



From the manificence of Burgos' Gothic cathedral to the simple charm of Frómista's Church of St. Martin, one of the most beautiful Romanesque churches along the entire route, and León's cathedral and the royal pantheon in the Church of St. Isidro. From the bustle of Burgos and León to the silence of the vast and seemingly endless *meseta*, the flatlands that lie at the heart of the Iberian Peninsula. The rugged beauty and startling contrasts of Castile and León never fail to enchant.

Day 1 Origen: Burgos

Arrive in Burgos on your own. Visit the magnificent Gothic cathedral and the final resting place of Spain's great epic hero, El Cid, whose remains lie buried beneath the paving stones in its interior. You may also wish to visit the nearby convent of Las Huelgas, founded in 1187 by Eleanor of Aquitaine, daughter of Henry II of England and wife of Alfonso VIII of Castile, for the daughters of European nobility and once one of the most powerful convents in Europe.

- Overnight in Burgos

Day 2 Burgos – Hontanas (30.6 kms)

Breakfast. Depart Burgos at your own pace this morning. Pass through villages seemingly frozen in time amidst an endless sea of wheat that stretches out to the horizon in every direction. The road today leads to Hontanas, a typically Castilian village in midst of the immense flatlands, where you will make your halt for the night.

- Overnight in Hontanas

Day 3 Hontanas – Boadilla del Camino (28.4 kms)

Breakfast. Today you'll make your way to Castrojeriz, an ancient settlement dating from Roman times that was the scene of many battles between Christian and Muslim forces until it was definitively recaptured for Spain by King Alfonso VII in 1131. Shortly before entering the village you'll pass beneath the enormous arch of the Convento de San Antón (St. Anthony's convent). After crossing the Mostelares Heights and the broad expanse of wheat fields that follow Castrojeriz, stop for the evening in Boadilla del Camino.

- Overnight in Boadilla del Camino



Day 4 Boadilla del Camino – Carrion de Los Condes (25.3 kms)

Breakfast. Today it's on to Frómista, where you can visit to St. Martin's Church, one of the finest examples of Romanesque architecture in all of Spain. Afterwards a conditioned walker's path carries you to Carrión de los Condes, your destination for this evening. En route, visit Villalcázar de Sirga and its enormous fortified basilica, Santa María la Blanca (St. Mary the White), another one of the properties entrusted to the legendary Templar knights along the Pilgrim's Way.

- Overnight in Carrión de los Condes

Day 5 Carrión de Los Condes – Calzadilla de la Cueva (17.5 kms)

Breakfast. Your destination today is Calzadilla de la Cueva, a small village in the middle of the seemingly endless expanse of moors that dominates the province of Palencia.

- Overnight in Calzadilla de la Cueva

Day 6 Calzadilla de La Cueva – Sahagún (22.3 kms)

Breakfast. Make your way today to Sahagún, the first large town in the province of León. Known in past times as the "Spanish Cluny", it once boasted a famous Benedictine monastery. For centuries it flourished as a centre of the arts and letters; sadly, today all that remain of this once-great foundation are the great arch of the main entrance and two minor towers.

- Overnight in Sahagún

Day 7 Sahagún – El Burgo Ranero (18 kms)

Breakfast. The "Calle Real", or "Royal Highway" that is the main street of this little farming village coincides exactly with the line of the Camino de Santiago. El Burgo Ranero offers pilgrims a warm and friendly welcome that makes for a very pleasant point at which to stop for the evening.

- Overnight in El Burgo Ranero

Day 8 El Burgo Ranero – Mansilla de las Mulas (19 kms)

Breakfast. This little village, which to this day retains significant sections of its medieval walls, was once an important commercial and livestock trading centre and boasted seven churches and three hospitals to attend to the flow of pilgrim traffic along the Camino de Santiago. Today, only two of its churches remain.

- Overnight in Mansilla de las Mulas

Day 9 Mansilla De Las Mulas – León (20 kms)

Breakfast In the Middle Ages there was no other city on the entire route to Compostela which could boast as many churches, monasteries, convents and hospitals to attend to the sick and the poor as León. Its cathedral rivals that of Burgos in its beauty, though in this case it is not only its Gothic architecture but rather its 1,800 square metres of colourful stained glass windows. Enjoy your final evening with dinner or sample the tapas in the city's popular *Barrio Húmedo*.

- Overnight in León

Day 10 León – return home

Breakfast. Depart León for return home or link to Stage 4 and continue.

*****END OF SERVICES*****

What is included:

- 07 nights in double room with breakfast included
- Travel insurance
- Trip dossier
- Continuous assistance from our office for the duration of your journey.

What is not included:

- Transportation to and from the starting and ending points of the stages contracted.
- Entrance fees to museums and monuments visited.
- Laundry
- Any extras not otherwise indicated

Optionals : Luggage transfer. - dinner reservations.

NOTES:

- Available accommodation along the Camino varies from village to village. Your accommodation may be in one (*) or two (**) star hotels, * or ** hostels, bed and breakfast style accommodation or similar, monastic guest houses etc. All rooms contracted have private bathrooms.
- The breakfasts included in the price of accommodation are generally simple breakfasts of coffee, tea or hot chocolate; pastries, toast, marmalade, juice, etc.
- Where contracted, dinners are set-price menus that include an appetizer, a meat or fish entrée, dessert, bread, water or wine. After dinner coffee and drinks are not included. Dinners are reserved and served in the restaurants of the contracted hotels wherever possible. In some cases it may be necessary to reserve dinner in nearby restaurants.
- Where contracted, the luggage transport service gives each individual traveler the right to the transport of **one (1)** piece of luggage or no more that **12 kilos (26.5 lbs)**.

Stage 3 : Burgos – León 181 kms 10 days / 9 nights	Double room	Single Room
Accommodation + breakfast	538	744
Accommodation + breakfast + luggage transfer	614	820
Accommodation + breakfast + dinner	671	873
Accommodation + breakfast + dinner + luggage transfer	747	949
* The prices quoted above include:		
Travel insurance		
Information packet		