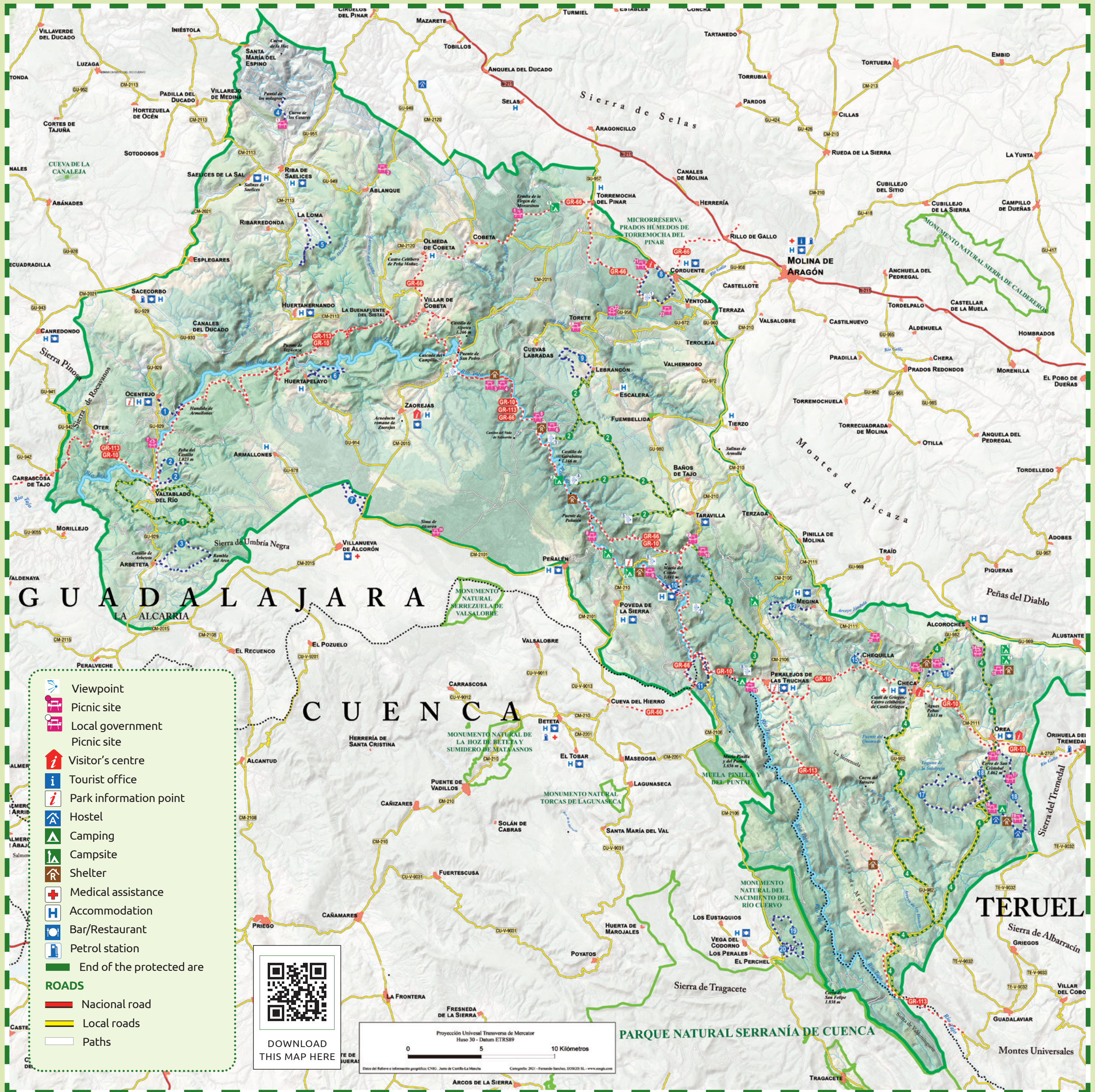


# Parque Natural ALTO TAJO

PUBLIC USE MAP OF THE NATURAL PARK WITH PERIPHERAL PROTECTION ZONE



## VIEWPOINTS

- 1 BARRANCO DE LA HOZ
- 4 PIE Y MEDIO
- 7 EL MACHORRILLO
- 2 MIRADOR DEL TAJO
- 5 FEBRERO CAVE
- 8 PIE MOLINO
- 3 PUNTA DEL PANCHO
- 6 MIRADOR DE FINA

## PICNIC SITES

- 1 VIRGEN DE MONTESINOS CHAPEL
- 10 HUERTA DEL FORESTAL
- 20 LA VAQUERIZA CHEQUILLA
- 2 FUENTE DEL CURA
- 11 EL VADO
- 21 CORDUENTE FOREST HOUSE
- 3 LA FALAGUERA I
- 12 PRADO DE LA BECEA
- 22 HUELGA MERENDERA
- 4 LA FALAGUERA II
- 13 FUENTE DE LOS VAQUEROS
- 23 BARRANCO DE LA HOZ
- 5 LA HERRERÍA
- 14 EL ANGOSTO
- 24 SIMA DE ALCORÓN
- 6 VADO SALMERÓN
- 15 FUENTE DEL ENDRINO
- 1 CASARES CAVE
- 7 LOS CEÑOS
- 16 CERRILLO HERRERO
- 2 TARAVILLA FOREST HOUSE
- 8 EL VIVAERO
- 17 LA CANALEJA
- 3 TORETE BRIDGE
- 9 FUENTE DEL BERRO
- 18 FUENTE LA RANA
- 19 FUENTE LA JÍCARA

## VISITOR'S CENTRES

- "RIO TAJO" (Zaorejas)
- "MUSEO DE LA GANADERÍA TRADICIONAL DEL ALTO TAJO" (Checa)
- "SEQUERO DE OREA" (Orea)
- "PARK INTERPRETATIVE CENTRE" (Corduente)



MORE INFORMATION ABOUT VISITOR'S CENTRES

## ORGANISED GROUP CAMPSITE (MANAGED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS)

- 1 TORREJARA (Torremocha del Pinar)
- 5 FUENTEPEÑUELA (Peralejos de las Truchas)
- 2 FUENTE LA TEJA (Peñalen)
- 6 FUENTE DEL ENDRINO BAJO (Alustante)
- 3 AGUABUENA (Poveda de La Sierra)
- 7 FUENTE DEL ENDRINO MEDIO (Alustante)
- 4 FUENTE DEL BERRO (Poveda de la Sierra)

## GR LONG-DISTANCE TRAILS

- GR-10 FROM VALENCIA TO LISBON
- GR-66 CASTELLANO MANCHEGO TRAIL
- GR-113 CAMINO NATURAL DEL TAJO

## LOCAL AND SHORT DISTANCE (PR) LOOP TRAILS

- 1 OCENTEJO-HUNDIDO DE ARMALLONES — 6 km
- 12 CABRILLAS RIVER — 8 km
- 2 CASTILLO DE VALTABLADO DEL RIO TRAIL — 9 km
- 13 PIEDRAS ROJAS ROUTE — 2,5 km
- 3 LA RAMBLA DEL AVELLANO — 12 km
- 14 LA ESPINEDA — 5 km
- 4 EL VALLE DE LOS MILAGROS — 5 km
- 15 LA LAGUNA DE LA SALOBREJA — 13,5 km
- 5 LOS CHOZONES DE LA LOMA — 10 km
- 16 EL ARROYO DEL ENEBRAL — 18 km
- 6 FROM HUERTAPELAYO TO TAJO — 7,6 km
- 17 PR-CU 78: ASCENT TO LA MUELA (MN Nacimiento del Río Cuervo) — 12 km
- 7 LAS CALERAS DE VILLANUEVA FROM ALCORON — 6 km
- 18 NACIMIENTO DEL RÍO CUERVO (NM Cuervo river spring) — 2 km
- 8 EL RODENAL DE CORDUENTE — 9 km
- 9 EL PUNTA DE LA CABEZA — 8 km
- 10 EL SALTO DE POVEDA — 5 km
- 11 BARRANCO DEL HORCAJO — 6,5 km

MORE INFORMATION ON LOCAL AND SHORT-DISTANCE (PR) TRAILS



## MOUNTAIN BIKE (MTB) ROUTES

- 1 VALTABLADO DEL RIO — 21 km
- 2 LOS MIRADORES DEL TAJO — 55 km
- 3 LA MUELA — 31 km
- 4 LA SIERRA — 70 km



## RULES IN THE PARK:

- Do not make noises disturbing the fauna or causing inconvenience to other visitors.
- Do not litter. Dispose garbage in the bins located the urban areas.
- No fires permitted. Please do not throw burning cigarettes.
- Free camping is not allowed.
- Non-authorized drones are not allowed.
- Keep pets supervised at all times.
- Please follow all signs and indications from park officers and support staff of the protected area.
- Maximum speed limit is 30 km/h on trails and open paths for motor vehicles.
- Parking out of designated areas is prohibited.

## FOR YOUR SAFETY

- Extreme temperatures can be reached both in summer and winter, please dress accordingly.
- Appropriate footwear is required all year round.
- Using trails and other equipment in the natural areas may entail some risks. Take necessary precautions and enjoy them responsibly.
- Please, stay on the paths designated by the nature park.
- Railings, handrails and similar infrastructures are elements to delimitate and to close the trails. They are not protective or security elements. Do not climb or lean on them to prevent falls.



## MOUNTAIN BIKE (MTB) ROUTES

### 1 VALTABLADO DEL RIO

● Valtablado Del Río ⌚ 21 Km

**Level:** Easy

**Distinctive features:** Panoramic views of Tajo river, Barranco de la Rambla and Tetras de Viana.



### 2 LOS MIRADORES DEL TAJO

● Taravilla ⌚ 55 Km

**Level:** Intermediate

**Distinctive features:** Stunning panoramic of the park • Birds raptors.

### 3 LA MUELA

● Taravilla ⌚ 31 Km

**Level:** Intermediate

**Distinctive features:** Stunning panoramic of Tajo canyon • Deers and different species of forest and cliff-nesting birds.



### 4 LA SIERRA

● Checa ⌚ 70 Km

**Level:** Intermediate

**Distinctive features:** Scots pine forests • Mountain pastures • Different species of raptors and forest birds • The best deer populations in the park.

## SYMBOLS FOR ALL ROUTES

- Starting point
- ⌚ Loop trail
- ➔ Linear trail
- 🌿 At least 50% of this route is shaded

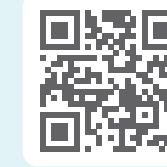
## HIKING TRAILS

### 6 FROM HUERTAPELAYO TO TAJO

● Huertapelayo ⌚ 7,6 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Easy

**Distinctive features:** Pine forests, riparian forests, ungulate fauna and its footprints.



### 7 LAS CALERAS DE VILLANUEVA DE ALCORON

● Villanueva de Alcorón ⌚ 6 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Easy

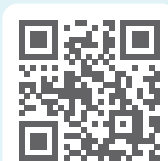
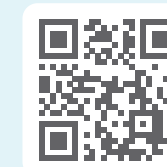
**Theme:** Lime-made traditional ovens, oak forest.

### 8 EL RODENAL DE CORDUENTE

● Corduente ⌚ 9 Km

**Level:** intermediate

**Distinctive features:** Pinares de rodano, Santuario Virgen de la Hoz, Gallo river gorge and formations of sandstones and conglomerates.



### 9 EL PUNTAL DE LA CABEZA

● Lebrancón ⌚ 8 Km

**Level:** Easy

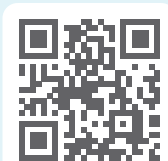
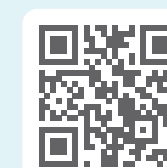
**Temática:** Pine forests, large juniper trees, traditional livestock constructions (*chozones sabineros*).

### 10 EL SALTO DE POVEDA

● Poveda de la Sierra ⌚ 5 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** intermediate

**Distinctive features:** Travertine system of Taravilla lake and its tufa gorge draining to Tajo, birds species found in rock cliffs.



### 11 BARRANCO DEL HORCAJO

● Peralejos de las Truchas ⌚ 6,5 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Easy

**Distinctive features:** Limestone defile with tufa formations and copses with lindens and hazels.

## HIKING TRAILS

### 1 OCENTEJO-HUNDIDO DE ARMALLONES

● Ocentejo ➔ 6 Km

**Level:** Easy

**Distinctive features:** River canyon, cascade-tuff formations, riparian forests, wide diversity of birds.



### 2 SENDA DEL CASTILLO DE VALTABLADO DEL RIO

● Valtablado del Río ⌚ 9 km

**Level:** Intermediate

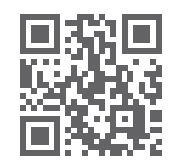
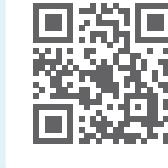
**Distinctive features:** Riparian forests, traditional constructions, castle remains and landscape.

### 3 LA RAMBLA DEL AVELLANO

● Arbeteta ⌚ 12 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Intermediate

**Distinctive features:** 15th century castle, pine forest, exokarst formations.



### 4 EL VALLE DE LOS MILAGROS

● Riba de Saelices ➔ 5 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Intermediate

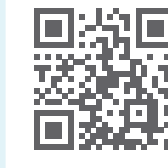
**Distinctive features:** Riparian forest, monoliths and rocks in tower shape formations (milagros).

### 5 LOS CHOZONES DE LA LOMA

● La Loma ⌚ 10 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Easy

**Distinctive features:** Traditional livestock houses (chozones sabineros), holm oak forests.



## HIKING TRAILS

### 12 RIO CABRILLAS

● Megina ⌚ 8 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Intermediate

**Distinctive features:** Pine forests, riparian forests, cliff-nesting raptors, Cabrillas river.



### 15 RUTA DE LAS PIEDRAS ROJAS

● Chequilla ➔ 2,5 Km

**Level:** Easy

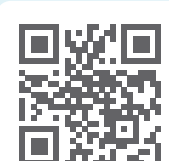
**Distinctive features:** Rodeno stone pinnacle towers and bull ring with a natural rodeno stone enclose.

### 16 LA ESPINEDA

● Checa ⌚ 5 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Easy

**Distinctive features:** Vast areas of black pines, La Espineda stream waterfall.



### 17 LA LAGUNA DE LA SALOBREJA

● Orea ⌚ 13,5 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** Intermediate (up to the lake), Difficult (complete route)

**Distinctive features:** Karst lake, Hoz Seca river, with a unique vegetation and hydrological functioning, Callejones de Peñas Rubias.

### 18 EL ARROYO DEL ENEBRAL

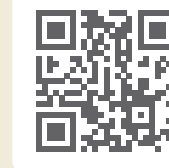
● Orea ➔ 18 Km 🌿 Sí

**Level:** high

**Distinctive features:** Vast but enclose areas of black pine, fountains, picnic sites, ascent to San Cristobal hill.



## GEO-TRAILS



### GEO→RUTA 5 A TRIP TOWARDS THE SEA

① **Start:** Barranco de la Hoz.

② **End:** Road to Zaorejas, near Cuevas Labradas.

**Duration:** 3-4 hours. Route to do partially by walk and partially by bike or vehicle.

**Distinctive features:** folds, fossils, river canyon and rock originated in former rivers, beaches and seas.

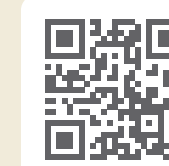
### GEO→RUTA 6 A COMPLICATED BALANCE

① **Start:** Sima de Alcorón.

② **End:** Peñalén.

**Duration:** 3 hours. Trail to be done mostly by vehicle or bike.

**Distinctive features:** chasms, karst formations (enchanted cities) and former sand and kaolinite mines



### GEO→RUTA 7 WATER COURSES

① **Start:** Taravilla lake

② **End:** Martinete bridge.

**Duration:** 4 hours. Route to do partially by walk and partially by bike or vehicle.

**Distinctive features:** lake with tuff reservoir, river canyon, folds, landslides and an abandoned meander.

### GEO→RUTA 8 HIDDEN SECRETS IN THE ROCKS

① **Start:** Checa.

② **End:** Chequilla.

**Duration:** 3-4 hours. Trail to be done mostly by vehicle or bike.

**Distinctive features:** folds, fossils, tufa formations, a poljé, sandstone enchanted cities and a dropstone.



### GEO→RUTA 9 A GEODIVERSITY MOSAIC

① ② **Start and end:** Orea.

**Duration:** 3-4 Route to do partially by walk and partially by bike or vehicle.

**Distinctive features:** stone runs, peat bogs, karst lake, sandstone and volcanic rocks contours.

## GEO-TRAILS



In Parque Natural del Alto Tajo, you will find nine GEOROUTES, which are predetermined itineraries to get to know the outstanding geological richness of this Natural Park.

All nine routes are marked, with information.

In each QR code, you will find more details about the trail, its leaflet and download route track.

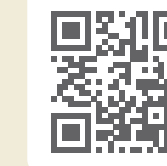
### GEO→RUTA 1 INSIDE THE CANYON

① **Start:** Ocentejo.

② **End:** Hundido de Armallones.

**Duration:** 4 hours. Trail to be done mostly on foot or by bike.

**Distinctive features:** river canyon, folds, cascade tufa formations and landslides.



### GEO→RUTA 2 ROCKS, VEGETATION AND LANDSCAPE

① **Start:** Riba de Saelices.

② **End:** Saelices de la Sal.

**Duration:** Route to do partially by walk and partially by bike or vehicle.

**Distinctive features:** monoliths, rocks in tower shape formations, salt ponds, contrast of formations.

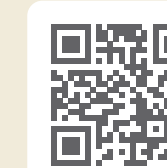
### GEO→RUTA 3 MANKIND AND GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

① **Start:** Cobeta.

② **End:** Barranco del Arandilla.

**Duration:** 3-4 hours. Route to do partially by walk and partially by bike or vehicle.

**Distinctive features:** river canyon, tuff and other types of rocks and minerals, such as gypsum, aragonite and jacinth.



### GEO→RUTA 4 WATER: ESCULTORA DEL PAISAJE

① **Start:** Pedro bridge.

② **End:** Zaorejas viewpoint

**Duration:** 3 hours. Trail to be done mostly on foot.

**Distinctive features:** large tufa formations and the Tajo river canyon.

## TECHNICAL SHEET

• **NAME:** Parque Natural del Alto Tajo

• **SUPERFICIE:** 105.721 ha

• **PROVINCES AND VILLAGES INTEGRATED IN THE PARK:**

In Guadalajara province, 35 villages integrated (14 local government included): Ablanque, Alcoroches, Alustante, Anguita (Santa María del Espino, Villarejo de Medina), Arbeteta, Armallones, Baños de Tajo, Checa, Chequilla, Cifuentes (Carrascosa de Tajo, Oter), Cobeta, Corduente (Cuevas Labradas, Lebrancón, Torete, Ventosa), Esplegares, Fuembellida, Huertahernando, Megina, Ocentejo, Olmeda de Cobeta, Orea, Peñalén, Peralejos de las Truchas, Pinilla de Molina, Poveda de la Sierra, Riba de Saélices (La Loma, Ribarredonda), Sacacorbo (Canales del Ducado), Saélices de la Sal, Selas, Taravilla, Terzaga, Tierzo, Torremocha del Pinar, Valhermoso (Escalera), Valtablado del Río, Villanueva de Alcorón y Zaorejas (Huertapelayo, Villar de Cobeta). In Cuenca province, 2 villages: Beteta and Cuenca.

• **SOCIOECONOMIC INFLUENCE AREA:** composed by villages integrated in the natural park.

• **PERIPHERAL PROTECTION ZONE:** area 68.824 Ha.

• **LAW DECLARING THE PROTECTED AREA:** Ley 1/2000, de 6 de abril, declaring Parque Natural del Alto Tajo

• **OTHER TOOLS TO PROTECT AND RECOGNISE THE PARK:**

- Red Natura 2000 network "SAC-SPA Alto Tajo ES4240016-ES0000092"
- Microreserva Prados Húmedos de Torremocha del Pinar.
- Comarca de Molina-Alto Tajo geopark

• **PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT:**

- **Plan de Ordenación de los Recursos Naturales (Natural Resources Ordinance Plan)**, effective by Act 204/1999 approving Parque Natural del Alto Tajo PORN.
- **Plan Rector de Uso y Gestión (Master Plan for the Use and Management of the Park)**, effective by Order 04-04-2005, of Consejería de Medio Ambiente, approving Plan Rector de Uso y Gestión of Parque Natural del Alto Tajo, amended by Order 29-03-2006, of Consejería de Medio Ambiente y Desarrollo Rural (D.O.C.M. [Castilla-La Mancha region official journal] no. 73 of 6-04-2006) and by Order 22/04/2010, of Consejería de Industria, Energía y Medio Ambiente.

