



Walk ➡ Your Way
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Ready to put together your Camino Budget? This document has some sample budgets that will give you an idea of the different expenses to expect when planning for and walking your Camino. You can also use this as a template for planning your own Camino budget.

Your actual expenses will vary.

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Daily Expenses

Here are some sample scenarios for daily expenses on the Camino Francés. You can use these as examples and play around with the numbers to estimate your Camino expenses.

Scenario #1: Saint Jean Pied de Port to Santiago and on to Fisterra.

Staying in mostly municipal and church-run *albergues*, picnicking and cooking your own food, laundry in a washing machine once a week, carrying your backpack, no buses or taxis.

Estimated Daily Expenses

Food & Drinks	_____	15	
Accommodations	+ _____	10	
Luggage Transfer	+ _____	0	
Laundry	+ _____	1	
Miscellaneous	+ _____	4	
Total per day:	= _____	30	(A)

Estimated Time for Camino

# of days walking to Santiago	_____	33	
# of days at starting point	+ _____	1	
# of days in Santiago	+ _____	1	
# of days to Fisterra/Muxia	+ _____	3	
Total # Days for Daily Expenses:	= _____	38	(B)

Total Budget for Daily Expenses

Total \$ per day	_____	38	(A)
Total # Days	X _____	30	(B)
Total \$ for Daily Expenses:	= _____	1,140	(C)

Scenario #2: Saint Jean Pied de Port to Santiago, followed by an overnight trip by bus to Fisterra and Muxia

Staying in privately-run *albergues*, in shared dorm rooms with the occasional upgrade to a private room, breakfast at the *albergue* or a bar, pilgrim's *menú* each day, laundry in a washing machine once a week, carrying your backpack most days (sending it on the longer days or days with a steep uphill climb), the occasional bus or taxi.

Estimated Daily Expenses

Food & Drinks	_____	20	
Accommodations	+ _____	20	
Luggage Transfer	+ _____	1 (avg)	
Laundry	+ _____	1	
Miscellaneous	+ _____	6	
Total per day:	= _____	48	(A)

Estimated Time for Camino

# of days walking to Santiago	_____	33	
# of days at starting point	+ _____	2	
# of days in Santiago	+ _____	2	
# of days to Fisterra/Muxia	+ _____	1	
Total # Days for Daily Expenses:	= _____	38	(B)

Total Budget for Daily Expenses

Total \$ per day	_____	48	(A)
Total # Days	X _____	38	(B)
Total \$ for Daily Expenses:	= _____	1,824	(C)

Scenario #3: Saint Jean Pied de Port to Santiago, followed by a day trip by bus to Fisterra and Muxia

Staying in private rooms in the middle of the price scale, breakfast at the bar, pilgrim's *menú* each day, laundry in a washing machine once a week, using the luggage transport service every day, the occasional bus or taxi ride.

Estimated Daily Expenses

Food & Drinks	_____	25	
Accommodations	+ _____	60	
Luggage Transfer	+ _____	5	
Laundry	+ _____	1	
Miscellaneous	+ _____	5	
Total per day:	= _____	96	(A)

Estimated Time for Camino

# of days walking to Santiago	_____	42	
# of days at starting point	+ _____	2	
# of days in Santiago	+ _____	3	
# of days to Fisterra/Muxia	+ _____	0	
Total # Days for Daily Expenses:	= _____	47	(B)

Scenario #3 (continued)**Total Budget for Daily Expenses**

Total \$ per day	_____	96	(A)
Total # Days	X _____	47	(B)
Total \$ for Daily Expenses:	= _____	4,512	(C)

Scenario #4: Sarria to Santiago

Staying in private rooms at the high end of the price scale, breakfast at the hotel, menú del día each day, laundry in a washing machine in Santiago, using the luggage transport service every day, the occasional bus or taxi ride.

Estimated Daily Expenses

Food & Drinks	_____	35	
Accommodations	+ _____	90	
Luggage Transfer	+ _____	5	
Laundry	+ _____	1	
Miscellaneous	+ _____	5	
Total per day:	= _____	136	(A)

Estimated Time for Camino

# of days walking	_____	7	
# of days at starting point	+ _____	1	
# of days in Santiago	+ _____	3	
# of days to Fisterra/Muxia	+ _____	0	
Total # Days for Daily Expenses:	= _____	11	(B)

Total Budget for Daily Expenses

Total \$ per day	_____	136	(A)
Total # Days	X _____	11	(B)
Total \$ for Daily Expenses:	= _____	1,496	(C)

Travel Expenses

Next up, the expenses for getting to and from your Camino starting point. Use this section to estimate your travel expenses. You can lower these expenses by tracking fares, waiting for fare sales, and choosing lower price options, such as the bus instead of a taxi.

Flight to and from Europe	<u>800</u>
Flight or ground transportation to starting point	+ <u>150</u>
Flight or ground transportation from ending point	+ <u>100</u>
From your home to departure airport	+ <u>50</u>
From home country airport to your home	+ <u>50</u>
Travel insurance	+ <u>150</u>
Total Travel Expenses:	= <u>1,300</u> (D)

For a list of websites to use to estimate your travel expenses and to book your flights, trains, buses, and taxis, [please visit this webpage](#).

Preparation, or Pre-Travel Expenses

Finally, the expenses for getting geared up for your Camino walk. Use this section to estimate your expenses for all the gear you will use on the Camino and your passport.

Passport	<u>130</u>
Backpack	+ <u>150</u>
Boots	+ <u>150</u>
Trekking Poles	+ <u>100</u>
Rain gear	+ <u>60</u>
Sleeping bag	+ <u>0 (borrow)</u>
Clothing	+ <u>100</u>
Total Preparation Expenses:	= <u>690</u> (E)

Total Camino Expenses

Once you have all your expense estimates in order, copy the figures from the above sections here, to determine your total Camino budget.

Required Expenses

Daily Expenses	_____	1,824	(C)	
Travel Expenses	+	_____	1,300	(D)
Preparation Expenses	+	_____	690	(E)
Total Camino Budget:	=	_____	3,814	(F)

Additional Optional Expenses

Add 5-10% for Emergencies and Surprises	+	\$	_____	250	
Add in for massage services	+	\$	_____	100	
Add in for souvenirs	+	\$	_____	25	
Total Optional Expenses	+	\$	_____	375	(G)

Budget Summary

Total Camino Budget	\$	_____	4,189	(F+G)
Total Cash on Hand Now for Camino	-	_____	2,500	
Total Amount to Save or Raise for Camino	\$	_____	1,689	

For personalized assistance with your travel and Camino planning, check out [Nancy's "Just Get Me Started" Camino program.](#)