



The Vézelay Route – Facilities

Final part: Saint-Palais - Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port

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This overview is linked to the Vézelay Pilgrim's Way guide (downloadable in PDF format). It has the same layout (routes and distances).

It provides information about the last part of the route, namely from Saint-Palais to Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port (and fits seamlessly with this in terms of mileage).

*However, the overview can also be used for all other routes that follow the same route from Saint-Palais, such as the **Via Turonensis**, the **Via Podiensis** and one of the routes from **Lourdes**.*

The overview includes the following facilities:

1 Accommodation

We focus primarily on facilities for pilgrims. These are often simple and affordable. Many hostesses and hosts have themselves been pilgrims. So they know what you are doing and fully support that. You can also meet other pilgrims at these places.

These facilities often offer an evening meal plus breakfast and/or the possibility to prepare it yourself. They are usually located along the route or at a short distance from it. (If further away, sometimes an accommodation offers a pickup and return service.)

Often a 'donativo' is requested for pilgrim accommodation. This means: a gift, a voluntary contribution. Your contribution makes it possible that the accommodation can also be offered to the pilgrims who come after you.

We also mention other accommodation addresses, especially where there is no pilgrim accommodation. However, you will not find a 'complete' overview, especially in the larger cities. It would be impossible to keep such an overview up to date. If necessary, you can consult (the website of) the 'Office de Tourisme'. Moreover, you can search for accommodation via websites such as: [Booking.com](https://www.booking.com), [Airbnb](https://www.airbnb.com), and [Couchsurfing](https://www.couchsurfing.com).

Not to forget: ask your hostess/host for advice on a good accommodation for the next day. She/he is often willing to call for a reservation, if necessary.

If applicable, and as far as we know, we indicate whether meals and WIFI are offered on site, whether animals are welcome, what the price is (check yourself!), etc..

Explanation of abbreviations used: B = bed, BB = bed & breakfast, HB = half board), PP / PN = per person / per night, P2P / PN = for 2 persons / per night.

If under the 'extra information' about an accommodation is indicated 'reserve', this usually means: 24 hours in advance. Sometimes a longer period applies, which is then specified.

2 Transport

If there is a train station in town, this is indicated 🚉

The Vézelay Route generally passes through sparsely populated areas. Great for walking, but it also means that there are few train and bus connections. But that is precisely why there is a good alternative if necessary: hitchhiking (using your common sense). Everyone knows that there is hardly any public transportation.

3 Other facilities

- **Tourist Office** ('Office de Tourisme') ⓘ but also: the pilgrim offices (in Vézelay and Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port), and the monuments designated as World Heritage by UNESCO in 1998, as part of the 'Pilgrimage routes to Santiago de Compostela in France'.

- **Post Office / Agency** ('Poste') ✉

- **Picnic bench / place** 🪑

- **Bar, café, restaurant** 🍷

These are indicated by one symbol, even if there are several places in one village or small(er) city. (Then under 'extra information' we indicate: 'multiple addresses').

- **Shops** (bakeries, butcher shops, groceries, supermarkets, etc.) 🏪

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- **Health** (hospital with first aid post, pharmacy or GP post) 🏥

These are also indicated with one symbol. It is not a complete list. Facilities along the walking route have been chosen as much as possible.

- **'All facilities'** ★

In the larger cities there are, of course, many bars, cafés, restaurants, shops and hotels. Moreover, usually there are special facilities such as: a shoemaker, bicycle repair shop, or outdoor sports shop. All these facilities are indicated with one symbol.

Finally...

... a few tips that you can safely ignore. After all, it's your journey!

With so much information available, the idea of 'everything under control' can arise. But that is not how it works. Hosts can decide overnight to stop receiving pilgrims without passing on the message. The bar or grocery that you have been really looking forward to, appears to be closed that day due to family circumstances. And so on and so on.

So make sure that, on your journey through these sparsely populated areas, you always carry a small, nutritious emergency supply with you,

Moreover: 'everything under control', is that really great? Your decision to go on a pilgrimage, wasn't it also a decision to leave behind you the familiar and certainties?

We think improvisation is part of that. While walking, you get a feel for the right direction, even without markings. Along the way you will discover that most cemeteries have a water tap, that post offices in smaller towns have limited opening times, that the presence of a tourist office usually indicates that there other facilities also.

To go one step further: don't try to plan everything in advance. Be open to what comes your way. Sometimes that is demanding, but often - in retrospect - these are highlights on your journey. Moments when you could experience true hospitality and help and/or you discovered that you can handle just fine.

Feel free to ask for help on your way, even if you do not speak French fluently. You will discover that most people are happy to help. And sometimes it leads to very special encounters.



BON CHEMIN!

4 Symbols: overview

Pilgrim shelter		Accommodation: extras	
	Home hospitality for pilgrims ('Accueil pèlerin à domicile')		Dinner possible at location
	Pilgrims hostel ('refuge pèlerin')		Wifi
Other accommodation		Other facilities	
	Hospitality by a church/religious organization ('accueil et hébergement religieux')		Tourist Office ('Office de Tourisme')
	Hotel or B&B ('chambres d'hôtes')		Train station ('gare SNCF')
	Holiday house ('gîte')		Café, bar, restaurant
	Youth hostel ('auberge de jeunesse') / Accommodation for young workers ('foyer de jeunes travailleurs (FJT)')		Shop(s)
	Camp site ('camping')		Post Office / Agency
			Picnic bench / place
			Health
			All facilities

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49.7	Saint-Palais		Gîte municipal 'Les Franciscains' - Amis de Saint Jacques Entrée/Ingang/Eingang/Entrance: Impasse du prieuré. tel: +33 7 68 97 75 25 Lodging: BB Price: €9 PP/PN caminopa@hotmail.com www.compostelle.fr Former monastery (corner: Route de Gibraltar-Avenue de Navarre). Dormitory (no bunk beds). Double room: € 14 PP/PN, including breakfast. Kitchen available, no shared evening meal. Washing machine: € 2. Electric bike recharge: 5€ Open from 14:00 pm to 22:00, from April 1 to October 31. Reservations not required (except groups). ***Updated: 20230301
	Saint-Palais		Gîte Soretana 2 avenue Frederic de Saint-Jayme tel: +33 9 73 67 88 27 / +33 6 10 10 73 97 Lodging: BB Price: €24 PP/PN ldploye@hotmail.fr https://www.santiagoo.com/hebergements/soretana-saint-palais Language: fr-en Dinner €12 ***Updated: 20230301
	Saint-Palais		Hospital / Hoptal / Krankenhaus / Ziekenhuis 29 Avenue Frédéric de Saint-Jayme tel: +33 5 59 65 45 35 With emergency first aid, open 24/24. ***Updated: 20231008
	Saint-Palais		Pharmacie / Pharmacy / Apotheke / Apotheek 16 Place Charles de Gaulle tel: +33 5 59 65 95 27 Closed on Sundays. ***Updated: 20231008
	Saint-Palais		Pharmacie / Pharmacy / Apotheke / Apotheek 12 Rue Gambetta tel: +33 5 59 65 73 08 Closed on Saturday afternoon and Sunday afternoon. ***Updated: 20231008
	Saint-Palais		Office de Tourisme / Tourist office / Fremdenverkehrsamt / VVV 14 Place Charles de Gaulle tel: +33 5 59 65 71 78 http://www.saintjeanpieddeport-paysbasque-tourisme.com/Decouvrez/Nos-villages/Saint-Palais
	Saint-Palais		Poste / Post office / Postamt / postkantoor 30 Rue Gambetta
	Saint-Palais		All facilities.
58.4	Ostabat-Asme		Gîte d'étape Etchetoa Harambeltz tel: +33 7 66 02 40 10 Lodging: HB Price: €39 PP/PN marie.etchetoa@laposte.net https://www.etchetoa.com/ Language: fr-en-es 12 places, accommodation €15, breakfast €6, meal €18, tent €5 PP/PN, sheets & towels €7. 2 double rooms: half board €52 PP/PN. Kitchen, washing and drying, small food stock. Open all day from 14.30h. Large grocery store on site. ***Updated: 20240301
61.8	Ostabat-Asme		Gîte d'étape Izarrak 1020 Azmeko Bidéa tel: +33 6 72 73 78 56 Lodging: HB Price: €42 - €50 PP/PN contact@giteizarrak.com https://www.giteizarrak.com/ Animals: No Language: fr-en-po 1 km past the village. Open 1/4 - 31/10 (from 3 PM). Price varies: dorm or room. Reservation required minimum the day before. Washing and drying of clothes (fee). Swimming pool. Towel or sheets from €3. Free car parking. ***Updated: 20240301
	Ostabat-Asme		Aire-Ona - Françoise Irigoïn Bourg tel: +33 6 33 65 77 15 Lodging: B Price: €20 PP/PN gite.aire-ona@live.fr http://www.aireona-gite-ostabat.fr Language: fr-en Near the church. 12 places. Gîte d'étape en gîte de groupe. Room: €50 P2P/PN. Breakfast €5. Washing machine / dryer (fee). ***Updated: 20230301
	Ostabat-Asme		Ametzanea Bourg tel: +33 5 59 37 85 03 / +33 5 59 37 81 56 Lodging: HB Price: €37 PP/PN ***Updated: 20220101
	Ostabat-Asme		Ospitalia Maison Agneteya, Le Bourg tel: +33 5 59 37 83 17 / +33 6 10 04 65 75 Lodging: B Price: €17 PP/PN Animals: Horse, donkey 10 places. Friendly people, but hygiene leaves much to be desired. Very different assessments. Self-cooking possible. Open Mar-Dec ***Updated: 20240701
	Ostabat-Asme		Chambres Jango Bourg, Les Chemins de Saint-Jacques tel: +33 5 59 37 80 69 miren.elisseits@orange.fr 3 double rooms. ***Updated: 20220505
	Ostabat-Asme		Gîte Olli Pean - Patricia Irola 95 Olli peko bidea tel: +33 6 70 28 15 55 Lodging: B Price: €25 PP/PN b.mogabure64@gmail.com Animals: No Language: fr-basque Sheets included. Breakfast €6. Meal €17. Cooking possible. Washing machine €2. Dryer €2. Open from April 1 to SeptembeOpen from April 1 to September 30 (ONLY on Thursday and Friday). ***Updated: 20240301
	Juxue		Chambre d'hôtes à la Ferme Arlania D933 tel: +33 5 59 37 80 47 Lodging: HB Price: €40 PP/PN laurenca.etchelet@wanadoo.fr Language: fr-en-es-basque 1km east of the route. Pick up from Ostabat. Washing machine, tumble dryer. Open all year. ***Updated: - -
	Ostabat-Asme		Café / Bar / Restaurant
	Ostabat-Asme		Ravitaillement / Supplies / Proviant / Bevoorrading This boulanger/epicerie/bar (multiservice) is also a chambres d'hôtes. Also offers a pilgrims menu for €13.50 in the bar (book before 5pm - just drop by). ***Updated: 20220505
65.4	Larceveau		Pharmacie / Pharmacy / Apotheke / Apotheek Au Bourg tel: +33 5 59 37 82 76 Closed Saturday afternoon and Sunday. ***Updated: 20231008
	Larceveau		Café / Bar / Restaurant
	Larceveau		Ravitaillement / Supplies / Proviant / Bevoorrading
74.0	Lacarre		Dodo à la ferme chez l'habitant - Jean-Claude Sempé Maison Caracotchia - 120 chemin de Karakotxea tel: +33 6 80 15 71 25 Lodging: B Price: €20 PP/PN xokoan@wanadoo.fr Animals: Horse €5 Language: fr-basque Also accommodation in a caravan: €15 PP/PN. Breakfast €6. Meal €15. Sheets €5. Washing machine €5. Tumble dryer €5. Open all year. ***Updated: 20240526
80.3	Saint-Jean-le-Vieux		Camping Paix des Champs Ferme Asoritzia, Route de Jaxu tel: +33 5 59 37 04 16 Lodging: B Price: €12 PP/PN ***Updated: - -
	Saint-Jean-le-Vieux		Maison Zubiata - Pierre & Monique Esponde tel: +33 5 59 37 08 21 / +33 6 85 29 35 59 Lodging: BB Price: €50 - €55 PP/PN monique.64220@hotmail.fr https://www.bedandbreakfast.eu/bed-and-breakfast/saint-jean-le-vieux/maison-zubiata-3km-compostelle/1517736/ Animals: No 1.5 km north of the route. Microwave. Swimming pool. ***Updated: - -
	Saint-Jean-le-Vieux		Poste / Post office / Postamt / postkantoor Rue Principale
	Saint-Jean-le-Vieux		Café / Bar / Restaurant Multiple addresses.

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	Saint-Jean-le-Vieux		Ravitaillement / Supplies / Proviant / Bevoorrading Multiple addresses.
82.5	Saint-Jean-le-Vieux		Camping Aire Naturelle La Magdeleine La Magdeleine tel: +33 5 59 37 02 63 / +33 6 98 16 66 16 Lodging: B Price: €10,25 PP/PN Animals: Yes €15,50 P2/PN. Mobil homes 1 pers €17. Washing machine €2,50. Opened from the 1 the of April till the end of September. ***Updated: 20230401
84.3	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Porte Saint-Jacques, Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port (UNESCO)
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Gare / Railway Station / Bahnhof / station
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Accueil pèlerin - Amis du Chemin de St.-Jacques de Compostelle 39 Rue de la Citadelle tel: +33 5 59 37 05 09 http://www.aucoeurduchemin.org/ Open every day: 7.30am-1pm and 2pm-8pm. Friday and Sunday also from 9 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. ***Updated: 20210510
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Refuge municipal - Amis de la Vieille Navarre 55 Rue de la Citadelle Lodging: BB Price: €12 PP/PN http://www.amisvieillenavarre.fr/ospitalia-refuge-municipal-les-chemins-de-st-jacques/presentation-du-refuge/ 32 places. Open all year, from 2 p.m. No reservation. ***Updated: 20220505
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Gîte Esteban Etxea - Fernando & Marie 29 Rue de la Citadelle tel: +33 6 38 22 80 05 / +33 6 62 18 53 87 Lodging: B Price: €19 PP/PN esteban.etxea@yahoo.com Animals: No Language: fr-en-es Room: €55 P2P/PN, 3 pers: €65 (sheets included). Breakfast €5. Meal €13. Cooking possible. Microwave. Packed lunch €7. Sheets €1.50. Washing machine €3. Tumble dryer €2. Open from February to November. ***Updated: - -
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Gîte Le Lièvre et la Tortue - Cat & Manu 30 Rue de la Citadelle tel: +33 6 59 13 52 25 Lodging: B Price: €23 PP/PN gite.lelievreetlatortue@gmail.com https://www.facebook.com/gitelelievreetlatortue/ Animals: No Language: fr-en-es Pilgrim fare. Room: €70-€80 P2P/PP. 3 pers €90 (sheets included and privat bath room). Breakfast €6. Meal €16. Packed lunch €7. Washing machine €5. Tumble dryer €5. Open 3 p.m., April to October; however if you arrive before 3 p.m. we can take the backpacks (if we are there!). ***Updated: 20240301
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Gîte Beilari Aterpea 40 Rue de la Citadelle tel: +33 6 30 02 86 67 Lodging: HB Price: €43 PP/PN info@beilari.info http://www.beilari.info Animals: No Language: fr-en-es Former l'Esprit-du-Chemin. Open: mid-March - end of October. Cyclists welcome. Public parking available 200m away. Community dinner. Vegetarian meal. ***Updated: 20240301
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Gîte Bidean 11 Rue d'Espagne tel: +33 6 70 29 66 66 Lodging: B Price: €18 PP/PN gite.bidean@gmail.com https://www.gite-bidean-saintjeanpieddeport.fr/ Animals: Yes Plus tourist tax. Common meal €15. Breakfast €5,50. Private room: €65 P2P/PN. Reservation possible. Arrival from 3 p.m. Open all year. ***Updated: 20240301
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Le Chemin Vers L'étoile 21 Rue d'Espagne tel: +33 5 59 37 20 71 / +33 6 70 20 82 13 Lodging: B Price: €21 - €24 PP/PN eric.viotte@gmail.com http://www.pelerinage-saint-jacques-compostelle.com Animals: No Language: fr-en-es Breakfast €8. €1 tourist tax. ***Updated: 20240301
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Kaserna 43 Rue d'Espagne tel: +33 5 59 37 65 17 Lodging: HB Price: €25 PP/PN 12 places. Priority for pilgrims on foot. Cyclists unfortunately not welcome. ***Updated: 20230808
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Zuharpeta 5 Rue Zuharpeta tel: +33 5 59 37 35 88 / +33 6 21 30 03 05 Lodging: B Price: €22 PP/PN sabine.gueracague@gmail.com https://gitezuharpeta.fr/ Language: fr-en Total 23 places. Double room: €62 P2P/PN. Breakfast (takeaway!) €7. Tourist tax €0.70. Meal possible in restaurant. Reservations recommended. Open from 4 p.m., bicycle parking and charging possible €5. Meal possible 15/3-15/10. ***Updated: 20220707
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Gîte La Vita è Bella 4 Place du Trinquet tel: +33 6 72 10 04 63 / +33 6 49 46 53 74 Lodging: BB Price: €27 PP/PN lavitaebella.sm@gmail.com https://la-vita-e-bella-cottage.business.site/?utm_source=gmb&utm_medium=referral Animals: No Language: fr-en-es Double room, BB: €49 PP/PN, €54 P2P/PN. Triple room BB: €70 PP/PN, €77 P2P/PN, €84 P3P/PN. Meal €14 PP. Sheets and towels for a fee. Microwave. Washing machine and dryer. Reservations possible. With tea room. ***Updated: 20240301
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Esponda 9 Place du Trinquet tel: +33 6 20 42 37 63 Lodging: BB Price: > €55 PP/PN contact@villaesponda.com https://www.villaesponda.com/ 14 places. Reservation possible. Kitchen available. ***Updated: 20220505
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Gîte Compostella 6 Route d'Arnéguy tel: +33 5 59 37 02 36 / +33 6 21 37 18 31 Lodging: BB Price: €20 PP/PN gitecompostella@sfr.fr Animals: No Language: fr-en-es 14 places, in double and triple rooms: €30 PP/PN and quad room: €20 PP/PN. Breakfast possible: €6. ***Updated: 20240301
	Saint Jean Pied de Port	 	Gîte Antton - Maison Anttonenia Route de Napoléon tel: +33 6 65 19 50 73 / +33 9 82 55 13 20 Lodging: HB Price: €38 PP/PN https://www.facebook.com/people/Gite-Antton/100067143851621/ Language: fr-en-es Sheets included. Packed lunch €4. Bicycle storage. Reservation possible. ***Updated: - -
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Zazpiak-Bat - M Duclos Régis 13 Bis, Route du Maréchal Harispe tel: +33 6 48 62 66 36 Lodging: BB Price: €25 PP/PN http://www.gite-zazpiak-bat.com 14 places. Half board and reservation possible. Kitchen available. ***Updated: - -
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Camping municipal Plaza-Berri Avenue du Fronton tel: +33 5 59 37 11 19 / +33 5 59 37 00 92 Lodging: B Price: €12,65 P2P/PN contact@saintjeanpieddeport.fr https://www.en-pays-basque.fr/hebergement/camping-municipal-plaza-berri/ Animals: Yes (kept on a leash, tattooed, with vaccination against rabies, with valid certificate). Language: fr-en-es Price for place with 2 persons, excluding tourist tax. Open from Easter to All Saints' Day. ***Updated: 20230508
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Pharmacie / Pharmacy / Apotheke / Apotheek 27 Place Charles de Gaulle tel: +33 5 59 37 02 81 Closed Saturday afternoon and Sunday. ***Updated: 20231008

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	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Pharmacie / Pharmacy / Apotheke / Apotheek Place Juan de Huarte tel: +33 5 59 37 10 14 Closed Saturday afternoon and Sunday. ***Updated: 20231008
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Boutique du Pèlerin - Pierre 32 rue de la Citadelle tel: +33 5 59 37 98 52 directioncompostelle@orange.fr https://www.boutique-du-pelerin.com/ Open 7/7 from February 20 to October 25. ***Updated: 20230401
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Maya Sport 18 avenue du Jaï Alaï tel: +33 5 59 37 15 98 contact@mayasport.fr https://www.mayasport.fr/ Open from Monday to Saturday: 09:00 - 13:00 and 14:00 - 19:00. Extensive range. ***Updated: 20230401
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Office de Tourisme / Tourist office / Fremdenverkehrsamt / VVV 14 Place Charles de Gaulle http://www.saintjeanpieddeport-paysbasque-tourisme.com/Decouvrez/Nos-villages/Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		Poste / Post office / Postamt / postkantoor 1 Rue de la Poste
	Saint Jean Pied de Port		All facilities.
	Saint-Michel	 	Gîte d'étape Ourtiague - Jeanne Ourtiague Ferme Irthurburia / Quartier Huntto tel: +33 6 80 53 00 46 / +33 5 59 37 11 17 Lodging: B Price: €20 PP/PN jeanne.ourtiague@orange.fr https://resa.tourisme64.com/hebergements/hebergement-collectif/saint-michel/HCOAQU06401GVDYT-gite-d-etape-ourtiague/ Animals: Yes Language: fr-en-basque LO €23 PP/PN. HP €42 PP/PN. Towels and sheets included. Tourist tax €0.72 PP. Breakfast €6. Meal €21. Also gîte or room available. Kitchen use €1. Packed lunch €6. Washer + Dryer €5. Pick-up possible from Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port. Open from 1 April to 31 October. ***Updated: - -
	Saint-Michel	 	Gîte Auberge Borda Chemin de Saint Jacques / D428 / GR65 tel: +33 6 61 92 97 43 Lodging: HB Price: €45 PP/PN aubergeborda@gmail.com https://www.aubergeborda.com/ Animals: No Language: fr-en-es-basque Price for dormitory. 2 person room HP €114 P2P/PN. Sheet and towel package: €8. Packed lunch €8. Washing machine €5. Dryer €5. Open from mid April to the end of October. ***Updated: 20240301
	Uhart-Cize		Refuge Orisson Orrison tel: +33 6 38 26 97 38 / +33 5 59 49 13 03 Lodging: HB Price: €45 PP/PN refuge.orisson@wanadoo.fr https://www.refuge-orisson.com Animals: Horse, donkey, no dogs Language: fr-en-es-basque 28 places. 8 km after SJPdP. Half board required. Open Apr-Oct. Book well in advance (see website for additional information). Transportation of People AND Luggage - We work exclusively with the company "DONKEY SERVICE". Here is the link for quotes and reservations: https://sites.google.com/view/donkeyservice . ***Updated: 20240301
	Uhart-Cize	 	Gîte 'La Coquille Napoléon' 320, Route Napoléon tel: +33 6 62 25 99 40 Lodging: BB Price: €20 PP/PN bixente.eguiazabal@gmail.com http://lacoquillenapoleon.simplesite.com/418540957 Animals: No Language: fr-en-es-basque 10 places in mixed dormitory. Also double rooms with private bathroom € 60. Breakfast €6. Washer and dryer. Wednesday closed. Space for bicycles. About 1km past St. Jean-Pied-de-Port on the Camino, opposite B&B GOXOKI ***Updated: 20240301
	Arneguy		Mme Cottabarin Maison Sor-Lurreau tel: +33 5 59 37 06 20 Lodging: B Along the Valcarlos route (D933), at the border bridge with Spain. Reserve. Open all year. ***Updated: - -