

# Walk the Coastal Camino Way & Beyond in Baiona, Galicia



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#### Highlights

- Breathtaking panoramic views from the Virxe da Roca
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  See the best sunset with us on the Monte do Boi seaside
- promendade • Live-streaming virtual walk

#### General Overview

Country: Spain Region: Galicia City: Baiona Duration: 127 mins. Type: Virtual Experiences Theme: Online Virtual Experiences & Tours Group Size: Unlimited Price from: 0 €

### Introduction

# Walk with us the Coastal Way of St. James Virtually!

The Coastal Camino Way is the third most frequent pilgrimage way of Saint James with 52,746 pilgrims during 2023, an increase of 75% compared to 2022. The total amount of pilgrims that walked the Camino de Santiago in 2023 was a record-breaking 446,035 pilgrims. During our virtual live-streaming camino walk we will follow part of the Portuguese Coastal Way coming into the noble seaside village of Baiona, Galicia, Spain. I will be accompanied by my good friend Mark Auchincloss a camino expert who has walked the way many times. A wealth of knowledge about the pilgrimage way and in fact, he lived in Baiona for many years. As we walk (virtually), we will chat about what it is like to walk the pilgrimage way of Saint James, and we will go beyond the Camino trail to show you some must-see sights when visiting Baiona...

# The Virgin of the Rock (Virxe da Roca) towering over the Atlantic Sea built by Antonio Palacio

We will start our live-streaming tour from the Virxe da Roca (Virgin or Lady of the Rock), an

iconic statue in Baiona inaugurated in 1930 that offers its visitors a breathtaking panoramic view of the town. Located at the top of **Monte de San Roque hill**, reaching an elevation of 100 meters above sea level. Inside this magnificent granite stone monument **built by Antonio Palacios**, there is a spiral staircase that leads to a **viewpoint within the boat that the Virgin is holding**. From there, you can admire a spectacular landscape with the majestic Monterreal Fortress taking center stage against a backdrop of beauty. There is a **popular festival** held here every year, the **Romeria de la Virgen de la Roca (Pilgrimage of the Virgin of the Rock)** on the last Sunday of August in honor of the Virgin of the Rock in Baiona. During the celebration, you will see a Galician folk dancing contest, dancing and singing by Galician folk groups, and a dancing performance by fishermen, the ancient Sword Dance.

# Ex-Collegiate Church of St. Mary is a stop for all pilgrims visiting Baiona

This Romanic Ex-Collegiate church built in the 13th century, is known for being one of the most important religious temples to visit in Baiona. Its beautiful Romanesque rose window and its breathtaking main façade stand out. We will take a peek inside walking through like the pilgrims do on their way through Baiona. Continuing through the **old quarter of Baiona** we will show you the cobblestone granite streets with many markers of the way to keep you on track following along the right path! The distance from **Baiona to Santiago de Compostela** is just over **120km/75mi approx.**, so it is enough for you to get the Compostela at the end of the way in the Pilgrims office in Santiago de Compostela. You must walk at least 100km/62mi to be able to get the **official document La Compostela**.

# Baiona Witnessed the first word of the Discovery of the Americas on March 1st, 1493

Baiona is steeped in history, most notably having witnessed <u>the arrival of La Pinta</u> bringing the word of the discovery of the Americas. <u>During the festival of La Arribada (The arrival)</u> the streets of Baiona go back to medieval times! <u>We did a live-streaming of this spectacular</u> <u>festival!</u>

# King Alfonso IX, Protector and Benefactor of Baiona

Walking along the promenade of Alfonso IX we will see the bronze statue of King Alfonso IX who gave special privileges to this town and named it **Real Baiona!** The statue was inaugurated in 2001 when the event was eight centenarians. The sculpture is made of bronze and weighs 2,000 kilos and was made by Juan Oliveira.

# Spectacular Sunset from the Seawall Walk around the Monterreal Fortress, Parador of Baiona

See the best sunset with us on the **Monte do Boi seaside promendade (Paseo do Monte do Boi)** crowned by the Monterreal Fortress, now the <u>Parador del Conde de Gondomar</u>. The views from this historic parador hotel are amazing, <u>we recommend staying here on a short break to</u> <u>explore Baiona</u> and its surroundings. Ending our virtual live-streaming tour with the **beautiful backdrop of the Cies Islands** just off the coast of Baiona Bay.

# Subscribe here to our Youtube channel to see live... Walk the Coastal Camino Way & Beyond in Baiona, Galicia

### Day by day itinerary

We have a special date for our live streaming...

Book Online Live Streaming here: Sunday, Mar 17th, 2024 @ 05:30PM GMT+1 (127 mins.)

### Included

- One Way Video of Live Virtual Walking Tour in English (NOTE: Private virtual walking tours are available in Spanish as well. We can do 2-way video via Zoom or Google Meet in a private virtual walking tour. Inquire for details regarding a private group)
- Interactive Chat during the event to ask questions to our Virtual Guide (NOTE: We recommended using Google Chrome)

### Excluded

- The live scheduled demos and tours are free.
- You will need a computer or phone and an internet connection.

## Reviews

#### $\star$ $\star$ $\star$ $\star$ $\star$ Anna Marie B. (18 March 2024)

Lovely tour today starting in Baiona, Galicia Coastal Camino Way with Sean O'Rourke & Mark. Filled with amazing views, beautiful churches, & monuments, & so much history of the area & landmarks. Thank you so much, canñ t wait for the next tour with you.

 $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Anne L. (18 March 2024) Another interesting virtual tour.  $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  Annie L. (18 March 2024) This was such a great tour! Thank you so much!  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Trenda N. (18 March 2024) Thank you for the amazing tour, such a wonderful opportunity to see such beauty.  $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  Laura C. (18 March 2024) Such a fantastic tour, thank you so much!!  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Cathy G. (18 March 2024) I wasn't able to stay on for the entire experience but I will check out the replay. Thanks for a very interesting and enjoyable tour!  $\star \star \star \star \star$  Anna Marie M. (18 March 2024) Thank you for the amazing tour and all the info and history!  $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  ExploreWithLynne (18 March 2024) I love it already and you haven't started walking yet!  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  [ustina (18 March 2024) Thanks guys, it was a lovely tour.  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Laura S. (18 March 2024) Thanks so much. beautiful tour!  $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  Sil C. (18 March 2024) Thank you a lot for this beautiful tour! Muchas gracias.  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Barbara Z. (18 March 2024) Thank you both - hope to join you again!  $\star \star \star \star \star \star \star$  S. (18 March 2024) Love the tour! Hi to Angie!  $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  PollyB (18 March 2024) That was so lovely and very informative. Thank you.  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Katherine M. (18 March 2024) Thanks sean and mark, lovely and informative walk.  $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  Patty S. (18 March 2024) Thank you, Sean and Mark...it was great!  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Margret B. (18 March 2024) Amazing tour, so informative, super tour, thank you to both of you.  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Debbie P. (18 March 2024) I joined late but saw most of the tour. Thank you. The church and priest were lovely! Nice to have you back.  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  NathalieAlexanderetGar K. (18 March 2024) What a great tour/walk Sean and Mark Thanks for this Loved every minute of it very very much!!  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Learn How to Fall (18 March 2024) Thank you for this amazing tour... Have a lovely day.

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Fascinating tour. Sean and Mark work so well together. I am always amazed what a beautiful part of the world this is. Was surprised tour lasted over two hours. I could've watched for another two hours but you guys would've had to have a big break to quench your thirst and rest your feet. Thank you for all history and geography!