

Camino de Santiago & Fatima The French Way – Last 100km 2025 Sarria – Santiago & Fatima Spiritual Director Fr Tony Horgan 22nd September 2025 - 9 Nights

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MSC Missions

The French Way & Fatima / 9 Nights 22nd September – 1st October 2025

€1,325 per person sharing

Your Camino package includes:

Transport & Accommodation

- Return flights Dublin to Santiago de Compostela/Lisbon to Dublin
- 10kg Baggage allowance to be checked in
- Transfer on arrive from Santiago airport to your hotel
- 4 Nights in the Hotel Mercure Lugo breakfast & dinner on first day
- 3 Nights in the Hotel Gelmirez Santiago breakfast & dinner on last day
- Services of Marian Pilgrimages Tours representative throughout
- Transfer from hotel to walking start point & back each day
- Bag transfers between accommodations
- Official Cathedral de Santiago Passport (Credencial del Peregrino)
- Transfer from Santiago to Fatima
- 2 nights in Hotel Regina Fatima with breakfast & Evening meal
- Guide with group in Fatima
- Transfer from Fatima to Lisbon
- All airport & local City taxes

Not Included

- Single Room Supplement €460
- Travel Insurance
- Extra checked in baggage (as per airline costs)



Day 1 - Monday 22nd September / Depart Dublin

Check-in at Dublin airport for your flight to Santiago de Compostela. On arrival, you will be met by your guide and transferred to your hotel in the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Lugo where you will stay in the 4 star Hotel Mercure Lugo Centro for 3 nights with breakfast & dinner.

Day 2 – Tuesday 23rd September/Sarria to Portomarin – Walk 23km approx. 6hrs

After breakfast depart your hotel with your walk guide for a transfer to Sarria to begin your walk which will pass the monastery of La Magdalenain on the edge of the old town of Sarria. Here the group will have the option to celebrate Mass before beginning the final 100km of the Camino. On passing the cemetery you cross the "Ponte Aspera" bridge towards a pleasant & peaceful walk through many picturesque villages along the quiet country roads shaded by vast oak trees. On the latter stage of the route, you can see the ruins of the old monastery of Santa María de Loyo, the original building of the Order of St James. Enter Portomarín over the river Mino via the modern bridge where you might get a glimpse of the old site of the village. On crossing you can ascend the Escalinata de Nuestra Senora de las Nieves, the little chapel at the top of the stairs, before taking some time to relax & refresh in the town square before being picked up by your coach & returned to the hotel. Selection of shorter walks – Sarria to Peruscallo 8km / Mercadoiro to Portomarin 5km

Day 3 – Wednesday 24th September/Portomarin to Palas de Rei – Walk 24km approx. 6hrs 30mins

Enjoy your breakfast at the hotel & take the coach back to Portomarin. Leave Portomarin across the Belesar & around Monte San Antonio towards Ventas de Naron passing through the villages of Gonzar & Castromaior where a small Romanesque Church dedicated to the Virgin is located. On crossing the Sierra de Ligonde on the Dorsal Galega (the Galicain Ridge) you enter the farming region of Ulloa where you begin to descend through oak trees & meadows. On your decent the first eucalyptus trees come into view & after Brea you ascend the Alto de Rosario, a traditional point for pilgrims to stop for prayer, where you can see Monte Pico Sacro the mountain that overlooks Santiago de Compostela on a clear day. Continue into Palas de Rei your finishing point & take time to relax & explore before being collected by your coach & returned to the hotel. Selection of shorter walks – Portomarin to Gonzar 7.7km

//Gonzar to Hospital de la Cruz 2km/ A Brea to Palas de Rei 5km



Day 4 - Thursday 25th September/Palas de Rei to Arzua – Walk 29km approx. 7hrs 30mins

After breakfast we leave Palas de Rei via coach. Leaving Palas de Rei you descend towards San Xulián crossing over the river Ruxian. Continuing onward through the village of Casanova & many Galician hamlets. Before crossing the Río Seco over the Magdelena Bridge to Disecabo & the medieval Puente Velha which spans the Río Furelos you will reach the main town of Melide. Continue the day through forest tracks, meadows & cornfields till you reach the main town of Melide. Continue the day through forest tracks, meadows & cornfields till you reach the villages of Boente & Rivadiso, take some free time before being transferred back to the hotel. Selection of shorter walks – Palas de Rei to O Cota 7km/Melide to Boente 5km or/and Boente to Ribadiso da Boente 8km

Day 5 – Friday 26th September/ Arzua to O Pedrouzo – Walk 22km approx. 5hrs 30mins

After breakfast we leave the hotel & return to Arzua & continue our route to O Pedrouzo where you walk a shaded section of the Camino through more villages & hamlets such Cortobe, Ferreiros & Santa Irene. You make your way across numerous streams, through woods & along quiet country roads before reaching O Pedrouzo. Here you will be met by your coach & transferred to Santiago where we will check in to the hotel Gelmirez for 3 nights. Selection of shorter walks – Ribadiso da Baixo to Salceda 11km/Santa Irene to O Pedrouzo 4km

Day 6 – Saturday 27th September/O Pedrouzo to Santiago de Compostela – Walk 20km approx. 5hrs

After breakfast you pack up & take the coach back to O Pedrouzo & walk via Amenal & Santiago airport to Lavacolla. Here you can follow tradition, by washing in the river to prepare ourselves for our arrival in the Holy City. Continue to Monte do Gozo, the mount of joy, here we will get our first glimpse of the Cathedral like so many pilgrims before. Here we take time to enjoy lunch before continuing to our goal, Santiago de Compostela. Complete your walk at the Obradoiro Square, here you can enjoy your achievement & witness the newly restored Cathedral & visit the tomb of St James. Selection of shorter walks – O Pedrouzo to Lavacolla 10km/San Marcos to the Cathedral in Santiago 6km

Day 7 - Sunday 28th September/ Santiago de Compostela

After breakfast we can leave for the Pilgrims Mass at noon in the Cathedral. Visit the tomb of St James again, absorb the wonderful architecture of the Cathedral, explore the many narrow cobbled streets & enjoy the Galician cuisine. Return the short distance to the hotel for a group dinner.



Day 8 - Monday 29th September / Farewell Camino

After breakfast in the hotel the group will say goodbye to Santiago & begin the journey south to the Marian Shrine of Fatima in Portugal where they stay for 2 nights in the Hotel Regina with breakfast & dinner. On route the group will stop to visit the Sanctuary of Alexandrina da Balasar before continuing to Fatima.

Day 9 - Tuesday 30th September / Fatima

After breakfast in the hotel the coach will pick the group up for a morning trip to Valinhos & Aljustrel. They will start by walking the Hungarian Way of the Cross, stopping at Valinhos where Our Lady appeared on the 19th August in 1917. After praying at this special place, we will walk to the Cabeco where the angel appeared to them the first and third of the three occasions that he appeared in 1916. They then proceed to Aljustrel, the village where the three little shepherds were born. They visit their homes & the well at the bottom of Lucia's garden where the angel appeared the second time. Our last stop before we return to the hotel will be Fatima Parish Church. Lunch in the Hotel restaurant. In the afternoon the Pilgrims can attend Mass at 3.30pm in the Capelinha (apparition site) after which there will be an introductory tour of the sanctuary. See the Capelinha, the Rosary Basilica & tombs of the Seers, Statue of the Sacred Heart & water fountain, candle area, Berlin Wall, Chapel of Adoration, Reconciliation Chapel & Basilic of the Holy Trinity before returning to our hotel for dinner. Pilgrims can then attend the evening Rosary & Candlelight procession in the Sanctuary at 9.30pm.

Day 10 - Wednesday 1st October/Return Home

After breakfast the group will take their transfer to Lisbon airport for the return flight to Dublin.