

Eco-friendly routes in the province of Granada: Marquesado del Zenete Route



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"El Marquesado" region is situated in the East of Granada. It is a region formed by the villages situated between Guadix and Almería border.

Our route goes through some of this villages and a part of Sierra Nevada Natural Park. The route goes from Puerto de la Ragua to Jerez del Marquesado.

Aldeire

Discover
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Nature

- Aldeire is a small village in terms of houses and rural space, but its natural space is huge.
- It is well known for "La Rosandr " recreational area, with Benabre river and lots of centenary chestnuts around it.
- Aldeire has a Mudejar church which was built in the XVIIIth century.
- Aldeire has also an Arabian castle, called "La cava".



Alquife Mines

- Alquife Mines are in Alquife village.
- Two mainly parts: the water-jet engine house and the mining reserve.
- The huge crater is nowadays a natural part of the landscape.
- Alquife mines are an open-air iron field that are the largest in Europe.
- The mines activity began with the Romans. Unfortunately, in 1966 they closed.



J rez del Marquesado

- Historical heritage, with Moorish houses, mills and Arab baths. It has a Mudejar church which was built in the sixteenth century. In Jerez-del-marquesado there is a chestnut grove with the river of J rez and a recretional area.



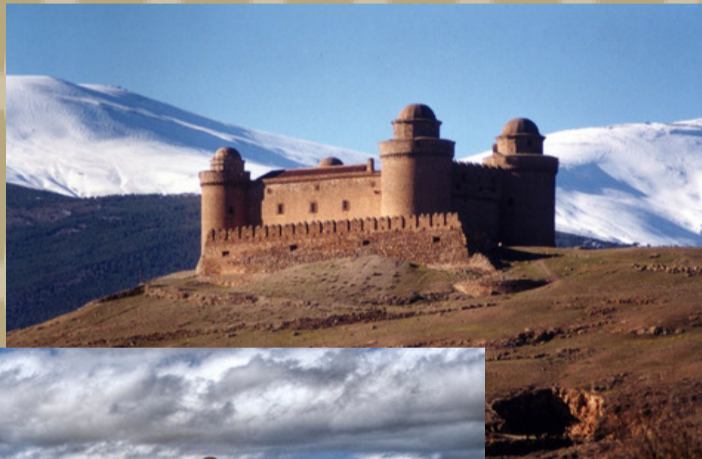
Puerto de la Ragua

- Altitude of 2041 meters.
- It covers Ferreira, Aldeire, Sierra Nevada and Bay rcal.
- La Ragua offers different sports activities
- Moreover, in the ski resort we can find a youth hostel.



La Calahorra

- Small village with only 700 inhabitants.
- The Calahorra's Castle is located on a hill in the middle of the village. It is one of the best preserved Reinassance castles in Spain and Europe.
- It has a Mudejar church, which is situated in the central square.



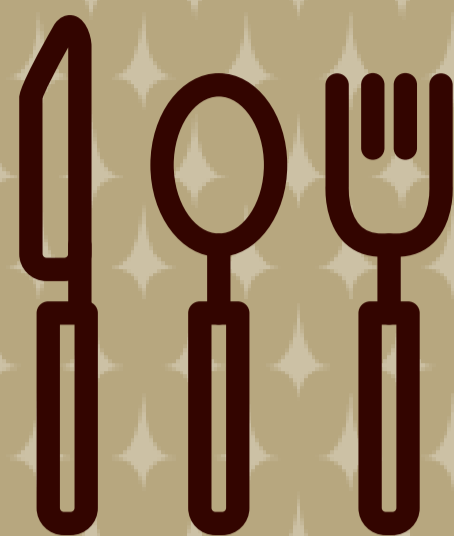
Lanteira

- The main part of Lanteira is located in the Nacional park of Sierra Nevada.
- The village has a population of 507 inhabitants,
- It has also a Mudejar church. It is in the central square.
- It has popular traditions like Moors and Christians or Bullfights.

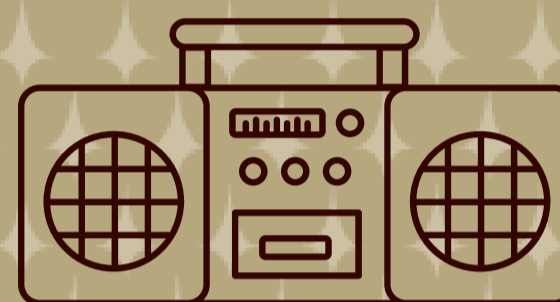


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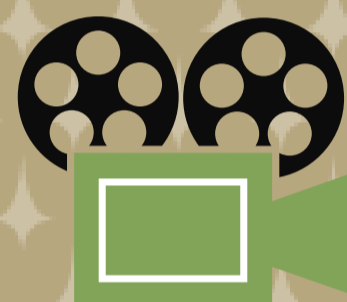
Marquesado del Zenete gastronomy is similar to Andalusian one. It is a region with many ecological and natural products, such as almonds, chestnut or garlicks, so they are included in the traditional cooking. It stands out the traditional elaboration of cheese. The main traditional dishes are garlic and almonds soup, a special stew of potato, cutlet and "chorizo" called the "sustentos" and meat of wild boar.



FESTIVITIES AND PARTIES



-- **Moors and Christians** : It is celebrated in Aldeire and in Lanteira.



-- **Saint Antón** : It is celebrated the 17th of January in Aldeire, La Calahorra, Lanteira and Jerez.



-- **Bullfights** : They are very popular in La Calahorra, Jerez and Lanteira.



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