

Walking the Camino de Santiago

May 15 - June 1, 2025

Join the Rev. Jan Head & the Rev. Canon Greg Foraker for a pilgrimage over the Pyrenees along the French Way. The Camino Francés de Santiago begins in St. Jean de Port, France and continues some 500 miles to Santiago. This same path has been taken for over 1300 years by the faithful making their holy pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. This path was also used by Roman, Moor, and Saracen invaders, the Knights Templar, and the armies of Charlemagne and Napoleon. This journey is not only steeped in spiritual significance as you travel to the place believed to be the burial site of St. James, but it also has much historical and cultural significance.



Pilgrims from across the Episcopal Church in Colorado have made Camino pilgrimages for years and this year we have created a "Best of the French Way" to offer a pilgrimage including more memorable experiences, more walking and more inspiration!

\$5290 land only, \$6690 with airfare from Denver.

Package includes:

- All overnight accommodations (dbl occupancy)
- All ground transportation
- Twelve-day walking pilgrimage
- Pilgrim passports/credentials
- Spiritual guidance, regular worship, and faith-deepening experiences along the way
- Time of preparation leading up to pilgrimage

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El Camino “Way of Saint James”

Pilgrimage Highlights Pyrenees along the French Way

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DAY 1, Thursday, May 15, 2025 – We depart **Denver Airport** for our flight into **Bilbao, Spain** **M**

DAY 2, Friday. – Upon arrival in **Bilbao**, we meet our driver and guide, and our journey continues to **Lourdes, France**, making a comfort stop in the beautiful French coastal town of St Jean de Luz. After checking into our hotel in Lourdes we will enjoy a walk following the **Stations of the Cross**. Dinner and overnight **Lourdes**. **D**

DAY 3, Saturday. – Today, we explore **Lourdes**, the town that has played host to millions of pilgrims from all over the world, a very different Pilgrimage from what awaits us. The morning is free for those who wish to visit the **Baths of Lourdes** to be submerged into the water of miracles. This afternoon we **walk in the footsteps of Bernadette**, visit the Basilica, and the **grotto** where St. Bernadette saw the first of 18 visions on February 11, 1858. Together, as a sign of unity and sharing, this evening we attend the **Torchlight Procession**. Overnight **Lourdes**. **B**

DAY 4, Sunday. – After an early breakfast and check out, we drive to **St. Jean Pied de Port**, the starting point for many Pilgrims. St. Jean Pied de Port is an important and emotional place where paths join as one in this small Midi Pyrenees town. It is here that pilgrims from around the world become one with one single destination, **Santiago de Compostela**. Already, we begin to realize that for each pilgrim, this journey will be as unique as a fingerprint. We will experience the excitement and anxious anticipation of signing in and collecting our Pilgrim Passports. There will be free time for lunch then an afternoon walk through the town and a visit to the church. Early evening prayers and blessing for our journey will conclude our day. Dinner and overnight **St. Jean Pied de Port**. **B**

DAY 5, Monday. – Here we go..... a journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. We have an early start, before sunrise. Today's walk takes us on the **Napoleon Route** over the **Pyrenees**, or the slightly less strenuous **Valcarlos Valley Route** (the choice is yours) to **Roncesvalles** (25 km). There will also be the option to reduce the number of kms walked. In Roncesvalles we will attend the **Pilgrims' Mass** at the **Collegiata**, a sacred rite for pilgrims which has been celebrated for almost 1000 years and is one of the most important services on the **Camino**. Dinner and overnight **Roncesvalles**. **BD**

DAY 6, Tuesday. – Today, we walk through the beautiful countryside of Navarra. Starting from **Roncesvalles** to **Espinal** (8 km), we pass through Burgete, historic for its connection with Ernest Hemingway. In Espinal we regroup and continue on the bus to **Zubiri**. We will walk from **Zubiri to Zabaldika (11km)** where our bus will be waiting to take us on to Pamplona. Dinner and overnight **Pamplona**. **B**

DAY 7, Wednesday. – This is a day that begins before the sun rises and ends way after the sunsets, a day where we need to be flexible, focused, think of others, and maybe sacrifice rest time. We walk from **Cizur Menor** on the outskirts of **Pamplona** to **Uterga** (14 km) crossing the **Alto de Perdon**, where the path of the wind crosses that of the stars. We will have an uphill walk followed by a steep downhill to our waiting bus which will take us on to our overnight destination. Time permitting, we visit **Eunate Church** before continuing to **Estella** for a brief stop at the **wine fountain**. We then continue through the vineyards of La Rioja and then on to **Santo Domingo de Silos** for **Vespers**. Overnight in **Santo Domingo de Silos**. **BD**

DAY 8, Thursday. – After breakfast, our journey continues as we travel by bus to **Hontanas**, the starting point for today's walk to **Castrojeriz** (10 km). Once we have regrouped the coach takes us to **Boadilla** where we walk along the **Canal of Castilla** (6 km) to **Fromista**. The bus then takes us to **Leon**, where we visit the **Basilica of San Isidoro** and the **Cathedral of Leon**. Dinner and overnight **Leon**. **B**

DAY 9, Friday. – We board the bus and travel to **Astorga** for a short stop before continuing to **Foncebaddon** where we begin today's walk to **Cruz de Ferro**, the highest point on the Camino in Spain (3.5 km). Back on the bus we journey to **Pieros** and begin our walk to **Villafranca del Bierzo** (6 km). Depending on the weather and the time it has taken us for our morning walks, it may be possible for us to include a further 8km walk, from Las Herrerias to O Cebreiro. In O Cebreiro we visit the church, renew our baptismal vows, and have an early dinner before boarding the bus and continuing to **Sarria** for overnight. **BD**

DAY 10, Saturday. – Our main Pilgrimage begins this morning. We depart before sunrise hiking through the beautiful rolling hills of **Galicia** from **Sarria** to **Portomarin** (23 km) This is one of the most picturesque days of our journey where time is your own to find your pace and breathe. This is the day we come within 100 km of Santiago. Dinner, reflection time, and overnight **Portomarin**. **BD**

DAY 11, Sunday. – Leaving the River Miño behind us, we climb the hill out of Portomarin. Our walk takes us through fields and farms towards Gonzar, Hospital da Cruz and Ligonde, and finally to Palas de Rei (25 km). Today's walk also takes us through the ancient settlement of Castromayor. Dinner, reflection time, and overnight Palas de Rei. **B**

DAY 12, Monday – Our longest day of walking is today as we walk from **Palas de Rei** to **Arzua** (30 km). As with the other days there is the possibility to reduce the distance walked. Today's walk takes us through forests and along streams. **Melide** is today's halfway point, a bustling town famous for its octopus dish. Dinner, reflection time, and overnight **Arzua**. **B**

DAY 13, Tuesday – After the storm comes the calm. Appreciating a much shorter day, we walk from **Arzua** to **Perdouro** (23 km). Believe us when we say that you will have forgotten yesterday's hardship and wish that this day was longer. It is a perfect day to reflect on the past days, to slow down, and savor the walk. Dinner, reflection time, and overnight **Pedrouzo**. **BD**

DAY 14, Wednesday – Today is our final day of walking and we say goodbye to the countryside and begin passing the busier villages as we get closer to **Santiago** (20 km). **Monte do Gozo** (Mount of Joy) is the point where we all regroup to walk the last 4 km of this journey together into the city of **Santiago de Compostela**. Tapas dinner and overnight **Santiago de Compostela**. **BD**

DAY 15, Thursday – Together we visit the **tomb of St James** and attend the morning Pilgrim Mass, and our offering of the Botafumeiro (availability pending.) Next stop is the Pilgrim office to collect our Compostela certificates. We'll have a short time for coffee before visiting the Portico de la Gloria and Cathedral Roof top. After our tours you will be free to explore Santiago until dinner time. This evening, we will gather for a most memorable dinner at the Parador Hotel. Overnight **Santiago de Compostela**. **BD**

DAY 16, Friday – Your morning in Santiago will be free for exploring and shopping before we make an afternoon excursion to Finisterre (Land's End). We will celebrate Holy Eucharist on the Langosteria beach before heading to the lighthouse for a celebratory beverage as our pilgrimage draws to a close. **Overnight Santiago de Compostela**. **B**

DAY 17, Saturday – After a free morning in Santiago, we will transfer by bus to Porto with time for reflection. Overnight in Porto **B**

DAY 18, Sunday, June 1, 2025, Fly out of Porto Airport – Denver Airport. **BM**
End of tour group transfer to Porto airport for our flight home.

B - Breakfast L - Lunch D - Dinner M - Meal on board aircraft

* Itinerary is subject to change due to the leader's, guide and or local office discretion or conditions *

This pilgrimage involves physical activity, including the ability to walk many miles at a time, to climb hills and mountains and to be “on one's feet” for hours at a time. The terrain is varied, ranging from simple footpaths to paved highways. Some of the footpaths are gravel, rocky, dusty, muddy and rutted by farmer's tractors. Pilgrims will need sturdy hiking boots and collapsible poles. Each evening we will have a briefing of the following day's walk options.

Note: While we do our very best at making sure all items listed in your itinerary are included, there are times when conditions beyond our control affect your program/itinerary, including but not limited to air carrier changes, delays, weather, political climate, time constraints, or changes by your tour leader and tour guide.

DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS: A deposit of \$500.00 per person is required to make a reservation. An additional payment of \$750.00 per person is due by November 15, 2024. The final payment is due no less than 90 days prior to the departure date of the tour (February 15, 2025). Payment can be made by personal check or money order. Credit card payments will be accepted but will incur a 4% surcharge at the time of booking. Reservations received after February 15, 2025, may incur additional charges due to supplier contract terms.

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ACCEPTANCE: Registration for trip and payment of deposit constitutes your acceptance of the Fine Print.

<div><div>Trip Date:</div><div>May 15 - June 01, 2025</div></div>		<div>Package Price: \$5290 (Land Only)</div> <div>Package Price: \$6690 Airfare from Denver, CO (DEN)</div> <div>Single supplement: \$1190 (Private Room)</div>	
<div><div>Package price includes the following:</div><div><div><div>• Round Trip Airline Ticket</div><div>• Meet & Assist at Airport upon arrivals and departures</div><div>• Sixteen nights’ accommodation in double occupancy with breakfast</div><div>• Nine dinners</div><div>• Twelve days walking pilgrimage</div><div>• All entrance fees to places of interests</div><div>• Escort guide services for the entire duration of the Pilgrimage.</div><div>• Pre Pilgrimage-Retreat at Cathedral Ridge in Colorado</div><div>• Transportation and Luggage transfers on the Camino</div><div>• Pilgrim passports/credentials</div></div></div></div>		<div><div>Package price does not include the following:</div><div><div><div>• Soft Drinks</div><div>• Lunches</div><div>• All Personal Expenses</div><div>• Travel Insurance (not included but required for travel)</div><div>• Personal Health and Safety Supplies required at time of travel</div><div>• Tips for Guide, Driver, and Hotels</div><div>• All prices reflect a 4% cash discount and is forfeited when using a credit card</div></div><div>I agree to the conditions as stated above</div><div>Signature: _____Date: _____</div></div></div>	

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Package Preference

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Airline Ticket from _____ ☐

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**Tour Leaders: The Rev. Jan Head &
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Pilgrimage to Santiago De Compostela
(May 15 - June 01, 2025)

Group Reference Number: **SD051525**

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please complete one application per person)

Full Name (as printed on your passport):

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Name (as you wish it to appear on your name badge):

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Male ☐ **Female** ☐ **Non-binary** ☐

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Single Bed ☐ Two Beds ☐

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Please list the name, relationship, and phone number for a family member/close friend who is NOT traveling with you:

I agree to the terms and conditions as stated in this tour contract:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please enclose a copy of current passport and a deposit of **\$500.00 per person** made payable to

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