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About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Sea Route on St James Way - Spain, Europe

Tour Code: IT-SPGA01-SR
6 days / 5 nights ~\$3,300.00
Dates: March to October

Trip Rating : ●●●●●
Difficulty : ●●●●●
Lodging : ●●●

Tack: English, Western can be arranged
Horses: Andalusian, Spanish and Arab/Spanish m...
Pace: Moderate with some difficult terrain a...
Walk,Trot,Canter,

Airport: Santiago de Compostela



Introduction

Galicia, Spain

For a great many reasons, the Route of Santiago de Compostela is a special case within the context of Spanish heritage. It is an historic road which is partially comprised of ancient routes used in previous periods (mostly pre-Roman and Roman) and which has remained in use for over 1200 years, naturally with periods of splendor and decadence. Today it is once again a cultural and religious landmark exercising influence over a large proportion of the north of Spain, linking it to the rest of the European continent. The Camino de Santiago (translated: the Way of St. James or Jakob Trail) is a large network of ancient pilgrim routes stretching across Europe and coming together at the tomb of St. James (Santiago in Spanish) in Santiago de Compostela in north-west Spain.

We have been offering trips on these routes for a few years now as walking and cycling trips, but finally have we now also have the opportunity to take you on some of these ancient routes on horseback. The Way of St. James has existed for over a thousand years. It was one of the most important Christian pilgrimages during medieval times, together with Rome and Jerusalem, and a pilgrimage route on which a plenary indulgence could be earned. Legend holds that St. James's remains were carried by boat from Jerusalem to northern Spain where he was buried on the site of what is now the city of Santiago de Compostela. One of the major merits of the "Jacobean" route down through the ages was having served as a place of meeting and dialogue between Europeans, leading some to even refer to this route as a veritable European "thoroughfare".

Accommodation

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This is a progressive ride so nights are spent in different locations.

Description

Accommodations will be in small hotels, guesthouses and rural inns along the way - most will have private bathroom facilities.

Free Wi-Fi internet and laundry facilities are available in almost all accommodations on the trail.

Sea Route Accommodations Itinerary - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1: Hotel in Vigo
Night 2: Hotel in Pontevedra
Night 3: Hotel in Cambados
Night 4: Hotel in Vilagarcía
Night 5: Hotel in Padron
Nights 6 & 7: Hotel in Santiago de Compostela

Hotel in A Guarda

This rural accommodation offers simply decorated bedrooms featuring free Wi-Fi access, air conditioning, a safe and a TV. The property has a garden with farm animals and an outdoor pool. From the garden, you have amazing views of the surroundings.

Laundry services are available for an additional charge.

Hotel in Baiona

This 300 year-old country house has been recently restored and offers rustic bedrooms, each with a unique décor. All air-conditioned rooms feature garden views, a TV and private bathroom. Public areas include a garden with an outdoor pool and a dining room and library. Free Wi-Fi is available at the property.

Hotel in Vigo

This small hotel offers simple accommodations with ensuite facilities, a TV, free Wi-Fi and air conditioning.

Hotel (option 1) in Pontevedra

This hotel is located in the heart of Pontevedra's city center and offers 85 simple and comfortable bedrooms. Each room comes with temperature control, satellite TV, free Wi-Fi access and private bathrooms. Laundry services are available at this hotel at an extra cost.

Hotel (option 2) in Pontevedra

This small hotel is located in the historic quarter of Pontevedra. The 22 bedrooms are simply furnished and all feature a TV, free Wi-Fi access, air conditioning and private bathroom.

Hotel in Cambados

This charming stone house dates back to the 15th century and is surrounded by a garden and vineyards. The building was restored but the original Galician architecture was kept. All of the 11 guestrooms are tastefully furnished and come with air conditioning, private bathroom and a TV. Guests are welcome to explore the gardens or relax in the lounge, where there is free Wi-Fi access.

Hotel in Vilagarcía

This hotel offers great views of the ocean thanks to its idyllic location, just on the seaside. The rooms are modern and feature air conditioning, free Wi-Fi, internet access, a TV and ensuite facilities. You can go for a swim in the outdoor swimming pool or soak the sun on the patio.

Laundry services are available for a small fee.

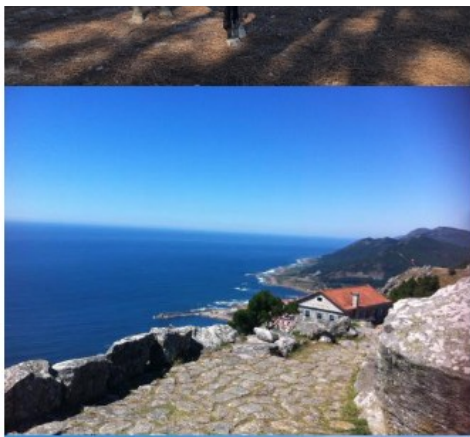
Guesthouse (option 1) in Padron

This charming was built during the 18th century and has been welcoming guest for over 30 years. The interior features exposed stones and wood and the décor includes many antiques. Each room has its own bathroom as well as a TV and internet access.

Hotel (option 2) in Padron

This beautiful historic property dates back to the 16th century and used to be the place where the archbishops of Santiago came to relax. The complex is set on a huge parcel of land including gardens and woods. The interior is tastefully decorated and mixes perfectly history with comfort. The air-conditioned rooms all come with a TV, private





tastefully decorated and mixes perfectly history with comfort. The air-conditioned rooms all come with a TV, private bathroom and free Wi-Fi. Guests are welcome to explore the many public areas including lounges, gardens and the outdoor swimming pool.

We use one of the following hotels in Santiago de Compostella:

- Option 1: This beautiful hotel is ideally located on a hillside, offering great views over the city. It has a big garden with an outdoor swimming pool and even a small chapel. The rooms are elegantly decorated and all feature air conditioning/heating, a safe, a TV, free Wi-Fi access and an ensuite bathroom.
- Option 2: This modern hotel is offering comfortable and well-designed accommodations, all with air-conditioning, private facilities, a safe box, cable TV, and free WiFi. In addition, the hotel has a small garden with an outdoor swimming pool and a small gym.

Room Occupancy

If we are unable to find another rider to share the room with you, the single supplement fee applies.



Meals

All meals are included with this trip and you will have the opportunity to try traditional Galician dishes in local restaurants.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to all dietary restrictions with prior notice.

Riding

Horses

We mostly use pure Spanish horses as well as Arabian crosses. All horses have been trained to be quiet and easy-going.

Pace

We typically cover 25-35km in a day (approximately 6-7 hours in the saddle). The hours are broken up by one break in the morning and another for lunch, however we can stop again if necessary. The ride is set at a slow pace, giving you the opportunity to experience the pilgrimage as it first took place in the Middle Ages. There are some opportunities for trotting and cantering.

Itinerary

During the rides, breakfast is usually served around 8 am so that you can start riding at about 9 am. Along the way, you stop for a small break at 11 am. You then stop for lunch and siesta at about 2pm and start riding again around 4 pm, arriving at the accommodation for 6-6:30 pm. Dinner is generally served at 8:30 pm.

Sample Itinerary: Sea Route - subject to changes

--This is only a guideline. the actual itinerary may vary depending on the time of year--

This itinerary follows the waterway by the ria de Arousa and the Ulla's river, commemorating the arrival by sea in Galicia of the Apostol's corpse of Santiago el Mayor, following his martyrdom in Jerusalem (44 AD).

Day 1: Arrival in Vigo

Pick up from Santiago and transfer to Vigo, where you will enjoy a nice welcome dinner.

Day 2: Soutomaioir to Pontevedra

You are transferred to Soutomaioir, where the riding itinerary is set to start.

Day 3: Pontevedra to Cambados

When leaving Pontevedra, we observe the coasts of Sanxenxo and Ons island, protected since it has been declared a natural area. We observe the O Grove peninsula and A Toxa island, some of the most famous resorts of the ria. The route then crosses rich viticultural lands before reaching Cambados. The city has been formed by the historic nucleus of Cambados, Fefiñans and Santo Tomé do Mar. It offers an important quantity of historic and artistic monuments, like the Cortegada.

Day 4: Cambados to Vilagarcía

When leaving Cambados, at the entrance of Ria de Arousa, we can see the coastline of Salvora island. We continue our way in the North direction, passing by A Illa de Arousa. This last island, standing in the middle of Arousa's sea, is the biggest ria's island, showing a jagged, rocky coastline with numerous beaches.

Day 5: Vilagarcía to Padron

The itinerary takes us along the course of Ulla's river, in the direction of Pontecesures and the old river port of Iria Flavia in Padron. Soon, on the two river banks appear, the lands of Valga and Dodro. Valga has got an appreciable complex of romanesque churchs (XII century), like Xanza's church (reformed during the XVII- XVIII centuries), or Campaña and Cordeiro. Near the Os Martores's chapel (possible popular derivation of " martyrs ")

exists a necropolis, where we suppose that the sepultures of Prisciliano and his disciples, whose corpses were transported to the Galice since Tréveris (Germany), could lie.
From Pontecesures, we continue until we reach Padron.

Day 6: Padron to Santiago de Compostella

We take the direction of the Nosa Señora da Escravitude 's baroque sanctuary, where we will meet a lot of Tea's ethnographic nucleus, in the middle of the woods, until the Castro Lupario. We eventually arrive at the famous gothic crossroads of Cala (XV century), one of the oldest of Galicia, near the Compostela's doors, final point of all the occidental pilgrimage routes. The urban itinerary of this Route in Santiago coincides with the Portuguese Route.

Day 7: Santiago de Compostella

After the cathedral visit, we will transport you to the Airport or train station (departure around noon).

Note: The 10-day itinerary starts from A Guarda, the 9-day ride starts from Baiona, the 7-day trip starts from Vigo and the 6-day route starts from Pontevedra.

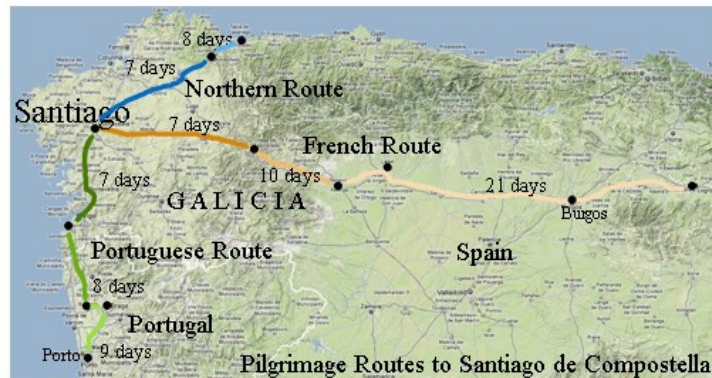
Other options to ride the St James Way include:

[French Route](#)

[Portuguese Route](#)

[Northern Route](#)

[Finisterre Route](#)



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Other Info

Meeting: Santiago de Compostela

Airport: Santiago de Compostela

Transfer: Santiago de Compostela Airport (SCQ) or Railway station.

Transfer is included from Santiago airport or train station for 4:00 pm on Day 1

Drop off at Santiago airport or train station after breakfast on the last day of your tour.

Tack: English, Western can be arranged

Horses: Andalusian, Spanish and Arab/Spanish mix

Pace: Moderate with some difficult terrain along the way. Some trots and canters. Approx. 6 to 7 riding hours per day.

Walk | Trot | Canter |

Level: 🐾🐾🐾🐾 (3 to 4 out of 5) Intermediate

Weight: 245 lbs

Riders: Min 4 riders

Max 20 riders

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-SPGA01-SR

Rates include: Accommodations, All meals, Riding days as described in itinerary & Transfers at set times
Saddlebags provided
Longer trip extensions are available on request (longest route is 22 days).

Packages and Options

Season	Description	EUR	~US\$
A 2026	6-day Sea Route from Pontevedra	€2750	\$3300
B 2026	7-day Sea Route from Vigo	€3250	\$3900
C 2026	10-day Sea Route from Vila nova de Cerveira	€0	\$0

The US Dollar Rate is based on a EUR Exchange Rate of 1.2 and subject to currency fluctuation

Rates Note: It might be possible to arrange trips from 4 riders

Transfer Option

Description

2026	Single supplement, pp, per night	€55	\$60
2026	Pick-up transfer included from Santiago on Day 1		
2026	Drop off transfer included on last day at set times (around noon)		

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2026	03/30/2026 - 04/04/2026	6d / 5n	6-day Sea Route from Pontevedra
C 2026	04/30/2026 - 05/09/2026	10d / 9n	10-day Sea Route from Vila nova de Cerveira
A 2026	05/04/2026 - 05/09/2026	6d / 5n	6-day Sea Route from Pontevedra
A 2026	05/25/2026 - 05/30/2026	6d / 5n	6-day Sea Route from Pontevedra
A 2026	06/22/2026 - 06/27/2026	6d / 5n	6-day Sea Route from Pontevedra
A 2026	09/15/2026 - 09/20/2026	6d / 5n	6-day Sea Route from Pontevedra
B 2026	09/20/2026 - 09/26/2026	7d / 6n	7-day Sea Route from Vigo

Min/Max: 4/20

* Please inquire about other tour dates

Rates do not include: Alcoholic drinks, Entrance fees & Gratuities

Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets												
						Special diets	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Strong Intern.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking			
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Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent Moderate Poor How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No Yes last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Phone (wk) _____ (hm) _____ Cell _____ Fax _____

Date _____ Signature (mandatory) 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA or Mastercard (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp. Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up initial _____

No, we will provide our own initial _____

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