

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I. ACCOMMODATION

Since Santiago de Compostela is a tourist and pilgrimage centre, and April is also a time of the year when many conferences take place at the USC, **early booking is highly recommended**. A wide range of accommodation options can be found at

<http://www.santiagoturismo.com/central-reservas-alojamientos>

There is a wide range of accommodation possibilities at different prices in the Old Town, within walking distance from the conference venue (15 min.).

Here follows a short list of hotels and B&B close to the Faculty of Law.

Hotels

- Gran Hotel Santiago**** (point of reference for the Conference, as it is located 5 minutes from the Law Faculty, which is the Conference venue).

To book accommodations you can contact the travel agency Sant Yago (Mr. Paul Cabana, e-mail: pablocabana@santiago.es)

Tel: 0034 981 553 113

Skype: cabana08

www.santigocongresos.com

www.viajessantigo.es

If you book through this travel agency you will be granted a special price (65.97 euros, equal to the day allowance of a civil servant in Spain).

- Hotel Hesperia Peregrino****

- Hotel Eurostars Arguaney*****

- Hotel Compostela****

- Hotel Parador Reyes Católicos*****

- Hotel Herradura***

- University Residence Halls (Servicio Universitario de Residencias - SUR) of the University of Santiago de Compostela (low prices).

-Other accommodations in Compostela: Hotel Virxe da Cerca (****), Hotel San Clemente (**), Hotel Pombal (**), Hotel Airas Nunes(**)

II. TRAVEL INFORMATION

GETTING TO SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

Santiago de Compostela has an international airport (Lavacolla) with connections to Spain and several destinations in Europe. Information on flights can be found at <http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Santiago/es/>.

The airport is 10 km away from the city centre. There is a shuttle bus service between Lavacolla and the city centre every 30 min. from 6.45 to 0.45. (Single 3.00 EUR; return 5.00 EUR).

A taxi fare to/from the airport to/from the city centre costs approx. 21 EUR.

The other two Galician airports (A Coruña-Alvedro and Vigo-Peinador) are ca. 60 km and 80 km from Santiago:

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-A-Coruna/es/>

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Vigo/es/>

There is no direct bus connection between these two airports and Santiago de Compostela. Taxi fares range from ca. 95 EUR (A Coruña) and 140 EUR (Vigo).

The international airport of Porto (Portugal) is 237 km. from Santiago de Compostela:

<http://www.ana.pt/es-ES/Aeroportos/porto/Porto/Paginas/HomePorto.aspx>

You can find information about buses Porto airport-Santiago at:

<http://www.alsa.es/rutas/santiago-oporto.htm>

<http://www.compostelavirtual.com/transportes/horarios-autobus-santiago-oporto.html>

Sometimes the different air companies arrange taxi services.

III. USEFUL INFORMATION

1. RECOMMENDED SIGHTS

Santiago de Compostela has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1985 (<http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/347>). Here follows a brief description of a few noteworthy sights.

-The cathedral

Don't leave Santiago without visiting it! The Cathedral of Santiago has evolved through the years, resulting in today's heterogeneous building of different historical styles and artistic tendencies. It has three doors: *Azabachería*, *Platerías* and the one leading to the *Pórtico da Gloria* from the *Praza do Obradoiro*.

-The two parallel rúas: Rúa do Vilar and Rúa Nova

See their covered soportales ('arcades') and their beautiful houses and palaces. On the *Rúa Nova*, notice the **Church of Santa María Salomé**, with a Romanesque doorway and features of Galician rural architecture, like the porch. (There are also interesting shops on the *Rúa Nova*, see Shopping below).

-The Square of San Martiño Pinario

Notice its remarkable double stairway leading down to **the church of San Martiño Pinario**. Work on this magnificent Renaissance church started in the late 16th c. The famous Baroque altarpiece, added in the 18th c., was designed by Fernando de Casas y Novoa, also responsible for the cathedral's Obradoiro façade [*Visiting hours: 11:00 - 13:30 / 16:00 - 18:30. Admission: 2,50 EUR (students, groups and senior citizens: 1,50 EUR).*]

From the Square of San Martiño Pinario you can reach two other interesting rúas: the **Rúa da Troia** (notice the **casa da Troia**, a former student inn) and the **Ruela de Xerusalén**, originally part of the Jewish quarter.

-The Pazo de Xelmírez

Located in the Praza do Obradoiro, within the cathedral's precincts, this building from the 12th c. is probably the best example of civil Romanesque architecture in Europe.

Notice the kitchen and the grand refectory with realistic scenes of medieval life depicted on the columns' capitals. [*Visiting hours: 10:00 - 13:30 / 16:00 - 18:00; Sundays and local holidays: 10.00 - 14.00*]. Admission (the ticket also includes the Cathedral Museums): 6 EUR (4 EUR with your University ID card).]

-The complex of buildings around San Domingos de Bonaval

The Dominican Monastery of San Domingos now houses the ethnographic **Museo do Pobo Galego** (Museum of the Galician People; see Museums below). Go inside the Museum if only to take a look at the monastery's **Gothic church** and, in particular, at **the triple spiral staircase** built by Domingo de Andrade in the 17th c. Opposite San Domingos is the modern building housing the **Centro Galego de Arte Contemporánea** (Galician Centre for Contemporary Art; see Museums below), the work of the Portuguese architect Alvaro Siza, who also designed the lovely adjacent park on the site of the city's former cemetery. A stroll through the park is a must, as it offers spectacular views of Santiago de Compostela.

Not far from San Domingos there is a maze of quaint little streets like **Rúa de Bonaval**, **Rúa de San Pedro** -the last stage of the Pilgrims' Way before entering the old town- and **Rúa do Medio**; notice in the latter the enormous chimneys -a characteristic of urban architecture in Santiago de Compostela.

-Hostal dos Reis Católicos

Royal Hospital for pilgrims which was built in 1499, in Plateresque style, today a five star hotel.

-Pazo de Fonseca

Built between 1525 and 1544 in Plateresque style, it is one of the oldest University buildings, originally the seat of the Schools of Grammar and Theology. It now houses the University's Central Library.

-The Alameda Park and the Paseo da Ferradura

From here you will have splendid views of the cathedral and of the South Campus of the University.

-The city of Culture

Rising on the top of Mount Gaiás as a formidable architectural milestone of the new century, devoted to knowledge and creativity. Designed by the prestigious American architect Peter Eisenman to house some of the most outstanding expressions of universal culture [Tel. 881 997 584, Mon-Sun: 8:00-20:00. Buses 9 and C11 run from/to the city centre every hour.]

2. SOME MUSEUMS

-Tesouro e museos da Catedral (Cathedral museum and treasure)

Valuable collections of tapestries, liturgical pieces, relics, archaeological remains, etc. Included in the visit to the Museum are also the cathedral's crypt, the cathedral's splendid cloister, the Library, and the Chapter-Room. [Tel. 981 560 527. Mon-Sat: 10:00 - 13:30/16:00 - 18:30. Sundays and local holidays: 10:00 - 13:30. Admission: 6 EUR (4 EUR with your University ID card).]

-Centro Galego de Arte Contemporánea (Galician Centre for Contemporary Art)

Permanent exhibition of contemporary Galician artists and important temporary exhibitions. [Rúa Ramón del Valle Inclán, near San Domingos de Bonaval. Tel. 981 546 619. Tues-Sun: 12:00-20:00. Closed on Mondays. Admission: free.]

-Museo das Peregrinacións

Located in a 14th c. Gothic palace, it has eight rooms displaying the different aspects of religious pilgrimage throughout history. [Rúa de San Miguel 4. Tel. 981 581 558. Tues-Fri: 10:00 - 20:00. Sat.: 10:30 - 13:30 / 17:00 - 20:00. Sundays and local holidays: 10:30 - 13:30. Admission: 2,40 EUR (students: 1,20 EUR; children and senior citizens: free; Saturdays 17:00 - 20:00, free).]

-Museo de Terra Santa (Museum of the Holy Land)

Archaeological and documentary material of great religious, historic and artistic value [Campillo de San Francisco 3 (in the Monastery of the Franciscan friars). Tel. 981 581 600. Tues-Sun: 10:30-13:30/16:00-19:00. Admission: 1,80 EUR (1,20 EUR for students, senior citizens and groups).]

-Museo Eugenio Granell

The 18th c. Palace of Bendaña is now a museum devoted to surrealist painting. Temporary exhibitions, plus the permanent collection of the Galician surrealist painter Eugenio Granell [Praza do Toural. Tel. 981 572 124. Tues-Sat: 11:00-14:00/16:00-20:00. Admission: 2 EUR (1 EUR for students; free for children and senior citizens)].

-Museo do Pobo Galego (Museum of the Galician People)

Ethnographic museum [Bonaval s/n. Tel. 981 583 620. Tues-Sat: 10:30-14:00/16:00-19:30. Sundays and local holidays: 11:00-14:00. Closed on Mondays. Admission: 3 EUR (students and senior citizens: 1 EUR).]

3. SHOPPING

-Handicrafts

Amboa (Rúa Nova 44); Mayer (Praza das Praterías 2); Sargadelos (Rúa Nova 16) sells the greatly appreciated Sargadelos china, decorated with Celtic and Galician motifs. Noroeste (Ruela de Xerusalén s/n) sells fine handcrafted jewellery. A curious sight is watching local women producing Camariñas bobbin lace, which is famous all over Spain (Bolillos, Rúa Nova 40; Camariñas lace also sold at Dosel, Rúa Nova 26).

-Wine and other local products

O Beiro (Rúa da Raíña 3), Mariquiña Pérez (Rúa da Raíña 28), Manxares de Galicia (Rúa do Franco 25) and O Filandón (Rúa da Acibecheira 6). Also from the 'Mercado de Abastos' (the local market; no. 50 on the map) and from El Corte Inglés.

-Unitenda

The University shop and bookstore, in Claustro de Fonseca, Colexio de San Xerome. It has a selection of publications by the University Press of Santiago de Compostela. It is also an excellent giftshop offering a fine collection of miscellaneous articles bearing the University logo [Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10:30-14:00/16:30-20:30].

4. RESTAURANTS (all located in the Old Town, unless otherwise indicated)

(a) Expensive:

- Don Gaiferos, Rúa Nova 23 (Tel. 981 583 894)
- La Tacita de Juan, Hórreo 31 (Tel. 981 581 092; in the new town)
- Restaurante Libredón, Hostal dos Reis Católicos (Tel. 981 582 200)
- Palacio del Carmen, Oblatas s/n (Tel. 981 552 444)

(b) Moderate:

- A Barrola, Rúa do Franco 29 (Tel. 981 577 999)

- Carretas, Carretas 21 (Tel. 981 563 111)
- San Clemente, Rúa de San Clemente 6 (Tel. 981 580 882)
- La Crêpe, Praza da Quintana (Tel. 981 577 643)
- Texturas Galegas, Rúa Algalia de Abaixo 33 (Tel. 881 168 228 - 677 857 403)
- O Curro da Parra, Rúa Travesa 20 (Tel. 981 556 059)
- Restaurante Acio, Rúa das Galeras 28 (Tel. 981 577 003)
- A Tafona , Virxe da Cerca 7 baixo (Tel. 981 562 314)

(c) Mesones and tapas bars:

- Caney, Alfredo Brañas 5 (Tel. 981 559 603; in the new town)
- O Dezaséis, Rúa de San Pedro 16 (Tel. 981 577 633)
- La Bodeguilla de San Roque, San Roque 13 (Tel. 981 564 379)
- Enxebre, Costa do Cristo s/n (Tel. 981 582 200; this 'mesón' is part of the Hostal dos Reis Católicos)
- O Beiro, Rúa da Raiña 3 (Tel. 981 581 370)
- O 42, Rúa do Franco 42 (Tel. 981 581 009)
- Cortegada, Rúa de San Clemente 2 (Tel. 981 565 030)
- A Moa, Rúa San Pedro 32 (Tel. 981 071 818)

A variety of restaurants, mesones and bars can be found in the Old Town along the Rúa do Franco and the Rúa da Raiña. All the area around the market in the Old Town also offers nice places where to eat and drink.

5. PUBS AND OTHER LATE NIGHT BARS

- Café-bar Metate, Travesía de San Paio de Antealtares
- Café-pub Modus Vivendi , Praza de Feixóo 1
- Carrilana, San Paio de Antealtares 16
- Paraíso Perdido and Casa das Crechas (beautifully decorated traditional pubs in San Paio de Antealtares)
- Café Casino, Rúa do Vilar 35 (newly refurbished casino worth seeing)
- Café-Concerto Retablo, Rúa Nova 13 (friendly pub where you can taste typical queimada)