

Flyer

Since 2008, the Mosel Camino (camino = way) - as part of the Way of St. James to Santiago de Compostela - has been marked from Koblenz-Stolzenfels to the Benedictine Abbey of St. Matthias in Trier on an extremely varied and scenic route.

Numerous signs and stickers with the yellow scallop shell on a blue background, as well as yellow arrows, guide pilgrims and hikers for about 160 kilometers (with detours and sightseeing, correspondingly more) to the final resting place of the apostle Matthias, the only apostle's grave north of the Alps.

The converging ribs of the shell point the way like an arrow.

In connection with the Ecumenical Pilgrimage Route, the Elisabethpfad (2) and the Lahn-Camino (Görlitz - Eisenach - Marburg - Lahnstein), the opportunity has been created on both sides of the Moselle and its adjacent heights to make a pilgrimage in an east-west direction to Trier to the sarcophagus containing the remains of the apostle Matthias - and from there on to Santiago de Compostela to the shrine of the apostle James.

The (opposite) course of the Moselle roughly indicates the south-westerly direction to the diocesan town. However, in order to avoid the meanders typical of the Moselle, the route often leads over the sometimes airy heights of the Eifel and Hunsrück.

Medieval castles and ruins line the route, as do venerable (monastery) churches, chapels and wayside shrines. Traditional places of pilgrimage alternate with romantic wine villages and towns.

The level of difficulty of this route is certainly quite demanding overall; due to some steep vineyard passages, a sufficient level of fitness and sure-footedness as well as sensible footwear are absolutely essential.

The route is marked on many regional and local hiking maps. Most well-known hiking apps and outdoor platforms provide it for download online.

In most cases, good public transport connections make it possible for individual pilgrims to walk selected (day or weekend) sections as a day or weekend pilgrimage.

The route is not suitable for pilgrims/hikers traveling by bike. We recommend the Moselle Cycle Path.

Route: Koblenz-Stolzenfels – Waldesch – Hünenfeld (Gem. Rhens) – Naßheck (Gem. Dieblich) – Dreifaltigkeitskirche Bleidenberg (Gem. Oberfell) – Alken – Löff – Hatzenport – Lasserg (Stadt Münstermaifeld) – Burg Eltz (Gem. Wierschem) – Karden – Treis – Kloster Maria Engelpfort – Beilstein – Kapelle Lindenhäuschen (Gem. Grenderich) – Bullay – Marienburg – Zell-Kaimt – Zell – Bummkopf (Gem. Briedel) – Enkirch – Starckenburg – Traben-Trarbach – Bernkastel-Kues – Lieser – (Osann-) Monzel – Klausen – Krames – Klüsserath – Ensch – Schweich – Trier-Quint – Trier-Ehrang – Trier-Biewer – Trier (St. Matthias)

From Waldesch, Oberfell, Grenderich, Briedel, Mülheim, Kesten, Ensch and Klüsserath town center, access roads are marked. Pilgrims on the way to SdC (Pilgerherberge Klausen) St. Jakobus (Ev. Church Starckenburg)

In addition to the Moselle Camino, three other James Ways lead to Trier:

the Eifel Camino, which begins in Nemedy/Andernach (Rhine) (from Klausen on the same route as the Moselle Camino)

the Way of St. James from Cologne/Bonn to Trier (from Trier-Biewer on the same route as the Moselle and Eifel Camino)

the Hunsrück Way of St. James, which starts in Bingen (identical to the Ausonius Way)

Pilgrim's stamp/pilgrim's certificate: For all those whose pilgrimage ends in Trier (for the time being), the St. Jakobusbruderschaft Trier offers a pilgrim's certificate. The prerequisite for this is the presentation of a pilgrim's pass, which (on the basis of pilgrim's stamps) proves that at least the last 100 km before Trier have been covered on foot. The pilgrim's certificate is available at the tourist information office (opposite the cathedral).

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