserves the right to penalize the customer with 30€ per client and modification.

Cancellation by the Customer

At any time the customer will be able to desist of the services, having the right to be refunded what he/she has paid but also has to indemnify the Travel Agency unless the cancellation was due to cases of force majeure, in accordance with the following:

- a) If the cancellation happens between 10 – 15 days before the trip begins, the client must pay the management expenses and a penalization of 5% of the trip costs.
- b) If cancellation happens between 3 – 10 days before the trip, there is a penalization of 15%.
- c) If cancellation happens 48 or less previous to the departure, there is a penalization of 25%.

In failing to appear at the beginning of the trip, the client will have to pay 100% of the booking price.

In case that the Travel Agency is forced to cancel any of its programs for reasons not attributable to the client, it will compensate the customer with a full refund.

There will be no obligation from the Agency to compensate the client when the booking cancellation is due to reasons of force majeure, meaning such conditions beyond those who relies abnormal and unpredictable consequences of which could not have been avoid, despite having acted with diligence.

In case the travel execution is due to have a minimum of participants, the Agency will be able to cancel the trip if the minimum number of participants is not reached, notifying it 10 days before the scheduled departure date.

Cession of the Reservation

The principal contractor or the beneficiary is allowed to freely transfer his/her booking to another person who meets the requirements for it, giving written notice 15 days before the scheduled departure date. The transferor of the package and the transferee shall be jointly and severally liable to the organizer or retailer party to the contract for payment of the balance due and for any additional costs arising from such transfer.

Documentation

All persons enrolled in the trip are responsible their documentation is in order for the country they are visiting (D.N.I., passport, visa, health insurance...) with regard to consultations, the Agency acts as informer, but it is the customer's responsibility to confirm the documentation to the competent authorities. In case the client was forced to cancel or leave the trip for lack or inaccuracy of the required documentation, the Agency will apply the conditions specified in the cancellations by the customer paragraph.

Jurisdiction

For interpretation, application or complaint of the terms, both the client and the Organizing Agency convey expressly to the jurisdiction of the Courts of Zamora, renouncing to any other jurisdiction.

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According to the Organic Law 15/1999, of Personal Data Protection Information, this establishment informs that:

1. The personal data provided by our clients are inserted in our private files registered in the Spanish Data Protection Agency, being the Agency Viajes Carmi responsible for it.
2. We guarantee confidentiality of the personal data registered in our files.
3. We have the security document where is set out the technical and organizational measures for the security of the data contained in our files.
4. You can exercise your rights of access, amendment, cancellation and opposition of your personal data, writing to the following address: VIAJES CARMÍ, C/ Candelaria Ruiz del Árbol, 3, 3º Dcha. 49016 Zamora.