



# Landscape itineraries

Local importance
<b>Traditional landscapes</b>
Farming systems in Alpuente



**Technical Characteristics:**  
 Modality: walking  
 Departure time: 08:30  
 Arrival time: 17:00

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, 20€; Non-members, 25€

DIFICULTAD low medium high

## Itinerary Contents



The landscapes of Alpuente present an organization marked by the topography and the extensive human occupation. The relief and the organization of the system of ravines that form the headwaters of the river Tuéjar determine the distribution of both the natural and the human landscapes: especially the different types of agricultural environments.

It is a territory, that of the systems of cultivation, confined, which is dug from the mountain range of the Sierra del Sabinar until the fitting of the river Tuéjar, in a deep gorge that forms near of the population of Alpuente.

In this territory, with a continental climate, scattered with small villages, the agricultural landscapes keep almost intact their traditional character, clearly distinguishing between rainfed crops, mostly dedicated to cereals, and small irrigated parcels for self-consumption. All of them giving a wide variety of terraces whose structures depend in great extent on their location on the slopes, or on the less rugged ground.

In short, together with the uniqueness of the mountains, represented, in addition to the Sierra del Sabinar, by the set of small elevations called “muelas”, it is important in the landscape configuration the agricultural organization and the settlement system of a multitude of villages scattered by the municipal term.

The itinerary, with low difficulty, runs along almost 12 kilometres of these singular landscapes: the hamlets of La Almeza and Corcolilla, the Tuéjar River gorges, the rainfed crops, the small orchards and the historical population of Alpuente.