trails in Colunga

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From La Isla to La Griega

LA ISLA - HUERRES - SAN JUAN DE DUZ - LA GRIEGA

This route between beaches will take us on the coastal plain, next to several villages and its traditional architecture. We will see hórreos, big traditional houses and washing places on our way to La Griega beach.



Route

The route starts at the neighbourhood of La Arena in the town of La Isla. In front of the church there is a wide paved road which, leaving the beach on the right, will take us to the Horrón square, a beautiful spot with several horreos (traditional granaries raised from the ground). Continuing on the right amongst the houses in El Castro, we will see the Cantabrian Sea and the town of Llastres in front of us. At the next crossroads, we will take the right path until the old school buildings, now set up to be pilgrims' hostels. We will keep going forward until we leave behind us the Sea Mysteries' Route. Once we get to the fountain and the washing place of La Caleya, we will reach the crossroads of Les Cabañes, where we will pick the wider path.

Walking between gated fields on La Moría path, we will see the village of Huerres, which we will reach through La Estadía square, after several crossroads. On the right, next to the road, we will see a drinking trough and a cattle crush or stock.

Once there, we will take the road towards Colunga and follow it until the crossroads of El Foyu, where we will continue on the wide paved track on the right. Between fields and apple plantations, this road will bring us close to the **San Juan de Duz** church. We will then carry on, with the closing wall of the San Juan Palace on our right, until its end, next to the chapel. Now we need to take the wide path of Caleya de la Miyar on our left, and start descending slightly between the houses of La Riestra. Soon, we will see on our left a fountain and a washing place. Looking downwards we can see in the background the Colunga estuary and the Santianes football pitch. A short descent through the woods will take us next to the estuary, where we will continue walking between meadows and mountains on the river's right bank. We will then reach the place formerly known as el Pozu de Los Cámbaros, next to the bridge and the access point to La Griega beach. This is also the starting point of the Dinosaur Tracks Route.



Horseshoeing frame in Huerres (J.F .Sánchez















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