



Fostering the enduring tradition of the Camino

Camino *inglés*

General Description: The short direct route used by English or northern European pilgrims arriving in Galicia by sea. 110 km from Ferrol to Santiago or 75 km from A Coruña (too short to earn a compostela). The former route is typically walked in five days, the latter in three.

Waymarking: The Confraternity of Saint James website says "The route is very well waymarked with a mixture of yellow arrows, shell tiles and marker stones."

Terrain: The countryside is reminiscent to that of Brittany and Cornwall. There is a high percentage of road walking, especially near towns.

When to go: The Camino *inglés* is passable year round. November through the end of February is likely to present with inclement weather. Climate tables for [Santiago de Compostela](#) and [A Coruña](#).

Accommodation: There are only a few pilgrim-dedicated albergues on this route but there are cheap and medium priced hotels in several places.

Guidebooks: Dave Whitson and Laura Perazzoli: *The Northern Caminos: Norte, Primitivo and Inglés*. [Confraternity of Saint James](#) updates their *ingles* guide regularly.

Internet links: The Confraternity of Saint James has an overview of the [Camino inglés](#) both from A Coruña and from Ferrol. The [Asociación Galega de Amigos do Camiño de Santiago](#) has a section on the Camino *inglés*. Click on the link "Caminos" then "Camino Inglés". The [Xunta de Galicia](#) has a section with extensive information on that portion of the [Camino inglés](#) including history, tourism, albergues, other services and Santiago itself.

Video links: From the Camino video series produced by the Spanish television channel TVE:

[Camino inglés](#), 0:27:35, Spanish, 2010

Other remarks: In December 1779, the leaking ship carrying John Adams and his companions to Paris was forced to put in at Ferrol from where they eventually made their way by land. Adams wrote about the Camino in his journal and he remarked there that he "...always regretted that We could not find time to make a Pilgrimage to Saint Iago de Compostella."