

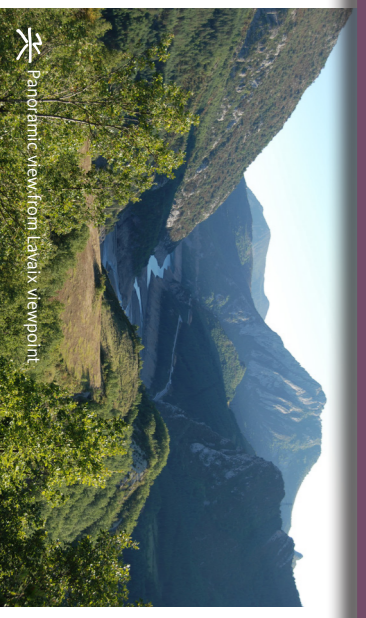


NATURE TRAIL CAMÍ DE L'AIGUA



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1. The trail begins in the recreation area of Fuente de la Mena alongside the River Noguera del Tor, accessed via the N-260. Here, an information panel describes the itinerary. The route continues over a hill in the direction of El Pont de Suert, from where one can observe the ruins of the Monastery of Laxaix and, further on, enjoy a panoramic view of the entire area. Following the river, the trail leaves El Pont de Suert and its Fauna Centre behind, passing close to the Catalan School of Mountain Sports to reach the Reganxo Trail.
2. The route continues close to the river before reaching the Remei shrine, continuing along the path on banks of the Noguera del Tor towards Barruera, arriving at a viewpoint with a spectacular panorama of the valley.
3. The route descends towards the Llesp reservoir, built to store water for the hydroelectric plant at El Pont de Suert. On the banks of the reservoir there are several bird observatories. The trail continues parallel to the river, leaving behind a bridge that leads to Llesp and scales another hill before reaching a road. The route continues along an asphalt path before passing below the road and crossing a wooden bridge over a stream.
4. After crossing a pedestrian bridge over the Noguera del Tor, the trail reaches a small rest area alongside the Barruera marsh, where an information panel explains the importance of this wetland for migratory birds. This natural space forms part of the Natura 2000 Network, home to a rich biodiversity typical of mountain wetland areas.



Panoramic view from Laxaix viewpoint

Since 1993 the Ministry for Agriculture and Fisheries, Food and the Environment's Nature Trails Program aims to restore former transport infrastructures such as railway tracks, cattle trails and traditional routes, for public use and enjoyment.

These routes take us to the countryside to discover the biodiversity and beauty of our precious natural heritage, and discover the villages, sights, traditions and people that are part of the unique cultural landscape of our country.

We invite you to visit them and offer you the keys to enjoy the trip. In this brochure you will find a brief description of Camí de L'Aigua Nature Trail and the map for the journey, along with recommendations to make the most of this experience. We only ask one thing of you: do not forget to leave everything as you found it. The conservation of these pathways is also your responsibility.

TELEPHONES OF INTEREST:

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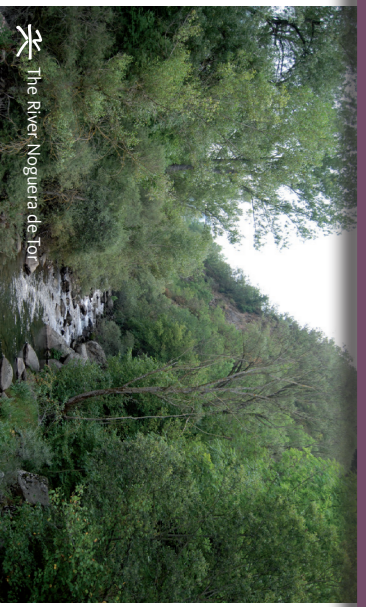


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The route continues through the valley between the left bank of the Noguera del Tor and the road. The Nature Trail runs along the edge of the village of Barruera, crossing the aforementioned pedestrian bridge over the river and running along the banks, away from the village in the direction of the hydroelectric plant. Leaving the valley behind, the trail reaches a viewpoint with a spectacular panorama of the valley and villages of Barruera, Erill la Vall and Boi and the imposing peak of L'Aüt.

5. Once in Boi, after a junction where one can go towards Durro following the long route itinerary GR-11-20, we cross the bridge and pass through the village's historic centre. On this route, the trail passes in front of the House of the Aigüestortes National Park and the Font de Quiet fountain, from where once can take the road to Barruera and where a new information panel points out the most unique features of the area.
6. The trail leaves Boi behind, continuing toward the LV-5000. Once on the asphalt, the trail descends to the bridge over the River Noguera de Tor, where new Nature Trail signposts point the traveller along the riverbank in the direction of Caldes de Boi. The trail rises slightly and the sparse vegetation coverage along this section allows for an incomparable panoramic view.
7. The final section of the Nature Trail is uphill, with regular signposts for the forks in the road that emerge. Close to the end of the trail, a water bottling plant comes into view on



The River Noguera de Tor

Sheltered by peaks over 3,000m high and close to the Aigüestortes i Estany de Sant Maurici National Park, one of the first protected areas in Spain, this route offers a journey back in time to visit some of the finest examples of Catalan Romanesque architecture.

THE ROMANESQUE ROUTE



the other side of the river while the trail continues to a rest area close to the springs of the Caldes de Boi spa, where a final information panel marks the end of your journey

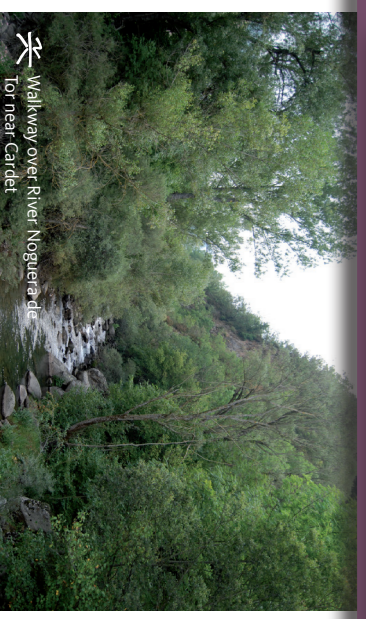
From here you can cross the spa resort along a slate path, reaching the LV-5000 which leads back to El Pont de Suert, via Barruera.

AIGÜESTORTES I ESTANY DE SANT MAURICI NATIONAL PARK

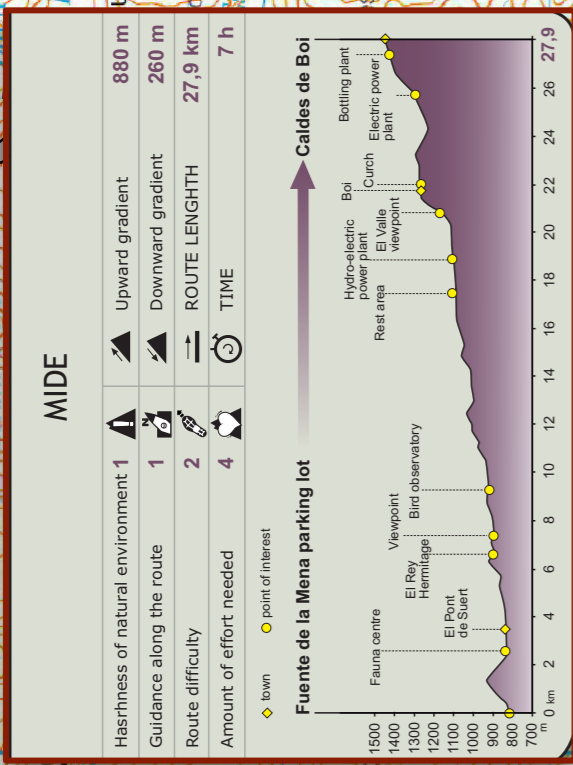
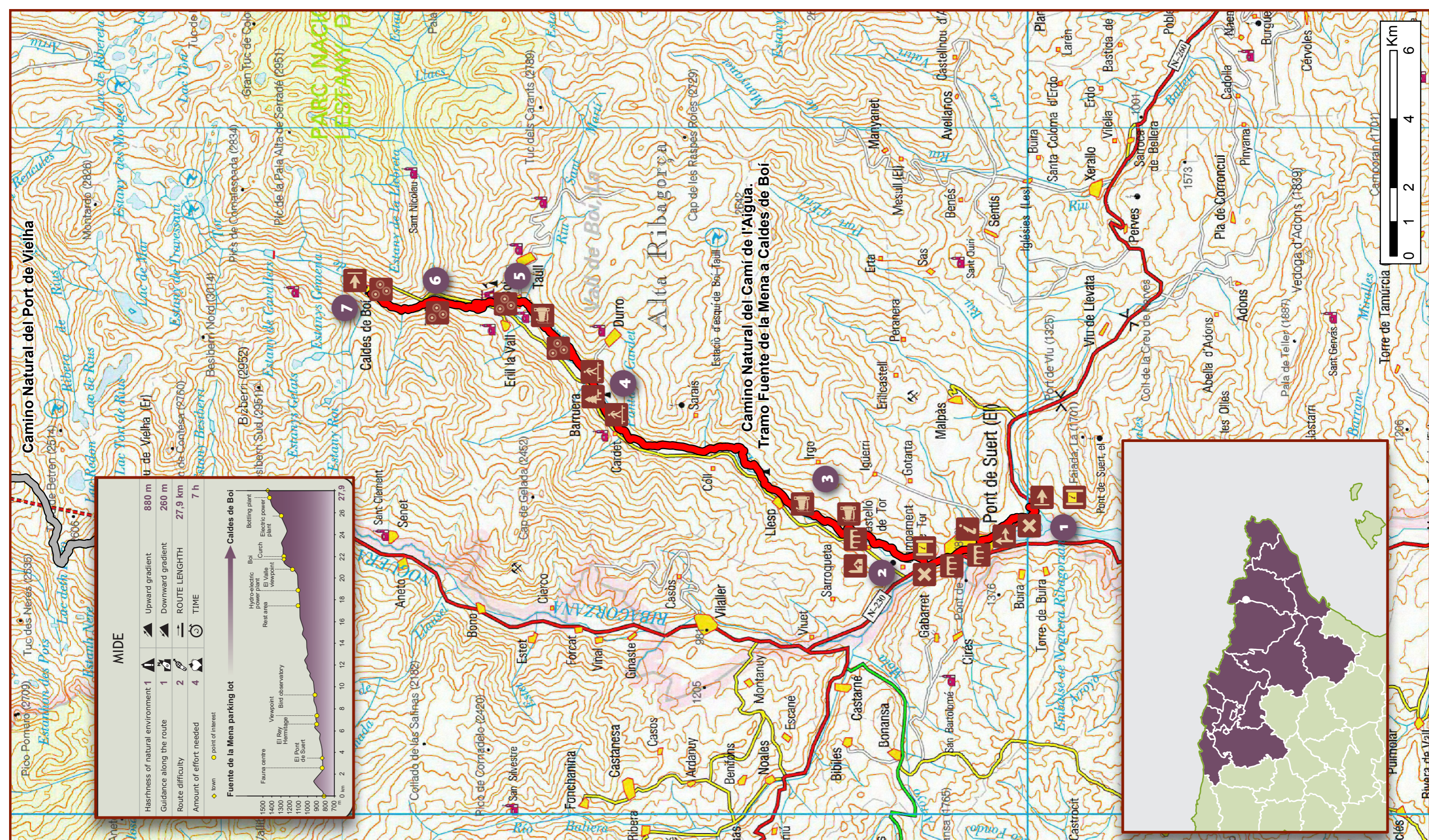
The Camí de l'Aigua Nature Trail runs through the area of influence of the Aigüestortes i Estany de Sant Maurici National Park. This has been a protected space since 1955, conserving one of the finest ecosystems of the upper Pyrenees, shaped by the movements of glaciers from the Quaternary Age, which eroded the landscape creating a U-shaped valley and leaving over 200 lakes of crystalline water among the peaks and aiding the formation of deciduous and coniferous forests in those same valleys.

ROMANESQUE CHURCHES

The wealth of Romanesque riches of the Vall de Boi saw it declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in the year 2000. The churches include Sant Climent and Santa Maria in Taüll, Sant Joan de Boi, Santa Eulalia d'Erill la Vall, Sant Felu de Barruera, La Nativitat de Durro, Santa Maria de Cardet and Santa Maria de Coll, to which we can also add the shrine of Sant Quiric in Durro, all built during the 11th and 12th centuries.



Walkway over River Noguera de Tor near Cardet



MIDE	
Harshness of natural environment	1 ▲ Upward gradient
Guidance along the route	1 ▲ Downward gradient
Route difficulty	2 ➡
Amount of effort needed	4 ⌚
	TIME
	7 h

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- Starting point
- End of trail
- Information panel
- Rest area
- Information centre
- Viewpoint
- Detour
- Bridge
- Junction
- Walkway
- Religious building
- Other sights of interest