87 MIRADOR DEL RIU RUNER

DON'T MISS...

visiting the Juberri Gardens, one of the most original places in the Principality of Andorra. A proposal for art lovers and for all those with a special feeling for the plant world.

DID YOU KNOW...

in the old town of Sant Julià de Lòria is Carrer Mossèn Enric Marfany, which used to be called Carrer dels Xiulets (Street of Whistles) after the noise that the weaving machines on the street made.

BEHIND THE NAME

Rocafort:

Roca comes from a pre-Roman word, rocca, with the same meaning (rock), the exact origin of which is unknown. *Fort*, from the Latin forte, means 'resistant to passage, difficult to take, strongly resists being taken'.









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Camí de Rocafort is found on Fontaneda main road, in the parish of Sant Julià de Lòria. From the top, the mountain of Rocafort affords fantastic bird's eve views of the pa-

During the route, which runs alongside the river, you can see black poplar (*Populus nigra*), white willow (*Salix alba*) and European ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*), as well as the beautiful summer lilac (*Buddleja davidii*). Among the most common fauna, it's easy to come across viperine water snakes (*Natrix maura*), which are completely harmless, and brown trout (*Salmo trutta*). A bit Camí Mirador Riu Runer

further up, you'll come across a wide variety of shrubs, including Phoenicean juniper (*Juniperus phoenicea*) and fly honeysuckle (*Lonicera xylosteum*). The blue rock thrush (*Monticola solitarius*) also comes out of its hiding places, weather permitting.

Along this route, you can also visit Cova de l'Ossa, a shallow cave which carries the cruel legend explaining how a farmer killed the bear that lived in this cave. He set fire to the entrance of the cave and axed the bear when she tried to enter the cave to save her cubs.





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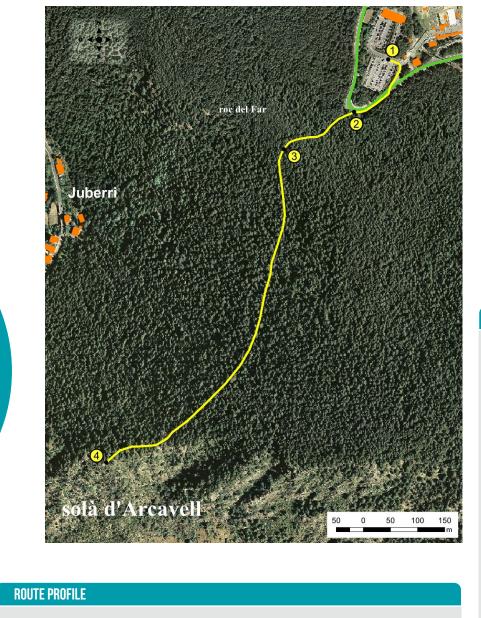
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N D R P	2 NIRADOF EL RIU UNER ATH .564 m	150 m (-6 m)	3'	N42 26.437 E1 29.966	Leave the Naturlandia car park, going down the main road 150 metres to the bend, where you'll find the entrance to Camí del Riu Runer.	
G S	3 RP CR09 R0ADS .558 m	S- 305 m (-6 m)	7'	N42 26.403 E1 29.882	As the path flattens out, you'll come to the GRP crossroads marked with hori- zontal red and yellow marks.	
N D R	4 Niradof El riu Uner .556 m	1.000 m (+20 m -21 m)	25'	N42 26.088 E1 29.642	Leave the GRP behind. Flattening out, fo- llow the yellow dots along a pleasant path. Before coming to Mirador del Riu Runer, climb some stone steps. The valley views are truly exceptional, both of the Valls del Nord and the Valls del Valira.	



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