

Camino de Santiago | Camino Frances: St. Jean to Santiago Daily Itinerary

Date	Departure City/Time	Arrival City/Time
June 8	Home Airport	France
July 18	Madrid, Spain (MAD)	Home Airport

DAY 1 | Mon., June 8, 2026

Depart USA to France

Begin your pilgrimage with an overnight flight to France, preparing your heart and mind for the Camino Francés.

DAY 2 | Tues., June 9, 2026

Land in France - Train to Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port (SJPP)

Arrive in France and travel to Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port, the traditional starting point of the Camino Francés. Pick up your pilgrim credentials, explore the medieval streets, and prepare for your first walking day.

DAY 3 | Wed., June 10, 2026

Day in Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port

Spend the day in Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port, the traditional starting point of the Camino Francés. Pick up your pilgrim credentials, explore the medieval streets, and prepare for your first walking day.

DAY 4 | Thur., June 11, 2026

Walking Day 1 | Saint-Jean to Roncesvalles | 25.1 km / 16 miles

A dramatic first day over the Pyrenees. Climb through mountain pastures and stunning vistas before descending into Roncesvalles, where pilgrims have arrived for centuries seeking God's grace.

DAY 5 | Fri., June 12, 2026

Walking Day 2 | Roncesvalles to Urdániz | 21.9 km / 14 miles

Walk through beech forests and quiet Basque villages, gradually descending toward Urdániz. This day introduces the rhythm of Camino life: prayer, walking, simple meals, and fellowship.

DAY 6 | Sat., June 13, 2026

Walking Day 3 | Urdániz to Pamplona | 20.9 km / 13 miles

Journey into Pamplona, a vibrant historic city surrounded by medieval walls. Visit the cathedral and enjoy time in the plazas where pilgrims and locals mingle.

DAY 7 | Sun., June 14, 2026

Walking Day 4 | Pamplona to Puente la Reina | 24.6 km / 15 miles

Climb to the Alto del Perdón, with its iconic sculptures of pilgrims, and pray for mercy and renewal. Descend to Puente la Reina, named for its "Queen's Bridge," where several Camino routes join.

DAY 8 | Mon., June 15, 2026

Walking Day 5 | Puente la Reina to Estella | 21.9 km / 14 miles

Walk through vineyards and small villages toward Estella, a historic town rich in Romanesque architecture. Evenings offer time for rest, reflection, and community.

DAY 9 | Tues., June 16, 2026

Walking Day 6 | Estella to Torres del Río | 31.0 km / 19 miles

A longer stage that passes near the famous wine fountain at Irache. Continue through rolling terrain to Torres del Río, home to a unique 12th-century octagonal church.

DAY 10 | Wed., June 17, 2026

Walking Day 7 | Torres del Río to Logroño | 27.8 km / 17 miles

Cross into Spain's renowned La Rioja region, ending in Logroño. Enjoy the lively old town, local tapas, and chances to celebrate the day's progress in gratitude.

DAY 11 | Thur., June 18, 2026

Walking Day 8 | Logroño to Nájera | 29.3 km / 18 miles

Continue across vineyards and farmland toward Nájera, once a royal seat of Navarre. The day offers space for quiet prayer amid the beauty of the countryside.

DAY 12 | Fri., June 19, 2026

WD 9 | Nájera to Santo Domingo de la Calzada | 22.7 km / 14 miles

Arrive in Santo Domingo de la Calzada, famous for its cathedral and the legend of the miracle of the rooster and hen—signs of God's care for pilgrims.

DAY 13 | Sat., June 20, 2026

WD 10 | Santo Domingo to Villamayor del Río | 18 km / 11 miles

A gentler day of walking through grain fields and open skies as you move deeper into Castile.

DAY 14 | Sun., June 21, 2026

Walking Day 11 | Villamayor del Río to Villafranca Montes de Oca | 20 km / 12 miles

Walk toward the foothills near Villafranca Montes de Oca, historically a place of hospitality and rest for pilgrims.

DAY 15 | Mon., June 22, 2026

Walking Day 12 | Villafranca Montes de Oca to Obaneja | 24 km / 15 miles

Climb through forested paths and quiet landscapes, entering more remote stretches that invite silence and contemplation.

DAY 16 | Tues., June 23, 2026

Walking Day 13 (Half-Day) | Obaneja to Burgos | 10 km / 6 miles

A shorter walking day into Burgos, home of the magnificent Gothic cathedral. Afternoon and evening are free to pray, rest, and explore.

DAY 17 | Wed., June 24, 2026

Walking Day 14 | Burgos to Hornillos del Camino | 21 km / 13 miles

Leave Burgos and step onto the Meseta, the broad plateau famous for its open, wind-swept fields and big skies.

DAY 18 | Thur., June 25, 2026

Walking Day 15 | Hornillos del Camino to Castrojeriz | 21 km / 13 miles

Continue across the Meseta's quiet roads and trails, ending beneath the hilltop castle of Castrojeriz.

DAY 19 | Fri., June 26, 2026

Walking Day 16 | Castrojeriz to Frómista | 24.9 km / 15 miles

Cross a steep ascent and descent, then follow the peaceful Canal de Castilla toward Frómista, known for its perfectly preserved Romanesque church.

DAY 20 | Sat., June 27, 2026

Walking Day 17 | Frómista to Carrión de los Condes | 19.3 km / 12 miles

Walk through small villages to Carrión de los Condes, long associated with monastic hospitality and prayer.

DAY 21 | Sun., June 28, 2026

Walking Day 18 | Carrión de los Condes to Terradillos de los Templarios | 26.8 km / 17 miles

A longer, more remote stage, passing fields and chapels, arriving in Terradillos, which recalls the presence of the Knights Templar.

DAY 22 | Mon., June 29, 2026

Walking Day 19 | Terradillos de los Templarios to Bercianos | 23.5 km / 15 miles

Continue across the Meseta toward Bercianos, embracing the simplicity and rhythm of daily Camino life.

DAY 23 | Tues., June 30, 2026

Walking Day 20 | Bercianos to Mansilla de las Mulas | 26.7 km / 17 miles

Journey toward Mansilla, a walled town on the banks of the Esla River, offering a sense of stepping back into medieval Spain.

DAY 24 | Wed., July 1, 2026

Walking Day 21 | Mansilla de las Mulas to León | 18.1 km / 11 miles

Finish the Meseta portion and enter the city of León, with its stunning cathedral and rich history.

DAY 25 | Thur., July 2, 2026

Walking Day 22 | León to Villadangos del Páramo | 21.3 km / 13 miles

Return to the Camino, leaving León and entering quieter stretches once again.

DAY 26 | Fri., July 3, 2026

Walking Day 23 | Villadangos del Páramo to Astorga | 28.5 km / 18 miles

Walk into Astorga, with its impressive cathedral and Gaudí-designed episcopal palace.

DAY 27 | Sat., July 4, 2026

Walking Day 24 | Astorga to Rabanal del Camino | 20.6 km / 13 miles

Begin climbing toward the mountains again, arriving in the small stone village of Rabanal del Camino, known for monastic prayer and chant.



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DAY 28 | Sun., July 5, 2026

Walking Day 25 | Rabanal del Camino to Molinaseca | 25.6 km / 16 miles

Cross the famed Cruz de Ferro, where pilgrims traditionally leave a stone as a symbol of burdens laid down at the Cross, then descend to Molinaseca.

DAY 29 | Mon., July 6, 2026

Walking Day 26 | Molinaseca to Villafranca del Bierzo | 30.6 km / 19 miles

Walk through Ponferrada and onward to Villafranca del Bierzo, often called "Little Compostela," with its historic churches and pilgrim traditions.

DAY 30 | Tues., July 7, 2026

Walking Day 27 | Villafranca del Bierzo to Las Herrerías | 20 km / 12 miles

Follow the valley of the Río Valcarce, gradually approaching the mountains leading into Galicia.

DAY 31 | Wed., July 8, 2026

Walking Day 28 | Las Herrerías to Triacastela | 27 km / 17 miles

A challenging ascent into Galicia, climbing through O Cebreiro's mountain passes before continuing on to Triacastela.

DAY 32 | Thurs., July 9, 2026

Walking Day 29 | Triacastela to Sarria | 25 km / 16 miles

Walk through forests and hamlets toward Sarria, where many pilgrims begin the final 100 km to Santiago.

DAY 33 | Fri., July 10, 2026

Walking Day 30 | Sarria to Portomarín | 22.7 km / 14 miles

Enter lush Galician countryside, crossing medieval bridges and lanes before reaching Portomarín, above the Miño River.

DAY 34 | Sat., July 11, 2026

Walking Day 31 | Portomarín to Palas de Rei | 24.5 km / 15 miles

Continue on rolling paths and rural roads toward Palas de Rei, a traditional pilgrim stop.

DAY 35 | Sun., July 12, 2026

Walking Day 32 | Palas de Rei to Melide | 15 km / 9 miles

A shorter day into Melide, renowned for its pulpo (octopus) and welcoming pilgrim atmosphere.

DAY 36 | Mon., July 13, 2026

Walking Day 33 | Melide to Ribadiso / Arzúa | 12 km / 7 miles

Walk through forests and farms to the riverside area of Ribadiso and into Arzúa, another classic Camino town.

DAY 37 | Tues., July 14, 2026

Walking Day 34 | Ribadiso / Arzúa to Pedrouzo (A Rúa) | 23.7 km / 15 miles

Your final full day before reaching Santiago. The path winds through eucalyptus forests and small villages as anticipation builds.

DAY 38 | Wed., July 15, 2026

Walking Day 35 | Pedrouzo (A Rúa) to Santiago de Compostela | 14 km / 9 miles

Walk the last stretch to the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. Enter the historic center, arrive at the Plaza del Obradoiro, and complete your pilgrimage at the tomb of St. James.

DAY 39 | Thurs., July 16, 2026

Day Trip to the Coast (Muxía / Finisterre)

Excursion to the "end of the world" along the Atlantic, visiting Marian shrines and coastal chapels.

DAY 40 | Fri., July 17, 2026

Santiago - Optional Tours

Opportunities for guided city tours, museum visits, and additional pilgrim activities. Attend the Pilgrim Mass at Noon.

DAY 41 | Sat., July 18, 2026

Depart Spain to USA

Transfer to the airport for your return flights home, carrying the graces and memories of the Camino Francés.

Price || \$5,500

Includes round-trip airfare from your home city to the start of the Camino, lodging along the Camino, and in Santiago, major transportation (ie. trains), excursions in Santiago, dedicated Mass in Santiago.

Fundraising

Seminarians participating in the Camino Pilgrimage will be encouraged to fundraise with the support of their families, friends, parishioners, and home communities. This is not just a practical step — it is a missionary act, allowing others to share in the spiritual fruits of the pilgrimage and invest personally in your vocational journey.

Your fundraising efforts work in partnership with the generosity of benefactors from the Camino Pilgrim Foundation (CPF), who provide essential financial support for travel, lodging, and formation costs. Together, personal supporters and CPF donors make this pilgrimage possible for every seminarian, regardless of financial means.

By inviting others to accompany you through prayer and financial support, you will:

- Grow in missionary discipleship, learning to share your story and invite others into God's work.
- Strengthen relationships with those who support your vocation.
- Build a community of prayer around your pilgrimage.
- Experience firsthand the generosity, faith, and encouragement of the Church you are preparing to serve.

This shared model of support reflects the heart of the Camino itself:

We walk together. We give together. We grow together in Christ.

Fundraising resources can be found at www.caminopilgrimfoundation.org under 'Discipleship Camino'.

