



Follow the path of a king

GETAWAY: DISCOVER THE ORIGINAL CAMINO ROUTE AND AN ANCIENT ROMAN WORLD

THE Camino Frances, or French Way, may be the most popular camino route however, it is not the original path to Santiago de Compostela. In fact, there is an even older Camino de Santiago trail.

Known as the Camino Primitivo, or the Original Way, the route is the first and oldest camino and was followed by Alfonso II, King of Asturias, in the ninth century.

Following Alfonso's lead, many pilgrims also wanted to experience this pilgrimage. However, in the 10th century, the Camino Frances began to rise in popularity and over the years took over as the safest and busiest camino route for medieval pilgrims.

Today, the 290km long Original Way is considered to be one of the most challenging Camino routes, but it is also extremely rewarding thanks to the breathtaking mountain scenery and incredible historical sites along the way.

Discover

Walk the last 100km of the Camino Primitivo and discover the original camino route.

Start your six-night walk in the beautiful city of Lugo, a UNESCO world heritage site. While here, you will get to visit the finest and best preserved Roman wall in the world, stroll its gorgeous old town and taste some of Galicia's best food.

If you are visiting Lugo between the June 13-15, you will be able to experience what life was like during the third century as the city transforms itself into the former

Roman city of Lucus Augusti. During the festival, known as Arde Lucus, emperors, gladiators and all kinds of Roman activities take over the city's old town resulting in some excellent and colourful fun.

From Lugo, the Original Way route then passes through lush green farmlands and tranquil forests before joining the final stretch of the French way in the lively town of Melide.

While in Melide, you should take the opportunity to taste one of the classic local delicacies, octopus - as well as socialising with the pilgrims who are following the French way.

When and Price

Prices start at €599pps for six nights. Available all year round.

Special: Book two months in advance to receive 5% early booking discount.

Accommodation:

Includes: Accommodation on half board basis, luggage transfer from hotel to hotel, holiday pack with practical information and pilgrim passport.

Does not include: flights, insurance.

● Start planning your Camino trip today by logging onto www.caminoways.com or calling 353 (0)1 525 28 86.



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