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A visit to the Principality of Andorra is a unique experience. We invite you to discover our country, in the heart of the Pyrenees. This area of outstanding natural beauty offers numerous outdoor leisure possibilities and is one of the most attractive of the 468 km² that make up our state. Get ready for a unique experience during your stay in Andorra!

MORE THAN JUST LANDSCAPES

Although nature and spectacular landscapes are an important part of this country, Andorra is much more than just that. A thousand-year-old history has left us a rich cultural and artistic heritage in the form of monuments and Romanesque art, as well as various festivals and celebrations. There are several cultural itineraries and museums to help you get a real feel for Andorra.

Andorra is of course also a very modern country. Andorra is the perfect place to enjoy excellent food, high quality hotels and more than 2,000 shops with top brand products. Get ready to discover all that Andorra has to offer!
Location:
Eastern Pyrenees, between France (Ariège) and Spain (Catalonia).

Area: 468 km²
- 8% urbanised and farmed
- 92% forests, lakes, rivers, mountains

Capital: Andorra la Vella

Population: 76,177 inhabitants*
Average age: 40 years*

*2018 census

Official language
While the official language of Andorra is Catalan, there is a diverse range of nationalities living in the country. As a result, Spanish, French and Portuguese are all widely spoken.

Administrative structure
The country is divided into 7 parishes - and these are Andorra’s local authorities: Canillo, Encamp, Ordino, La Massana, Andorra la Vella, Sant Julià de Lòria and Escaldes-Engordany. These are managed by the town councils.

Casa de la Vall, former Parliament of Andorra, Andorra la Vella
Religion
The Andorran Constitution establishes religious freedom, but Catholicism is the most widely practised religion in the country.

Economy
Andorra’s economy is mainly based on trade and tourism, which account for 60% of the total. Finance is Andorra’s third economic axis.

Official currency
At present, the euro is the official currency of Andorra. Before the euro, both the Spanish peseta and the French franc were used in the country.

Political system
Andorra has a one-of-a-kind political system, as it is a parliamentary coprincipality. This means that it has two Heads of State, the Bishop of Urgell and the President of the French Republic, who represent the people jointly and equally. This form of government has its origin in the Middle Ages, as documents from this era known as pareatges prove.

In addition, the first written constitution of this country was signed in 1993, making the Principality a constitutional, democratic and social state. The members of its General Council are elected by popular vote every four years.
A review of the main events that have marked the history of Andorra is a good way to help explain the historical importance of this country.

From prehistoric times to the pre-Roman period, the first inhabitants of Andorra settled in some local areas such as La Balma de La Margineda, El Cedre in Santa Coloma or El Antuix in Escaldes-Engordany.

Legend has it that in the year 805 Charlemagne founded Andorra to thank the inhabitants of these lands for their help in the struggle against the Saracens.

The first written mention of the existence of the parishes of Andorra as a fief of the Counts of Urgell was made in the act of consecration of the Cathedral of Santa Maria in Urgell in the middle of the 9th century.

In 1133, the bishop of Urgell was endowed with the rights to the valleys of Andorra that had hitherto been held by the Count of Urgell.

A century later, these rights would lead to fierce boundary disputes between the Counts of Foix and the Church. The solution to the situation was found when the pareatges feudal charters establishing the shared sovereignty of the bishop of Urgell and the Count of Foix over the territory were signed in 1278 and 1288. The Principality of Andorra was born.

Andorra’s first form of parliament, the Consejo de la Tierra (Earth Council), was created in 1419 and brought together representatives of all the parishes.

In 1589, Henry, King of Navarre, Count of Foix, Viscount of Bearn and Lord of Andorra, became King of France and added his rights over the Principality to the French crown. This union was to survive the French Revolution when Napoleon re-established the feudal tradition and the rights of the French government over the Principality of Andorra.

Another important date for Andorra is 1866, when the New Reform that brought about
such important changes as allowing all heads of family the right to vote and increasing the power of the General Council was approved. However, it was not until 1933 that universal male suffrage was established - universal female suffrage did not emerge until 1970.

Also worth mentioning is the fact that in 1978, Escaldes-Engordany became the seventh parish in the country.

The Executive Council, the Government of Andorra, was also established in 1981, and its reforms culminated in the decision to draw up a written constitution for the country. In any case, it was not until 14 March 1993 that Andorra’s first constitution was signed, making it an independent, constitutional, democratic and social State, and redefining the powers of the institutions, while continuing to maintain the traditional co-principality form.

In 1993, Andorra became a member of the UN, thus gaining international recognition, and the following year it became a member of the Council of Europe.

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Andorra is a mountainous country. Its mountain relief is made up of no less than 72 peaks, some of which are over 2000 metres high. The highest mountain is Comapedrosa, which is 2942 meters high, and the lowest is on the Runer River, which marks the border with Spain, and is 838 meters high. In fact, the average height of the Andorran mountain range is 1996 metres, making it one of the highest in Europe.

The rivers and lakes of Andorra are also worth visiting. The layout of the main river axes of the country - the Valira del Nord, the Valira d'Orient and the Gran Valira - shows its origins in the Quaternary period and also allows us to get to know the secondary rivers, on whose banks the main towns are located.

Another indispensable element of Andorran geography is its lakes. Of the more than 70 that you can find in these lands, Juclà, Tristaina and Pessons are some of the must-sees.

Lake Juclà is the largest lake in Andorra and covers an area of 21.3 hectares. Likewise, Circ de Pessons and the lakes of Pessons form an impressive landscape that is worth visiting. The cirque is of a granite glacial type and is surrounded by peaks nearly 2,800 metres above sea level, which makes the setting very majestic. There are also several lakes in the area with crystalline waters.

Andorra has a mountainous Mediterranean climate, with hot summers and cold winters with frequent heavy snowfalls. The average minimum temperature is -2 ºC and the maximum temperature is 24 ºC. Most of the rainfall is between October and May.
The rich biodiversity that you can enjoy in this country is the result of the combination of this climate and its unique geographical features. Its **1500 species of flora and fauna** are distributed among the four types of vegetation that exist: Mediterranean, mountain, subalpine and alpine.

If you are interested in the plant world, in Andorra you will have the opportunity to get to know Andorra's most emblematic flower, the poet's daffodil known locally as grandalla or Narcissus Poeticus.

The grandalla is considered the **national flower of Andorra**. It is dainty and grows in the mountain meadow grass in spring. It belongs to the family of daffodils and has a perennial buried bulb, from which long, flat leaves emerge, culminating in a solitary flower that opens vertically or with a slight inclination. Its central crown, light yellow and orange in colour, stands out between the pure white petals, forming a bright, perfectly symmetrical flower.

Andorra’s flora is completed by **medicinal plants** (strawberry and holly), wild mushrooms (boletus, truffle and the fairy ring mushroom) and a large number of trees and shrubs, such as hazelnut and boxwood.

In terms of the **abundant wildlife** in Andorra, in the highland areas, you can see chamois and river trout, in addition to the marmot, the Pallar lizard, the squirrel, the wild boar, the chamois and birds of prey such as the bearded vulture.

All this rich biological heritage of **Andorra has been protected** in various hunting and fishing reserves, as well as in its natural parks.

The Comapedrosa Valley Nature Reserve and the Sorteny Valley Nature Reserve are two protected areas created with a dual intention: firstly, to conserve ecosystems and, secondly, to make rational social use of them.

Comapedrosa Park offers numerous possibilities for hiking and high mountain routes. This means visitors can experience first-hand its impressive high mountain landscape of forests, lakes and waterfalls, as well as its native fauna and flora.

Several ecotourism routes are offered here in summer. You can also visit the interpretative circuit that is perfect for the whole family.
and stay in its 3 mountain huts. One of them, Comapedrosa, is monitored and has a catering and accommodation service during the summer months.

This park also organises horse riding treks and, you can also try geocaching, a fun activity that involves looking for hidden treasures with the help of a GPS.

Furthermore, the Madriu-Perafita-Claror valley was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 2004 for its natural and cultural wealth. Efforts to maintain it in the best possible condition have resulted in it being the only area without road access.

If you like hiking and mountaineering, this valley offers you several hiking routes and high mountain huts, which will allow you to really explore the area and enjoy its amazing flora and fauna. You will also get to see the traditional restored shepherd’s huts. One of its best known features is its cobbled path, which corresponds to certain sections of the GR7 and GR11.

These are by no means the only protected areas in the country. In the glacial Incles valley; the Enclar valley, part of the Green Belt project; the Pessons cirque; the Tristaina valley; the Angonella valley; and the Old Trade Roads (Caminos de los Antiguos Oficios) you can do various ecotourism tours with professional guides to discover the rich natural heritage of Andorra.

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www.mediambient.ad
Sorteny Valley Nature Reserve
www.sorteny.ad · www.ordino.ad
Comapedrosa Valley Nature Reserve
www.comapedrosa.ad
www.lamassana.ad
Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley
www.madriu-perafita-claror.ad
Pessons Cirque
www.encamp.ad
Green Belt Itinerary
www.andorralavella.ad
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www.santjulia.ad/turisme
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ANDORRA
ENJOY OUR SKI SLOPES ALL YEAR ROUND

Andorra is the perfect destination for snow lovers. If you like this sport, you can do various winter sports and outdoor activities here with your partner, friends or family.

In Andorra, you can choose from both Alpine and cross-country ski areas.

Grandvalira is a ski area found in the valleys of Canillo and Encamp and includes six sectors: Encamp, Canillo, El Tarter, Soldeu, Grau Roig and Pas de la Casa. There are also around 217 kilometres of pistes available for you to choose from.

The Ordino-Arcalís resort is found in the valleys of Ordino and features 30 kilometres of marked pistes and 422 hectares of off-piste area, which you can access using your Grandvalira ski pass.

Vallnord Pal-Arinsal, in the La Massana Valley, is a ski area with two sectors, Pal and Arinsal, with 63 kilometres of pistes.

Do you prefer Nordic skiing? Naturlandia has 15 km of slopes in the Rabassa forest in Sant Julià de Lòria. It is the perfect place to do sports and, at the same time, enjoy nature as a family. Here you will find an animal park, a snow slide, snowshoeing routes, snow mobiles and quads. Do you like thrills? Don’t miss the Tobotronc, the world’s longest alpine slide, 5.3 km long. Your best bet for unique experiences!
Also, these resorts offer two facilities that will be a must for you if you are a fan of snowboarding: Freeride Area and Snow Park.

Best of all, you can also enjoy these Andorran ski resorts in the summer, which provide the perfect setting for outdoor activities such as adventure circuits, zip lines, mountain biking and electric cycling. If you are a fan of these trails, in Vallnord Bike Park you have numerous routes to chose from at different levels specially designed for mountain biking.

In Arcalis, Naturlandia and Canillo you can also try your hand at orienteering and adventure activities.

Leisure, sports and health

www.grandvalira.com
www.ordinoarcalis.com
www.vallnord.com
www.naturlandia.ad
SUMMER IN ANDORRA, SO MUCH TO CHOOSE FROM...

Andorra is so much more than just skiing. If you decide to visit us in summer, you will also be able to enjoy Andorra’s spectacular landscapes and do numerous outdoor activities. Discover all we have to offer for your stay in this country during the hottest months. Via ferrata protected routes, ravines, climbing routes, horseback riding or ecotourism routes are some excellent options to discover the impressive Andorran countryside.

The best fishing spots

Do you like fishing and want to discover some new fishing spots? The lakes and rivers of Andorra await you and your rod from 14/03 to 18/11.

However, you must have your fishing licence and the corresponding reserve permit to spend your holiday fishing in Andorra. For more information on intensive fishing, catch and release fishing and natural population reserves, contact the local tourist offices.

If you like hiking....

Hiking and excursions are one of the great attractions of Andorra in summer. In the mountain guide of Andorra, you will find several ecotourism route options so you can discover the most important natural spaces of the country and its flora and fauna. Choose which one you want to start with: The Comapedrosa Valley Nature Reserve,
the Sorteny Valley Nature Reserve, the Incles Valley, the Enclar Valley, the Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley, the Pessons Cirque and the Old Trade Roads in Sant Julià de Lòria.

Of course, you can also organise your own excursions. The Andorran Trails Guide contains 66 itineraries, while the Map of Mountain Huts and Long Distance Walks of Andorra contains details of all the existing routes and the 30 high mountain huts.

Cross-border trails

El Camino del Reencuentro (The Path of Reunion)

The route starts in the village of Auzat, in France, and ends in La Seu d’Urgell, in Spain, crossing Andorra. It is a path full of history and culture that follows ancient shepherds’ paths crossing borders to share the vast heritage of these three regions.

If you decide to follow the Camino de Reencuentro, bear in mind that it is a walking route, and that you can choose two different itineraries: a more physical one and a more relaxed family route.

The hiking route to Capcir, Andorra la Vella and Alt Urgell

This route brings you through all the Catalan-speaking areas of the region and reveals the natural, cultural and historical heritage. If you are spending a few days in Andorra, you can do the stretch that connects Capcir with the Catalan region of Alt Urgell. In total, there are 160 kilometres of beautiful landscapes and charming villages.

Enjoy the mountain with the "ferrata" routes, climbing, canyoning....

Do you like to be in the mountains? In the Principality of Andorra you will find plenty of ways to enjoy a unique experience in each of its parishes.
You can practice all the sports and adventure activities in a natural environment with its unique beauty and mountainside features. You won't find 18 via ferrata routes, 5 ravines and more than 200 climbing routes across 9 areas in every country. This is a mini paradise for those who love the mountains and enjoy getting to know every inch of them. Best of all, most of these routes suit everyone.

You can also get to know the valley from a different perspective. You can do this if you go to one of Andorra’s two equestrian centres or the 6 climbing walls also located here.

Finally, we should also mention that canyoning is very popular in Andorra. This activity combines river rafting and climbing to give you a unique adrenaline rush. If you want to try it, start from the Encodina ravine - near the Sorteny Nature Reserve - one of the least difficult.

Are you already an experienced canyonomist? In that case, the ravines of Torrent de l'Aviar, Ensegur and Canaleta will provide you with the challenges you need.

Enjoy golf and pitch & putt in the loveliest valleys...

Andorra also offers golf and pitch & putt, one of the most popular sports in the world today.

In Andorra you can find courses for both sports, allowing both beginners and experts to enjoy them in a privileged setting between May and September. Vall d’Ordino Golf Club and Pitch & Putt El Torrent, in La Massana, are a must for golfers passing through Andorra. The most spectacular course in Andorra though is, without doubt, Golf Soldeu, located at an altitude of 2,250m and considered the highest golf course in Europe.
Animal park

If you are spending a few days in Andorra with the family, then a visit to Naturlandia is a must. This is an animal park that is integrated into the surrounding landscape at an altitude of 2,000 metres.

Naturlandia is located in the parish of Sant Julià de Lòria, and is the perfect place to get to know Andorra's typical wildlife and enjoy various sports and leisure and nature awareness activities. You can also sample some traditional mountain food.

Nature on the road....

Andorra is a country that is aware of the importance and attractiveness of its natural heritage. This is why it has a network of 16 ecotourism viewpoints, located in places of special natural interest. Each of them has an information panel with all the important information about the area. Information leaflets in four languages are also available at the tourist offices.

GRP...

Want to see the whole country in a week? If you like hiking, in Andorra you will find the GRP, or Gran Recorrido País, a circuit of about 100 kilometres perfectly marked and divided into 7 stages of 14 km.

The GRP is designed to suit all ages and abilities as it has no complicated sections and can be completed at a relaxed pace. And there are also mountain huts where you can stay on the journey.

If you manage to complete this route, you will receive a diploma from the Ministry of Tourism and a prize. Do you dare to do the 'Tour de Andorra'?

Hiking route: Coronallacs

The Coronallacs allows you to enjoy amazing panoramic views throughout, as the route crosses high mountain terrain. It is divided into five stages ranging between 13 and 22 km each, with an average of 18.4 km/day. It follows hiking trails that vary in difficulty and length, and nights are spent in Andorra's four high-mountain shelters.
Tour the country by mountain bike....

Would you rather do miles on a mountain bike? If so, then Andorra is also the place for you! In each parish you will find several mountain trails that are perfectly suited to mountain bikes. Andorra also has 2 large, specially prepared and equipped bike parks: Vallnord Bike Park and BMX - Four Cross in Arinsal, which are unrestricted and free of charge.

Or how about a road bike?

For those who prefer bigger biking challenges, Andorra has no less than twenty-one cycling mountain passes. It is 200 kilometres long and features some of the most spectacular landscapes in the country, such as the mountain passes of the Coma de Arcalís, the Pal station, Envalira or the Coll de la Gallina. All of them have been part of La Vuelta de España or the Volta Catalunya bike races, so get ready to give it your all on the pedals.

Andorra Active Tourism App

Do you want to know more about what Andorra has to offer in terms of tourism and nature? Download the "Andorra Active Tourism" app and access lots of information about these activities.

You can find free outdoor trails, maps and GPS tracking, as well as full information on all the different activities that take place. It even has a path finder function to help you navigate if you get lost and an SOS geolocation function.

This app also has all the information and advice you need to prepare your activities in Andorra to suit your needs, even consulting with experts in the area.


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Andorra has for many years been a pioneer in wellness tourism and holistic health. The range of products available in this field is growing, meaning you will be able to enjoy the latest health and beauty treatments during your stay here.

Andorra’s hotels and thermal suites and spas offer facilities and treatments so you can enjoy well-being all year round.

**Caldea, the biggest thermal spa in Europe**

The thermal baths of Caldea are internationally renowned, both for their range of treatments and for their privileged location.

When you arrive at Caldea, the first thing you will notice is its unique architecture, designed by the architect Jean Michel Ruols. It is an avant-garde construction with mineral and crystalline references designed to captivate you.

The centre has several complementary offers which have been designed so that you can fully enjoy the unique facilities. The thermal recreational area is designed for guests to enjoy the thermal baths with family or friends, while silence and relaxation are the main focus of Inúu. The centre also has a very special space: Likids. This is a spa area designed for children from 3 to 8 years only.

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GET IN SHAPE IN ANDORRA...

Sport is part of life in Andorra. There are many facilities to choose from, from indoor sports centres, Olympic swimming pools and ice skating rinks to outdoor facilities such as ski slopes and many mountain passes.

Sports holidays
Making the most of its high altitude and temperate climate in spring and summer, the country is home to many different sports activities. The Andorra Sports Training Country platform (www.andorrasportstraining.com) can help you organise your stay.

Sporting events
The Principality is a world leader in mountain sports and in recent years has become the venue for a number of major competitions and events.

If you visit Andorra in winter, you can take in some of the most world's most important snow competitions which are regularly held here; the world cups in alpine skiing, mountain skiing or speed skiing, as well as the Freeride World Tour or the Total Fight Masters of Freestyle.

In summer we usually host a stage of the Vuelta a España or the Tour de France or the World Mountain Bike Cup, in addition to holding the World Trial Championship, the Andorra Ultra Trail Vallnord, the Tour of the Ports of Andorra, the Spartan Race, the Gran Fondo Andorra and La Purito Andorra.
Andorra is also a perfect destination for cultural tourism. Our museums and monuments will help you to learn about the history and culture at the heart of Andorra.

The Casa de la Vall was once the smallest parliament in Europe. Today it is a museum that will help you understand how Andorran politics - undoubtedly one of the distinctive elements of this country - is organised.

It is also worth visiting the magnificent Nostra Senyora de Meritxell Basilica, which, in addition to being of architectural interest, is an important religious landmark. In fact, it is part of the Marian Route, which includes the Spanish and French sanctuaries of Pilar, Torreciudad, Lourdes and Montserrat.

Likewise, you cannot leave Andorra without visiting the Perfume, Electricity and Tobacco museums, as well as the Iron Interpretation Centre. All of these help explain how the country's industry has evolved.

Andorra's museum infrastructure also includes several ethnographic centres, which provide information about life in Andorra in the 19th century. If you are interested in the subject, then you should definitely visit Casa Cristo, Casa Rull, Casa d'Areny-Plandolit and Cal Pal.

Other interesting museums include the Motorbike Museum, the Miniature Museum and the Escaldes-Engordany Art Centre, dedicated to the work of Josep Viladomat. Of course, if you love art, you can't miss the Carmen Thyssen Museum Andorra.
Pre-Romanesque and Romanesque art are predominant in Andorra. Numerous religious and community buildings that survive today bear witness to the formation of parish communities and to the early power relationships. These are again built in the Andorran Romanesque style.

In Andorra you will also find more than forty Romanesque churches with impressive interior mural paintings and a simple yet beautiful décor, mostly in the Lombard style.

The mission of the Columba Space is the custodianship, conservation and preservation of the mural paintings of the apse of the Church of Santa Coloma and various other religious objects belonging to the Andorran Romanesque churches. A visit here complements a visit to the Church of Santa Coloma as there is a videomapping projection which recreates the original aspect of the interior of the church in the 12th century.
CULTURAL ITINERARIES

The wide range of itineraries offered in Andorra reflects the many charms of the different valleys and their heritage elements.

These itineraries are a ticket to the country's past and offer a more active insight into its culture. Worthy of special note are the Rural Habitat, the Iron Route, and the Engolasters Hydroelectric Road, which reflects the traditional Andorran society, its customs and industry.

Some of these cultural routes are designed to help visitors learn about the most distinctive features of each specific parish, such as the Twelve Footprints of the Canillo Way, the Verdaguer de Ordino Itinerary, the Green Ring in Andorra la Vella, the El hombre y la Materia de Sant Julià de Lòria Itinerary and the Granite Architecture of Escaldes-Engordany.

In Canillo you cannot miss the itinerary that joins its water holes, springs and washing places - also an excellent way to explore the traditional way of life of the people of Andorra. It is also worthwhile to take the Incles Valley trails, which allow you to immerse yourself in the flora and fauna of its beautiful meadows.

LA MARGINEDA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE

The Margineda site, opened in 2012, is one of the most important sites of medieval origin in the country. This little village consisting of 5 houses from the 12th to 14th centuries and their corresponding public spaces, which represent Andorran life in medieval times in detail, is well worth a visit.
CLASSICAL MUSIC, JAZZ, DANCE AND THEATRE

Most parishes have a wide range of music, dance and theatre events each year to promote Andorran culture. One of these festivals that you can enjoy during your stay here is the Colores de Musica de Escaldes-Engordany festival.

Other essential cultural events include the Andorra la Vella Music and Dance Season and the extensive international theatre programme which runs for several months each year bringing together the best actors and plays from all over the world.

Finally, don't forget that in summer you can enjoy a wide range of cultural activities at night in Andorra's museums.

Cirque du Soleil Show

For the seventh consecutive year, this July, Cirque du Soleil will stun us with ‘REBEL’, a free show that is one of a kind in Europe.

Free tickets at www.visitandorra.com

More information: Culture Guide. Available in all Andorran tourist offices
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One of the best ways to get to know everything that Andorra has to offer is to follow the many itineraries offered by the Andorran Tourist Bus. There is always a tour guide on board who will give all the information about the route. There is also an audio guide available in four languages: Catalan, Spanish, French and English. Also included are tickets to the museums and churches along the route.

There are morning tours Sunday to Friday and on Saturday lunch is included. It is well worth booking in advance so you can relax and enjoy them without any hassles.

More information:
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The Andorran people are very proud of their ancestral customs and traditions, which are still very much alive today. Andorran folklore includes a variety of traditional dances, which feature in most of the religious celebrations and local festivals held throughout the year. Two of the most important events of this kind are the Aplec de Canòlich and Meritxell Day.

The Aplec de Canòlich takes place on the last Saturday of May in the parish of Sant Julià de Lòria. This is a religious event with a long-standing tradition, a day when the people of Sant Julià come together and celebrate. The festival includes mass, firework launching and various recreational events. The famous Canòlich breads are also handed out outside the sanctuary to celebrate sharing with others. Many pilgrims walk up to the shrine to celebrate this traditional aplec.

St. Meritxell Day on 8 September celebrates the patron saint of Andorra. This is the most important festival in the Principality and has been celebrated since 1873. If you are in the country on this day, you can enjoy a wide range of activities, including a variety of public and religious events. The most important of these are the Aurora Mass, the young Eucharist, the solemn service in honour of the patron saint celebrated by the Bishop of Urgell, the singing of the joys of the Virgin Mary and the Meritxell dels Petits Cantors concert.
One of the popular traditions you can't miss if you are in Andorra during the summer is its unique fire festival Fallaires - Las Fallaires.

To celebrate St. John's Eve and the summer solstice, on 23 June, in Andorra it is tradition to light torches and spin them around quickly to give the illusion that they are big balls of fire. This is a truly spectacular show, which is still closely linked to the history and tradition of Andorra and which will undoubtedly remain etched in your mind if you are lucky enough to see it at least once.

The importance of these festivals is such that UNESCO has included the summer solstice fire festivals in the Pyrenees on its list of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
Shopping

WHY SHOP IN ANDORRA?

Who has not heard of Andorra’s shops? This country has gained worldwide recognition for its rich shopping tradition, which has been thriving for decades on the main streets of Andorra.

The competitive prices and top quality products have made Andorra an unrivalled name in international trade. Also, worthy of special mention is that Andorra is a very safe place to visit, which is an added attraction for international tourists who come to Andorra to shop.

What sets Andorra apart from other cities and countries around the world when it comes to shopping? Basically, Andorra has a 10 kilometre-long shopping street, with more than 2000 shops of all kinds. All of them offer the latest trends in their sector each season. Start thinking about everything you need to buy in Andorra!

Where to shop?

You can shop all over Andorra, but if you want to shop comfortably, please note that most establishments are concentrated in the parishes of Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany.

In Pas de la Casa you will also find numerous shops, while Sant Julià de Lòria is the parish where most of the large shopping centres in this area are found. Here you can easily find a wide variety of electronic products, music, gastronomy and home accessories.

The Shopping Mile

Along The Shopping Mile you will find fashion and accessories, perfumes, the latest in consumable electronics and devices, as well as clothing and materials to practice your favourite sport by leading international brands.

From avenida Meritxell to Vivand, and along Fener Boulevard, there is a partially-pedestrianised mile with a vast array of gastronomic establishments where you can take a pleasant break. What’s more, very close to The Shopping Mile, you will find several nearby commercial thoroughfares, such as the upper part of Escaldes-Engordany, where the Carmen Thyssen Museum is located; the Riberaygua i Travesseres district of Andorra la
Vella; and the historic centre of the city, with the Casa de la Vall, a must-see museum.

**The sales**

If you like shopping, the sales are sure to be one of the most appealing periods for you. Andorra has two sales periods when your favourite products can be found at even more attractive prices: in winter, from the end of December to the beginning of March; and in summer, from the end of June to the beginning of September.

Please note that sales in the Principality usually start a few days earlier than in neighbouring countries, Spain and France.

**Events**

The list of shopping events you can enjoy during your stay in Andorra includes the Noche de Compras (Shopping Night) or Noche Vivand (Vivand Night) in Escaldes-Engordany, which is held in May and October, and the Gran Mercado de las Oportunidades (Great Market of Opportunities), which takes place in July in Pas de la Casa. The Snow Experience takes place in the same place, but in December.

**EXEMPTIONS**

If this is your first time shopping in Andorra, you should take customs taxes into account, as they may affect the final price of your purchases.

You can only take products up to a value limit of 900 euros out of the country without having to pay customs duties.

Also, in June the De Copes event is held in the old town of Andorra la Vella.

Also worth seeing is the clothing and accessories market Vide Dressing La Massana (May and October).

The Andorra Shopping Festival deserves special mention. Here visitors are guaranteed a unique experience and can enjoy all the events and celebrations organised around the shops and sales.

If you like to get to know the gastronomy of the countries you visit, then you must try the traditional dishes of Andorra during your stay here.

Andorra’s gastronomy combines French and Catalan influences with the legacy of its ancient inhabitants. Visit some of the 400 Andorran restaurants to learn about traditional dishes made with top quality local products and a touch of modern cuisine. An unforgettable experience!

Also, keep in mind that Andorran gastronomy is closely linked to the main traditions of the country. This means that many of the most important gastronomic gatherings take place during the main festivities.

Thus, visitors should not miss the escudellas of Sant Antoni and Sant Sebastià during the month of January; the sardines, the butifarrada during Carnival and the Tapa de Sant Julià de Lòria Route in February; "Lo Mandongo" in La Massana between January and February; the "Andorra a Taula" culinary festival in May and November; the Ruta del Pincho in June; the Ordino culinary exhibition on the second Sunday of November; and the La Massana Fogons in October.

Other important gastronomic events include craft fairs such as the Fira del Bolet in September and the Santa Lucia fair in December.
Traditional dishes

Due to its unique geographical location, mountain cuisine forms an integral part of Andorra’s culinary tradition.

During your stay here, we recommend that you try traditional dishes based on mushrooms, river trout, as well as the traditional pastries known as cocas. Also not to be missed are Andorra’s sausages (donja, bringuera, bull or bisbe), its traditional escudella stew, its game meat stews and especially one of its most distinctive recipes: trinxat, made with potatoes, green cabbage, bacon and garlic.

Tradition

The culinary tradition is still alive in many of Andorra’s dishes and, of course, in the popular mountain restaurants known as bordas. These buildings are one of the main hallmarks of Andorran identity and were formerly an annex of the high mountain houses where the grass and cattle were kept.

Today, about twenty fully restored bordas are used as restaurants. Eating here gives you the opportunity to enjoy the excellent traditional Andorran cuisine in a unique environment, featuring the unique architecture and décor of this type of construction.

Gourmet shops

If you love cooking, you can buy high quality gourmet products in specialised shops, as Andorra has a great shopping culture. In these shops you will be able to try the most delicious snacks or find everything you need to offer your guests the best international delicacies.

More information: Andorra Restaurant Guide. Available in all Andorran tourist offices

www.visitandorra.com
www.agricultura.ad
Borda Sabaté
Certified organic wines are produced in these bodegas, where the biodynamic process is also followed to produce unique wines. www.bordasabate.com

Casa Beal
This bodega uses fruit from their own highland vineyards. Its commitment to making white wine with the gewürztraminer variety sets it apart from most other producers, both in Andorra and Spain. www.casabeal.com

Casa Auvinyà
This is another Andorran bodega that produces wines with a view to fully respecting the environment and nature. Naturally, all this while not forgetting the high quality of the wines produced. www.casaauvinya.com

Mas Berenguer
The Mas Berenguer bodega produces wine using traditional techniques passed down from generation to generation. Its sparkling wine, Tancat Rocaafort and Mas Berenguer, is well worth a try. www.cellermasberenguer.com

Boris Craft Beer
It brews and markets artisan beer in the valleys of Andorra. www.boris-beer.com

Beer Alpha
Organic artisan beers also have their place in Andorra, with this company dedicated to their production and sale. Watch out for product tastings! alphandorra@gmail.com

Beer & (AND)
Made in Andorra using the purest of water from the Pyrenees. http://www.andgaradel.com

Ramaders d’Andorra S.A.
This company produces excellent quality meat with the PGI seal of controlled quality from Andorra. It sells ox, lamb, kid goat and horse. andorra.ramaders@andorra.ad

Poltrand
If you are looking for organic foal meat, you can buy it directly from Poltrand, whose products are produced from animals raised in the Andorran mountains. This company has the Andorran quality controlled meat seal. www.poltrand.ad

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<td>This company manufactures traditional Andorran sausages, such as bringuera, donja, butifarras, longaniza and all kinds of black pudding.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.andorcar.ad">www.andorcar.ad</a></td>
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<td>The cheeses produced by Casa Raubert are shepherd cheeses. These are cheeses prepared exclusively from the milk obtained from its own flock.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.casaraubert.com">www.casaraubert.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>Cal Jordi</strong></td>
<td>This traditional Andorran sausage manufacturer specialises in the production of black puddings and sausages such as butifarras, donges and bringueres without using any chemical preservatives or colourings.</td>
<td><a href="mailto:casajordi@andorra.ad">casajordi@andorra.ad</a></td>
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<td><strong>Biobo</strong></td>
<td>This brand is proud to be the first company in Andorra to obtain the European certification guaranteeing that its products - traditional dishes made with organic ingredients - are 100% environmentally friendly.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.bomosa.ad/empresa/bio-bio-restauracio">www.bomosa.ad/empresa/bio-bio-restauracio</a></td>
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<td><strong>El Rebost del Padrí</strong></td>
<td>Here visitors can buy Andorran handcrafted products, and ready-made meals or enjoy a full catering service and restaurant.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.elrebostdelpadri.eu">www.elrebostdelpadri.eu</a></td>
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<td><strong>Casa Folch</strong></td>
<td>This company sells natural honey from Andorra that has not been added any sugars, preservatives or additives artificially.</td>
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<td><strong>Autèntic</strong></td>
<td>100% honey from the mountains of Andorra 100% natural products, produced by our bees and packaged directly by the beekeeper.</td>
<td><a href="mailto:autentic@andorra.ad">autentic@andorra.ad</a></td>
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<td><strong>Naturalis</strong></td>
<td>Naturalis produces highland honey, mead and artisan liqueurs, following guidelines that respect natural cycles.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.naturalis-andorra.com">www.naturalis-andorra.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>Nectum</strong></td>
<td>This product can only be found in Andorra. It is a pineapple syrup macerated with organic sugar produced from a traditional recipe.</td>
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**Gastronomy**
Ratassia de la Carmeta
One of Andorra's traditional liqueurs. It is a digestif made with medicinal herbs and green walnuts as its main ingredients.
lessenciadelesvalls@gmail.com

El Pastador
It offers a wide range of homemade marmalades of different flavours, made using 100% natural ingredients.
info@elpastador.com

Casa Gendret
Forest fruits are the mainstay of Casa Gendret's range of products, which it produces and sells directly. It also produces home-made jams and jellies of different flavours that are free from additives of any kind.
gendret@andorra.ad

Xocland
A generally cool and dry mountain climate allows us to produce an intense and pure chocolate with 100% natural ingredients.
facebook.com/xocland

Can Sona
The company's core business is the production of eggs from hens fed with certified organic wheat, peas, rye and oats, as well as pulses and vegetables.
blogscat.com/cansona

Pocions de Lluna Nova
This is a natural cosmetics laboratory that complies with European standards and produces eco-friendly beauty treatments.
www.pocionsdellunanova.com

Vital
Artisan crafting using sheep's wool from the Andorran flocks.
vital.ad
If there is one thing that Andorra can boast about it is its wide variety of accommodation options, which are adapted to the individual needs of those who want to spend a few days here.

If you decide to stay in Andorra, it will feel like a home away from home. You have no less than 40,000 beds to choose from when searching for that perfect place to stay.

For those who prefer an urban setting....

There are more than 200 hotels of all categories, offering top quality services in Andorra’s cities. Whether your stay is for leisure or business, these hotels offer the most modern and up-to-date facilities, designed to ensure your comfort at all times.

They also enjoy a privileged location thanks to their close proximity to Andorra’s main leisure and shopping areas.

For all the family....

Discover the wide range of aparthotels and tourist apartments in Andorra offering comfortable yet practical accommodation for families. Some establishments even have themed rooms designed to keep the little ones happy.

This type of accommodation is located close to Andorra’s main sports and leisure centres.

For those who just want to relax....

One of the main aims in Andorra is to make our visitors feel at ease, especially in the many spas and thermal spas located here.

Andorra has 9 hotels and aparthotels with the Wellness label where visitors can relax and reboot. This is the perfect option for those wanting to get away from it all and immerse themselves in nature and the peaceful atmosphere offered by all these centres.
For those who like to bring everything but the kitchen sink....

Do you like caravanning or camping? In Andorra you will find 8 well-equipped campsites with all the comforts you need to enjoy your stay.

Most of these establishments are located in high mountain parishes and enable access to sports and leisure centres such as Vallnord and Grandvalira. You can also choose to park your motorhome in any of the specially prepared areas.

For nature lovers....

Those wanting to experience nature first-hand in some of the most impressive landscapes of Andorra can opt to stay here in some of the mountain huts dotted around Andorra’s mountains. This way, you can enjoy nature and relax in a stunning natural setting.

Thirty or so mountain huts offer the basic comforts for an unforgettable experience. Or, if you prefer, you can choose from six shelters in different categories that offer accommodation and catering services to make visitors feel right at home: These are the Comapedrosa, Juclà, Sorteny, Natur Refugi Cortals de Sispony, Borda les Reineres de Incles and Illa refuges.

For those travelling in a group....

If travelling with friends, you are sure to be looking for the best value for money accommodation. In other words, accommodation that is both comfortable and affordable. If this is the case, then hostels and summer camp houses or casas de colonias...
may well be the perfect option for you, as they are located in areas where visitors can also enjoy nature or some of Andorra's most traditional spots.

**Rural establishments**

Rural tourism has kicked off in Andorra too. The Principality has some lodgings that are designed to allow guests experience the real atmosphere of the Andorran countryside during their stay. The various rural houses and bordas make for a unique experience in high-quality lodgings, which have been awarded the Andorran top L'Espiga d'Or (Golden Wheat Ears) quality award.

**PICTOGRAMS**

If you are looking for accommodation here, you should bear in mind that 4 pictograms developed by the Andorran government are now available to tourists who want to see which hotels can cater for visitors interested in the following activities: hiking, sports, fishing and cycling tourism.

More information:
Tourist Accommodation Guide, Camping and Mountain Huts Guide. Available from all the Principality’s tourist offices
www.visitandorra.com
HOW TO GET TO ANDORRA?

The privileged location of the Principality of Andorra is a luxury to be enjoyed by all those who come here. Andorra's proximity to the major urban centres of France and Spain is an added plus that facilitates access to the country through an extensive communications network that includes bus, train, car and plane.
By car

If you are just coming to Andorra for a few days of sightseeing, you won't have any problems driving your car even if you don't have an international driving licence. If travelling by car, check out the distances from Andorra la Vella to some of the most important towns in the neighbouring countries:

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By train ...

You can't reach Andorra directly by train, but you can travel by train to Barcelona, Lleida or Toulouse. These cities all have a bus service with a direct connection to Andorra.

Spain:
- Sants station (Barcelona)
- Lleida Pirineus station (Lleida)
  [www.renfe.com](http://www.renfe.com)

France:
- Matabiau station (Toulouse)
- Andorra station- Hospitalet-près-l’Andorre (Hospitalet)
  [www.voyages-sncf.com](http://www.voyages-sncf.com)

By plane...

Andorra does not have its own airport, but it is only a few kilometres from several major international airports, such as Blagnac in Toulouse (France), or the Spanish airports of El Prat in Barcelona, Girona, Alguaire, and La Seu d’Urgell in Lleida.

There is a daily direct bus service to Andorra from some of these airports, with routes taking between 3 and 4 hours.
By bus...

The intercity bus is another good option to reach Andorra from France and Catalonia. The bus station in the French city of Toulouse has a regular service to Andorra, and you can travel from the main Catalan towns of Barcelona, Vic, Girona, Tarragona and Lleida.

Spain:

Barcelona
Barcelona Station Nord-Ponts-Andorra la Vella (ALSA)
Barcelona Station Nord-Túnel del Cadí - Andorra la Vella (ALSA)
Barcelona Airport (T1/T2)-Andorra la Vella (Andbus)
Barcelona Airport (T1/T2)-Barcelona Station Sants - Andorra la Vella (Autocars Nadal)
Barcelona Station Nord - Solsona - Andorra la Vella (ALSA)

Lleida
Lleida Bus Station - Lleida RENFE train station - Escaldes-Engordany (Grup Montmantell)
Lleida Bus Station - Lleida RENFE train station - Andorra la Vella (ALSA, Viatges Soldevila)

Tarragona
Hospitalet de l’Infant-Andorra la Vella (Grup Montmantell)
Reus – Andorra la Vella (La Hispano Igualadina)

Salamanca
Salamanca-Andorra la Vella (Damar tours)

Tui
Túi-Escaldes-Engordany-El Pas de la Casa (Camino Bus)

France:

Hospitalet
L’Hospitalet - Andorra la Vella (Grup Montmantell)
Toulouse SNCF - Toulouse airport- Andorra la Vella (Andbus)

Portugal:

Arcos de Valdevez
Arcos de Valdevez- Valença -Escaldes-Engordany (Camino Bus)
Arcos de Valdevez- V.P. de Ancora- El Pas de la Casa (Cooperativa Interurbana Andorrana)

Porto
Porto - Andorra (Camino Bus)

Transport

ALSA:
Tel. (+34) 902 422 242 · www.alsa.es

Autocars Nadal:
Tel. (+376) 805 151 · www.autocarsnadal.com

Camino Bus:
Tel. (+376) 865 500 · www.rutasvigo.com

Cooperativa Interurbana Andorrana:
Tel. (+376) 806 555 · www.interurbana.ad

Damar tours:
Tel. (+376) 324 589 / 654 216 214

Grup Montmantell:
Tel. (+376) 807 444 · www.montmantell.com

La Hispano Igualadina (Reus):
Tel. (+34) 977 770 698
www.igualadina.com

Andbus:
Tel. (+376) 803 789 · www.andorrabybus.com
GETTING AROUND...

Public transport
Getting around between parishes will not be a problem if you use the two regular bus lines that link the parishes. Its main stops are located in the busiest streets in the city centre and the normal service hours are from 7 am to 9 pm.

Orange express bus stops are found on the outskirts of the towns.

Andorra also has 6 intercity bus lines that connect the various towns and cities. In addition, each parish has a community transport service that services the small towns that are not covered on the main routes.

By taxi
Unlike most European cities, in Andorra you have to book taxis by telephone or look for them at the bus stops located in the main streets of the shopping districts. You can also hire a private taxi service.

Car hire
One way to get around and get to know Andorra with absolute freedom is to rent a car at any of the car rental centres in Andorra, with or without a private driver.

Transport numbers and websites
Traffic Information and Management Centre:
Tel. (+376) 1802 1802

Road conditions:
Tel. (+376) 848 884 (24 h) · www.mobilitat.ad

Telephones to check traffic before entering Andorra
Spain: Servei Català de Trànsit
Tel. (+34) 93 567 40 00 (24 h) / 902 400 012

France: Info Routes (Ariège)
Tel. (+33) 5 61 02 75 75 (24 h) · www.dirso.fr

Taxi Association of Andorra:
Tel. (+376) 863 000

Taxi Expres Reservations:
Tel. (+376) 812 345

Goldcar: Tel. (+376) 818 888
www.pirenaica.ad

Avis: Tel. (+376) 871 855
www.avis.es

Europcar: Tel. (+376) 874 290
www.centreprestigiautomobils.ad

Ifrent: Tel. (+376) 866 067
www.ifrent.com

Hertz: Tel. +(376) 818 444
www.hertzandorra.com
Business tourism is now a reality that is becoming more and more established in Andorra. Andorra offers good communication networks, professionalism and new technologies to attract year-round business events.

The Principality also has the infrastructure needed to organise effective business meetings in a unique setting. Congress centres, specially adapted rooms in hotels and companies that specialise in organising conferences are also important factors for business tourism in Andorra.

The new Andorra Convention Bureau has helped to make this country one of the pillars of business tourism at European level. This organisation channels and organises proposed business meetings and trips.

More than 40,000 hotel beds distributed across more than 260 establishments can cater for those attending conferences in Andorra. There are also many outdoor adventure activities to enjoy, as well as various cultural tours.

Finally, it is worth noting that, in order to promote and guarantee the quality of hotel establishments, the Government promotes the use of dedicated quality marks for businesses, meetings and conferences. There are now a number of accommodations accredited with the special Business and Meetings seal of approval.

www.andorraconventionbureau.com
CONFERENÇE AND MEETING CENTRES

Andorra la Vella Conference Centre
Tel. (+376) 730 005
www.andorralavella.ad
www.turismeandorralavella.ad

Arts and Conference Centre Lauredià
Tel. (+376) 744 044 / F. (+376) 744 014
www.cccl-andorra.com

Palau de Gel (Ice Palace) of Andorra
Tel. (+376) 800 840
www.palaudegel.ad

Ordino Conference Centre (ACCO)
Tel. (+376) 878 100
www.ordino.ad

Les Fontetes i La Closeta Tourist and
Cultural Centre in La Massana
Tel. (+376) 835 693
www.lamassana.ad

Prat del Roure and Events Hall
in Escaldes-Engordany
Tel. (+376) 890 890
www.e-e.ad

Encamp Dance and Congress Hall
Tel. (+376) 732 700
F. (+376) 832 220
www.encoded.ad

Meeting rooms at the Ordino Sports Centre
Tel. (+376) 878 110
www.ceo.ad
Each parish in Andorra has its own unique characteristics and activities. Knowing the most important information will help visitors discover the real charm of Andorra, from its customs and traditions to its beautiful villages and valleys.

Get to know the Andorran parishes so you can really enjoy the true Andorra.

50. Canillo
51. Encamp
52. Ordino
53. La Massana
54. Andorra la Vella
55. Sant Julià de Lòria
56. Escaldes-Engordany
To really get to know the parish of Canillo, don’t forget to check out its visitor attraction list, which will give you a very concrete idea of all the main attractions of the area.

The Romanesque church of Sant Joan de Caselles (12th century) and, more importantly, the Sanctuary of Meritxell (Andorra’s patron saint) are located in this parish. Every year Meritxell Day is celebrated here with numerous religious, artistic and formal events. A trip to the Motorcycle Museum is also a worthwhile visit. This is a private museum that showcases the evolution of this vehicle since its inception.

Those looking for direct contact with nature should check out the ecotourism routes in the Incles Valley and Coma de Ransol. Juclà lake, the largest in the Principality, is also worth a visit as is the Mirador del Roc del Quer with its impressive views of the surrounding mountains.

You prefer sport? Canillo is home to Palau de Gel (Andorra’s Ice Palace) and the Grandvalira ski resort. The Golf Soldeu, the highest golf course in Europe, is also located here.
The parish of Encamp has an extensive architectural and cultural heritage that is reflected in its various museum buildings and structures.

In terms of religion, the churches of Santa Eulàlia de Encamp and Sant Romà de Les Bons are an integral part of Andorra’s medieval heritage, as is the medieval complex of Les Bons. More modern churches such as Sant Miquel and Sant Joan de la Mosquera and Sant Pere del Pas de la Casa also also worth a visit.

The Museum of Electricity and the Automobile Museum provide an interesting insight into how Andorra’s trade and commerce has evolved over time and are worth a visit. The Casa Cristo Ethnographic Museum and the Sacred Art Museum are also a must for those who want to get to know Andorra better.

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ENCAMP

1250 m. 11525 (2018 census).

**Towns:** Encamp, La Mosquera, Vila, El Pas de la Casa and Les Bons.

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www.encamp.ad
Encamp: Tel. (+376) 731 000
Funicamp: Tel. (+376) 834 011
El Pas de la Casa: Tel. (+376) 755 100
The list of interesting places to visit in the parish of Ordino includes la Casa de Areny-Plandolit, the only manor house in Andorra, the Romanesque church of Sant Martí de la Cortinada (12th century) and the Miniature and Postal museums. It is also worthwhile to take guided tours like the Verdaguer and the Iron route or to visit the Muela and sawmill of Cal Pal.

If your interest lies in nature and outdoor activities, in this parish you will be able to do adventure sports all year round, from via ferrata routes to canyoning or zip-lining. Andorra is also home to natural jewels of great beauty with a rich heritage. The Sorteny Valley Nature Reserve and the Tristaina Lakes are examples. In La Cortinada Nature Centre you will find all the necessary information to really get an in-depth knowledge of these natural spaces.
Visitors to La Massana can visit lots of interesting places to get to know the rich cultural and natural heritage of Andorra. Don't miss the architectural complex of Pal, as well as its 12th century Romanesque church in honour of Sant Climent.

It is also worth visiting the Casa Rull and Farga Rosell forge to see how Andorran society worked centuries ago.

As for nature and sports, this parish is also home to a number of must-see sites, such as the mountain lakes of Forcats and Montmantell, the Comapedrosa Valleys Nature Reserve with its Comapedrosa Interpretation Centre, interpretative circuits and ecological routes, and the Coll de la Botella cable car (access to the nature reserve).

Guided mountain hiking and horseback riding trips in summer, ecotourism routes and the Vallnord - Pal Arinsal ski resort are an important part of the sports and nature tourism activities on offer in this parish.

www.lamassana.ad
Tel. (+376) 835 693
Tours: Andorra la Vella, Santa Coloma and La Margineda.

Visitors to Andorra la Vella can shop on its main streets; visit the Andorra la Vella Conference Centre or the pre-Romanesque church of Santa Coloma and the medieval bridge of La Margineda, built between the 13th and 14th centuries.

The Casa de la Vall house is certainly another interesting spot to visit in the parish of Andorra la Vella. It is a former Andorran house of parliament, considered the smallest in Europe at the time, and now serves as a museum to explain the political structure of the country. After visiting it, why not continue on to the old town centre? It is a living example of how the region has developed over the centuries.

Also, the Green Belt tours and ecotourism circuits in the Enclar Valley are a must for all the nature lovers out there.
Tourism in parishes: Sant Julià de Lòria, Aixovall, Bixessarri, Fontaneda, Aixirivall, la Peguera, els Plans, Juberrí, Auvinyà, Nagol, Certers, Llumeneres, Pui d’Olivesa, Aixàs, Mas d’Alins, Les Pardines and La Moixella.

Some of the most interesting places to visit in this parish include the Tobacco Museum, the various local wineries and guided tours of the village of Sant Julià itself, where you can see the Lauredià Cultural and Conference Centre and other points of interest in the town.

Likewise, visitors to this area can enjoy ecotourism tours on the Mestre d’Obres Way and the Pujols Way for example. There are also viewpoints to visit and cycling routes.

In terms of artistic and religious heritage, the Romanesque church of Sant Serni de Nagol - built between the 11th and 12th centuries - is a worthwhile sight, especially the sanctuary of the Mare de Déu de Canòlich, patron saint of Sant Julià de Lòria. An aplec celebration dedicated to Our Lady, which culminates in the symbolic distribution of blessed bread as a symbol of the need for generosity and sharing with others, is held here every year.

Nature is also very important in this parish, thanks mainly to Lake Nou and Naturlandia, a cross-country ski resort with an activity park, an animal park and the Tobotronc, the longest alpine slide in the world.

SANT JULIÀ DE LOIRA

△↑ 908 m.  ♂♀ 9219 (2018 census).


Some of the most interesting places to visit in this parish include the Tobacco Museum, the various local wineries and guided tours of the village of Sant Julià itself, where you can see the Lauredià Cultural and Conference Centre and other points of interest in the town.

Likewise, visitors to this area can enjoy ecotourism tours on the Mestre d’Obres Way and the Pujols Way for example. There are also viewpoints to visit and cycling routes.

In terms of artistic and religious heritage, the Romanesque church of Sant Serni de Nagol - built between the 11th and 12th centuries - is a worthwhile sight, especially the sanctuary of the Mare de Déu de Canòlich, patron saint of Sant Julià de Lòria. An aplec celebration dedicated to Our Lady, which culminates in the symbolic distribution of blessed bread as a symbol of the need for generosity and sharing with others, is held here every year.

Nature is also very important in this parish, thanks mainly to Lake Nou and Naturlandia, a cross-country ski resort with an activity park, an animal park and the Tobotronc, the longest alpine slide in the world.

www.santjulia.ad/turisme
Tel. (+376) 744 045
Tourism in parishes

Town: Escaldes-Engordany, Engolasters and Els Vilars.

Visitors to this parish will find a wide range of activities and places of interest. You can go shopping on its main streets and in Vivand, the culture, leisure and shopping district fantastically designed to meet the needs of its enthusiastic shopping community.

As for nature tourism, Lake Engolasters (the only artificial lake in the country) is a must see. In the same area is the Madriu-Perafita-Claror valley, a natural area of such importance that UNESCO has declared it a World Heritage Site.

There are many art attractions in this area and these include the Centro de Arte d’Escaldes-Engordany art centre, the Carmen Thyssen Museum of Andorra in Escaldes-Engordany and a visit to the Romanesque church of Sant Miquel d’Engolasters, built in the 12th century.

Of course, you can't leave Escaldes-Engordany without experiencing for the first time a pampering in Caldea, the largest thermal and leisure centre in southern Europe, which has been carefully planned so visitors can enjoy its thermal waters in a very unique setting. It even has an area for children up to 8 years of age, as well as another specifically designed for adult relaxation. It is one of Europe's most important wellness facilities.

www.e-e.ad
Tel. (+376) 890 881
Documentation and visas

No visa is required to travel to Andorra, whatever your nationality. However, you must bear in mind that to get here you need to pass through Spain or France. Therefore, if you are not from a Schengen country, it is recommended that you find out about the possibility of having a multiple entry and exit visa in your country of origin. This will allow you to cross the Spanish or French borders to reach Andorra. Also, keep in mind that in these cases each country may have its own specific administrative requirements.

If you come from the Schengen area, it is much easier to enter Andorra. Adults only need a valid ID card or passport, as do minors accompanied by their parents.

Minors coming from countries in the same area but travelling alone must present an exit permit in addition to their valid identity card.

Visitors travelling with their pets should be aware that they will be asked for their pet's passport and an updated health and vaccination card.

More information:
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Tel. (+376) 875 704
www.exteriors.ad
Currency, banks and exchange

The official currency of Andorra is the Euro, although you can find out about other legal tender at the tourist offices.

If you need to change currency or make any other arrangements, please note that most banks in the country have the same opening hours: Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm without interruption.

More information:
Asociación de Bancos Andorranos
Tel. (+376) 807 110
www.andorranbanking.ad

Medical cover for accidents

In the unfortunate event that you suffer an accident in Andorra you should know that this country has a medical cover agreement with Spain, France and Portugal, through which you can request reimbursement of expenses from the Andorran Social Security Fund.

Visitors from other countries would have to pay the costs of medical care themselves.

More information:
Caja Andorrana de Seguridad Social (Andorran Social Security Fund)
Tel. (+376) 870 870
www.cass.ad

Citizen safety

Being in the Pyrenees and having a police and customs service allows for a relaxed and safe stay in Andorra.

Lost property

If you find a lost item or wish to report an item missing, you should contact the Andorran Police Department.

Police: Tel. (+376) 872 000 · www.policia.ad

Roadside assistance

Each parish has a traffic service and a citizen's advice service that will inform you about the private companies that provide this service.

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Traffic Information and Road Conditions:
(+376) 1802 1802
www.mobilitat.ad
Internet access

Andorra has free Wi-Fi access points located in ski resorts, on the streets of the main towns, in public places and in shopping centres. You can log in to make any arrangements you need or request information.

Also, keep in mind that there is a public network called Andorra Wi-Fi. This can be accessed on Avenida Carlemany in Escaldes-Engordany, Avenida Meritxell in Andorra la Vella and El Pas de la Casa. Accessing Andorra Telecom's website you will be able to purchase the pass that suits you best.

More information:
www.andorratelecom.ad
www.visitandorra.com

Postal address

All parishes have easy access to the Spanish and French postal systems.

**La Poste**  
*French Postal Service*
Tel. (+376) 820 408
Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 1.30pm
Saturdays from 9am to 12pm

**Correos**  
*Spanish Postal Service*
Tel. (+376) 820 257
Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 2.30pm
Saturdays from 9am to 1pm

**GMT**

Andorra shares the same time zone as its neighbouring countries, Spain and France: GMT +1.

**220V**

www.meteo.ad

Practical Information
Television

National broadcaster:
Radio i Televisió d’Andorra (RTVA)
www.andorradifusio.ad

Radio

Andorra 1: 96.0 FM · www.andorra1.ad
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www.ara.ad

Public holidays

1 January       New Year’s Day
6 January       Feast of the Epiphany
February        Carnival
14 March        Constitution Day
Easter Week     Good Friday and Easter Monday
1 May           May day
May or June     White Monday
                (in line with Easter Week)
15 August       Feast of the Assumption
8 September     Our Lady of Meritxell, the patron saint of Andorra
1 November      All Saints Day
8 December      Feast of the Immaculate Conception
25 December     Christmas Day
26 December     St. Stephen’s Day

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Calling abroad from Andorra

Belgium: +32  
Spain: +34  
France: +33  
Germany: +49  

Netherlands: +31  
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Russia: +7  
United Kingdom: +44

Useful numbers

Police: Offices:  
(+376) 872 000 - Emergencies: 110

Firefighters: Offices:  
(+376) 800 020 - Emergencies: 118

Hospital Nostra Senyora de Meritxell:  
(+376) 871 000

Medical Emergency Service (Sum): 116

Mountain Rescue: 112

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www.pinterest.com/andorraworld

www.visitandorra.com  
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www.andorralavella.ad

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