

Routes along Serra Gelada Natural Park and its coastline - (ENGLISH)

Serra Gelada Natural Park and its coastline were declared in July of 2005, becoming the first land and sea natural park in the Valencian Region. It has a total protected surface area of 5.564 ha of which over 80% covers the sea. It is located between the bays of Benidorm and l'Alfàs del Pi-Altea which are separated by the elevated mountain range of Serra Gelada, a perfect example of a Valencian coastal mountain range.

This mountain range, along with the surrounding sea depths, constitute a conjunction of both marine and terrestrial ecosystems of an incalculable environmental and ecological value that complement the enormous cultural and historical wealth of the area. Pointing out the vast existing floral diversity, both along the sierra as on the four small islands inside the park, where we can mention the presence of plant species of great interest, many of them protected as they are endemic and/or threatened species.

Route 1

Red Route: Itinerary to l'Albir Lighthouse - (Self guided route)

**Path:** lineal (round trip).

**Distance:** 5 kilometres (round trip).

Difficulty level: Low.

**Maximum gradient:** 60 meters

**Estimated Time:** 1:30 h (round trip) on asphalt.

**Start of the route:** l'Albir Lighthouse Car Park.

**End of the route:** CIFA-l'Albir Lighthouse.

**Authorized uses:** Hiking and Cycling. Pedestrians always have priority.

**Cycling route:** Maximum speed 15 km/h. Cyclist should always cycle on the interior lane.

**Accessibility:** Asphalted itinerary, suitable for people with reduced mobility. Accessible rest rooms.

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CIFA

Centro de Interpretación Faro de l'Albir

Winter timetable CIFA:
Monday - Friday: 9 - 14 h.
Saturday and Sunday: 10 -13:30 h.

Summer timetable CIFA (July and August):
Mornings | Monday - Friday: 9 a 13 h.
Saturday and Sunday: 9 - 14 h.
Afternoons | Wednesday and Saturday: 17-20 h

l'Albir Lighthouse has no rest rooms or drinking water.



WC's
(Start of the route)

Timetable:
Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday:
8:30 - 14:30 h.
Thursday and Friday:
8:30 -18:00 h.
Saturday and Sunday:
9:00 - 13:30 h.

Route Profile





**It is mandatory that dogs have to be on a leash along the red route and that owners are responsible for their dog's excrements.**




Route 2


Yellow Route: Serra Gelada Crossing


**Path:** lineal (one way).


**Distance:** 6,5 kilometres (one way).


Difficulty level: Moderate – high.


**Maximum gradient:** 386 meters


**Estimated Time:** 3'5 to 4 hours (one way) real time excluding stops due to irregular path.

**Start of the route:** l'Albir Lighthouse Car Park.

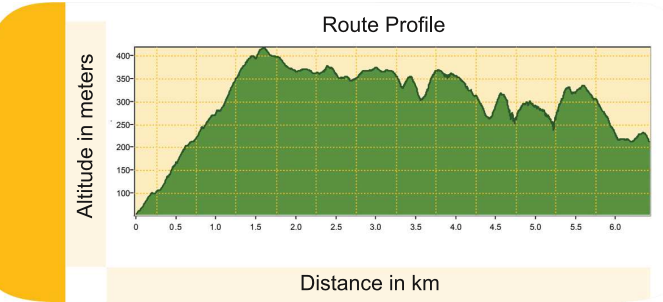
**Route end:** Benidorm cross.

**Authorized uses:** Hiking.


**It is mandatory that dogs have to be under control along the yellow route and owners are responsible for their dog's excrements.**


**Once we reach Benidorm Cross we have two options:** return walking along the yellow route back to the l'Albir lighthouse car park or descend down the streets C/Taiwan - Avd. Tokio – C/Sierra Dorada – C/Berlin on to Avd. Mediterráneo, next to Levante Beach in Benidorm, find a **bus stop for the nº10 bus (Altea - l'Alfàs del Pi - l'Albir Beach)**, and come back to l'Albir by public transport, getting off at the Fundacion Frax bus stop and, from there, follow the Natural Park signs to the l'Albir Lighthouse car park.


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**People and pets are not allowed to walk off the indicated trails.**

**Motor vehicles are not allowed into the Natural Park.**

**Cycling is not allowed along any of the Natural Park's trails.**

**Smoke free area. Do not smoke or light fires in all of the Natural Park.**

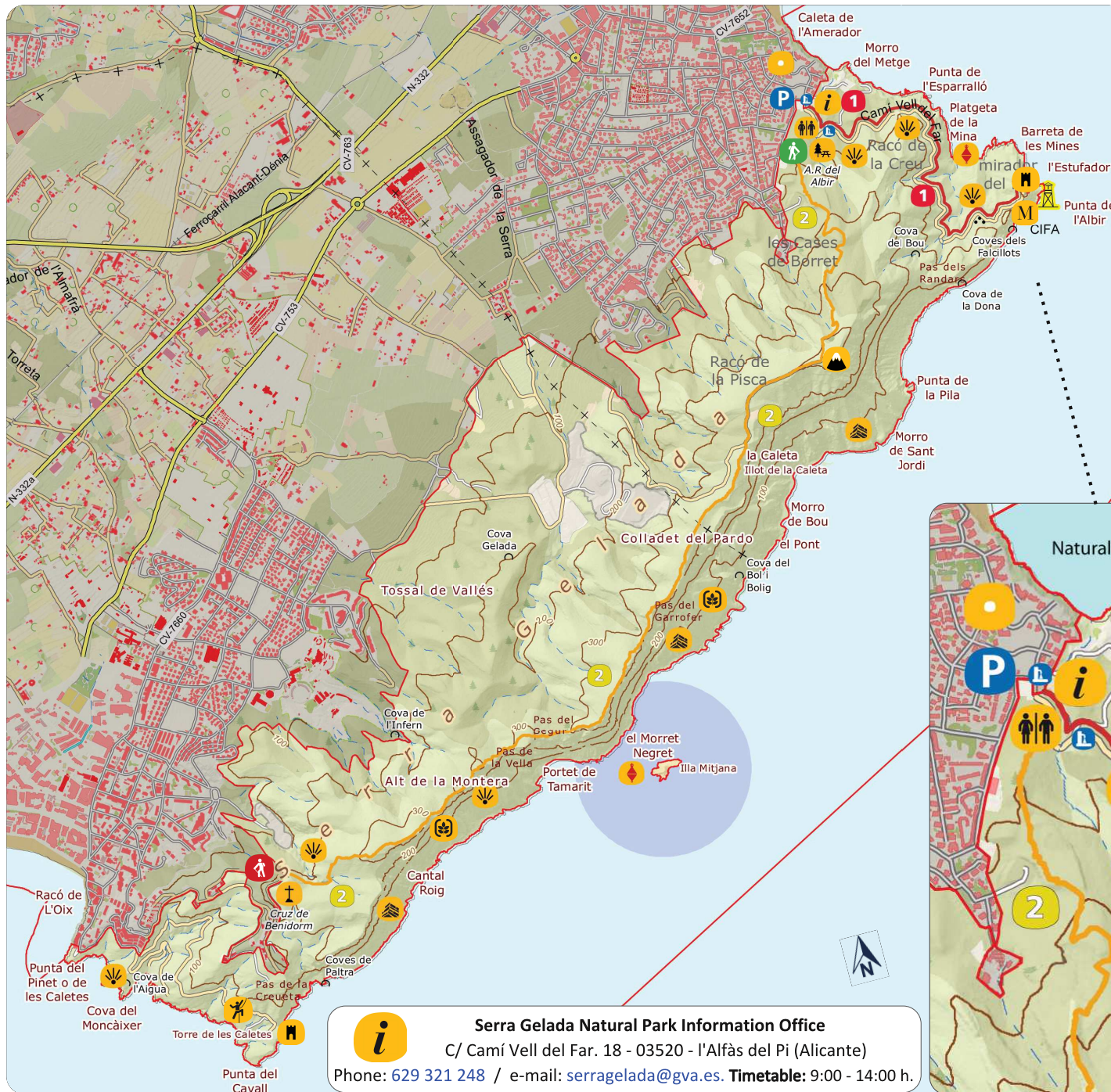
**Please keep the Natural Park clean. Camping and leaving waste behind throughout the park is forbidden.**

Map of Public Use for the land area of Serra Gelada Natural Park.



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de la **serra**
gelada



THEMATIC KEY

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|  | Natural Park Office
(C.E.A - Carabineros) |  | Information Booth |
|  | Red Route |  | Yellow Route |
|  | Start of the route |  | Route end |
|  | Free Car Park |  | Rest rooms |
|  | Leisure / picnic area |  | Panoramic views |
|  | l'Albir Lighthouse |  | l'Albir Lighthouse
Interpretation Area (C.I.F.A) |
|  | Benidorm's Cross |  | Watchtower |
|  | Ochre Mine |  | Fossil Dunes |
|  | Flora Microreserve |  | Authorized
climbing area |
|  | Summit |  | Mooring buoys |

