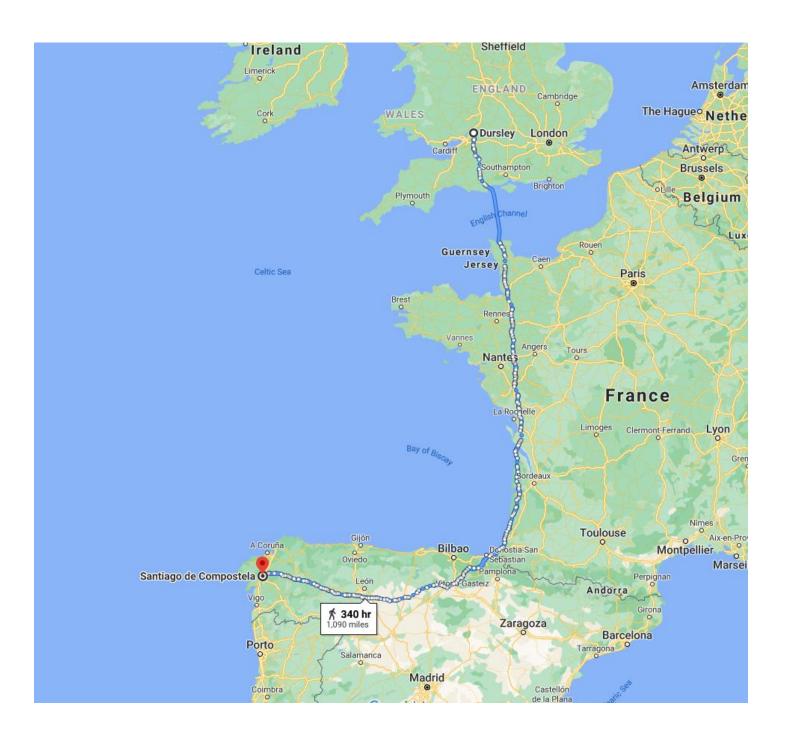
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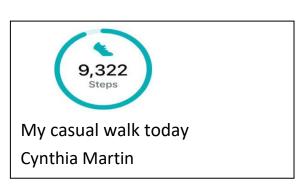
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14th January ~ Day 1 St James to Crícklade



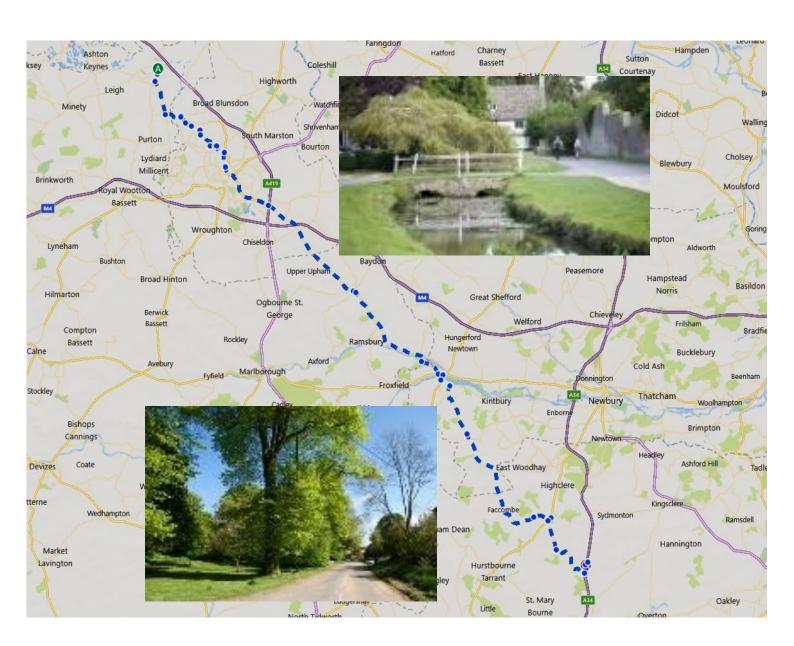




Not a very active day, but I can contribute 2 miles Anne Kitch



15th January ~ Day 2 Crícklade to Litchfield



Well done team. Today, so far, we have walked 43.3 miles. That gives a total of 66.1 miles

Welcome Sally Arnold who is joining in off line and walking with her lovely dog Happy. 2 walks a day to count!

4 miles running today to add for me Katrina Fletcher

Only 3 miles today at work

Sian Louise

Today's effort, walked up Whiteway, around the quarry back through woods & out at union Street. Walked grand dog back to Lawrence Grove.

Cynthia Martin

I did a steady one mile today!....every little counts! *Jennifer Kendrick*

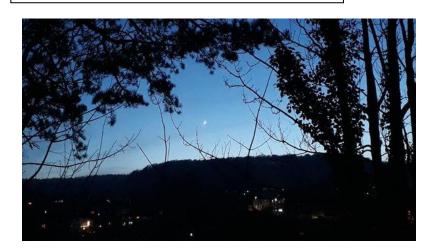
Walked from Ferney up Breakneck along Farfield and back over the fields via Chestal to Ferney - 2.5 miles

Jane Bilous

Evening jog, timing would have looked better if we hadn't continued to chat for 10 mins before I remembered to switch Straya off



Thanks Anne Kitch for adding me. I'm currently shielding and set myself a goal to walk each day to keep me sane & active. Today I walked 8 miles which, for me is a huge achievement Helen Desoisa



Nice walk in the dark with Ems, lovely new moon in the sky. 3.78 miles covered *Rachel Brown*

6.1km walking G up to the shops and back

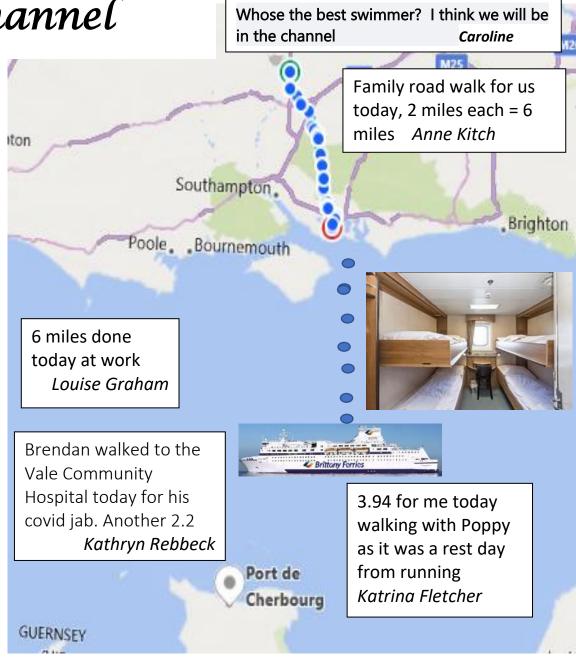
Joy Pepper

Not very far today but I did walk 2 miles

Jenni Norris

2.6 miles for me today, wish I had had 9 hours sleep though! *Anne Kitch*

16th January ~ Day 3 Litchfield to somewhere in the channel Whose the best swimmer? I think we will be



Well done everyone, today we have walked another 63.16 miles. That's a grand total after 3 days of 129.26 miles only another 1200.74 to go. We will be there sooner than you think.

Today's short walk - Rosebery road,up Poet's, left onto Ganzell Lane, past the alpaca and chicken farm, over the stile and left from the field down onto Uley road and back to Ferney - 2.25 miles Jane Bilous

Day 2 - the sun shone down on Happy and I. My Psalm for today is Psalm 21. My walk is one mile Sally Arnold

4.23 miles this afternoon to Cam and back via Drake Lane and Hopton Road. Gill was with me so you could double the mileage

Michael Cozens

Thought it was going to be a wet day but we had beautiful blue skies & sunshine. Up Union street into the woods up through woods around Stinchcombe hill & down past leaf & ground back to Cambridge Avenue

Conthia Martin

4km Here's my walk to the shop and back for click and collect Saturday. Has anyone else got today's miles to add? I'll total them at 10.30pm. Thank you *Caroline Carrie Marrow*



4 miles today, including walking to and around Leaf and Ground.

Sian Louise

Up Union street into the woods up through woods around Stinchcombe hill & down past leaf & ground back to Cambridge Avenue *Cynthia Martin*

Now joining the walk. From home near Dursley Coop by the Ewelme and Castle Street up Hunger Hill.

About 1 mile.

David Smith



4.25 miles on mine and Emmy's hike up the hill. So lovely to be able to ramble where you like up there with no golfers!

Rachel Brown

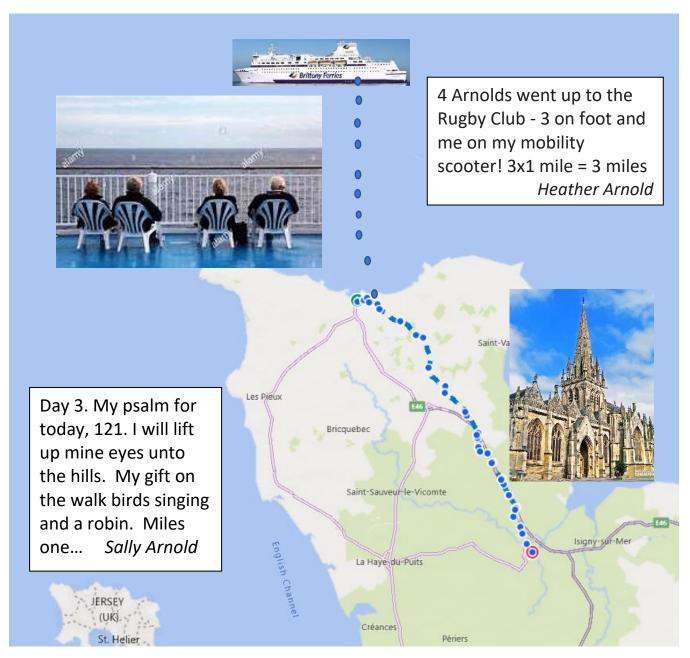
Yesterday did home, office, St Giles, Shadwell, home. 6.4 miles Clive Orchard

Only did 2.30 km. Had to wear a mask whilst shopping in Tesco. Wouldn't allow the visor. Had breathing problem with my asthma so had to rest up this afternoon

Joy Pepper

Bit of a workout today. The legs are suffering. Dursley, Cam Peak, Longdown Coaley Peak, Selsley Common, Inchbrook, Woodchester Mansion. Taxi home - thank you Gil 12.45 miles *Adrian Mather*

17th January ~ Day 4 Somewhere in the channel to Carentan



Today we had 23 walkers along our virtual route. Together they have added 77.62 miles to our total bringing it to 206.88 miles, which means we have crossed the channel today and are staying close to Carentan. Good team work everyone.



Walk with Ian up Wotton Hill this morning and through Littlecombe, Chestal, through St Mark's graveyard, Fort Lane and home with Emily this pm. 6.2 miles in total *Rachel Brown*

It's very surprising what I can do when I say to myself no sewing until you have done some exercise! And no-one is more surprised than me as it was only 20 seconds of walking while I had to wait for cars to go past and I could overtake some walkers #couchto5k week 7. 5 mins walking at each end and 25 mins 'running' First solo jog! 2.34 miles Caroline Carrie Marrow

Have walked 7.70 km today. Did the circuit round Berkeley which is very popular with walkers and cyclist

Joy Pepper

4.5 miles at work tonight

Louise Graham



Sculpture Trail today via the Alpaca (plus a coffee of course).

2 miles x 2 = 4 miles

Clive Orchard

Shorter walk after zoom. 2.75 miles Cynthia Martin Family early morning power walk (run for Liam), 3.5 miles = 10.5 miles

Anne Kitch

Brendan and I walked to Manor Avenue today, so another 8 miles between the two of us (not counting the zip zags back and forth to avoid those who fail to give social distance). Brendan's son Jake (who broke his leg on Jan. 1st) has walked 5 miles this week

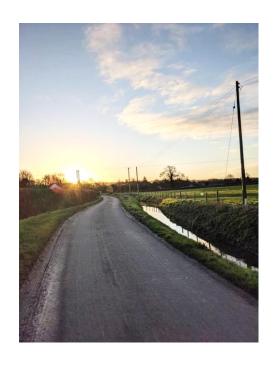
Kathryn Rebbeck

This morning's run, 11 miles - have a lovely day folks, enjoy the sunshine. X

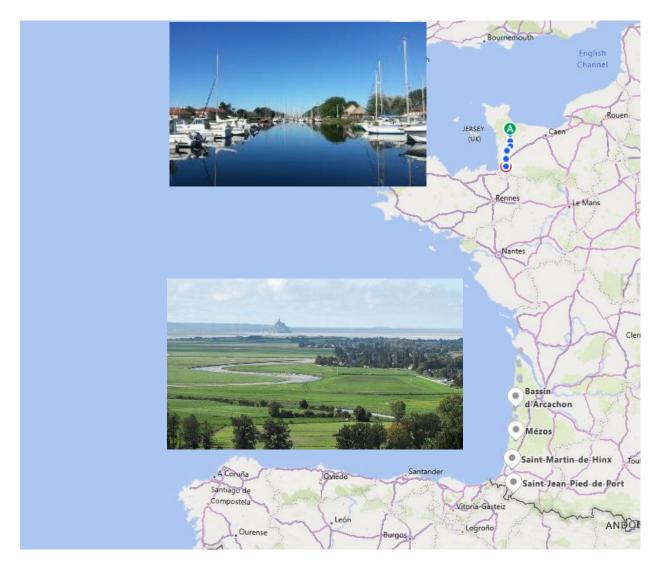
Katrina Fletcher



3.3 miles today around the Rugby Club and Taits Hill Sian Louise



18th January ~ Day 5 Carentan to La Tríníté, Avranches



It's been another great day for walking and today the team has added another 53.21 miles. Tonight we are north of Avranches in a small town called La Trinite 3.75 miles doing my usual 6.30am stomp round the block (down Rednock Drive, along Knapp, back along Kingshill Road) and then after work another regular jaunt down behind Rednock, along Everlands, through by Scout Hut to Hopton Road, back through St George's churchyard and back up behind Rednock. Won't bore you with the details of this again as it's likely to be the same pattern for the rest of my working week! *Rachel Brown*

Had lazy birthday doing a jigsaw so only potted around doing 1.70 km.

Joy Pepper

Whoohoo - new birthday tracker watch! Evening Prayer walk tonight. Short legs mean they don't clock up so many miles. - says 4.12miles

Jane Wood



Office, Breakheart Quarry,
Sculpture trail this morning.
4.2 miles Clive Orchard

Didn't do anything exciting but managed to clock up 3.74 miles Cynthia Martin



Monday morning stomp round muddy fields & lanes - 7.5 miles Helen Desoisa

3 miles today - just a short circuit -Ferney, Chestal, Littlecombe, Everlands, Oak Drive, St George's road, The Knapp, Long street, Chestal, Ferney.

Jane Bilous

5.95 miles today (can I count it as 6?). 4 mile power walk, lovey to bump into Margaret. School pick up and some running about

Anne Kitch

Evening out in the rain. This converts to 3.68 miles so I'll donate my 0.08 to you, Anne Kitch, to make yours up to a Caroline Carrie Marrow

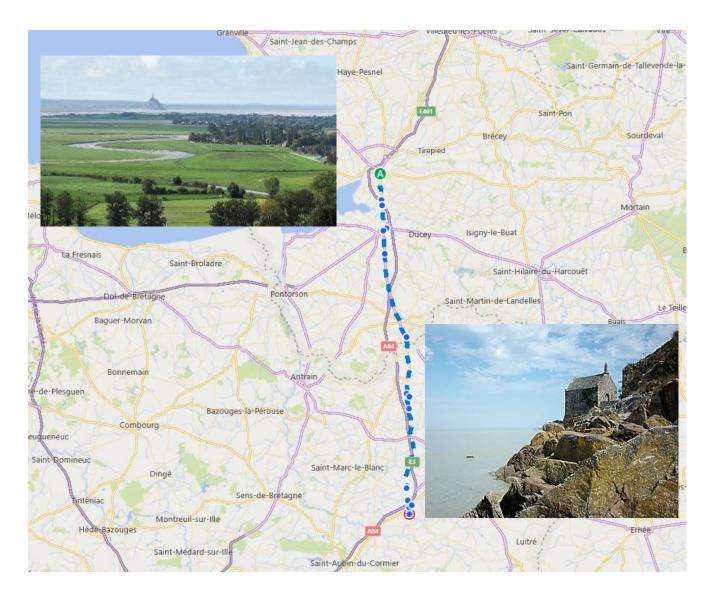
Just a little run today - 4.5 miles logged round town.

Katrina Fletcher

3 miles today in between working Sally Winterbottom

Only 2.5 miles dog walking in the rain tonight! Sian Louise

19th January ~ Day 6 La Tríníté, Avranches to La Chapelle-Saínt-Aubert



Today we have had twelve team members out and about getting us 41.69 miles closer too Santiago de Compostela. Tonight we have reached La Chapelle-Saint-Aubert

Prayer walk around Dursley after work - it was getting quite dark on the way home!

Miles 4.75

Jane Wood

2.9 miles today, mainly at work. Sian Louise



Thought I would take a morning shower with storm Christoph. It wasn't what I expected. He was very gentle and I quite enjoyed it. -Office-Upper Cam-Farfield-Hydegate-Elcombe. -5.8 miles (the last 1.5 miles across waterlogged fields and over styles carrying half a sack of potatoes from Elcombe Farm.. plus another 1.7 miles with Christoph making the total for the day 7.5 miles.

Clive Orchard

5 mins walk at either end and I managed to jog the rest. It was too much for Christophe, I had wet feet but thankfully a dry head 2.4 miles *Caroline Carrie Marrow*

3.25 miles doing same routes as yesterdayonly difference is that today I'm muchwetterRachel Brown

Day five The psalm special to Tim 107 verses21 to 30 ,had a lovely mile walk in the rain Sally and Happy

Sally Arnold



A bit of a groggy morning for me but, true to my pledge I put my hat & boots on & went for a short but awakening walk I looked for signs of spring to cheer me up 1.51 miles Helen Desoisa

7.01 km. Did the circuit again lunchtime. *Joy Pepper*

Only did a mile and half today will try harder tomorrow

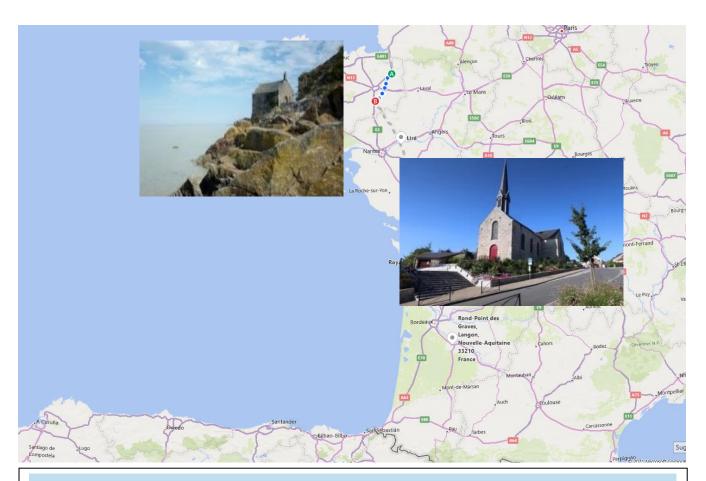
Jenni Norris



From home via Fort Lane,
Woodmancote, Uley Road, through
Downham View to Fourth Avenue,
across the school field to the top of
Shakespeare Avenue, back down
Woodmancote and back home.
Adding a short walk from yesterday
we reckon we have added 3 miles
each to the Camino walk, total 6
mile

Kathryn Rebbeck

20th January ~ Day 7 La Chapelle-Saint-Aubert to Crevin



Despite the weather being quite rough day 14 of us have been out braving the elements! We have added another 46.17 miles and walked through Rennes to stay in a small town called Crevin. Well done everyone. Joy had the bright idea of measuring her walking around the house and Sian at just over a quarter of the way there which after 5 days is amazing

Day six - Psalm 46. God is our hope and strength .A brisk one mile walk Sally Arnold

5 miles from work last night and walk this morning Louise Graham

A meandering walk back from the shop this morning. 2.09 miles and a walk out this evening 3.54 miles is 5.6 total for me today *Caroline Carrie Marrow*

Milage today 4 00 miles Margaret Lloyd



5½ mile walk to Cam Peak & Longdown in the rain

Cynthia Martin

It was really blowing a hooley here in Berkeley so didn't go out. Just walking round the house I have done 1.22 km. Don't know whether you want to count that in.

Joy Pepper

Richard and I only did 1.1 miles each today *Christine Morgan*



A wet, windy & wild 5.88 miles today. *Helen Desoisa*

6.4 miles run today to add to the total *Katrina Fletcher*

We've done smaller circuit today, so probably about 3.5 miles Kathryn Rebbeck

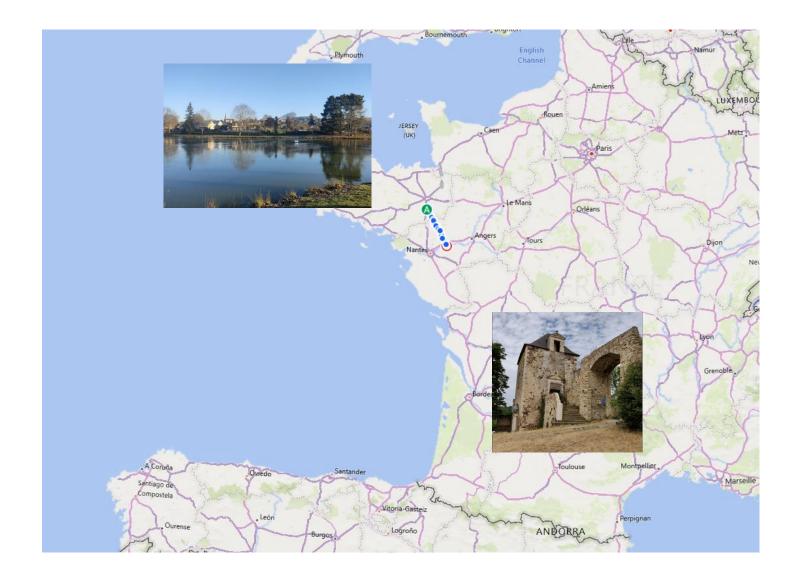


Went back to collect the rest of my sack of potatoes today. Unfortunately it proved to be a much heavier "half". 4.6 miles Office-Stoutshill-Elcombe Farm Clive Orchard

2.8 miles today - mainly at work again Sian Louise

21st January ~ Day 8

Crevin to Liré



Well done to our 15 walkers and potatoes today. We have added 47.91 miles and walked through Chateaubriant to Ancenis, crossed the Loire and are staying at Lire.

No exercise for me for a couple of days on dentist's orders. I look forward to rejoining the Camino Way very soon Kathryn Rebbeck

Finally remembered to keep my phone in my pocket!

2.3 miles (0.6 up and down the ladder whilst painting, then school pick up)

Anne Kitch

Not very exciting today 2 miles down & around town Cynthia Martin

Usual stomp either end of my working day, and then an impromptu but in the end a very important walk in the dark this evening. Went with girls down the Knapp, into town and up the little pathway by Boots. Half way up we passed an older gentleman who it transpired was in a bit of a pickle. He'd not long been out of hospital, and although completely lucid he was very tired. Between the 3 of us we got him back to his house and checked he had family to call on.. Definitely a spirit-led route tonight I feel! 5.3 miles altogether. *Rachel Brown*

5.15 miles today. Nice way to end the day but now having to rest a few days due a knee niggle. Will still be walking the dog, so will log those miles instead. *Katrina Fletcher*

Dry head and feet today, lovely to pass
Clive Orchard en route. 3.41 miles today.

Caroline Carrie Marrow

3.2 miles today

Sian Louise

Richard and I did 2.6 miles each today

Christine Morgan

Just a 'wandering' 2 miles from me today

Jenni Norris

Day 7 Psalm 150 Wonderful clouds!

My usual one mile Sally Arnold



Up to my elbows in paint today

so a very small 1.39 miles

But boy was it worth it

Helen Desoisa

Just 2.55km today. Lazy day. Done some shopping. Walked round the field attached to the house to see how far the river was up.

We are still ok. Joy Pepper



Office and back this morning 1.7 miles. Field Lane allotment via Kingshill and return via Listers Drive, Stinchcombe Golf Course and Sculpture Trail. Sorry about the photo. I misjudged how long I would take so it's a pic of Dursley from the Sculpture Trail after dark - 6.14 miles Total 7.18 miles

A proper walk today, 5.69miles!!

Margaret Lloyd



3.5 miles today with a run and teaching an online tap class Louise Graham

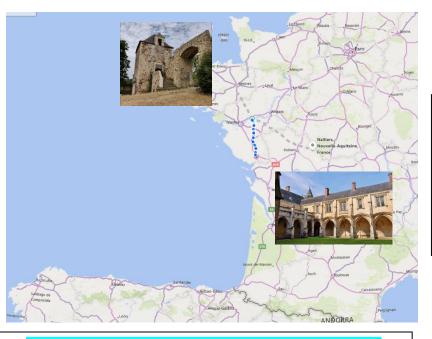
22nd January ~ Day 9 Líré to Nalliers

One walk this morning to see Corrine then circuitous route to Sains, 5 2 miles.

Margaret Lloyd

3.6 miles for me today

Anne Kitch



3 miles today.

Cynthia Martin

2 miles today took 2hours and was a struggle but I am glad I did it! Jennifer Kendrick

Wow today has seen 18 of us striding out around the Benefice completing 65.55 miles so tonight we have made it to the South Vendee and are staying in Nalliers



Day 8 Psalm 119 for a few days .One mile in the rain Sally Arnold

Approximately 4 miles to add to the Camino, through Littlecombe, along Everlands, up Woodview road, to make a delivery in Lambsdowne and back along Kingshill Road, The Knapp and Long Street.

Jane Bilous

Richard and I walked the dogs on the Hill in the sun this morning for 2.5 miles each, then Richard walked down to lock the church and return, so that is probably another 0.5 miles for him.

Christine Morgan

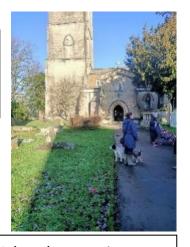
A good chat while out with Suzanne this evening 4 miles covered Carrie Marrow



4.02 miles today through part of the Benefice. Drake Lane, Farfield, Fop street, Uley Road. Came across these parishioners - the kind that don't answer back

Michael Cozens

3.4 miles today Sian Louise



A lovely morning.
Walked 2 miles to St
George church and
back David Smith

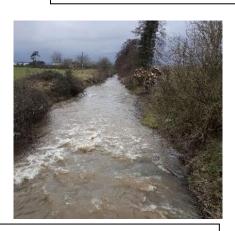


4.5 miles done today

walking around the

walls in Chester

Down to St James to pin up in the porch copies of Sunday's pew sheet. 1.7 miles Clive Orchard



To Leaf and Ground and back for me
3.3 mile
Sally Winterbottom

7.07km today. Walked the circuit. Photo of river going down by about for feet. Just got in as it started to rain *Joy Pepper*

Louise Graham

Up with the birds this morning for a frosty, sunny 3 miles before I crack open the paint tin Helen Desoisa



Hello Caroline. Can't walk regularly, but have clocked up 8,260 steps. If I count each step as a yard that makes 4 and three-quarter miles, which I hope can count towards the virtual walk. X

Joyce Lombarde

Walk up the hill this pm, 4.17 miles to add. Weird seeing a bluebell pushing through before the snowdrops have properly arrived *Rachel Brown*

23rd January ~ Day 10 Nalliers to Royan

3 miles at work tonight Louise Graham

Only 3 miles today but lovely and sunny Margaret Lloyd



Only 1.68km today. Walking round Tesco and walking round the house Joy Pepper

2.25 miles on the Ganzell Lane route today, no sign of alpaca Jane Bilous

On this lovely frosty day we have had the most walkers yet.

Twenty-four walkers have helped us to add a total of 70 miles. Tonight we sleep in Royan and will catch the ferry across La Gironde to Point de Grave in the morning.

Day 9 A time to listen . A peaceful one mile walk

Sally Arnold

3.5 miles today
walking and ice
skating but lovely
views Sian Louise





I did some deliveries on the way back from the shop. So 2.31 miles from me. We are having a themed zoom dinner party tonight with some friends so excuse the maths later!

Carrie Marrow

Gill and I only did 2 miles (each) today, through Littlecombe and back. Quite slippery in places. Lovely to meet Margaret en route!

Michael Cozens

2.45 miles each for Gill & I
today. Just a gentle stroll

Adrian Mather



Only 1 mile for me today to shops and back

Helen Desoisa

So good to be back on th Camino Way today, if only for a short 1 mile on the golf course. So 2 miles from us today.

Kathryn Rebbeck

Lovely socially distances walk with Jane this morning and another wander on the hill this afternoon. 3.6 miles xx

Sally Winterbottom

The sun was shining what else do you do with a lockdown birthday, eat cake? But first a good walk!

Cynthia Martin



Lane, along Farfield, up to the peak, along Longdown, down through Hawes wood, down Spring Hill and back home.

6.2 miles x Rachel Brown

Lovely walk with Ems up Drake

The boys did a collective 5 miles this morning and I did 3 this afternoon. Family total of 8 miles for us today *Anne Kitch*



4 miles for me today - lovely crispy day for it too

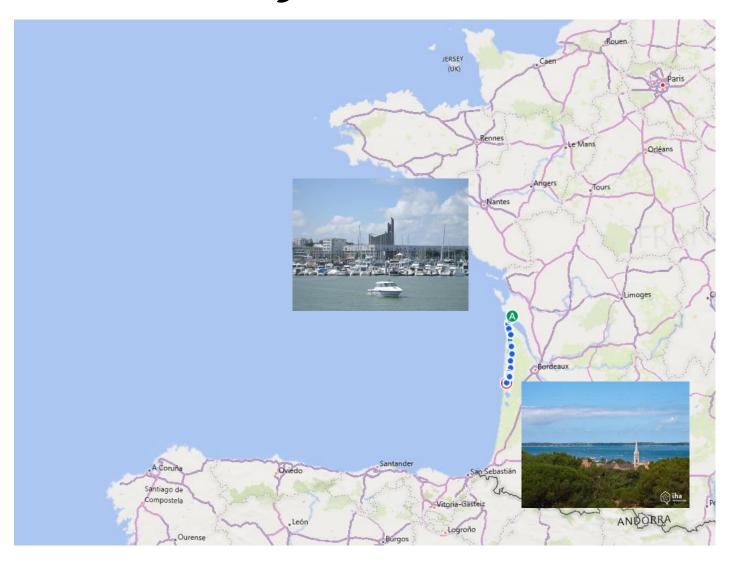
Katrina Fletcher

Coffee on the log and the sculpture trail this morning. 2 miles x 2 = 4 miles. Down into town, this afternoon, to pay the paper bill and get some steak and kidney for my next week's gourmet presentation.

2 miles Total today 6 miles

Clive Orchard

24th January ~ Day 11 Royan to Lanton



Sunday 24th, our first snow day, had 19 of us walking. It was lovely to have so many families out today, helping us achieve 74.99 miles. We have now reached Lanton on the Bassin D'Arcachon.

Day 10 Out in the snow managed just over one mile

I will have my hot chocolate this evening

Sally Arnold



3 mile walk with the family in the snow, so 12 miles combined! Plus a 3 mile run with the dog15 Fletcher miles accrued today Katrina Fletcher Family walk, snowtime. Chestal to Small Pox hill and back. 5 miles each = 15 miles. Now for hot chocolate and cake! Anne Kitch

Snowy walk



4.85 miles up, around and down Stinchcombe Hill Rachel Brown



today on hill with an unusual snowman. 4.6 miles. Paul joined for this leg of the journey so 4.6 from him too! Sally Winterbottom



3.2 miles today out in the snow. *Sian Louise*



A fabulous
picturesque '3
mile' walk in the
fields this morning
Helen Desoisa



Today's walk, winter on the outside, spring in the inside *Cynthia Martin*



the not so snowy Chester and work- 7 miles today Louise Graham

Walk through

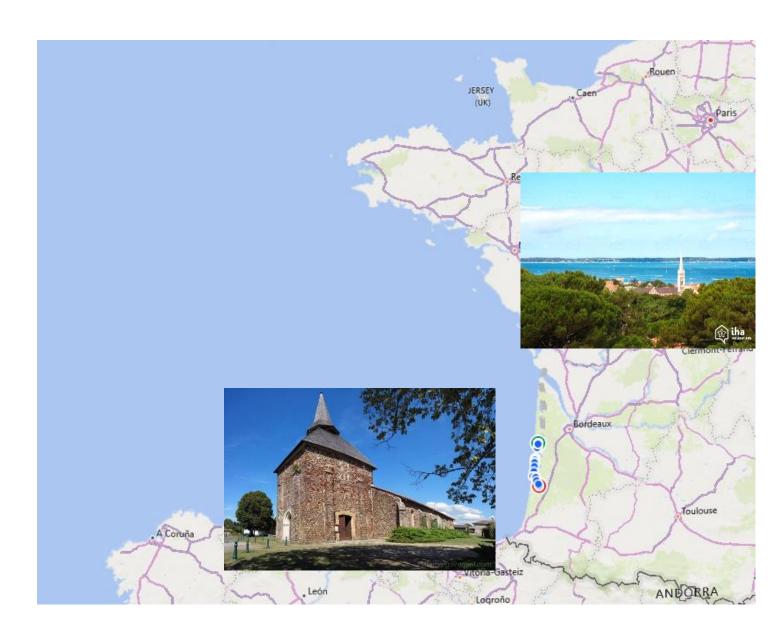
Not been out today.
Too icy. But have done
1.5km round the
house. Surprising how
it adds up but I don't
think that is a mile

Joy Pepper

Out for a walk with Rob this afternoon, a little bit slippy and a lot slurpy in the over the feet mud . It's 6.7 miles from the Marrow household today *Carrie Marrow*

Hello Caroline, thinking I would be stuck indoors today I did a few step routines from YouTube, but I made it down the hill this afternoon and a brisk walk to the police station and back, total milage 3.9 Margaret Lloyd

25th January ~ Day 12 Lanton to Mezos



Today has been a bit icy underfoot but still 15 of us have slipped another 48.28 miles onto our progress to get us to the very small village of Mezos

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Day 11 Today I can only report a half a mile walk , plus up and down the stairs five times Sally Arnold



A stroll around the lanes today. 2 miles x 2 = 4 miles *Clive Orchard*

1.70 km. Dentist, shopping then jab. Walking round in the house. Our lane is too icy to walk on. *Joy Pepper*

Slipped and slid 3.62 miles either side of work - both in the dark Rachel Brown

A walk to Caroline's today to pay my bill, then a walk to town and a Hoover up of pine needles in church. Total milage 4.5 *Margaret Lloyd*

Walked to the Vale with Phil as he had invitation for vaccine (I'm still too young) walked further through Littlecombe, Ferney, Uley Road Estate, Highfield & nomen Cynthia Martin



3 miles including a quick walk around the block after work Sian Louise

Suzanne and I walked manor avenue, woodend lane, field lane, orchard leaze, Dursley road and Tilsdown. Some sheet ice on field lane made progress interesting but thankfully we managed to keep on our feet! It's 4 miles for me today

Carrie Marrow

1.59m today to the post box & back for work!

Adrian Mather

Just 1.4 miles for me today Anne Kitch

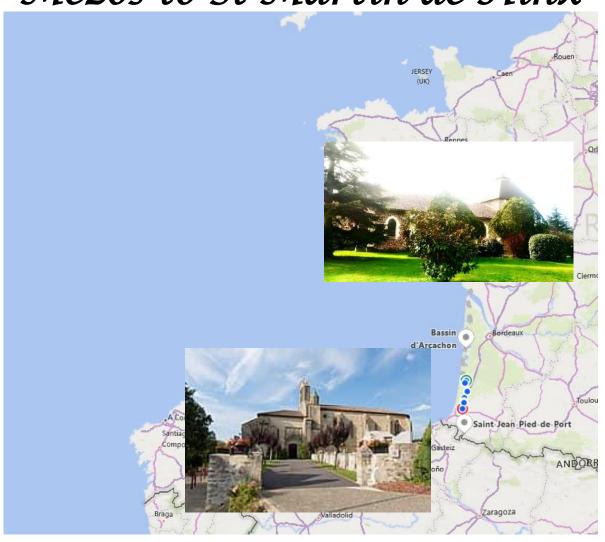
3 miles at work today Louise Graham

So today I have been for a run and worked in the warehouse...... Which meant 12 miles were accumulated. Only 8 were from running though. Not sure which you want to include in the tally for today's miles x Katrina Fletcher



Only '2 miles' today before the ice & cold beat me I had a lovely long walk planned but hadn't planned on skiing Helen Desoisa

26th January ~ Day 13 Mezos to St Martín de Hínx



Today 16 walkers have added 45.9 miles to our total and after the last few days of flat walking we have now reached the foot hills leading us to the Pyrenees. Tonight we are staying in St Martin de Hinx. Only 36 miles to go until we reach St Jean Pied de Port and the start of the Camino way. That is fantastic walking everyone



4.6 miles this morning running with Poppy

Katrina Fletcher

Sorry, I forgot to post our walks for Sunday 2.7 miles each and 2.6. each yesterday.

Christine Morgan

Another 2 and threequarter miles - I know it's not much, but, as they say, "every little helps Joyce Lombarde



Day 12 Grey sky I looked down and saw a primrose a sign of hope One mile today

Sally Arnold

1.7 miles today

Clive Orchard

3.1 miles today, mostly at work! *Sian Louise*

4 miles for me today. A slippy power walk this morning, then school pick-up the long way this afternoon.

Anne Kitch

4.5 miles at work tonight

Louise Graham

Sorry I got into bed and realised I hadn't sent you anything. Just walking round the garden, field and house. 1.81km.

Joy Pepper

4.23 miles for me today on my usual stomp, added to slightly by an impromptu trot to Sainsbury's - can't have ham, mushroom and leek pie for tea if you've not got any ham Rachel Brown

A slightly circuitous walk leading through Littlecombe and up Kingshill Lane. Had to retrace our steps due to Rednock pupils appearing at (for us) the wrong moment. About 2.25 miles each, so 4.5 miles total.

Kathryn Rebbeck

So, just a walk to town for shopping, a pity I forgot my purse and had to go back home and start again so a second trip to town added up to 3.6 miles

Margaret Lloyd

4miles today, most of it thick mud!! Cynthia Martin

27th January ~ Day 14

St Martín de Hínx to St Jean de Píed Port



Team work today means that with 18 of us striding out we have covered 57.99 miles so we have easily reached our St Jean Pied de Port the beginning of the Camino way. The excess mileage means that we have each had a walk around the town to meet other pilgrims and we get ready to start the pilgrims route tomorrow



Another 4 miles in the fog today. Rio said what are looking at? There is nothing to see in this fog!

Cynthia Martin

3.5 miles around Chester today *Louise Graham*

5 miles for me today Anne Kitch

Day 13 One mile Sally Arnold

3 miles today at work Sian Louise

We did 2.4 miles each today
Only 1.9 miles each yesterday

Christine Morgan

A walk around Woodmancote, back through town and along the Slade,
3.5 miles Margaret Lloyd

1.8 miles to add for me since
Monday! I have a broken leg so
this is epic!

Jake Skelton

3.50km in total today. Walked up lane to post letters *Joy Pepper*

1.7 miles for me and 2 miles for Ann today *Clive Orchard*

Managed a decent walk today- 3.5 miles locally *Jane Bilous*

Day 13 One mile

Sally Arnold

3.3 miles for me today. Should've had my phone on me in PE today - playing table tennis with pupils with special needs involved a lot of retrieving of ping pong balls

Rachel Brown

Today I walked to the shop and back and then went for a repeat week 5 couch to 5k. Not anywhere near the stair count that Cynthia Martin manages! 6.31 miles for me

Carrie Marrow

One and a half miles today

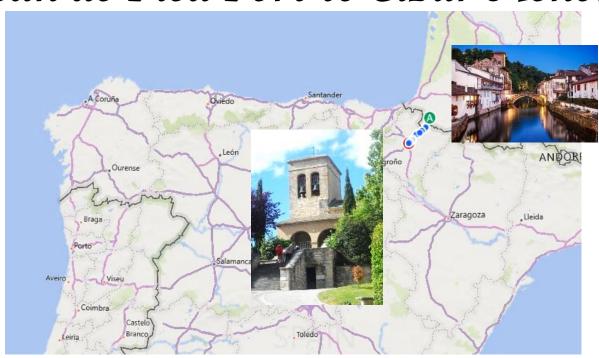
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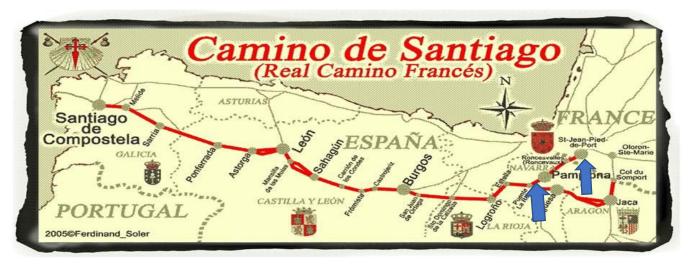
5.6 miles today from me - loops around town and Cam in the dark this morning! At least it was dry then though Katrina Fletcher

Just 1.5 miles for each of us, so 3 miles today to creep us ever closer to the Pyrenees Kathryn Rebbeck



28th January ~ Day 15 St Jean de Pied Port to Cizur Menor





Today with 5.9km from me we have all walked 73.38km from St Jean Pied de Port arriving in Cuzor Menor. Looking forward to hearing your memories and reflections.

Lovely sunshine, mild blue skies 2.5 miles this morning up Breakneck along Farfield and back over the fields, very slippery muddy gateways! I slipped over at the middle gate, luckily just a muddy hand and backside Jane Bilous

5.8 miles today. A run and 2 dance classes Louise Graham 3.1 miles today. Sian Louise

Day 14 A one mile went to Holywell orchard Sally Arnold

1 mile for me today! Just for those that don't know I was planning on actually walking the Camino last spring but covid put the kaibosh on that. So I was intending on going this spring, but now I have a broken leg and covid is still ever present and then there's brexit....oh well, maybe next spring! And for those who haven't seen it, there is a magnificent film starring Martin Sheen called The Way (IMDb link below). It's written and directed by his son, Emilio Estevez and it's all about an unlikely group of friends walking the Camino (there's a lot more to it than that, but I don't want to spoil it!) Really feel good lockdown movie.... It's included with prime for those of you who have it

Jake Skelton

3.48 miles today, some of which was stumbling around in the dark at Gloucester Royal this evening trying to locate the vaccination centre (duly pricked and very grateful that special school staff have been included in the second wave of jabs)

Rachel Brown

6.4 miles run today..... But a total of 12.3 miles if you count all the steps for today up! Katrina Fletcher



5 miles today - A few days off waiting for the weather to sort itself out Helen Desoisa

Just 2 miles for me today, school pick up and a trip to Durcans. Anne Kitch

Office and town today with Ann. 2 miles x 2 = 4 miles Clive Orchard

Two walks today 4.9 miles Margaret Lloyd

Only 3 miles today nothing exciting, down town & around Cynthia Martin

No walkies for me today...back on antibiotics and feeling dopey (no cheeky remarks please). Kathryn Rebbeck



PRAYER OF THE PILGRIMS

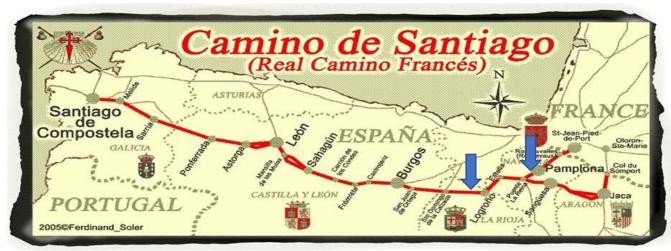
Lord, you who recalled your servant Abraham out of the town Ur in Chaldea and who watched over him during all his wanderings; you who guided the jewish people through the desert; we also query to watch your present servants, who for love for your name, make a pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. Be for us, a companion on our journey the guide on our intersections the strengthening during fatigue the fortress in danger the resource on our titinerary the shadow in our heat the light in our darkness the consolation during dejection and the power of our intention

ey and strengthened with gratitude bower, secure and filled with iness, may join our home. lesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Apostle James, pray for us. Holy Virgin, pray for us.

29th January ~ Day 16 Cízur Menor to Najera





Today we had an amazing 21 pilgrims walking covering a total of 120km. Tonight we have reached Najera. Please dig out those diaries and share your memories if this is your second time along the trail

5.62 miles today. Out to Leaf and Ground, quick coffee, back via Cam, Hopton Road, Littlecombe and Sainsbury's. Good to meet Cynthia, a fellow pilgrim on the Way.

Michael Cozens

3.5 miles today around town

Louise Graham

A walk to the vale for vaccine, & a little further on way home, good to bump into Canon Michael for a catch up.

Cynthia Martin



Up the golf course for a 2 mile stretch each, total 4 miles. Me with mouth and head well wrapped up and Brendan with so many layers on he felt like Michelin Man! Lovely walk, dramatic clouds

Kathryn Rebbeck

5.6 miles today. Office then up into town roundabout way ba Clive Orchard

3.5 miles today Sian Louise

4.6 miles running this evening

Katrina Fletcher

2.57km. Shopping and pottering about Joy Pepper

2.6 miles for me today Anne Kitch

1.9 miles for me today! Jake Skelton Forgot to book it in but we did 2.6 miles each yesterday and 2.4 each today *Christine Morgan*

3.5 miles today via Chestal,
Littlecombe, thr Cemetery and
return through town where the
raven was on the grass behind
Gravity

Jane Bilous

In case I have put the information in the wrong place. On Wednesday I walked 5.4 miles and on Thursday I walked 3.1 miles. The latter right around the top on Stinchcombe Hill - very muddy and rather splodgy!

David Vonberg

Made 10000 steps today! Walked the Littlecombe circuit this morning then Woodmancote this afternoon, 4.9 miles.

Margaret Lloyd

3.7 miles today via the dentist to finally have a filling. Local anaesthetic following yesterday's vaccination is an interesting combination Rachel Brown

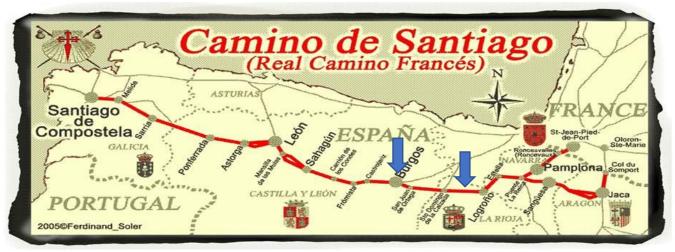
3.5 miles for me around Stinchcombe Hill Sally Winterbottom



2.7 mile moody, squelch this evening *Helen Desoisa*

30th January ~ Day 17 Najera to Burgos





It's lovely to have some family groups out walking with us today. Well done walkers today you have travelled another 88.5km and tonight we have reached the town of Burgos.

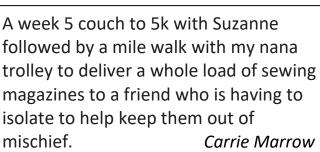
I have walked 7.2 miles today from Manor avenue to Slimdridge - and back! It was a bit cold to start with but I soon warmed up David Vonberg

2.15 miles today... Gonna take it easy tomorrow. Think I've over done it the last couple of days

Jake Skelton



Day 16 A cold wind ,and I had a good one mile walk. Thank you Lord for the people that speak to me on my journey Sally Arnold



Only 2.07 km today. Just shopping and pottering again. Too windy and cold Joy Pepper

Only 2 miles from me today, just wandering really *Jenni Norris*

Family walk this morning 2 miles each = 6 miles

Anne Kitch

4.6 miles at work tonight

Louise Graham

No walk today. my Dad is really poorly
he was diagnosed with 3 weeks
ago and we thought he was getting
better but yesterday took a turn for
the worse, all thoughts 8 prayers 4
gratefully received. I'm very worried &
had a very sad day

Helen Desoisa



3 miles for 3 of us up
Wotton Hill and through
the woods into town.
Wind was ferocious
Rachel Brown

Walked up & around Stinchcombe Hill today. Cold wind

Cynthia Martin

We have only done 2.4 miles each today. we love. Santo Domingo de La Calzada having stayed there a couple of times. *Christine Morgan*

A zig zag walk today, not too far from home in case it rained again, miles 4.3. Watched 'The Way' this afternoon, again. One of those films I don't get tired of.

Margaret Lloyd



Office-Everlands-Upthorpe-Springhill-Drake Lane-Yellow Hundred. Signs are that we've had some rain recently. 6.2 miles *Clive Orchard*

Only 2.2 miles today around the house. *Sian Louise*

31st January ~ Day 18 Burgos to Calzadilla de la Cueza





With 20 of us out today we have covered a fantastic 108km. Tonight we are staying in the hostel at Calzadilla de la Cueza.

Short walk today just to get a change of air! 1.36 miles each today.

Adrian Mather

1.4 miles today...would have been0.7 but the post office was "broken"(their words) this morning so I had to go there twice Jake Skelton

7.42 km. Done the circuit. Snowed all the way round. *Joy Pepper*

I can't walk far, but does cycling count? I've got an indoor Easy Cycle and managed a kilometre on that.

Heather Arnold



We walked 3.2 miles each today. The photos are from a trip we did which included Burgos and Leon on our way to Santiago in 1999. The statue is of St James (Santiago) and the arm with the sword lifts and falls! It is in a convent in Burgos *Christine Morgan*

5.5km today out with the dog

Sian Louise



A walk to church to help dismantle the crib, up to the shop and a long way round walk home in the snow, catching snowflakes on my tongue •! 6.2km Carrie Marrow



Day 17 one mile walk very quiet Sally Arnold

3.5 miles at work tonight

Louise Graham

Walked to Cam today along
Everlands & up Norman Hill. Not so
many hills & mud Cynthia Martin

Gill and I did a short local walk in the snow flurries. 2.5 miles each. *Michael Cozens*

Emily and I walked up the Slade, Fort Lane, St Mark's, Ferney, Chestal (where we had a nice chat with Ian and Sheila), back up through town and along Knapp. 3.5 miles x 2. Rachel Brown

3 mile family walk/run this morning = 9 miles Anne Kitch

Hello Caroline, 5.94km/3.7miles, do you still want km converted to miles?

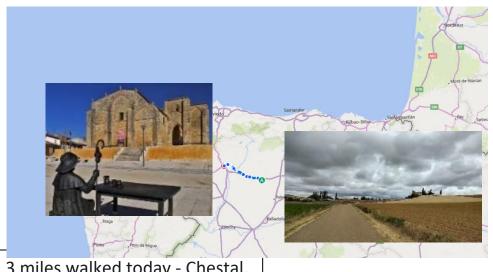
Margaret Lloyd

Long run day - 10
miles through the very
muddy woods! This
photo was around
mile 8 after the worst
of the very boggy bits.
Total distance covered
today was 11.3 miles
Katrina Fletcher



1st February ~ Day 19

Calzadílla de la Cueza to Fresno del Camino



3 miles walked today - Chestal,



Well done to the 17 walkers today Tonight we have arrived at Fresno del Camino.

Ah, so we are so close to Leon. A beautiful Cathedral with stunning stained glass windows. We celebrated the Eucharist in St James Chapel in the Cathedral, an enormous privilege and special time. The acoustics were wonderful Kathie Rebbeck

A walk around Littlecombe and Woodmancote 7kms Margaret Lloyd

Day 18 I made it to a mile by walking ¼up and down the stairs singing hymns Sally Arnold

Up to break heart quarry today *Cynthia Martin*





4.5 miles on a grey, murky day - it was hard to get going but I'm glad I did popped into the Church on my way home to give my love, hope & thanks to you all

Helen Desoisa

1.7 miles today. Good to meet Anne
Kitch on her afternoon school run- or is
it a school walk

Clive Orchard

4 miles for me today Rachel Brown

2.5 km today...just popping out and about for a gasp of fresh air.

Jake Skelton

Ooooph! It's been a busy day, one poorly daughter several trips to the go surgery and pharmacy, walked xola, her dog, and an evening jog/walk with Suzanne. I'm now sitting down

Carrie Marrow

4.2 miles run today Katrina Fletcher



Richard and I did 4 miles each today *Christine Morgan*

I've completed 6km today, morning walk and school pick up. Lovely to bump into Clive this afternoon. *Anne Kitch*

5.3km walk with a friendly robin after work
Sian Louise



2.20km. Not really done much except went to the church. Shell fits ok over pearl Carrie

Joy Pepper



Louise Graham

3 miles walked today - Chestal, Breakneck, Drake Lane, Springhill and back through Littlecombe. (I'd advise avoiding 2.30-3pm as we had to step in the hedges to avoid 12 taxis heading to Peak Academy for school pick ups!)

Jane Bilous

2nd February ~ Day 20 Fresno del Camíno to Ponferrada ín Columbríanos





Today 17 of us have walked a total of 98.69km. This means that tonight we are staying on the outskirts of Ponferrada in Columbrianos

6.3km at work and a short wet dog walk this evening *Sian Louise*

A circuit of Woodmancote and shopping 5.65km *Margaret Lloyd*

Day 19 A mile walk got home before the rain

Sally Arnold

- 3.5 km for me today *Anne Kitch*
- 8.1 miles total today including my steps. Busy day and of course another run. Just for a change Katrina Fletcher
- 2.6 miles today Rachel Brown



Walked to Uley & back, carpets of snow drops in places & met up with my friends Cynthia Martin

6.41km today. Walked the circuit *Joy Pepper*

1.8km for me today - round the block a couple of times.

Jake Skelton



At last, feeling ok for a walk. Drake Lane, Springhill, back via Littlecombe. About 3 miles each, so six total. Kathryn Rebbeck

Richard and I did 4.1 km each with the dogs today. I will upload some photos of Leon, definitely one of my favourite places

Christine Morgan



A dog walk to Holywell orchard and back and walk to help deliver WI newsletters to Ashmead, Hopton Road, Springhill, Everlands and just got home before the rain set in. 9.8km 1.8km for me today - round the block a couple of times.

Carrie Marrow

Yesterday I walked 3 miles around the lanes of Stinchcombe. In the churchyard I came across their minibeast cross, which is well worth a visit David Vonberg

8.1 miles total today including my steps. Busy day and of course another run. Just for a change *Katrina Fletcher*

An invigorating 7.26 mile stomp to clear my head, even the sun poked through the cloud

Helen Desoisa

1.7 miles today Clive Orchard

Louise Graham



3rd February ~ Day 21

Ponferrada in Columbrianos To Portomarin





Well done to our 20 walkers today we completed 108.75km.Today we have finished at Porto Marin. I expect we would have had a group photo on the steps

2.32 km in sunny Exeter today...gotta keep stretching those legs!!

Jake Skelton

No run day! Still covered 5 miles in steps though with a good dog walk this morning.

Katrina Fletcher

3 miles today - up to Harrolds Close, The Slade, Kingshill Road, Rednock Drive, Littlecombe, Chestal and Ferney - felt quite spring-like. Jane Bilous



6.20 miles - 2 walks.
Went out this morning,
then had to go out to
shoot the sky what
beautiful colours
Helen Desoisa

Walked round Breakheart Quarry with David Wood (2.5 miles) then on to Cam Medical Centre to pick up a bottle for my forthcoming MOT! Total 7.85 miles plus another 2.5 miles for David Clive Orchard

Kingshill to Littlecombe this morning, a shorter walk this afternoon while the bread was rising, 8.33km

Margaret Lloyd

Day 20. A quiet day went for my walk at 4.50p.m. What a beautiful sky, birds singing and hellos from people on my walk. I finished with up and down stairs with All things bright and beautiful Sally Arnold



7.5km today around Chester *Louise Graham*

Along Uley Road & then through Littlecombe & back along Kingshill into town & back home. Double today as Phil was with me

Cynthia Martin

1 mile each for Brendan and I today. Lovely to meet and chat with Rachel and Sue Kathie Rebbeck

3.42 miles for me today - met Kathie and Brendan examining donkey pooh in the woods in Chestal, like you do

Rachel Brown

5.9km today, mostly at work

Sian Louise

Only 1.41km today Joy Pepper

Quiet walking day driving Liam around, only have 1.2 km to contribute today

Anne Kitch

It was a click and collect walk this morning and the usual couch to 5k with Suzanne this evening

Carrie Marrow

Richard did about 2.7 miles today. I didn't. *Christine Morgan*

4th February ~ Day 22 Portomarín To A Salceda





I think that this is the penultimate day of our walk! 16 of us have covered another 69km today and we have reached A Salceda. This means that Santiago de Compostela is in our sights with only another 31km to go.

Naturally we will need a few km in hand so that we can have a good walk around the city and explore the cathedral



Day 21 A grey day. Only one mile Sally Arnold

Not much walking today, Dave Hill and team bless them worked in the rain to fit my new front door, fantastic job they have done on my porch,

2.49km Margaret Lloyd

3 miles this morning - along Uley road to Rockstowes, turn right up the drive then right along the footpath through the fields to the stile into Ganzell Lane along the lane and down through Poets to Rosebery road and Ferne

Jane Bilous

Just a small 2 miles to get my vaccination today ⊖a tiny tube of anti-COVID goodness

Helen Desoisa

3.46 miles today, 2.75 of which was with both girls - sorry to make things complicated

Caroline! Rachel Brown

3.46 miles today, 2.75 of which was with both girls - sorry to make things complicated Caroline!

Day 21 A grey day. Only one mile *****

Rachel Brown

It's 3.46 for you and 5.5 for the girls no problem even at this time! No G and T for me this evening Carrie Marrow

Hope you are all having a good week \$\frac{1}{2}\$5 mile run for me today - total mileage 7.7 miles. Bring on tomorrow, already planning another run \$\hfrac{1}{2}\$. It looks like I have a problem I know, but it's all for a good cause. I am aiming to get 1,000 miles run this year and raising funds for charity! Got to keep moving Katrina Fletcher

3.9 km today! Went for a hobble around the cemetery on my crutches. *Jake Skelton*

5.6km today at work.

Sian Louise

6km morning walk for me, forgot to take my phone on the school pick up *Anne Kitch*

Going hither and thither, stopping to distance chat to Marlene on the way back, we walked 2 miles each, 4 total, today.

Kathryn Rebbeck

Only 2.43km today

Joy Pepper



Some memories of the walk after we left Leon and headed for Ponferrada. *Kathryn Rebbeck Oct 2005*

I remember how cold it was at the cross, what an amazing week we had x Margaret Lloyd

I'll never forget how the sun began to shine as we reached the cross. Fabulous week Ann Orchard

Louise Graham



Day off today *Cynthia Martin*

5th February ~ Day 23

A Salceda to Santíago de Compostella





Well done to all our walkers because today we have covered the 32km to arrive in Santiago de Compostella after only 3 weeks of walking! Tomorrow each of us has 1.75km in hand to walk round the cathedral and parts of the city. Rest on Sunday and have a traditional flight home with no quarantine as we walk in this virtual world. We will start a new pilgrimage walk on Monday!

7.5km today x

Louise Graham

6km for me today.

Do we have to walk home before we start our next adventure? *Anne Kitch*

4.5km at work today

Sian Louise

We managed 3 miles total today, curtailed by rain after we stopped and distance chatted with Jean Bowden, then John Taylor and then Elizabeth Oakley. Kathryn Rebbeck

Clocked up a total of 12.6 miles today! Very pleased. Had these two little monkeys to entertain today too. Needless to say, they didn't do 12.6 miles! Katrina Fletcher

Walked up it Kingshill & picked up our four legged friend, walked back down gas works & through the knapp. Double today as Phil was with me. 3.41 miles x 2 *Cynthia Martin*

2.5 miles today on the roads-Chestal, Littlecombe, Knapp, Uley Road. Excited to be nearly there Jane Bilous

Only 2.1 km pottering around Joy Pepper



San Marcos - former convent, now a Parador, and the church *Chris Morgan*



Richard in front of Ponferrada Castle in 2002 *Chris Morgan*

3.1 km today around the hospital and to an appointment where they told me I shouldn't have walked 3.1 km today.

Jake Skelton

A very wet and dry walk to Field Lane allotment to dig parsnips, carrots and leeks. Good to meet John Ewer.

Distance today according to GPS 6.2 miles Clive Orchard

A walk along Kingshill down the hill and through Littlecomb, plus a quick shop in Sains, 5 29km *Margaret Lloyd*

Back on the road today away from the housework! 9.4km and found a new sport mud skiing, I somehow managed to stay upright completing 3 slalom courses Garrie Marrow

On Thursday, I managed to walk four miles, in a big circle around Leaf and Ground, without being rained - very much!

David Vonberg

I'm so gutted I couldn't go on a walk today, I would have loved to have been part of the final day Thankyou so much for welcoming me to the group, it's been a lovely & very interesting walk. I hope to see you all in person soon - many thanks

Helen Desoisa

Today I have done 1.5 kilometre and Richard has done 3 *Chris Morgan*



Leon, definitely one of my favourite places Chris Morgan



Jacquelin, Margaret and Clive on their way. Kathryn Rebbeck

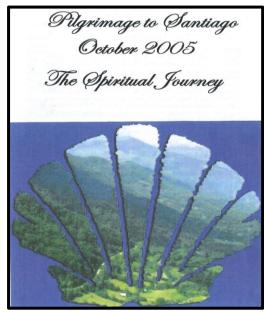






We walked up through heavy mist to reach Cruz de Hierro (Iron Cross), where thousands of stones have been left at the foot of the cross over the years. We added ours and sang "O Lord, hear my prayer'.

Kathryn Rebbeck







The coach which took us on a spectacular drive down the other side of the mountain, the sun having rolled back the mist to reveal entrancing views. The second photo was taken through the coach window: we had to pass through the village of El Acebo and the road was coach width. We literally inched forward and, on getting through without a single scrape, the coach. Kathryn Rebbeck

The church of San Nicolas, Portamarin, and the somewhat wet walk afterwards

Kathryn Rebbeck



We near our destination and arrive at the Mount of Joy overlooking Santiago de Compostela. An exciting yet poignant moment. There will be time to relax, explore, contemplate and, next day, attend the Sunday service when the thurible holding the burning incense will be hoisted and swung by eight men Kathryn Rebbeck Oct 2005