

Camino de Santiago Budget Planner

Estimate the real cost of your Camino before you walk, then compare your plan with what you actually spend.

Planning target	Best for	Per person / day
Budget	Public/municipal albergues, groceries, tight spending	EUR 40
Realistic	Mixed albergues, cafes, normal meals, laundry, some extras	EUR 60
Comfortable	More private rooms, restaurants, sightseeing and flexibility	EUR 90

1. Your Camino

Route		Travelers	
Walking days		Rest days	
Start city		Finish city	
Start date		Daily budget	EUR _____

2. Pre-Camino Costs

Category	Planned	Actual
Flights / transport to Spain		
Transport to starting point		
Gear purchased before departure		
Travel insurance		
Phone / SIM / data		
Night(s) before Day 1		
Other		
PRE-CAMINO TOTAL		

Daily Camino Budget

Build the walking budget first. Keep emergency money outside it so one bad shoe, pharmacy stop, or needed hotel does not wreck the plan.

3. Daily Spending Plan

Category	Per day	Days	Planned total
Accommodation			
Food & coffee			
Laundry			
Local transport / taxi			
Luggage transfer			
Pharmacy / foot care			
Sightseeing / entrance fees			
Snacks / misc.			
DAILY-COST TOTAL			

4. One-Off and Optional Costs

Expense	Planned	Actual
Rest-day hotel upgrades		
Extra transport / skipped stage		
Replacement gear		
Credential / certificates		
Santiago sightseeing		
Souvenirs		
Muxia / Fisterra extension		
Other		

5. Emergency Reserve

Suggested reserve	EUR 300-500 per person	Your reserve	
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Budget Summary	EUR
Pre-Camino total	
Walking + rest-day total	
One-off / optional total	
Emergency reserve	
GRAND TOTAL	
TOTAL PER PERSON	

Camino Daily Expense Tracker

Print extra copies as needed. Tiny purchases are usually what make the final Camino total surprising.

Day / Date	Stage	Bed	Food	Transport	Laundry	Other	Total
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							
9							
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16							
	PAGE TOTAL						

Tip: Keep food and coffee together for speed. Split them in your notes if you want to see exactly where the daily budget disappears.

End-of-Camino Reality Check

Compare the plan with reality so your numbers can help the next pilgrim - or your next Camino.

Question	Your answer
What category surprised me most?	
Where did I spend more than planned?	
Where did I spend less than planned?	
What would I budget differently next time?	
What expense was absolutely worth it?	

Notes for the Next Camino

Atypical Last Thoughts

A Camino budget should give you freedom, not turn every coffee into a moral crisis. Plan the predictable costs, keep a reserve for the unpredictable ones, and leave enough room to actually experience the road.