

A circular route that links the River Sarela with the woodland of Selva Negra and Monte Pedroso, featuring wonderful views of Santiago. We suggest starting at Ponte da Asén (bridge), in Parque das Galeras (park), due to its proximity to the old town and because there are spaces for parking, eating establishments and a children's playground, among other amenities.

From Ponte da Asén we head upstream along the street of the same name, with the Sarela on our right, as far as the stonewall, where we turn right and continue along the riverbank. As soon as we cross the bridge that we come to, we will encounter the Lavadoiros de Santa Isabel (washing places) and continue along the trail going upstream, with the river now on our left.

On reaching Área recreativa de Camiño de Lermo (picnic area), we turn left to reach the bridge and, without crossing it, we continue on with the river on our left. After about 400m, when the dirt path ends and an asphalted track begins, the trail turns left towards the river and brings us to the road, where we turn left again, cross the Casal da Horta bridge and turn right to continue on parallel to the river, which is now on our right. On reaching Ponte dos Tres Ollos, a medieval bridge beside Fundación Laboral da Construción (tannery), turn left towards Fonte and Lavadoiro da Ponte Pedriña de Arriba (fountain and washing place) and continue on behind Fundación Laboral, following from now on the signs of the Xiro dos Montes (Monte de Deus–Monte Pedroso) route as far as Granxa do Xesto. The signs, which guide us as we go up the hillside of Monte Pedroso, will take us to a "cruceiro" (stone cross) beside an asphalted track. Here we continue up the asphalted track for about 70m as far as a second "cruceiro." We then continue on the left to go up to the top of Monte Pedroso.

There, behind the stone benches, we take the trail that goes down, featuring more views of the city. We begin our descent along this path, heading towards the fire lookout post. On reaching the crossroads, the Xiro dos Montes sign indicates the way down. However, we recommend following the dirt trail towards the lookout post to enjoy the west-facing views. From there, we can continue along a path located a few metres after the water tank.

Further down, about 350m away, we again come across the signs of the Xiro dos Montes (Monte Pedroso–Monte Vidán) route, which guide us during our descent towards the Selva Negra (Black Forest), so called due to its dense vegetation. On the way we have to cross the asphalted Estrada do Pedroso road and continue along the trail as far as the exercise bench, where the trail turns left and goes up. A few metres further up we should turn right, following the Xiro dos Montes signs, which take us along a path until we cross an occasional stream and continue down towards Fonte da Selva Negra (fountain), which probably accompanied a chapel that no longer exists.

We follow the signs until we exit this forest park. We then cross the provincial road and continue straight ahead, doing down an old, narrow path that ends at an asphalted track. Here we turn left (leaving behind the Xiro dos Montes signs, which continue towards the right), following the track as far as the crossroads, where we turn right (before the Stop sign). We continue on without leaving this track as far as Ponte Sarela (bridge), where we come across the River Sarela again and will re-enter the riverside trail, heading left (without crossing the bridge) to make our way through the houses.

A little further on, the trail comes to a bridge among the houses that we should cross. We then turn left to reach the Ribeira de San Lourenzo riverside. 20 metres further up, we turn left again to continue along the trail bordering the river, which is now on our left. We continue along several wooden walkways before reaching Capela do Carme de Abaixo (chapel). We then pass by the chapel towards the pedestrian crossing. We cross the road and continue on towards Parque de Galeras (park), passing by Fonte do Ouro (fountain) and returning to Ponte da Asén.



nearby trails

- 01. River Sarela upstream >>
- 02. << River Sarela downstream
- 03. Finca do Espiño > Selva Negra > Granxa do Xesto
 - Xiro dos Montes "Monte de Deus – Monte Pedroso – Monte de Vidán"



keep in mind



> Suitable clothes and footwear for walking, taking into account weather conditions and the trail's characteristics.



> Riverside trails are usually damp, especially after rainy days, when waterlogged or slippery areas can appear.



> Keep the countryside clean and protect biodiversity.

> Help us to improve. We appreciate your comments, suggestions, or notifications regarding the condition of the trail at sendas@santiagoturismo.com



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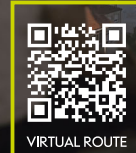
trails

of Santiago de Compostela

Monte Pedroso



distance: 10,75 km
length 4 h
medium difficulty



VIRTUAL ROUTE



circular route



trekking route



mountain bike route



partially signposted

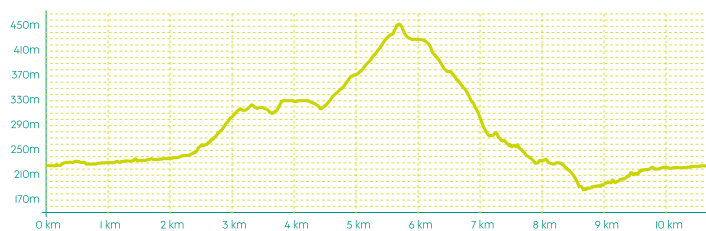


400 m

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-  Woodland / Green space
-  Viewpoint
-  Park / Picnic area / Children's area
-  Eating establishments
-  Bridge
-  Bus stops
-  Landmark
-  Carpark