



Camino Portuguese April 2014 Tour

From Porto to Santiago with a Film Director, a Nun, and an Esoteric Sensitive.

Walk the historic Camino de Santiago, from Porto in Portugal through to Santiago de Compostela, in Spain.

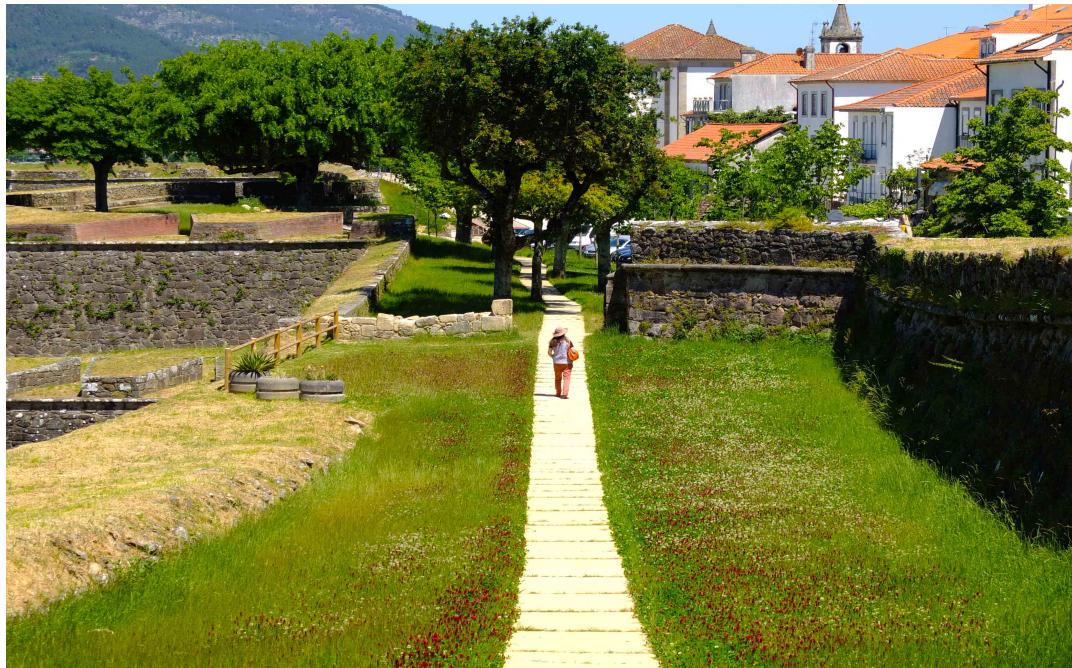
Your guides will be a world renowned film director, a “peculiar” nun, and an Esoteric Sensitive. It promises to be the tour of a lifetime!



TOUR MAIN FACTS

- Cost: US\$3950
- Fully guided Tour
- 14 nights
- *** Hotel accommodation
- Breakfasts & dinners included
- Side trip to Bom Jesus in Braga
- Daily photographic tutorials
- Dedicated van for transport of pack and pilgrim, if needed!
- Local liaison & translator
- Arrive in Santiago for Easter celebrations
- Celebratory dinner in Santiago.
- Pilgrim's welcome pack; which includes Guidebook & maps, Credential, and Shell





THE GUIDES



BILL BENNETT

Bill is an internationally renowned film director and screenwriter. This year he walked the Camino de Santiago - and started a blog that has since attracted thousands of followers from around the world. He's currently writing a book on the Camino, and working on a film on intuition, which is called PGS - Personal Guidance System. He's also a professional photographer, and will hold daily tutorials.



SISTER CLARE

Sister Clare is an Anglo/Catholic sister at St-Andrew's-by-the-Rideau in Ontario Canada. She's a Contemplative, a Spiritual Counselor, a Director of Intercessory Prayer, and published author. She is also, in her words, "peculiar."



JENNIFER CLUFF

Bill's partner, Jennifer has been studying esoteric literature for more than twenty five years. She's a sensitive, and will be available as well for spiritual counseling.

THE TOUR

We'll start off in the ancient and colorful city of Porto, then wind our way through beautiful country to Barcelos, famous for its market and Portuguese grilled chicken!

Then we'll head over to Braga, where we'll visit the spectacular Bom Jesus church on a mountain overlooking the town.

From there we'll make our way up to Valenca and Tui, two medieval fortified towns straddling opposite sides of the river that separates Portugal from Spain. This area is famous for its *Vinho Verde*, or Green Wine. Delicious!

Then we'll walk through Celtic-influenced Galicia up to Santiago, to arrive in time to join in the city's unique Easter celebrations.

The walk will be relatively flat – 240kms – winding in and out of small villages through some of Europe's most spectacular countryside, following the age-old pilgrim path from Portugal to Santiago.

Each night we'll stay in comfortable 3 Star Hotel accommodation, where possible - or Casa Rurales. And we'll enjoy the local wines and cuisine.

There will be a van traveling with us at all times to transport packs, if needed, and pilgrims too if they don't wish to walk. The van will have drinks and snacks on board. Bill Bennett will give a photographic tutorial each day, and will be on hand to give advice and tips during the walk.

Sister Clare will be available for Centering Prayer sessions, and counseling.

Jennifer Cluff will be available for spiritual guidance.

We acknowledge that this tour is a pilgrimage - one of the great pilgrimage routes of the world. That will not stop us having fun!





TOUR DETAILS

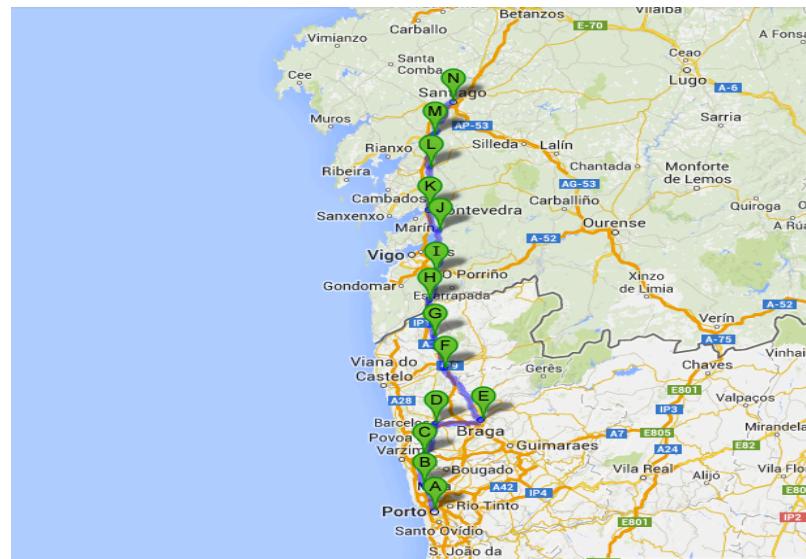
Porto to Santiago - approx 240kms
 Meet Porto April 6th 2014
 Arrive Santiago Saturday April 19th
 Cost - US\$3,950 (ground cost only)
 Tour group size – maximum 15

COST INCLUDES

Hotel accommodation double room occupancy. (three star, where possible)
 Single room occupancy supplementary charge, US\$400
 Breakfast & dinner
 Travel Insurance
 Dedicated Private Van & luggage transport
 Drinks and Snacks daily from van
 Local liaison / translator
 Pilgrim Welcome Pack - including guidebook/maps, shell, credential
 Celebratory last night dinner in Santiago.
 Daily photographic tutorial by Bill Bennett (accredited member of Australian Institute of Professional Photographers)
 Daily Centering Prayer session with Sister Clare
 Each pilgrim will receive a personal photographic record of their trip by Bill Bennett

The van will be on hand at all times to take pilgrims who want to transport their backpacks ahead. Or who don't wish to walk.

MAP OF ROUTE



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- Day 0 - Meet in Porto, dinner
- Day 1 - Porto to Vilar do Pinheiro (14kms)
- Day 2 - Vilar do Pinheiro to Arcos (17kms)
- Day 3 - Arcos to Barcelos (20kms)
- Day 4 - Barcelos to Braga (19kms) (visit Bom Jesus)
- Day 5 - Braga to Ponte do Lima (walk or bus 30kms)
- Day 6 - Ponte do Lima to Rubias (18kms)
- Day 7 - Rubias to Tui (20kms)
- Day 8 - Tui to O Porrino (16kms)
- Day 9 - O Porrino to Arcade (22kms)
- Day 10 - Arcade to Pontevedra (11kms)
- Day 11 - Pontevedra to Caldas de Reis (24kms)
- Day 12 - Caldas de Reis to Padron (18kms)
- Day 13 - Padron to Santiago de Compostela (24kms)



TOUR OPERATOR – FLIGHT BIZ / DUNCAN FORD

Duncan Ford has been a Licensed Travel Agent for over twenty years. His company Flight Biz has been organizing spiritual tours for the past six years, and has sent over a thousand people to Brazil to visit John of God. He's also been organizing art tours to Italy for the past eleven years. (Licensed Travel Agent # 2TA5267)

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Terms & Conditions

1. Deposit: A deposit of US\$400 is required at time of booking. **2. Cancellation:** If the booking is cancelled up to January 1st, 2014, the deposit will be refunded. After January 1, 2014 if the booking is cancelled there is no refund of deposit. Travellers are advised to take out travel insurance to cover cost of cancellation in the case of emergency or health issue. **3. Onward costs:** Travellers are required to cover the costs of onward or return travel, for instance back to Porto. Trains and buses are readily available, at minimal cost. **4. Cancellation of tour:** Bill Bennett reserves the right to cancel the tour. If so, all monies collected will be refunded in full. Bill Bennett undertakes to provide all services listed above. **5. Tour Leader:** In the event of a personal or family illness, or other circumstance where Bill Bennett cannot lead the tour, the tour participants will be offered a replacement tour leader, or full cancellation at no charge. **6. Non-Liability/Force Majeure:** Bill Bennett is not liable in contract or in tort for any injury, damage, loss, delay, additional expenses or inconvenience caused directly or indirectly by force majeure or other events which are beyond our control, or which are not preventable, including, without limitation, delays, change of aircraft services, alterations to any other travel services, illness, injuries, strikes, civil disturbances of whatsoever nature interfering with, altering, or adding to the cost of the service requested or booked. Bill Bennett is not liable for any dissatisfaction you may have with services on tour, including airlines and hotels. **7. Participant's responsibilities:** Participants should be physically fit and capable of undertaking the rigours of a walking pilgrimage, particularly extensive walking (15 – 25 kms a day). Please refer to the itinerary and note the kilometres each day. Participants must make their own arrangements if they have special medicinal, pharmaceutical, or dietary requirements. Travellers must possess valid travel documents. It is your responsibility to comply with the health, visa, and passport requirements that may apply in places you intend to visit. **8. Local Laws:** Participants must obey all local laws. **8. Acceptance of Terms:** It is a condition of booking that receipt of deposit signifies acceptance by you all terms and conditions of the tour set out here.

