



Walking Pilgrimage: The Camino Finisterre

Catholic Charities of California invites you to join a seven-day walking pilgrimage to Finisterre, known in medieval times as the “end of the world”:

2018

- June 12-18

Pilgrims start at the Cathedral in Santiago, walk through the countryside and medieval villages to the Atlantic Ocean. Pilgrims will continue on the coastal Camino to the final destination, Muxía.

For more information, or to sign up for this pilgrimage, contact Melissa at (916) 706-1539 or pilgrim@CatholicCharitiesCA.org.

The Finisterre Way

The Finisterre Way is the only route starting in Santiago. Finisterre and Muxía are both considered the final destinations for many pilgrims on the Way of Saint James. Pilgrims journey through rural countryside to the Atlantic Ocean, and then travel North along the rocky and dramatic Northwestern coast of Spain from Cape Finisterre to Muxía. The name Finisterre means “Land’s End” and the Cape area is renowned for possessing a wild and unusual beauty.

Trip Highlights

- ✓ Walk along the Finisterre Way to the Atlantic Ocean.
- ✓ View several historical churches and religious sites in rural Galicia.
- ✓ Meet other pilgrims from all over the world.
- ✓ Receive a Pilgrim’s Passport to be stamped along the way, with an opportunity to receive an official ‘Fisterrá’ and ‘Muxiana’ – official documents for those completing the pilgrimage.
- ✓ Enjoy quality accommodations; rooms with private baths where possible.

Cost

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- \$1,800 Double Occupancy
- \$2,000 Single Occupancy
- Deposit is \$300

What's Included

- ✓ Catholic Charities of California Hosted Dinners in Santiago and Muxía
- ✓ 7 nights of lodging
- ✓ Luggage Transfers
- ✓ Some meals
- ✓ Maps and detailed Itinerary
- ✓ A contribution to the work of Catholic Charities of California

Additional Information

Meals: Breakfast is included at some hotels and this will be indicated in the guide booklet. Dinner is hosted by CCC on the first and last evening of the pilgrimage.

Weather: May and September are good months to walk the Camino. In May, temperatures average between 45F and 62F. In September, temperatures average 69F to 75F.

Transportation: The cost does not include flights. Upon request, CCC will assist pilgrims with recommended transport to and from Spain. Pilgrims can fly directly to Santiago. At the end of the pilgrimage, CCC recommends taking a bus from Muxía to Santiago.

Suggested Items to Pack:

- ✓ Good walking shoes
- ✓ Day pack
- ✓ Rain poncho
- ✓ Sun hat and sunscreen
- ✓ Band-Aids, medications
- ✓ Walking sticks
- ✓ Layers of clothing
- ✓ A rock or pebble to leave on the path

Travel Insurance: Upon request, CCC can provide information about securing travel-related insurances.

Pilgrim Passports: Each pilgrim will be provided a "Pilgrim Passport." At the end of the walk pilgrims can return to Santiago to obtain a Compostela Certificate.

Itinerary

Note: Miles are approximate from city to city.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1	Arrive Santiago de Compostela	0.0	In Santiago, tour and attend mass at the beautiful Cathedral and explore the historical sites of the city. Settle in and stay overnight. Dinner Hosted by Catholic Charities of California.
2	Walk to Negreira	13.6 miles	Walk through a pine and eucalyptus forest up to Trasmonte and downhill into the medieval town of Negreira. Cross ancient Roman bridges and pass small villages along the way.
3	Walk to Abeleiroas	18.1 miles	Continue along a mountain way and cross the Barcala river. Enjoy green pastures and hills.
4	Walk to Cee	15.1 miles	Walk to Olveiroa and continue by following the river to Logoso, past the Nosa Señora Chapel. Continue downhill to where pilgrims first glimpse the sea.
5	Walk to Cape Fisterra	11 miles	Enjoy a beautiful walk with great views of the Atlantic coast. Travel through forest to the beautiful beach Playa Langosteira. Make a short climb to the lighthouse at the "end of the world."
6	Walk to Lires	8 miles	Admire stunning ocean views along this section of the Camino. Lires has many beautiful sandy beaches, perfect for swimming.
7	Walk to Muxía	9.3 miles	Pass through small villages and Monte do Facho. Take a swim, if you like, at Praia de Lourido. In the quaint fishing village of Muxía, visit the sanctuary of Nosa Señora de Barca and its holy stones. Dinner Hosted by Catholic Charities of California.
8	Muxía	0.0	Depart for home or enjoy an optional night in Muxía or Santiago (additional cost). Collect a Compostela Certificate from the pilgrim's office upon returning to Santiago.