

HIKING ROUTE TO MONTEMAYOR



The hiking route to Montemayor starts and finishes in Somadilla Street, next to Isidro Girant School (west side of Ayora). The origin of this route is our traditional festivity called "El día de la Cruz" (The Day of the Cross) celebrated every May the 3rd. On this date, the residents of Ayora go on a pilgrimage to the Hermitage of "La Santa Cruz" (The Holly Cross) on the top of the mountain.

Thanks to the diversity of the route, we can discover the flora and fauna that the landscape of Ayora. The first metres of the route are easy to walk, until you reach the foot of the mountain where the ascent to the top begins. From this point, we can enjoy the views of our wonderful Valley and its geographical features such as "Caroig Massif, Ayora-Enguera's mountain range and Meca. Beside, Palomera's peak in the natural site of "La Hunde".

Once on the top, you can visit our small and rustic Chapel, built in stonework, with a gable roof. From there, you can see the whole village of Ayora, all Ayora's Village, in special our main street, "la Calle de la Marquesa de Zenete".

The trail continues descending from the mountain, we walk the last kilometers along the path known as "Slope of the Friars" which leads us to the end point enjoying the landscape.

BIRD WATCHER TIPS:

Birds welfare should come first. Do not alter their behavior.

Protect and respect the environment.

In case of finding birds in danger, please contact the authorities.

Do not disturb and respect the private property.

BRING WATER AND
COMFORTABLE FOOTWEAR

BIRD WATCHING ROUTE



In our route to Montemayor, we can find information panels that explain the environment that we are watching.

Along the way, among the fields of olive and almond trees we can enjoy a great variety of birds such as the European Goldfinch, the European serin, the Common Chaffinch, the Flycatchers, the Warbler, the Blackbird, the Song Thrush, Eurasian Hoopoe and finally, at sunset, we can watch the little Owl, which nests between the branches of the olive trees.

In the mountain's foothills we find out the Coal tit, the Crested tit, the Eurasian Jay, the Short-toed Treecreeper... and even is possible to see how the Booted Eagle flies over us.

The crags of the mountain are the best place to enjoy the Blue Rock Thrush, the Eurasian Crag Martin and the Peregrine, if we are lucky, we will be able to watch the amazing Golden Eagle flying over the sky of Montemayor.



THE USE OF BINOCULARS
IS RECOMMENDED IN
THIS ROUTE



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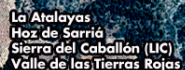
HIKING AND BIRD WATCHING ROUTE TO MONTEMAYOR



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INFORMATION PANEL



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Muela de Cortes
Cinto de las Cabras (1.107 m)

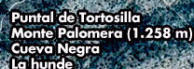


Ayora

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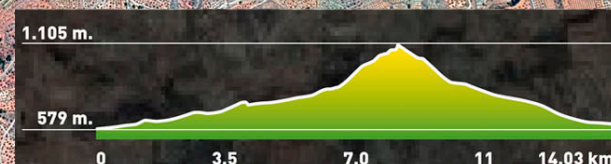
Montemayor



Mugrón de Meca (1.218 m)
Castellar de Meca (Poblado íbero)
Puntal del Arciseco
Monte Chico
Alpera (Albacete)



Casas de Madrona
Laguna de San Benito



SOME OF THE BIRDS YOU CAN OBSERVE

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SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER



COMMON BUZZARD



OW

**PEREGRINE**

COMMON RAVEN



RED-LEGGED PARTRIDGE



COAL
TIT



GOLDEN EAGLE