

Camino meeting - 01/12/2025

Jeremy Perrin, CaminoWays

- We were joined by Jeremy Perrin from CaminoWays, our tour provider, who delivered a presentation on the Camino de Santiago trip.
- Please see the [recording](#) and [copy of the presentation](#) on the [attendee page](#).

Flights & airport transfer

- Jeremy Perrin (CaminoWays) shared that Ryanair is currently in dispute with the Spanish government regarding taxes, and Ryanair has threatened to stop all flights to Spanish regional airports, including Santiago de Compostela (see article [here](#)). Unfortunately, this is out of our control. If any further updates are received, all walkers will be notified.
- Airport transfers will be arranged nearer the time, once all walkers arrival times and airports are confirmed. Please be assured that airport transfer to your starting hotel is included in your trip costs and will be arranged.
- Santiago airport has announced closure from 23rd April for a month – anyone who is staying on for longer should be aware (<https://www.csj.org.uk/news/santiago-airport-closure-2026>)

Entry requirements

- Passports – ensure your passport is in date and valid for travel. Please check entry requirements here: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain/entry-requirements>
- Visas – if you are a UK resident, you should not need a visa unless you have been in Europe for more than 90 days a year. Please check entry requirements here: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain/entry-requirements>

Packing list

- You can view a full packing list [here](#).
- Day backpack – CaminoWays recommend a 10 – 15 litre backpack for the day.
- Your main luggage will be transferred each day (maximum 20kg, 1 bag per person)
- Walking shoes – with just 4 months to go, make sure to buy your chosen shoes and break them in sooner rather than later!

GiveStar

- Ensure you set up your GiveStar page using your existing Conference account on GiveStar.
- If you do not know your login, please talk to your treasurer or contact fundraising@svp.org.uk.
- You can use the “reports” tab to view a breakdown of your page income.

Quarterly returns

- The finance team are currently preparing guidance for how to accurately record this on your returns. This guidance will be shared with all attendees shortly.
- Any Camino donations are restricted and not subject to the 16% support charge for a Conference.

Final balance

- The remaining balance for the trip costs is due by Friday 9th January.
- The correct link, depending on whether you have requested a single or twin room, has been shared with each walker. You can also find them [here](#).

Further information required

- A survey to collect information on t-shirt sizes, emergency contacts, arrival flight times, etc. will be sent to all in the new year.

Accommodation

- A list of all accommodation will be shared shortly.
- However, all hotels have only been booked provisionally as final confirmation is not made by CaminoWays until 60 days prior to the start of trip. Therefore, there may be changes between now and then.

Next meeting

- We agreed to meet again in early March. Please complete this poll by 12th December to determine a suitable date: <https://forms.office.com/e/UuJiP9nXQh?origin=lprLink>
- A final check-in meeting will be held on **Wednesday 8th April, 6-7pm** for any last-minute questions or updates.

Attendee page: <https://svp.org.uk/camino-de-santiago-2026-attendee-page>