



Landscape itineraries



Local importance

Fluvial landscapes

The Reatillo River
Canyon in Chera



Technical Characteristics:

Modality: walking
Departure time: 08:30
Arrival time: 18:00

Departure place: Bus stop opposite to "Joaquin Sorolla"
AVE rail way station

Time duration: 5 hours
Support: A support vehicle will be available
Cost: Members, 25€; Non-members, 30€

DIFICULTY low medium high

Itinerary Contents



El Reatillo, a tributary of the Turia River, is an example of a Mediterranean water course. It reaches the river category as it practically carries a flow throughout the year, which depends on rainfall and, very importantly, on the groundwater regime of the mountain ranges that it crosses. It is also a short-length river, about 50 kilometers, with much of its layout embedded in the rocks forming a canyon in which the surrounding mountain landscapes contrast with the river's own water scenarios, being the most characteristic the natural pools, a unique element used by the neighbourhood populations (Chera and, above all, Sot de Chera) as part of its tourist attraction.

The river has also been intervened in a different way: with the creation of small backwaters to feed the cattle and for the agriculture of orchards. Although the major work is the Buseo reservoir, property of the Generalitat Valenciana. It is already a century old, having lost its initial function of reservoir for water supply, currently its use is mainly recreational, because on its banks there is an extensive area with different services, including free camping.

The proposed itinerary, of approximately 8 kilometres in length and easy difficulty, goes from the town of Chera, about 3 kilometres away from the River, to the village of El Reatillo. It has been divided into two sectors in which you can see, in the first, the characteristics of the mountains surrounding the River and, in the second, by means of a path that goes along the same channel, the singularities of the Canyon that forms the river in that sector.