

Camino de Santiago: a route full of history and stories

How many Camino de Santiago routes there are? Do you know why 2027 will be a Holy Year? Who was the first pilgrim? What role did the Catholic Monarchs play in the Jacobean tradition? Which nationalities walk the Camino the most? How did the Compostela (the document certifying that you completed the Camino) come about?

Don't miss this workshop to uncover all the fascinating curiosities about the Camino de Santiago. We will explore the origins of this pilgrimage that shaped the history of Europe, as well as its logistics today. Plus, if you are a teacher, you'll take away plenty of ideas and materials to use in your classroom.



What will we explore in this workshop?

- The origins of the Jacobean tradition: a Camino with over a thousand years of history.
- The figure of the Apostle Santiago: a major influencer in history.
- The different Camino de Santiago routes: geographical, historical, and curious facts.
- The modern pilgrim experience: characteristics and logistics of the pilgrimage.

Who leads?

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When and where?

- Where: Instituto Cervantes de Los Ángeles
- When: November 1st, from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
- Fee: free
- Registration: cursos.losangeles@cervantes.org