

A very accessible trail in one of the highest areas of the city, which features wonderful panoramic views and enables you to explore the **Cidade da Cultura** (City of Culture) as well as the surrounding woodland.

We suggest starting at **Colegiata Santa María a Real do Sar**, a 12th-century collegiate church on the banks of the River Sar, which, along with the Cathedral, is the church that best reflects its original Romanesque style. From there we head towards the **Ponte do Sar** bridge.

After crossing it, we continue on for 160m as far as the crossroads, where we should turn left to go up Rúa Diego Bernal as far as the main entrance to **Bosque de Galicia** (woodland). We go up the hillside of **Monte Gaiás** towards the information sign. After reaching the crossroads, we turn right and continue along the path as far as the next crossroads, where we should take the path on the right through **Bosque do Camiño**, a small grove with trees planted by people that came on a pilgrimage to Compostela. A little further on, the trail turns left and then, at the next bend, right, before reaching the buildings at the top. When we approach the sculptural ensemble called **Zapatos en el Camino**, specifically at the granite boot, we should continue on the right to access **Jardín Literario**, a green space dedicated to Galician writers and poets. The trail continues in a straight line in order to see **Jardín del Teatro** (garden) from above. It then turns left, in parallel to **Museo Centro Gaiás** (museum) as far as the stairs (at the bottom there is a panel explaining the townscape in front of you), and right to access the **Banco do Peregrino** installation, thereafter going up the path in parallel to the building. The route borders the area of the children's playground and continues on among the **Espellos** statues towards the solar panels and then along the dirt trail, turning right. This trail takes us, without any detours, to the **Cidade da Cultura** carpark, where the trail turns left towards the road, with the pedestrian crossing leading towards **Parque do Lago** (park). The trail continues straight ahead as far as the **Gimnasio al aire libre** (outdoor gym), where it turns left and then right, passing by the lake.

After crossing the wooden platform, the path continues as far as the road, where it turns left towards the roundabout. There we find the panel indicating the River Sar trail, which will take us back to the starting point. Just 100m from the beginning of the riverside trail, we cross the wooden bridge and continue on parallel to the river, downstream along its right-hand bank as far as the **Ponte das Brañas de Sar** bridge, followed by the **Ponte do Sar** bridge and **Colegiata Santa María a Real do Sar** (collegiate church).



nearby trails

- 05. River Sar > Muiño de Parceiros
- 06. River Sar > Bosque do Banquete de Conxo
- 08. Monte Viso [Mythological Trail]
- Xiro dos Montes "Monte Gaias - Monte Viso"



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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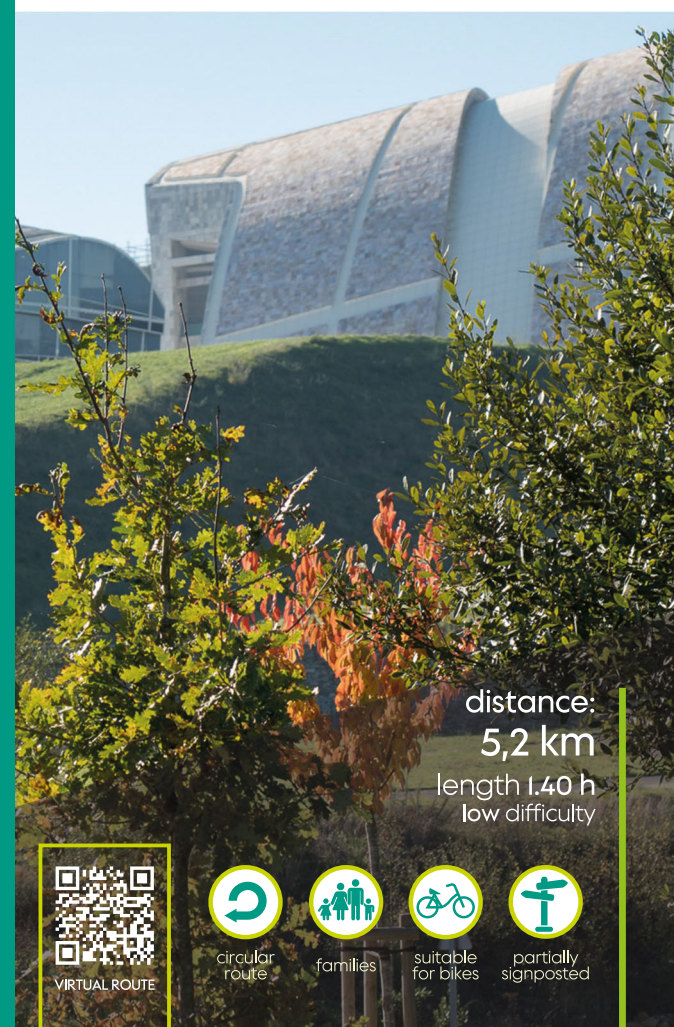
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trails

of Santiago de Compostela

Bosque de Galicia >
Cidade da Cultura >
Parque do Lago



distance:
5,2 km
length 1,40 h
low difficulty



VIRTUAL ROUTE



circular route



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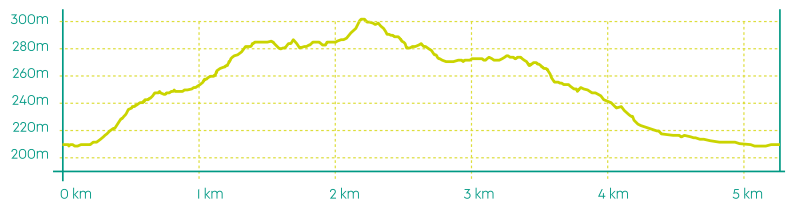
suitable for bikes



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*Photos: Santiago Tourism



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