

**Add p.116: Ponte Rio Loura / Mos:** There is now a pilgrim hostel 500m after passing the Concello Mos school, up the steep rua do Cabaleiros, just beyond café Bodegas A Rua. (key in house opposite hostel). *Albergue Casa Blanca* has a Kitchen/ dining and sitting area. 12 beds, showers and toilets.



**Pilgrim Hostel – Santa Baia Mos**

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**Add p.132: Fuente San Mauro:** After you pass San Mauro a new pilgrim hostel has been opened at *A Cancela* in the Concello de Barro 500m right (signposted) off the camino (Sharp left at church Parroquia de Portela). 30+ mattresses on floor in 2 rooms with ample showers and toilets but no kitchen/ dining area and no shops or other facilities.



**Pilgrim Hostel – A Cancela**

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**Note p.132: Cruce / Briallos:** The provisional pilgrim hostel has now been extensively restored and provides 28 beds in 2 rooms, 8 showers and kitchen / dining / lounge. It lies 1 km off the camino but you can expect a warm welcome from the hospitalera Pilar (pictured below). However there are no shops or other facilities in the area. Note: The hostel in Caldas de Reis (4.6 km further on) may now be closed (see next).



**Refurbished Pilgrim Hostel – Briallos**

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**Note p.136: Caldas de Reis / Accommodation:** The former hostel was inexplicably closed in 2007 by the parish priest and the accommodation previously provided by the catholic sisters of the Colegio de la Encarnación appears to be available only to pre-booked religious groups. However a good alternative is provided in the *Hotel O'Crucero* on Rua Juan Fuentes 44 (Tel: 986 - 540 165) located 400m past the hot springs outside spa hotel Davila (see photo below). 40 en-suite rooms available from 20 euros single which, along with a warm welcome, represents some of the best value in town. See guidebook (page 134).



**Pilgrims 'Bathing Feet' in Hot Springs**

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**Pico Sacro.** If you find yourself with an extra day you might consider taking an excursion to the official site of Queen Lupa's headquarters. It is less romantic (and less convenient) than the other legendary site of Castro Lupario off the rua de Francos in Teo (see p.152 of the Portuguese guide for description) but you will be rewarded by a stunning 360° panoramic view of the surrounding countryside including Santiago city. You will also cross the last stage of the Via de la Plata variant that arrives at Santiago via Ourense. The route passes just below the Pico Santo.



**Pico Sacro**

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**Directions:** The Pico Santo lies 15 miles South East of Santiago city centre. Share a taxi or take the Ourense bus and alight at the satellite town of Lestedo with good facilities and cafes. The hilltop sanctuary is a steep 3 km uphill climb from Lestedo. A 400m detour from the crossroads at the football and sports complex will bring you to an interpretation centre (signposted).

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