

Senet fauna route

We follow the old path from the port of La Gelada to the viewpoints of the Esbornada ravine and Estarredono

Accumulated elevation 465 m

Total distance 5.8 km

Total effective time 2:00 h

Minimum altitude 1.291 m

Departure / arrival point Senet Information Center

Maximum altitude 1.716 m

Nearest town Senet de Barrabés

Partially circular route of 5.8 km in length through the Gelada Area of Natural Interest. We start the route in the town of Senet de Barrabés, in the Alta Ribagorza region. From here we go up an old path to the Planaverd fountain, where we leave the forest behind and begin to have good views of the Maladeta massif and the Besiberris. The ascent is smoother, we coincide for a moment with the forest track where we will descend back and - continuing along the marked path at all times - we reach the Ros pass, where we find a shepherd's refuge and, a few meters later, the viewpoint of the Esbornada. We make the first stretch back along the forest track, going down slowly through a very pleasant terrain and taking a detour to enjoy the viewpoint of Estarredono. Later on, we return to the old road and go down this road to Senet.

This itinerary allows us to discover the fauna and mountain vegetation of this area characterized by glacial modeling. We start the route immersed in the typical forest of the montane floor and we reach the subalpine meadows. The information panels help us to recognize the signs and traces of fauna, adapted to the climate and vegetation, while we observe and become aware of the impact of human presence on the landscape. We also enjoy views of the nearby towering mountains, more than 3,000m high, such as the Maladeta massif and the Besiberris.

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Duration: Half day

Total effective time (without stops): 2: 00h in total: 0: 55h to go up from Senet to the Esbornada viewpoint, 0: 25h to go from here to the Estarredono viewpoint and 0: 40h to go down from this point to Senet.

Difficulty: Medium. The first section of the route presents the greatest climb, after which the slope softens considerably.

Season: Summer, spring and autumn.

Cartography: Aigüestortes and Estany de Sant Maurici National Park - Boí Valley. 1: 25,000. Editorial Alpina.

Observations: Although the itinerary should be marked in its entirety with wooden sticks with a chamois print, some of these marks have fallen or deteriorated. It is not too difficult to find the way, but we recommend being vigilant and following the yellow Camins Vius markings to the Esbornada viewpoint. Then, during the entire stretch we do along the forest track, the route is not marked but there is no loss. In the final sector of the route we undo the path already traveled at the beginning of the itinerary.

HOW TO ARRIVE IN CAR

We arrive at the Senet-Aneto detour on the N-230 road between Pont de Suert and Vielha. This exit -well signposted- is located 20 km from Pont de Suert (if we come from the south) or 20 km from Vielha (if we come from the Arán Valley). We take the detour and follow the signs for Senet. The secondary road crosses the river Noguera Ribagorzana, makes a turn and quickly leads us to the first houses of the town (1 km from the detour). The Senet Information Center is located right at the entrance of the town, on the same road. We can park right there.