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This cycling Tour presents itself as an easy bike trip from the beautiful city Porto to Santiago de Compostela, the ultimate pilgrimage destination on the Iberian Peninsula. It's one of the most important spots for religious tourism in Western Europe. You'll be passing by sunny and seaside towns such as Esposende, Caminha, Pontvedra and Baiona. The start will be in Porto. First enjoy a very nice city tour in Porto, and you'll get to know a little bit of its architecture, heritage and local traditions. The old city in Porto has been a UNESCO World Heritage site since 1996. This wonderful city is situated on the banks of the Douro river near the Atlantic Ocean and home of Port wine. Finally after Porto it's time to pedal, you'll ride towards Santiago. Cycle the stunning West coast of Portugal tour and immerse in a wonderful self-guided cycling holiday.

### **This Porto to Santiago de Compostela cycling trip features many highlights!**

- Caminha, this lovely town which is famous because of its natural and green heritage. Wander around and take a stroll over the cobbled and narrow streets of Caminha.
- Porto, World Heritage and Capital of Culture and Tourism. Join a city tour (bike or walk) in the City Center and discover Oporto!
- Baiona is a small fishing town in Spanish Galicia.
- The jewel of the Costa Verde, Viana do Castelo.
- Pontvedra, the city is the capital of the Comarca and the Province of Pontvedra
- Taste the Spanish and Portuguese cuisine and don't forget the oysters, produced and harvested in the waters of this region.
- The Square of Obradoiro which is famous because of the majestic baroque cathedral where the remains of the apostle are located

## Itinerary

### Day 1

#### Check in

Before starting this cycling journey towards Santiago de Compostela, it's almost mandatory to explore Porto, classified as World Heritage and Capital of Culture and Tourism. Join us in a city walking tour and discover part of the heritage this city has to offer. Meet famous and well-known hot spots, such as the bookstore that influenced J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter, the magnificent Stock Exchange Market, the blue and white tiles hiding at each corner and much more. Art,

heritage and traditions are meant to be found and seen during this short city tour.  
Accommodation, Hotel 4 stars: Porto Trindade Hotel

## Day 2

Porto to Esposende 60 km

From our store, based in the “Invicta” city of Porto, we will begin our journey heading to Esposende, a seaside city located to the North. During this day, you will be overwhelmed with seaside landscapes and small “Portuguese rivieras”. A huge variety of fishing villages will be met by us, where we can experience ancient traditions linked to the fish exploration, as well as taste this famous gastronomy. In Vila do Conde, you’ll know why these Portuguese coastal cities were so important during the “el dorado” of the Portuguese Discoveries. Accommodation, Hotel 3 stars: Suave Mar Hotel

## Day 3

Esposende to Caminha 50 km

We’re reaching Viana do Castelo, another sea docking city that was quite important during the Discoveries’ period. During the XIV-XVth Centuries it was in this precise city that the ships going to Brazil, India, Africa and other Portuguese Colonies were developed. Our final destination will be Caminha. This city finds the shore of the river Minho, making it part of an incredible landscape. Caminha is also very well known for its natural and green heritage, like the sightseeing areas, waterfalls, beaches and the camping park. Accommodation, Hotel 4 stars: Portas do Sol Hotel

## Day 4

Caminha to Baiona 40 km

You are going to enter in Spanish territory, ending in Bayona. It’s a city politically linked to Pontevedra where you can breathe the sea breeze. Away from the sea landscape you can also get lost in the old city center. Born from the Romans, the city kept growing towards the coast during the Middle Ages, with an influence from the Catholic Church. Curiously, during the XVI Century, Bayona was raided by British ships, led by the great corsair and explorer Francis Drake who saw an opportunity to establish a commercial and merchant point in this territory. Accommodation, Hotel 4 stars: Parador Baiona Hotel

## Day 5

Baiona to Pontevedra 57 km

This day will encompass the stream of Vigo and will end in San Simon's bay with a watery landscape to feast your eyes on. Always following the coastline, this day will be dedicated to Arcade and its famous oysters. Apart from this delightful cuisine, you will see monuments and sights dedicated to Santiago’s culture, such as the church of Santiago in Arcade (XII-XIII centuries) and roads and paths that will lead to our pilgrimage destination. It’s almost mandatory that, if you are passing by Arcade, you must taste and enjoy the famous oysters

produced and harvested in the waters of this region. Curiously, during April's first week there is a festival dedicated to this traditional gastronomy – “Fiesta de la Ostra” – where the city is filled with tourists and pilgrims to attend this event. Accommodation, Hotel 4 stars: Parador Pontevedra Hotel

#### Day 6

Pontevedra – Caldas dos Reis (26 km)

Heading to a pre-Roman city, Caldas de Reis, a province which belongs to Pontevedra. According to historical archives, the first inhabitants were a pre-Roman community that lived from the hot springs of this territory. The name “Caldas de Reis” is connected to the birthplace of Afonso VII, acting in the Middle Ages as a pilgrimage path to Santiago de Compostela. Apart from the rich cultural heritage, like Arcade, Caldas de Reis holds a peculiar gastronomy, such as the “empanadas” of lamprey and the traditional Spanish bread. Since the hot springs accompanied the evolution of this territory, nowadays it is a hot spot for tourism who seeks better healthy treatments for several illnesses. Accommodation, Rural House: Torre do Rio

#### Day 7

Day 7: Caldas dos Reis – Santiago de Compostela (40 km)

You will be met by Santiago de Compostela as your final destination, one of the ultimate pilgrimage cores in Western Europe. Like Rome and Jerusalem, the city of Santiago de Compostela presents us an unique religious beacon for tourists who find in this cycling journey an act of faith and inner-self. Reach the Square of Obradoiro, where you will witness the majestic baroque cathedral where the remains of the apostle are located. Accommodation, Hotel 4 stars: Compostela Hotel

#### Day 8

Departure

Departure day.....Time to say goodbye, a good flight back home or else a pleasant stay in Portugal. Transfers to the airport (on request) according to the time of your flight!

### **Airport Information Porto**

- The most important gateway to/from Porto is the international airport Francisco Sa Carneiro Airport it's the second largest airport in Portugal after Lisboa.
- The airport is only 11 kilometres northwest of Porto, making it one of the easier airports to fly in and out of. The easiest way to get into the city centre is by metro. There are ticket offices at the airport and the fares are determined by your destination. There are local buses at the arrivals hall areas.

**See websites Porto:**

- Porto Airport - [www.portoairport.com](http://www.portoairport.com)
- Porto Bus Companies - [www.terravison.eu](http://www.terravison.eu)
- Porto - [www.metroporto.com](http://www.metroporto.com)
- Portugal - [www.comboiosdeportugal.en](http://www.comboiosdeportugal.en)

## **Santiago de Compostela**

- Airport - Aeroporto Internacional de Santiago is a the second busiest in North Spain after Bilbao with over 2 million passengers per year.
- The Christian pilgrimage route of the Camino de Santiago is not far way from the airport and 10 kilometres northeast of the city centre. There is no train connection with the airport. The airport is easily accessible via the N-547, There are a few bus lines from the airport to the City.
- Other airports nearby are Vigo and Coruna airport

## **Booking Information**

### ***Add your start date***

- All prices are based on double rooms
- All day departures
- For bookings and inquiries contact us [info@cycleclassictours.com](mailto:info@cycleclassictours.com).
- 7 night in 4\* hotel - farm or rural house
- Low season € 1410 - Nov 01 to Mar 25
- Regular season € 1489 : Mar 26 to 25 Jun and Sep 26 to 31 Oct
- High season € 1549 : Sep 01 to 25 Sep
- Summer season € 1610 : Jun 26 to August 30

## **Extra Information**

1. Fill out and submit the online booking request or send an email to [info@cycleclassictours.com](mailto:info@cycleclassictours.com)
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- Including breakfast
- Porto Airport Transfers
- Trains or Bus Tickets
- Gps pre loaded routes
- Route maps
- Briefing day 1
- Bike fitting day 1
- Luggage transfers

### **Not Included**

- Airfares & Taxi fares
- E Bike Lady-Men Models € 175
- Supplement for single room: LS: €300, RS: €329, HS €360€, SS.€390
- Solo traveler: € 200
- Extra nights: on request