

From the Nive to the Basque coast



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AVERAGE

COMPOSTELA PILGRIM ROUTE / The coastal path

CHEMIN DE COMPOSTELLE - COMPOSTELAKO BIDEA



CIBOURE TO
HENDAYE

Saint-James on the gate at the Church in Urrugne

The second part of this route will take you on a hike from the village-centre of Ciboure to the French-Spanish border. You can continue your walk into Spain by crossing the Bidassoa. Take the time to enjoy the treasures of the architectural heritage (hospitals, chapels, calvaries), testimony to the age-old hospital culture.

D From *Place de la Tour d'Auvergne*, take the old royal route which goes past the White Cross (cross at St. James Hospital). When you get to the RD810, turn right then after 80m, take *Rue de Kafartenea* which goes up to the right, continue to the end of the road and go up the slope using the stairs

0h25 ① 0607195-4803438 which will take you to the old SNCF bridge. Turn right onto *Chemin d'Agorreta*. Carry on until the crossroads and the RD913, cross over and go straight on for 150m, then turn left onto the *Route de Socoa* which will take you to the RD810. Turn right and go straight on until the roundabout. Turn right onto *Rue Bernard de Coral*, towards Urrugne village-centre. Go past the church and the town hall. Carry straight on until you get to the RD810. After 100m, cross over with care to take the old route to Spain which goes past the Ospitalia house (former St. James inn)

1h40 ② 0604685-4801638. Carry on for thirty minutes, and stay on this road (stone track for 500m). At the first crossroads, cross over then, after 150m, turn right onto *Chemin de Postaenea*. Carry straight on by going up until you get to the RD810, for the last time

2h25 ③ 0602325-4800734. Cross over and continue on the left by walking alongside the RD810. After 150m, on the bend, take the pathway which heads through the heath land, goes past a meadow and comes out onto a dirt track which you take on the left. After 150m,

turn right onto *Chemin de Migelxoeborda* which goes up, offering a lovely view over Hendaye and Hondarribia. Go down the pathway - which is also on the GR10 itinerary - until you get to the crossroads with the tarmac road ④ 0600573-4801121. Turn left and after 150m, turn right onto *Chemin d'Agorreta*. Continue straight on until you get to the grassy embankment and go straight on onto *Rue des Réservoirs* up to the roundabout. Turn right onto *Rue de Hapeteenea* then straight onto *Rue d'Irandatz* and before getting to the next roundabout, cross over the road and take the road opposite onto *Rue de Santiago* ⑤ 0599230-4800806, which used to overlook the St. James Priorenia hospital. Continue down the road for ten minutes or so. At the second roundabout, take the second exit on the right, *Rue de Bé-hobie*, where you'll go straight on for 200m until the end (go under the fly-over). Turn left onto the cul-de-sac until you get to the old Saint-James bridge, after 150m, which goes over the Bidassoa and marks the end of this route on French territory

3h05 ④ 0600573-4801121.

3h30 ⑤ 0599230-4800806.

3h40 ⑥ 0598476-4800431.

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D (departure) **Cibouère**,
Place de la Tour
d'Auvergne

GPS : 0607918-4804463

3h40 (one-way)

Signage

D to **6**



13,3 km

+286 m
-294 m

Must-see

- Views
- Historic Compostela heritage
- Architectural heritage of the towns along the way
- 14th century Urtubie castle

• This walk is not a round-trip. Plan how to get back or walk back the way you came. • Be careful along the busy roads, especially the RD roads.

SAINTJAMES HOSPITALS

Along the route between Cibouère and Hendaye there were numerous hospitals set up to welcome Santiago pilgrims (the Red Cross in Cibouère, Agorreta in Urrugne, Priorenica in Hendaye). People crossed Bidassoa river opposite Priorenica. Up until the 15th century, 500,000 "Jacquets" (pilgrims to St. James) travelled to Compostela every year. In Cibouère, the Way of St. James took the main road, bordered by old Labourdine houses, through the districts "South of the Bordagain hill": the Red Cross, the White Cross and

the Place de la Tour d'Auvergne.

This royal (and subsequently imperial) road was downgraded in the mid-19th century, surpassed by today's RD810. Cibouère is home to a pilgrim hospital, of which only the base of the wall surrounding the cross remains today (dating back to 1616). This later became the White Cross, a listed Historical Monument.

Further information is available from:

Cibouère tourist office

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CHOOSE THE RIGHT WALK

Levels

The change in altitude indicated in each guide represents the total increase. Times are calculated without stops.

Walking routes are classified by difficulty and are differentiated by colours in each route's practical guide. These classifications have been made following recommendations from FF Randonnée.

Very easy under 2 hours of walking
Ideal for families, using clearly marked paths.

Easy under 3 hours of walking
Can be done as a family. Follows footpaths,

with some more difficult parts.

Average under 4 hours of walking
For those with some walking experience. Contains some fairly challenging aspects or changes in altitude.

Difficult more than 4 hours of walking
For experienced walkers. Routes are long and/or challenging (steep ascents, difficult parts).

Walk times: The time taken to complete each route is given as a guide only, taking account of the length of the route, the change in altitude and any difficult aspects.



A local photo of footpath signposting

Walking labels

PR® routes:

A number of hiking trails are designated as PR® routes by the FF Randonnée in accordance with quality criteria. They are selected using environmental, tourist, technical and attractiveness criteria. (Further information is available at www.ffrandonnee.fr)

Signposting

Use the signposts to stay on the right track

Signposting	Regional and PR® footpaths	GR® footpaths
The right direction		
Turn left		
Turn right		
The wrong direction		

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Useful recommendations

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European emergency number 112

Visitors who use the Nive-Nivelle footpaths in the Southern Basque country are required to behave in a respectful manner towards the natural environment and the inhabitants of the area. It is important that certain rules are followed.

Taking care of nature

- Take a bag with you to carry your waste
- Ensure you respect the wildlife
- Stay on signposted footpaths

Taking care of yourself

- Do not set off without the necessary equipment
- Avoid walking alone
- Do not drink water from streams
- Make sure you are aware of weather conditions

Respecting local activities and inhabitants

- Make sure you close gates
- **Avoid walking with a dog. If you do have a dog with you, ensure it is kept on a lead at all times.**
- Starting fires is strictly forbidden
- Ensure you respect private property located near footpaths

GPS co-ordinates for routes

GPS co-ordinates for each stage of the route are provided for all routes.

The reference format is as follows:

WGS 84 - UTM 30T

Please note!

It is advisable to avoid certain routes during the wood pigeon hunting season (October and November) and the controlled burning season (December to March).

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