



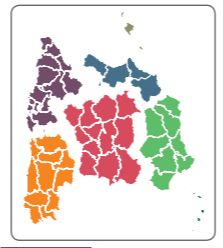
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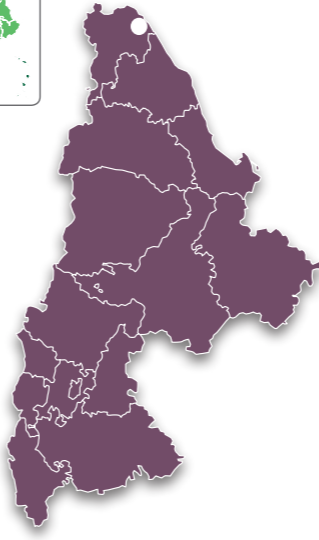
# NATURE TRAIL CARRILET II



Guide to the Nature Trails of Spain



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## A GENTLE STROLL DOWN TO THE SEASHORE

The Carrilet II Nature Trail crosses the regions of El Gironès and of El Baix Empordà, descending gently where the narrow-track train used to run, commonly known as the "Feliuet", which linked Girona to Sant Feliu de Guíxols until it was closed at the end of the 60s.

The route, which is 39,7 kilometres long, begins in Gerona at a height of 70 metres, rises gently to the 130 metres of Cassà la Selva, and continues until it reaches the Mediterranean sea.



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1. The Trail begins near River Onyar, where it joins the Carrilet I route, crosses the city centre of Gerona. Following the bicycle lane, you leave the town of Gerona, to take a pathway, parallel to the Sant Feliu road, which descends to the left next to the River Onyar and passes under the road until it reaches the houses of Creueta, where there is a drinking water fountain.
2. After passing under a bridge you reach a bicycle lane pertaining to the town of Quart. The Trail continues to the old station of Llambilles where there is a reproduction of the old "Feliuet". The track turns into a street like any other in the town until, on the outskirts, it looks like a path again plunging into the fertile farmlands.
3. The route enters a mixed wood which alternates with plots used to grow grain, until you see the first signs of the bicycle lane that crosses the industrial estate of Cassà de la Selva. On reaching a roundabout, close to the cemetery of Cassà de la Selva, take the turning which leads to the old station of this municipality where a modernist building, the current seat of the town hall, will draw your attention.
4. Leaving this town behind, you will carry on along a clearly signposted path with green signs. After crossing small stream beds via successive bridges you will reach a point with a nice view of the town of Llagostera, the route's half-way point. As you leave the station a path leads outside the town and passes under the C-65

5. After passing several perfectly signposted crossroads and a couple of underpasses, you will come to a fork where the ruins of an old level crossing hut are located. This leg of the Trail crosses the natural space of Les Gavarras and crosses two iron bridges, among cork oak, pine and oak trees until you reach the railway halt of Belllloch-Font Plicant.
6. From this point, you will soon reach Santa Cristina d'Aro, the first coastal town in the region of the Baix Empordà. Passing by the Tourist Information Bureau, which used to be a railway station, the route crosses two bridges and farmland irrigated by the waters of the River Ridaura to reach the bicycle lane of Castell d'Aro, drawing close to its old station, which is surrounded by a miniature replica train track. The Trail continues across a bridge and through an underpass. Among cork oak and stone pine trees, genuine representatives of the Mediterranean forest, you will come to a heliport on the side of the road.
7. The Carrilet II Nature Trail now continues through the municipality of Sant Feliu de Guíxols, passing under the busy road to Platja d'Aro. In this last stretch, where coastal residential areas abound, the Trail enters via

Carrer Via del Tren. Following de cycle lane, the trail ends near the town's marina..

### LES GAVARRAS

Les Gavarras mountain range is located to the extreme north of the Catalan coastal mountain range. Its formation took place 600 million years ago, when the rocks that form part of it were still submerged under the sea. The mountain range's original vegetation was comprised of extensive alzinaras, holm-oak woods from the Catalan coast, which were affected by intensive use for firewood and coal, thus stimulating their replacement by cork oak and pine tree plantations.

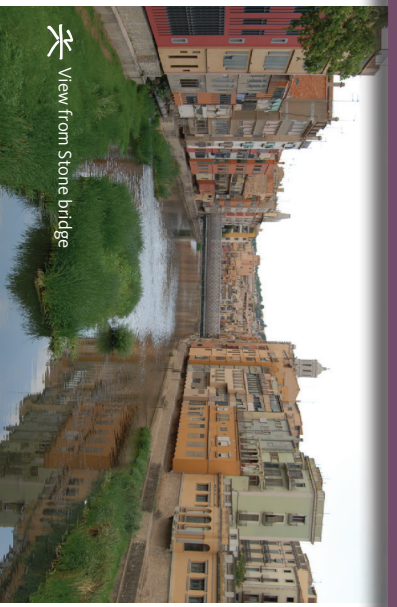
Nowadays, the abandonment of these uses has translated into the slow recovery of these unique forests, which are characteristic of the northern Mediterranean area.

### LA COVA D'EN DAINA DOLMEN

Megalithic dolmen located in the municipality of Santa Cristina d'Aro which, according to the shaping of the tomb, probably dates from 2700-2000 BC. It is comprised of a U-shaped burial chamber, enclosed by a cromlech or a structure formed of granite menhirs arranged in a circle. Today it is one of the most visited monuments in the region.



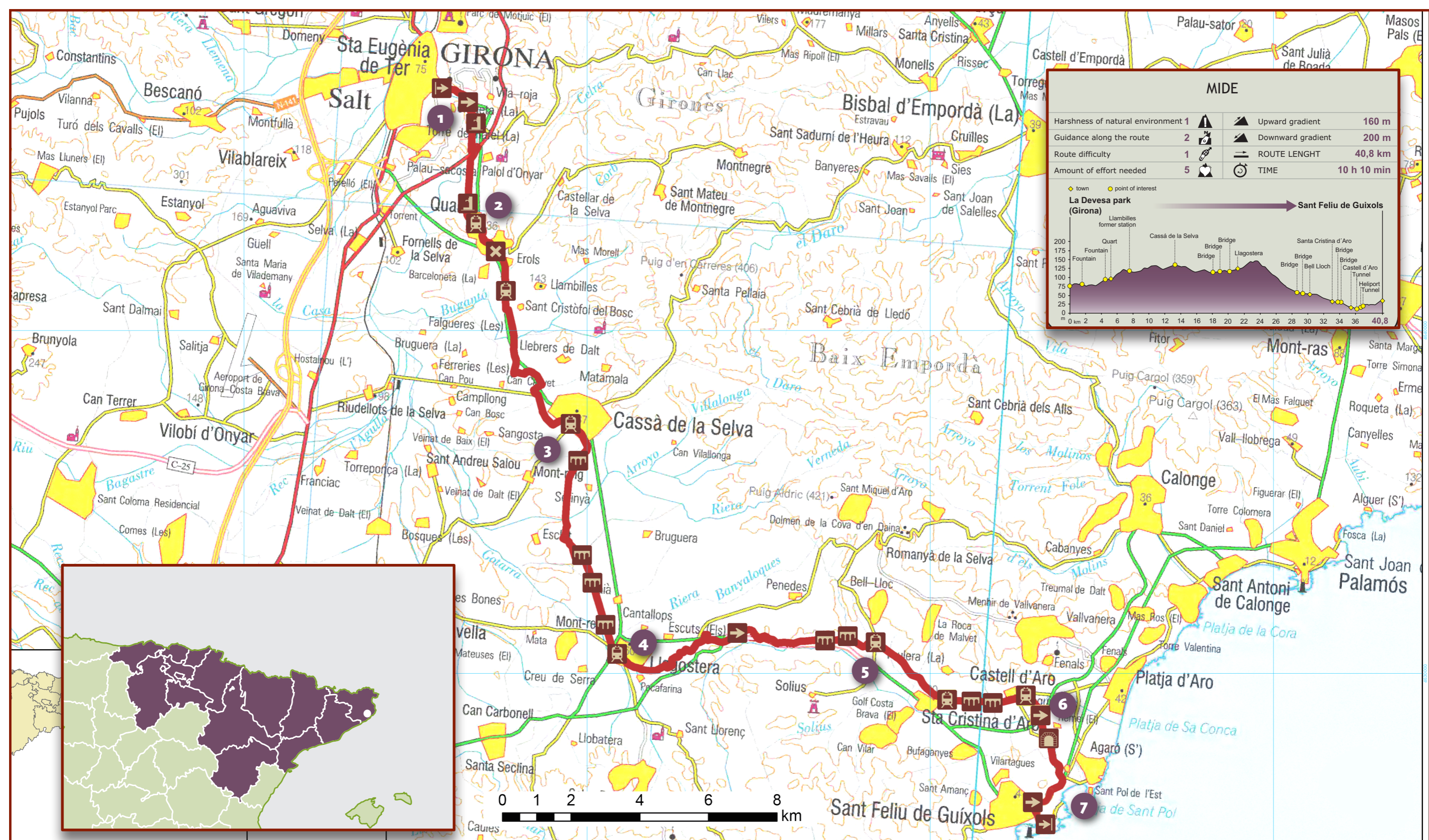
View of the trail in a Mediterranean environment



View from Stone bridge



Iron bridge on the way to Quart



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- ➔ Starting point
- ➔ End of trail
- 🚂 Train station
- 1 Fountain
- 🏠 Tunnel
- ✕ Junction
- ≡ Bridge
- ➔ Underpass



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