

The Camino

Trek

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CAMINO DE SANTIAGO





About Us

Action Challenge

We are Action Challenge, and we bring people together through challenge & adventure.

Since 1999 we've organised inspirational challenge events & adventures in the UK and Worldwide, for individuals to join, and for groups, companies & charities. Take on a challenge just for yourself, or link it to a special cause and fundraise – so far our events have raised over £90 million for charities. Now is the time to set new goals, to re-energise, and to get active!

We have over 40 UK & overseas challenge events that you can sign up to now – ranging from a meandering 25 km Thames Path walk, to conquering a mighty Himalayan peak. Take on an unforgettable group adventure and push yourself further! We welcome individuals, couples, or groups of friends & family – and you can self fund, or link your challenge with fundraising for a chosen charity.

Few experiences bring a group closer together than an outdoor adventure which challenges comfort zones, builds resilience & understanding, and forges respect & friendships. If you have a group, you can join one of our 40 or so scheduled events, or if you want something special – we can craft a bespoke itinerary or plan a unique challenge event to meet your objectives and get your team energised!

Why Choose Us?



100% ATOL PROTECTION

We are 100% ATOL (Air Travel Organiser's Licence) bonded - ATOL number 6296. Offers full financial protection by the CAA (Civil Aviation Authority) for clients who have booked package trips, including flights.



UK LEADERS & MEDICS

Every challenge is managed & led by one of our expert UK Qualified & trained Mountain Leaders, working alongside them will be a UK Medic whom has experience of expeditions & group challenges.



EXPERIENCED LOCAL TEAMS

Our hand picked local teams & crew know the routes like the back of their hands! You will be fully supported by the experts - who will also teach you about the destination, people, culture & history!

4 THE GROUP EXPERIENCE

Join as an individual, couple, or group of friends - we bring people together and create an atmosphere where each person is supported, motivated & encouraged through the trip. Sharing adventures together we have a lot of fun!

5 TRAINING & SUPPORT

Once you've signed up to the challenge, you'll be supported by our teams with specifically designed training plans, a challenge app, an invite to join our Facebook group & options to join us on training walks & challenge briefing. By the time you are due to travel you'll be ready & raring to go!

6 OUR ITINERARIES

OVER 20+ YEARS OF EXPERIENCE BRINGS YOU THE BEST ITINERARIES & DESTINATIONS

7 QUALITY ASSURED VALUE

We pride ourselves on selecting the best local teams, hotels (always 3*+), restaurants & guides so you can experience the best each destination has to offer. A highlight will certainly be our final celebratory meals & party at a fantastic venue!

8 OUR CLIENTS

We've taken teams from Harrods, Blackrock, HSBC and more to the summit of Kilimanjaro, and have also run events here in the UK for companies such as Tesco, British Gas and M&S. We've got over a decade of experience of working with organisations of every size. Our team of experts will work with you to ensure that your event is a success, achieving your goals and leaving a lasting impact.

The Challenge



The Camino Trek

Walk the famous 'Way of St James' to Santiago

Follow the pilgrim's route to Santiago de Compostella on this 7 day trip with 5 days of trekking. Santiago is the location of the tomb of St James the Apostle, and the city has drawn pilgrims from around the world who follow the "Way of St James" on foot. The most popular route is the Camino Frances, or the "French Way", and we will trek the final 100km into Santiago, through the forests & rolling hills of Galicia, the north-western Spanish region famous for seafood, bagpipes and stunning coastlines. We will trek by day, and spend our evenings enjoying good Spanish food in comfortable hotels, before we reach the Cathedral at Santiago and commemorate our efforts with a slap up feast & celebration.

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DAY 1 - SARRIA - THE CAMINO

We meet in Santiago and transfer to our hotel in the bustling town of Sarria. We have a welcome meal and meet the team that will be with us throughout our Camino challenge.

Meals: L,D Accom: Hotel

DAY 2 - PORTOMARIN

We set off downhill from our hotel and then start a gradual climb through the countryside and villages, passing the Church of Santiago de Barbadelo set amidst beautiful oak trees. The villages are enclosed by the typical slate walls or 'chantos', which are one of the most characteristic features of areas, where the Celtic culture is most strongly rooted. The countryside is rugged and our last 10km are all downhill into Portomarin, passing an oak-lined 'corredoira' (cart track) through the villages of Mirallos, Pena, Couto and Rozas. After a final climb up some ancient stone steps, Portomarin with its good Spanish food and comfortable beds is a welcome site.

8-9hrs trekking - 23KM

Meals: B,L,D Accom: Albergue

DAY 3 - PALACE DE REIS

Today we make our way down the steep, porticoed main street of Portomarin and out of town to start on a day that for all of the morning is uphill. Much of the architecture in the bridges, churches and throughout the villages, is stunning and all in a beautiful setting of lush countryside. We pass through the villages of Toxibo, Gonzar, Castromaior and Hospital da Cruz. From Prebisa it is downhill all the way to the Ligonde river and Eirexe where we lunch. This afternoon we trek to Palas De Reis and sit down to our evening meal

Meals: B,L,D Accom: Albergue



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DAY 4 - ARZUA

We are in for a long and tough day which is mainly down-hill. We pass through San Xulian Pallota and cross the river Pambre to enter the district of La Coruna at Campanilla. We walk through several villages until we reach Melide for lunch. Followed by a 15km trek through the hamlets of Raido, Boente, Castaneda and Ribadiso before arriving at our accommodation in Arzua.

9-10hrs trekking - 29KM

Meals: B,L,D Accom: Albergue

DAY 5 - PEDROUZO

Today, the walking is mostly away from the roads through gentle rolling hills, crossing streams and passing through beautiful forests. We stop for lunch at a roadside restaurant. The last 7km in the afternoon we descend to our stop point just past the village of Pedrouzo.

7-8hrs trekking - 20KM

Meals: B,L,D Accom: Albergue

DAY 6 - SANTIAGO

The airport, motorway, train lines and the headquarters of the regional Galician TV station, are all signs of our close proximity of this city. We drop through a warren of tiny roads to the central square of Plaza del Obradoiro with its stunning cathedral. Tonight we celebrate our achievements with a great meal of typical Spanish delights.

6-7hrs trekking - 20KM

Meals: B,L,D Accom: Hotel

DAY 7 - FREE DAY SANTIAGO

Early morning we visit the pilgrim office to collect our certificates as official Camino Pilgrims, and for those that wish there will be a midday celebration of mass. We have the rest of the day free to enjoy the city, before making our own way to the airport to catch flights home.

Meals: B



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INCLUSIONS

- Pre-trip briefing by Action Challenge staff
- All luggage transfers
- Logistical support vehicles
- Challenge App with all documentation loaded
- Regular updates of all new signed-up participants
- Action Challenge UK Leader
- UK Medic with Expedition medical kit
- Champagne/Cava at finishing line
- All accommodation on a dorm share basis
- Single Supplement available in separate hotels
- All meals, except in free time
- Camino Certificate for last 100km
- 2 rest stops daily with snacks/water en route
- Celebration dinner with Camino certificate
- Fitness and training guide

DATES & PRICES

Visit website for dates in 2022.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

An online Registration Deposit is required to secure your place on this challenge. Once registered, there are 3 payment options available to cover the remaining cost of your trip.

SELF FUNDING

You pay the registration deposit, and then the full final balance directly to us.

CHARITY SPONSORSHIP

You pay the registration deposit & fundraise twice the amount of the final balance. Your chosen charity pays us the final balance from this fundraising.

MIXED FUNDING

A bit of both. You pay the deposit and split the final balance with your chosen charity. You will fundraise twice the amount that the charity is due to pay.



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