trails in Colunga

trail of Gobiendes

COLUNGA - LORETO - COCEÑA- LOROÑE

This walk from Colunga to Loroñe will allow us to enjoy some very beautiful panoramic views of the Cantabrian Sea and the Sueve Mountain. We will walk amongst picturesque villages and through the town of Gobiendes, with its pre-Romanesque church and the Sierra del Sueve interpretation centre.



Route

We start our way in Colunga, right next to the church, and, after 60 metres on the N-632 road towards Ribadesella, we will take a street going up on the left. We continue walking between houses and fields on the path of El Asilo de Colunga, until we reach the crossroad of La Castañar de Espinas, which can be identified by the chestnut trees that form a roundabout.

We need to pick the road on the right and follow it for a few metres, continuing on the right until we cross the N-632. Following the wide paved path in front of us, we will see the Loreto chapel and field on the right. We can deviate to see them, but our route continues on the left, following El Camino de Santiago but in the pilgrims' opposite direction. We will get to the back side of the Braulio Vigón School, framed by a beautiful view of El Sueve. Then we will reach the main road (AS-260), and we will need to cross it to arrive at a fork, under the eucalyptuses, near the houses of Covián. We will then pick the paved track on the right and continue, going under the motorway, until Coceña de Abajo, Coceña de Arriba, and its picturesque hórreos (traditional granaries).

Following the AS-260 road to the left, towards the Fito viewpoint, we will find a wide paved path to the right that goes towards the mountain and that will bring us close to Gobiendes. We will get into

Gobiendes through El Charcal and Los Pedregales, carrying on amongst beautiful houses, hórreos and paneras (a different kind of granary). We will pass next to the fountain and drinking trough and continue walking to the former public schools, now set up to be the Sierra del Sueve interpretation centre. It is worth to keep walking for 200 metres ahead, to the pre-Romanesque church of Santiago.

We will then leave the interpretation centre on our left and, through a wide path, we will get to the Gobiendes palace whilst we enjoy the surroundings and beautiful sights to the Cantabrian coast and the Sueve. From this point we will descend through the steep Altu del Caleyón to the Espasa River, which we will cross to reach Lorone through the Ermita neighbourhood.















