

ST. AUGUSTINE ACADEMY DONOR CIRCLE

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## SPECIAL EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT



In appreciation for your gifts which sustain St. Augustine Academy's operational needs, you are invited to be *guests*\* of our headmaster and his wife on a hosted Camino, a walking pilgrimage of the Camino de Santiago in Northern Spain.



Depending on your schedule and desires, we can schedule a Camino running from 7-14 days in July 2015, (or mutually agreed on date, in future year) all meeting the minimum requirements for achieving your official Pilgrim Status Credential, called the *Compostela*

\* [Includes transportation, lodging and meals - chiropractor is extra.]

## **The Camino**

*The medieval pilgrimage of Europe, now the most popular hiking destination in the world.*

## **The Peregrino**

*You, the pilgrim.*

## **The Credential**

*This is your Camino Passport, which you get stamped at stops along the way, testifying that you have passed through the territory.*

## **The Compostela**

*The certificate obtained by registering your Camino's Credential, upon arriving at the Cathedral of St. James (*Santiago*). A minimum of 100 km must be documented in order to gain pilgrim status.*

## **The Benefit**

*You leave a changed person, body, mind and soul!*



**Here is some interesting background on *The Camino!***

## **The Camino de Santiago network of ancient pilgrimage routes**

The Camino de Santiago (the Way of St. James) is a large network of ancient pilgrim routes stretching across Europe and coming together at the tomb of St. James (*Santiago* in Spanish) in Santiago de Compostela in north-west Spain. There are several trails to Santiago, the most travelled is the French Trail, the most ancient, the Camino Primitivo. The pictures here are from the Camino Primitivo. The network is similar to a river system - small brooks join together to make streams, and the streams join together to make rivers, most of which join together to make the Camino Francés. Walking the Camino is not difficult - most of the stages are fairly flat on good paths, though 7, 10 or even 20 days of continuously walking is a challenge. You learn more about your feet than you would ever have thought possible! And you also learn a lot about life.