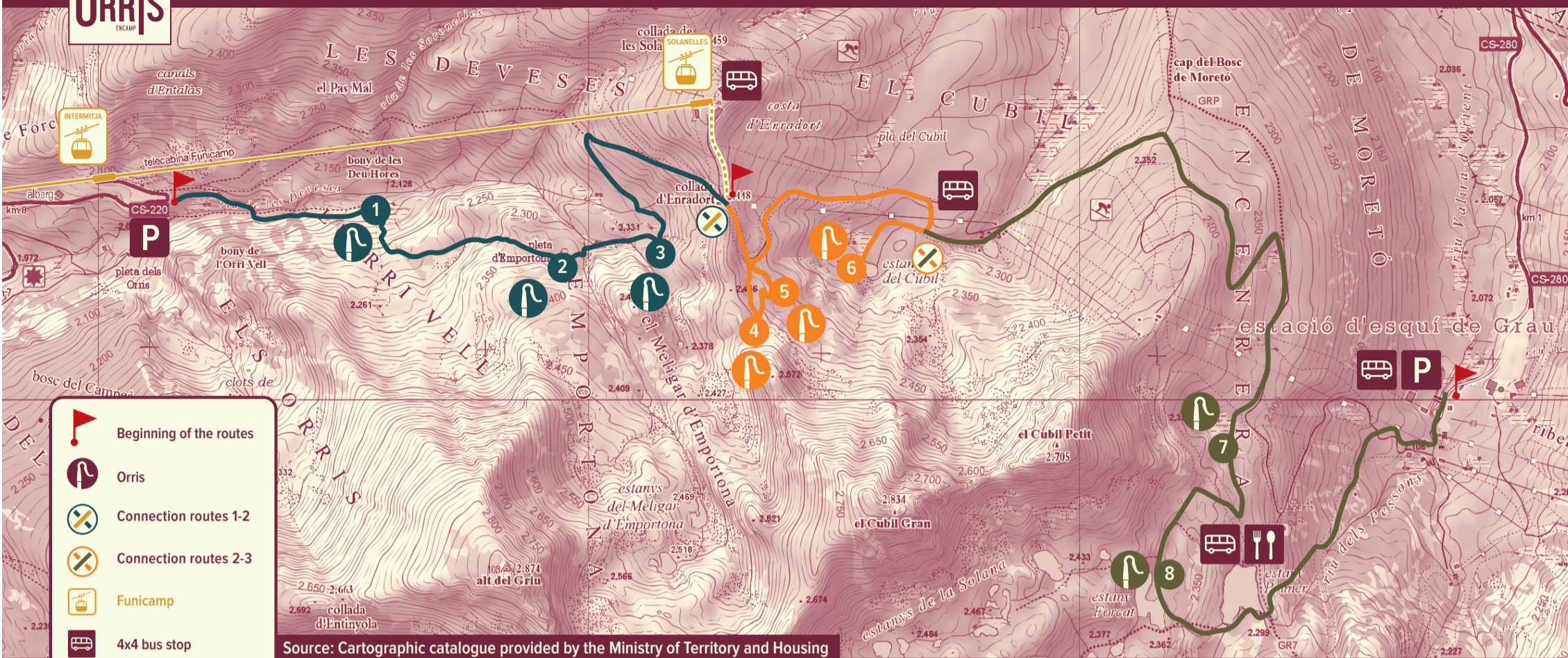
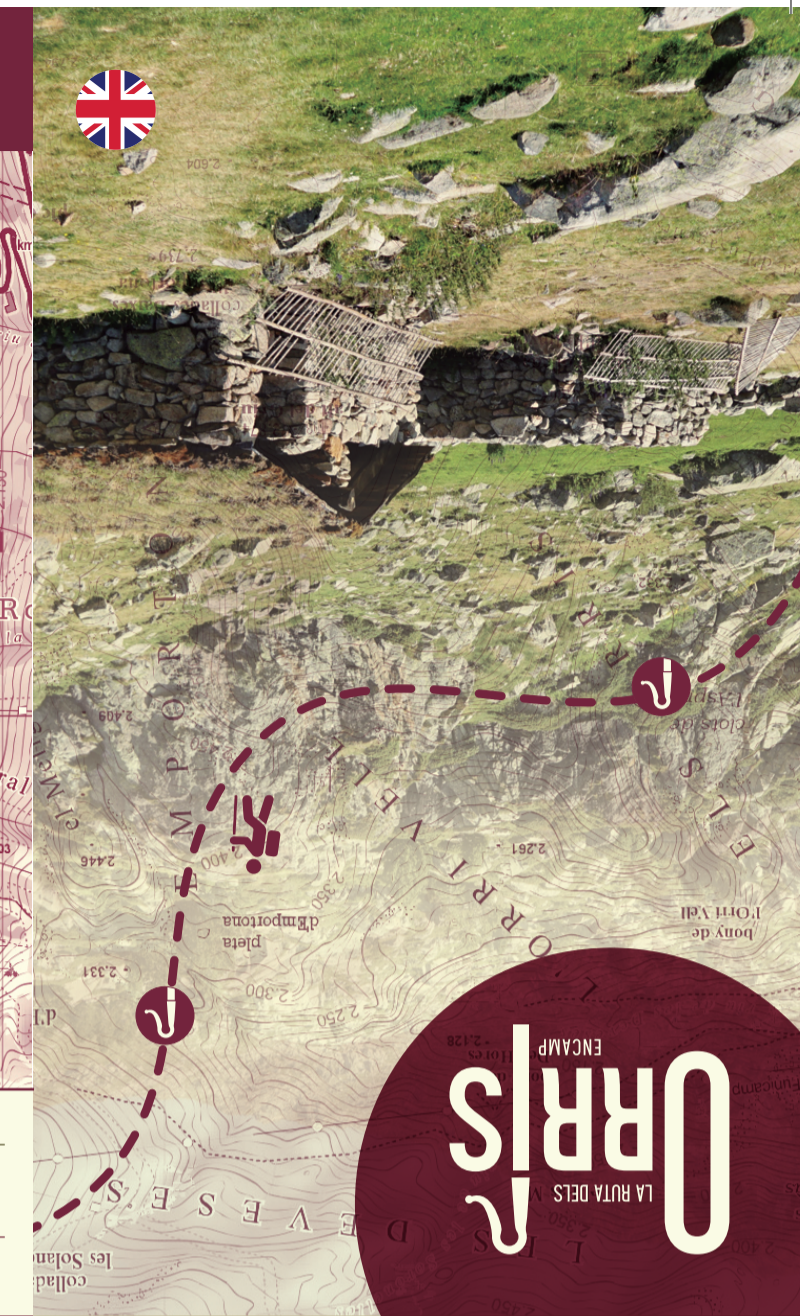


THE THREE ORRI TRAIL ROUTES



- Beginning of the routes
- Orris
- Connection routes 1-2
- Connection routes 2-3
- Funicamp
- 4x4 bus stop
- Route 1
- Route 2
- Route 3
- Funicamp connection

Source: Cartographic catalogue provided by the Ministry of Territory and Housing

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| Orri Vell | Orri Baix de la Collada d'Enradort |
| Orri d'Emportona | Orri del Cubil |
| Orri d'Enradort | Orri d'Encenrera |
| Orri Alt de la Collada d'Enradort | Orri de l'estany Forcat |

ROUTE 1 - LES DEVESES	ROUTE 2 - EL CUBIL	ROUTE 3 - ENCENRERA
↔ 3.513m	↔ 2.389m	↔ 3.300m
-7m	-218m	-68m
+393m	+29m	+254m
🕒 1h 30'	🕒 50'	🕒 1h 15'
Funicamp - INFO → WWW.ENCAMP.AD	4X4 CONNECTION - INFO → WWW.ENCAMP.AD	

THE ORRI TRAIL OF ENCAMP

The three Orri Trail routes

The Orri Trail winds past several orris in the high-mountain of Encamp. Along the trail, you can see where the shepherds used to live and the remains of old buildings, and find out about their history, how they were used and how they evolved up to the present day, discovering the secrets of these typical Pyrenean structures. The trail can be reached from different points in the parish and splits into three routes: Les Deveses, El Cubil and Encenrera. As well as unveiling part of Andorra's history, it takes you to rivers, lakes and marshes, and often close to scree, where we can find the ancient shepherds' huts.

The trail crosses the eastern sector of Encamp, from Els Cortals to the glacial valley of Els Pessons, by Grau Roig. The routes can be reached using the ski resort facilities together with several access

options. They can be completed solely on foot or in combination with a ride up or down in the Funicamp lift and the 4x4 bus service, which operate over the summer season.

The trail is suitable for all ages and can be adapted to time requirements. Each route crosses different valleys and offers a diverse view of the orris. So, you can either spend a few days exploring them or complete the whole trail in one day.

The eight orris on the Orri Trail

Orris are small buildings, in the high-mountain, used in the past by shepherds over the summer months. They were seasonal settlements, usually consisting of a hut, milking pen, sheepfold and other smaller structures such as shelters and larders. Here, they made Orri

cheese from sheep's milk, an important means of barter in old financial and tax transactions.

Archaeological digs have unveiled how these buildings evolved. The complexes, which date back to medieval times, underwent transformations in the modern and contemporary periods, alongside economic and legal changes in livestock farming. Research has also uncovered important prehistoric and Roman remains at some of the orris, highlighting their significance in Andorran history.

Orris are an essential component of the mountain landscape and a fundamental part of Andorra's economic history. They constitute an important heritage of Pyrenean high-mountain vernacular architecture. All the buildings are made of dry stone, following the ancient architectural techniques of using local stone and earth.



Sheep grazing in the mountains.



Orri d'Emportona archaeological site.



Orri d'Encenrera restored medieval hut.

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ROUTE 1 - LES DEVESES

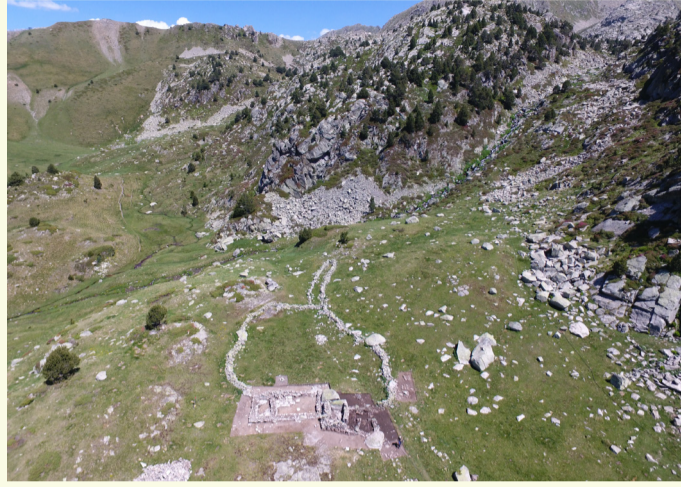


This route crosses the upper part of Els Cortals valley to Collada d'Enradort pass, passing the orris on the south side of Les Deveses river and the meadows and marshes on the upper reaches of Enradort, frequented by marmots. All along the route, you will find important old buildings: Orri Vell, Orri d'Emportana and Orri d'Enradort.



ORRI VELL

Orri Vell stands on a spur between Les Deveses river and a tributary from El Griu. It is intact, with a remarkably large sheepfold that follows the natural line of the rocks. Overlooking the river, you can see the long milking pen and, built into a large rock, the old, ruined hut.



ORRI D'EMPORTONA

Orri d'Emportana stands in a shallow valley on the upper reaches of Les Deveses river, a few metres from Emportona river. The main part has been excavated and the three different buildings demonstrate how huts have evolved: a large hut from the end of the medieval ages, a hut from the early modern period and a small hut from the 19th century, the only one that could be seen before the dig. It is a perfect example, with a well-preserved sheepfold and milking pen. The site also had a Neolithic settlement, probably used for keeping livestock.



ORRI D'ENRADORT

Orri d'Enradort stands next to a scree, close to the marshes on the upper reaches of Les Deveses river, at the foot of Collada d'Enradort pass and Solanelles peak. It is still intact and you can make out the circular sheepfold where sheep were kept, which may have given the place its name. Among the stones, you can see the milking pen and several small huts and other structures.

ROUTE 3 - ENCENRERA



This route crosses the meadows north of Els Pessons, very close to Grau Roig ski resort.



ORRI D'ENCENRERA

Orri d'Encenrera stands next to the marshes and a small stream, at the foot of El Cubil Petit peak. Here are remarkable reconstructions of a large 14th-century hut, with an area for cheesemaking, and a hut dating from the 17th and 18th centuries, built after the medieval hut collapsed. Inside these huts, you can experience the lifestyle of shepherds next to the fire and appreciate their daily tasks. The site also hides a Roman settlement where metals were mined.

ROUTE 2 - EL CUBIL



This route skirts Enradort and the meadows of El Cubil, from the pass near Solanelles to El Cubil lake. It connects the two orris on the sunny side of Enradort to Orri del Cubil, next to the lake and marshes, which are frequented by marmots. As the route is steep, we recommend the 4x4 service to ascend or descend from Solanelles (Funicamp) or up to Els Pessons and Grau Roig. Along the route you will find three *orris*: Orri Alt de la Collada d'Enradort, Orri Baix de la Collada d'Enradort and Orri del Cubil.



ORRI ALT DE LA COLLADA D'ENRADORT

Orri Alt is located at the foot of a narrow meadow, south of the bend in the track that leads to the pass. The original remains are still there. Dominated by a large rock, you can see various buildings used by shepherds and the milking pen, with an attached hut.



ORRI BAIX DE LA COLLADA D'ENRADORT

150 m from Orri Alt is the small Orri Baix de la Collada. It is one of the smallest of the Andorran *orris* but, even so, has a hut and a milking pen that is more than 20m long. From here, you can look out over the whole El Cubil valley.



ORRI DEL CUBIL

Next to El Cubil lake is an orri of the same name, several parts of which have been reconstructed. Two of the huts date back to about the 18th century, and another to the 19th century. At the back is a long milking pen and a small sheepfold. Altogether a remarkable place, tempting you to linger and enjoy the surroundings.



ORRI DE L'ESTANY FORCAT

Orri de l'Estany Forcat stands 100m from the lake. It is a good example of traditional shepherds' buildings, with a hut, a shelter between two rocks and a small milking pen. The lake's surroundings tempt you to rest and enjoy Els Pessons landscape and discover other shepherds' huts in the area.