Cultural Hiking Routes
by the Consell de Mallorca

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CULTURAL ROUTES in Mallorca

- **2 LONG DISTANCE WALKS**
  - The Dry Stone Route (GR 221)
  - The Artà - Lluc Route (GR 222)

- **FAMILY WALKS**
CULTURAL ROUTES in Mallorca

The Cultural Routes are planed to discover the rural areas of Mallorca by walking.

Designed to offer an individual experience, based on the high quality area, with exceptional landscapes and cultural value.

The rural heritage is one of the key of these routes.
CULTURAL ROUTES in Mallorca

Main objectives:

- Contribute to **heritage recovery**, restoration and maintenance
- Improve the quality of infrastructures linked to routes
- Promote **trekking and hiking activities**
- Disseminate natural, cultural and heritage values
- Spread the importance of the traditional livestock, farming and forestry activities
- **Enlarge the touristic season**
- Support **local development** in rural areas
Phases of establishing a cultural route

- Project Drawing Up
- Recovering
- Signposting
- Dissemination

CULTURAL ROUTES in Mallorca
Serra de Tramuntana included on list of UNESCO sites, June 2011

- Category of Cultural Landscape for its landscape, cultural, historical and ethnological wealth.

“The cultural landscape of the Serra de Tramuntana exemplifies the Mediterranean agricultural landscape, which, after centuries of transformations of the terrain morphology to exploit the scarce available resources and thank to the specific orogenetic, climatic and vegetation conditions, has made productive and well-adapted to human settlement.

The system of terraces, common to many Mediterranean landscapes, is combined with an articulated network of devices for the management of water, revolving around farming units of feudal origins.”
THE CULTURAL VALUE

The most significant and representative feature of the Serra de Tramuntana is the dry stone wall.
The project

8 Stages: 136 km
9 Variants: 135 km
Total: 271 km
Refugis: 8

Today
167 km
6 refuges
DRY STONE ROUTE  GR 221

SPECIAL PLAN

✓ Setting up of stages and variants
✓ Projects on restoration, signposting and maintenance of the paths
✓ Allowed uses per stages, variants and sections
✓ Protection of 15 m surrounding the itinerary
✓ Inventory of ethnological, historical, archaeological and natural elements
✓ Heritage action plan
✓ Creation of an Advisory Committee
Article 13. Ethnological heritage elements

Define:

- Elements included
- Forms and procedures
- Forbidden actions, uses or activities

Article 18. General criteria for restoration of dry stone heritage actions

Define:

- Forbidden actions
- Recovering, restoration and new building of dry stone elements
- Conservation and maintenance actions
RECOVERING WORKS: exemple of path “Camí de ses Voltes d’en Galileu”
SIGNPOSTING WORKS

✓ Vertical signposting
✓ Orientation and information signposting
✓ Made of wood
Recovering of features in the surroundings

Casa de neu d’en Galileu (2009-2010)
Recovering of features in the surroundings

Olive oil mill at Galatzó possessió (2011)
REFUGES

Muleta (Soller)

Son Amer (Lluc)

Tossals Verds (Escorca)

Can Boi (Deià)

Es Pont Romà (Pollença)
Restoration of traditional houses for refuge use: example of CAN BOI (2005)
## Refuge of Son Amer

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PROTECTION OF DRY STONE HERITAGE

✓ Barranc de Biniaraix’s traditional path and elements annexed, Assets of cultural interest, Monument (1994)
11 snow houses and associated features of the Massanella peak, **Assets of cultural interest**, Place of Ethnological Interest (2004)
The project
5 Stages: 99 km
5 Variants: 35 km
Total: 134 km

Today
37 km (4 stages and variants)
✓ Ses Rotes de Caimari, **Assets of cultural interest**, Place of Ethnological Interest (2009)

The land:
- 35 ha of terraced area
- 28 small properties

The walls:
- 74,400 m
- 134,000 m²
WALKS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
DISSEMINATION
www.conselldemallorca.net/mediambient/pedra
Hiking viewer
Descriptive guide of Dry Stone Route GR 221

GR 221
MALLORCA

Hiking Trail in the Serra de Tramuntana

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Before starting the route visit the website of the Council of Mallorca
www.conselldemallorca.net/mediambient/pedra to know the open and marked sections!!

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