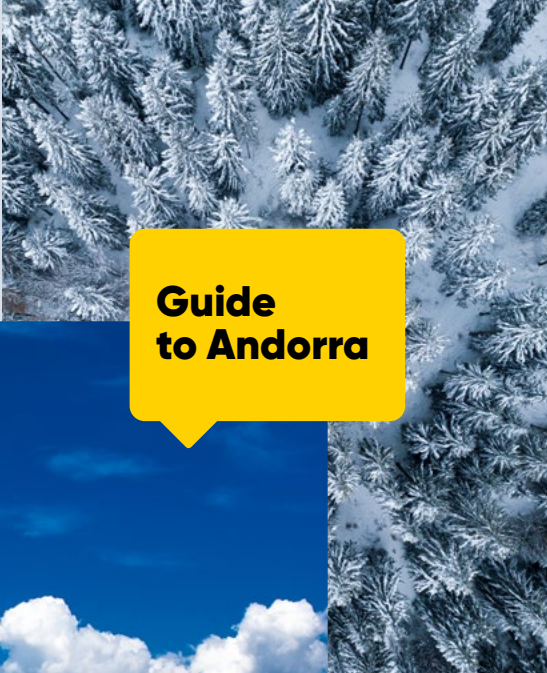




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Andorra



Visiting the Principality of Andorra is a truly unique experience. Come and discover this country in the heart of the Pyrenees, where spectacular natural surroundings are one of the main attractions. At 468 km², Andorra offers all sorts of opportunities for having fun and making the most of the great outdoors. Get ready for all sorts of special experiences during your stay in Andorra!

More than just scenery

Though nature and breathtaking scenery play an essential role in life in the country, Andorra is much more than that. Its history, which stretches back millennia, has left some incredible cultural and artistic heritage in the form of monuments, works of Romanesque art and various festivals and celebrations. Get to know the essence of Andorra through various museums and cultural itineraries.

Andorra is all about modernity, too. You will find exquisite cuisine, premium hotels and more than 2,000 shops selling products by the best brands. Get ready to discover everything Andorra has to offer!

Country profile



Geographical location

Eastern Pyrenees, between France (Ariège) and Spain (Catalonia)



Area 468 km²

8% built and cultivated land
92% forests, lakes, rivers and mountains



Capital:

Andorra la Vella



Population:

89,058 inhabitants*
Average age: 42,6 years
* 2025 census



Official language

Andorra's official language is Catalan, though the country's inhabitants come from all over the world. Spanish and French are commonly spoken here, along with other languages.



Administrative structure

The country is divided into 7 parishes, which are the local administrations that make up Andorra: Canillo, Encamp, Ordino, La Massana, Andorra la Vella, Sant Julià de Lòria and Escaldes-Engordany. Each of these parishes is managed by its own council, called a *comú*.



Religion

The Andorran Constitution establishes freedom of religion for all. Catholicism is, however, the main religion in the country.



Economy

The main sectors in Andorra's economy are retail and tourism, which represent 60% of the country's total income. The third biggest sector in Andorra is finance.



Official currency

The official currency of Andorra is the euro. Credit cards are widely accepted.



Political system

As a parliamentary co-principality, Andorra's political system is like no other in the world. This means that there are two heads of state – the Bishop of Urgell and the President of the French Republic – who represent the people jointly and indivisibly. This form of government dates back to the Middle Ages, as evidenced by a set of administrative documents from the time known as the *pareatges*. In 1993, the country's first written constitution was signed, making the Principality a democratic, social state governed by the rule of law.



Casa de la Vall, the old Parliament of Andorra,
Andorra la Vella

A brief history

An inspiring history

Looking back at the main events that have shaped Andorra's history is a good way to understand the country and its importance.

From prehistoric times to the pre-Roman period, Andorra's early inhabitants lived in various places across the country, such as Balma de la Margineda, El Cedre (Santa Coloma) and Antuix (Escaldes-Engordany).

The legend goes that Charlemagne founded Andorra in 805 to thank the inhabitants of these lands for their help in the fight against the Moors.

The first written reference to the existence of Andorra's parishes, as the fiefs of the Counts of Urgell, is from the mid-ninth century, in the consecration document for the Cathedral of Santa Maria d'Urgell.

In 1133, the Bishop of Urgell was granted the rights to the valleys of Andorra, held up to that point by the Count of Urgell. A

century later, these rights would lead to fierce disputes over sovereignty between the Counts of Foix and the Church. The situation was resolved between 1278 and 1288 when treaties known as the *pareatges* were signed, establishing shared sovereignty over the country for the Bishop of Urgell and the Count of Foix. Thus, the Principality of Andorra was born.

The year 1419 saw the creation of the Consell de la Terra (Council of the Land), Andorra's first parliamentary body that brought together representatives of all the parishes.

In 1589, Henry III of Navarre, Count of Foix, Viscount of Béarn and Lord of Andorra became the King of France and linked the French crown to his rights over the Principality. This union even survived the French Revolution, once Napoleon re-established the feudal tradition and France's co-prince rights over the Principality of Andorra.



Privilege creating the Consell de la Terra (1419)

Another important date in Andorra's history is 1866, when the New Reform was passed, bringing with it significant changes such as the right to vote for all heads of households and increased powers for the General Council. Universal male suffrage was not, however, established until 1933. Women, meanwhile, had to wait until 1970 to be granted universal suffrage.

The year 1978 is also relevant in the country's timeline, as this was when Escaldes-Engordany became Andorra's seventh parish.

In 1981, the Executive Council – or Government of Andorra – was founded, and reforms to it culminated in the decision to draft a constitution for the country. The first Andorran Constitution was signed on 14 March 1993, turning the Principality into an independent, democratic and social state governed by the rule of law and redefining the

competencies of Andorra's institutions, while maintaining the traditional co-principality model.

In the same year, Andorra joined the UN, leading to international recognition of the country. The year after, it became part of the Council of Europe.



**Geography,
climate and
nature**

Fall in love with Andorra's natural beauty

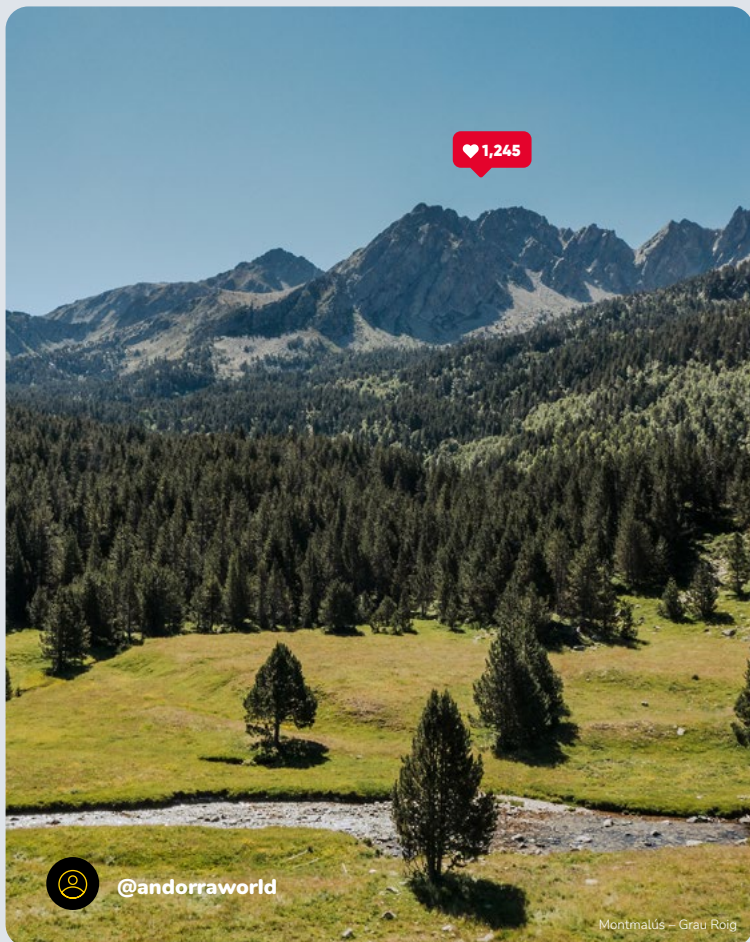
Andorra is a country packed with mountains. Its skyline features 80 peaks, some of which are over 2,000 metres in altitude. The country's highest mountain is Comapedrosa, at 2,942 metres, while the lowest point is along the river Runer, which marks the border with Spain, at 838 metres. Its average altitude, 1,996 metres, makes Andorra one of the highest countries in Europe.

Andorra is also known for its rivers and lakes. The course of the country's main rivers – Valira del Nord, Valira d'Orient and Gran Valira – indicates Quaternary origins. Branching off from them are Andorra's secondary rivers, next to which its main towns and villages are located.

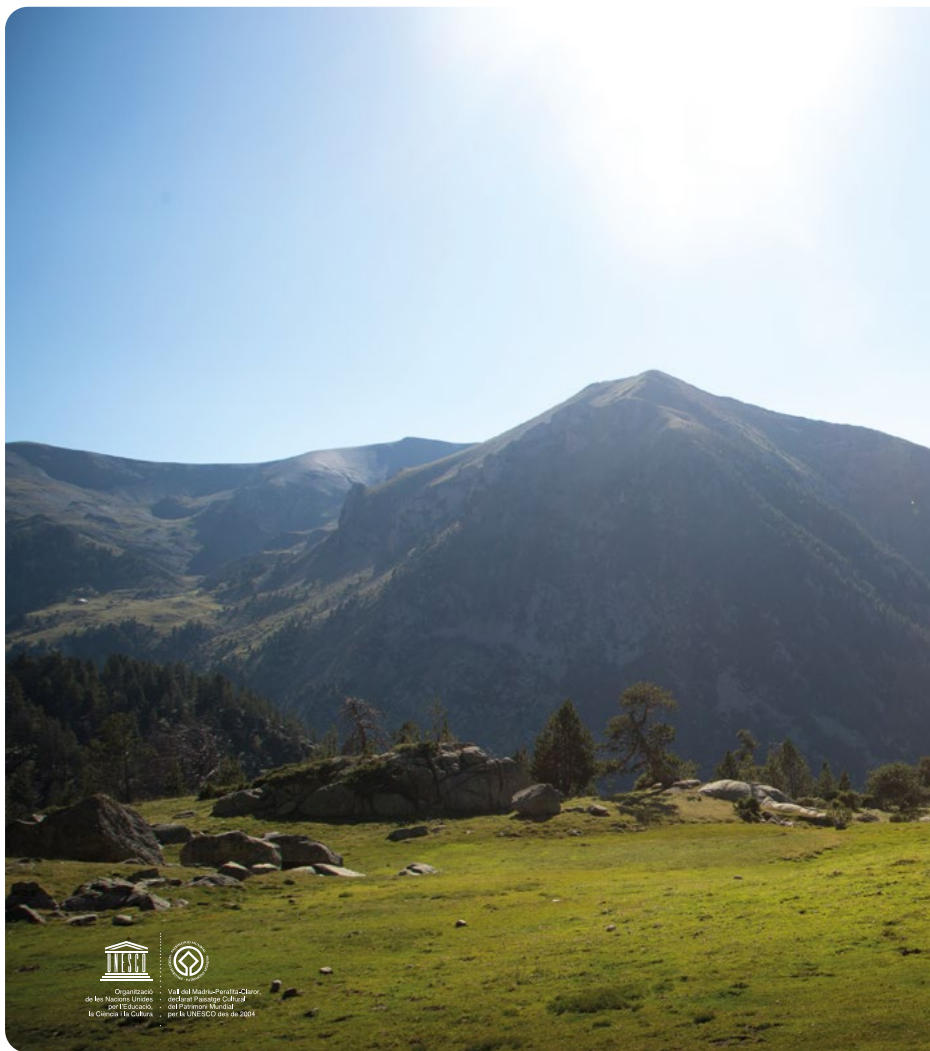
Another essential element in Andorra's geography is the country's lakes. Out of the more than 80 lakes found in the country, some that truly must not be missed include the Juclà, Tristaina and Pessons lakes.

Lake Juclà is the biggest in Andorra, with an area of 21.3 hectares. Meanwhile, the Pessons cirque and lakes offer stunning scenery worth stopping to admire. This glacial cirque is made of granite and surrounded by peaks of nearly 2,800 metres, which make the views here truly spectacular. In the area, you will also find various mountain lakes with crystalline waters.





Andorra has a Mediterranean mountain climate, with hot summers and cold, snowy winters. The average minimum temperature is -2°C , and the maximum is 24°C . The rainiest season is between October and May.



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More than 1,500 species of flora and fauna

The combination of this climate and Andorra's unique orography make for a wealth of biodiversity in the country. Among the four types of vegetation – Mediterranean, mountain, subalpine and alpine – there are around 1,500 different species of flora and fauna.

If you are interested in the plant world, in Andorra you can see Andorra's most iconic flower, the poet's daffodil, known locally as the *grandalla* or *Narcissus poeticus*.

The poet's daffodil is considered the national flower of Andorra. It is a delicate species that sprouts up in the mountain meadows in the spring. It is part of the daffodil or *Narcissus* family and made up of a perennial underground bulb, long, flat leaves and a single flower that blooms vertically or on a slight tilt. The central light yellow and orange crown stands out among the pure white petals to create a perfectly symmetrical flower that radiates beauty.

The enormous list of Andorran flora also contains medicinal plants, such as strawberry and holly plants; mushrooms



like the boletus, the saffron milkcap and the fairy ring mushroom; and all sorts of trees and shrubs, like the common hazel and the boxwood.

As for the most common animals in Andorra, in the higher areas, you will find chamois, trout, marmots, Aurelio's rock lizards, squirrels, wild boars and birds of prey, such as the bearded vulture.

All of Andorra's diverse biological assets are protected by hunting and fishing bans and, of course, nature parks.

The Comapedrosa and Sorteny Valley Nature Parks are two protected areas created with two intentions in mind: to preserve ecosystems and to guarantee that people use them properly.

Both parks offer plenty of options for hiking and routes for exploring the mountains. This allows you to get to

know Andorra's impressive mountainous scenery, dotted with woods, lakes and waterfalls, as well as the local wildlife and vegetation.

In the summer, various different ecotourism routes around the area are available. You can also try one of the educational routes, which are perfect for all the family, and stay in one of the park's three refuges.

The Comapedrosa refuge is manned and offers restaurant and accommodation services during the summer months.

Visitors to this park will also find activities like horse-riding routes and geocaching, a unique experience that consists of looking for hidden treasure with the help of GPS.

Elsewhere, the Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley was declared World Heritage by UNESCO in 2004, thanks to its natural and cultural wealth. In order to keep it in the best possible condition, it is the only one of these areas to be inaccessible for cars.

If walking and mountaineering are for you, this valley is home to various hiking routes and mountain refuges, which will help



Blue monkshood (Aconitum napellus)

A highly toxic and potentially deadly mountain flower.
Avoid all contact.

you to get to know the area first-hand and marvel at its extraordinary fauna and flora. You will also see Andorra's famous **bordes**: traditional huts built out in areas of pasture, which have now been converted. One of the best-known parts of the valley is the **camí empedrat** (stone path), which coincides with stretches of the GR7 and GR11 trails.

These are not the only protected spaces in Andorra. There are also the Incl's Valley (of glacial origin), the Enclar Valley, the Pessons Cirque, the Tristaina Valley, the Angonella Valley and even the Routes of the Ancient Trades. They all offer various ecotourism routes, which you can do with professional guides to find out all about Andorra's rich cultural heritage.



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Andorra: Your adventure in the Pyrenees





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Make the most of our ski resorts all year round



303 km²
of skiing

Andorra is **the perfect destination for those who love the snow**. You can do any kind of winter sport here (Alpine skiing, Nordic skiing, ski mountaineering, **snowboarding, freestyle skiing and freeriding**), as well as take part in all sorts of outdoor activities with your partner, friends or family.

In the Canillo and Encamp valleys you will find **Grandvalira**, a ski resort made up of six different sectors: Encamp, Canillo, El Tarter, Soldeu, Grau Roig and Pas de la Casa, which offer some 215 kilometres of pistes.

The Ordino valleys, meanwhile, are home to the **Ordino Arcalís Grandvalira Resorts**, a ski resort with 30.5 kilometres of signposted pistes and 422 hectares for off-piste skiing. You can access this resort with a Grandvalira pass.

Pal Arinsal Grandvalira Resorts, located in the La Massana valleys, is a resort that consists of two sectors, Pal and Arinsal, with 63 kilometres of pistes.

If you are not very comfortable on skis yet, Ski Canaro, in Canillo, has two pistes for beginners and a sledging piste for little ones. skicanaro.com

If **Nordic skiing is more your thing**, **Naturland** offers 15 km of trails in the La Rabassa woods, in Sant Julià de Lòria. It is the perfect spot for getting some exercise while enjoying nature with the family. There, you will find routes for snowshoes, moonbikes,

snow scooters, sleigh tours and Nordic sledges. If you are a thrill-seeker, do not miss Tobotronic: the world's longest toboggan run, at 5.3 km long. A sure-fire way to experience something unique and exciting!

Want to know the best bit? You can even enjoy Andorra's ski resorts in the summer! At this time of year, they become the ideal setting for all sorts of outdoor activities, including adventure circuits, zip wires, and mountain bike and e-bike rides. If this kind of cycle route is your thing, **Bike Park Pal Arinsal, Grandvalira E-bike Trails and Naturland Bike Center** offers various trails of different difficulties, designed specially for mountain biking.

On top of that, these resorts are home to two facilities that are a must-visit if you like snowboarding: the Freeride Area and the Snow Park.

Last but certainly not least, in Arcalís, Naturland and Canillo, you can try out different kinds of orienteering and adventure activities.



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In Andorra in the summer, you won't even know where to begin...

Andorra is about much more than skiing. If you come to visit us in the summer, you can enjoy our spectacular scenery and a range of outdoor activities. Find out all the options available during your stay in Andorra in the warmer months. Whether you prefer via ferratas, canyoning, climbing, horse riding or ecotourism routes, there are plenty of excellent opportunities for taking in the country's impressive nature.



Ideal spots for fishing

Do you like fishing and want to find new places where you can do your hobby? Andorra's lakes and rivers are available to you from mid-April to mid-November.

You will need a fishing licence and a permit for the corresponding private area to be able to fish during your trip to Andorra. Find out more about the areas free of intensive fishing, the catch-and-release fishing areas and the natural-population fishing areas established here.



Macarulla: magical little trails

Macarulla is the name of the magical little trails through nature that are ideal for families and aimed at little ones, so that they can get into hiking in the most fun, entertaining way possible. This activity involves various themed routes located in Andorra's natural spots, and more will be added soon. These are easy, short, relatively flat, circular trails: ideal for a morning or afternoon in the great outdoors. Each route revolves around play and imagination, with various stops for the kids to take part in activities or discover things hidden around them. Pick up the activity book for each route at one of Andorra's tourist information offices.

Find the Tamarros



For those not familiar with them yet, the Tamarros are mischievous beings that are half legend, half imagination, and they live in the forests of Andorra. These creatures are tasked with protecting and safeguarding nature, so we are very grateful to them. In total, there are seven across the country: one per parish. If you want to go and find them, pay a visit to Andorra's tourist information offices and ask for an activity book with all the details you need. Find them and get your reward!



Andy's Forest

Andy's Forest is a short, easy route for families based on the story of the Tamarros, how they live and the work they do in the woods.

Magic Sant Julià

The Magic Sant Julià trail is an intermediate-level family route based on one of Andorra's most popular legends: the legend of the White Lady of Auvinyà. She was a magical character who watched over the border with Spain from the La Senyoreta Rock.

The route passes along the La Senyoreta Path, is aimed at families with children over aged 7+ and takes approximately three hours. It is an interactive route that introduces little ones to this Andorran legend.





For those who like hiking...

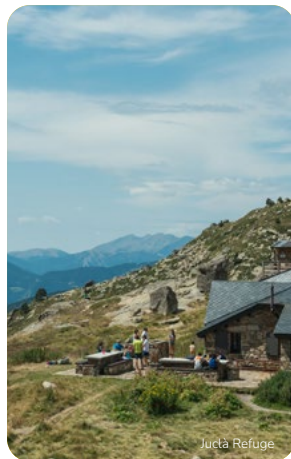
Hiking and other outdoor excursions are some of Andorra's star activities during the summer. In the Andorra Mountain Guide, you will find various ecotourism routes to follow: perfect for getting to know the flora and fauna of some of the country's most important natural spots. There are plenty of options: Comapedrosa Nature Park, Sorteny Valley Nature Park, Incles Valley, Enclar Valley, Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley, Pessons Cirque and even the Route of the Ancient Trades in Sant Julià de Lòria.

Of course, you can also organise your own excursion. The Trails of Andorra hiking guide contains 101 routes around the country, while the map of Andorra's refuges and main paths details all the available trails and the 30 mountain refuges.

GRP

Would you like to get to get to know the whole country in one week? If you enjoy hiking, Andorra is home to the GRP or *Gran Recorregut País* (Grand Tour of the Country), a perfectly signposted circuit measuring approximately 100 kilometres, split into 7 stages of between 12 and 20 km each. If you prefer a gentler approach, you can also split it into ten stages.

The GRP is designed so that anyone can do it; none of the sections are too difficult and you can do it at your own pace in however many stages you prefer. It is also designed around the various refuges you can stay in along the route. We do, however, recommend that you have some knowledge of and experience in the mountains.





Hiking trail: Coronallacs

On the Coronallacs Trail, you will take in constant amazing panoramic views, 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. The hiking trails vary in difficulty and length, and nights are spent in Andorra's four staffed mountain refuges.

If you manage to complete these trails, you will get a certificate from the Andorran Ministry of Tourism and a reward. Do you fancy walking around an entire country?

Cross-border paths



Transhumance Trail – Estives

Starting from the Incles Valley, this 39 km high-mountain route crosses wild landscapes and remnants of traditional transhumance: stone huts, shepherds' cabins, and dry-stone paths. It can be done in 2 or 3 stages, with overnight stays at the guarded refuges of Juclà and Rulhe, ending at the Plateau de Beille (Ariège), already on French territory.

El Capcir, Andorra la Vella and Alt Urgell hiking trail

This route will take you to all the local Catalan-speaking areas, showcasing their natural, cultural and historical heritage. If you are coming to Andorra for a few days, you can do the stretch from El Capcir to the Catalan county of Alt Urgell. In total, it offers 160 kilometres of extraordinarily beautiful scenery and charming villages.

Make the most of the mountains: via ferratas, climbing and canyoning

If the mountains are where you feel most at home, the Principality of Andorra has all sorts of unique experiences to offer in each of its parishes.

You can do almost any sport or adventure activity in a natural setting that is truly special, both visually and geographically. Not many small countries can say they have eighteen via ferratas, five canyoning sites and climbing routes spread out over nine areas. Without a doubt, Andorra is paradise for anyone passionate about the mountains who loves exploring every corner of them. Most of these activities are suitable for all.





**18+ via ferratas
5 canyoning sites
9 climbing areas**



Last but not least, we must not forget to mention the importance of canyoning in Andorra. This activity combines navigating down a river with climbing, and the result is an unparalleled adrenaline rush. If you want to try it out, start off at the Encodina Ravine, near Sorteny Valley Nature Park, as this is one of the easiest options.

If you have a lot of experience behind you, go for the Torrent de l'Àviar, Ensegur or Canaleta Ravine: they are sure to become the next challenge you want to overcome.

You can also get to know the valleys from a different perspective at one of the two local horse-riding centres.





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Enjoy a round of golf or pitch and putt in the most enchanting valleys

Two of the sports activities available in Andorra are golf and a very popular variation on the sport: pitch and putt.

You will find courses for both disciplines, and anyone from an absolute beginner to an expert can go for a round in a breathtaking setting between May and September. The Ordino Valley Par Three Golf Course and the El Torrent Pitch and Putt, in La Massana, are must-visit spots for any golfers visiting Andorra. But the country's leading golf facility is the Golf Soldeu, the highest-altitude course in Europe, at 2,250 m.

Viewpoints

Andorra's extensive road network is surrounded by stunning natural scenery. To make the most of this, a series of viewpoints have been created, each with their own special charm that showcases the country's nature.

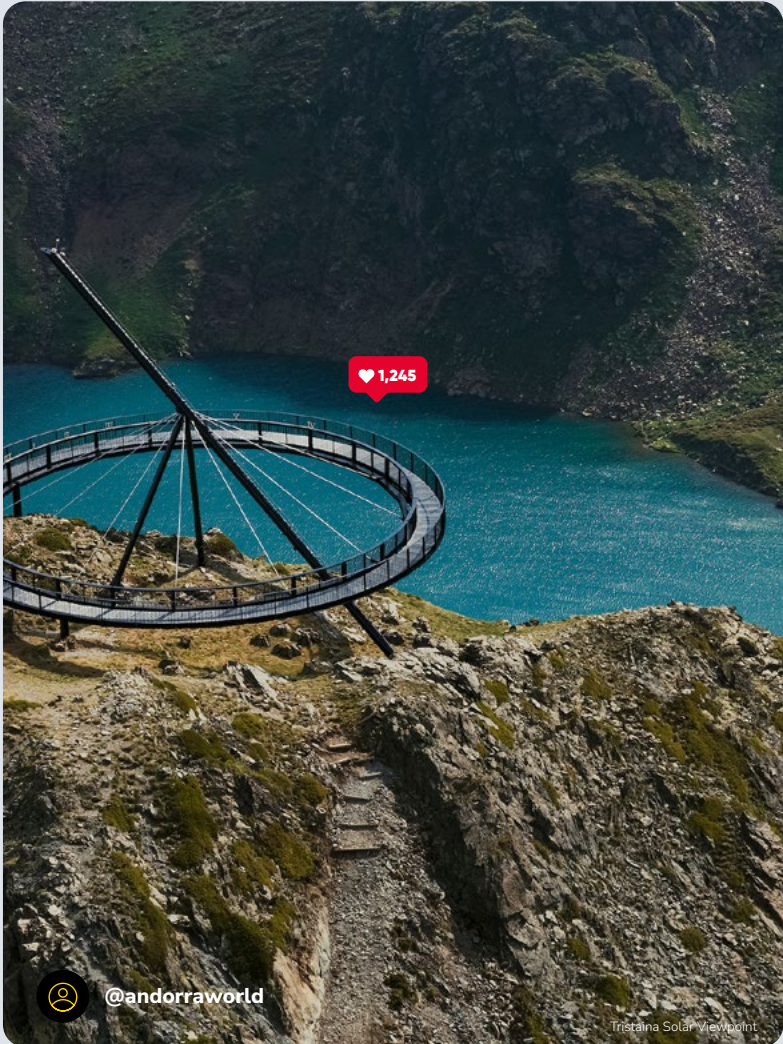
Nature on the road:

You can visit these viewpoints in total comfort, in your vehicle, without having to walk or enter forests or woods. There are fourteen in total, spread out over different parishes.

Viewpoints on foot:

Although reaching them is not as convenient as those you can reach by car, the views they offer and the charm of their surroundings make them a must-see. They include Roc del Quer Viewpoint in Canillo, the Roc de Senders and the Obaga viewpoints in Andorra la Vella, Sant Cristòfol d'Anyós Church Viewpoint in La Massana and Solanes de la Peguera Viewpoint in Sant Julià de Lòria.





Tristaina Solar Viewpoint

This is a viewpoint and sundial in Ordino Arcalís at an altitude of 2,701 m on Peyreguils Peak, just a stone's throw away from the border between Andorra and France. This mountain is part of the Tristaina Cirque, along with Costa Rodona Peak, Tristaina Peak, Creussans Peak and Cabanyó Peak.



See the country on a mountain bike...

If you would rather get around on a mountain bike, Andorra is the ideal destination. Every parish has trails perfect for mountain biking. On top of that, you will find large areas specially equipped for biking activities, including Bike Park Pal Arinsal and BMX – Four Cross Arinsal, Naturland Bike Center and Grandvalira E-Bike Trails.

...or on a road bike

If you want to take on a bigger challenge on two wheels, Andorra offers no less than 21 mountain passes for road cycling. Along routes of over 200 km, you can take in some of the country's most spectacular landscapes (at the Coma d'Arcalís, Pal, Envalira or Coll de la Gallina passes, for example). All of them have been included in legendary events like the Tour de France, the Vuelta a España and the Volta a Catalunya. So, make sure you are ready to get on your bike and give all you have.



More information:

Mountain Map, Cycle Tourism Map, Hiking Trail Guide (€), Fishing Map (€) and GRP Map (€). Available in Andorra's tourism offices.

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Your wellness is paramount

Andorra has been a pioneering country in well-being tourism for years now. Our wellness offering is constantly growing. So, during your stay, why not try out the most cutting-edge beauty and health treatments?

A number of hotels, thermal centres and spas in the Principality offer facilities and treatments so you enjoy a feeling of well-being all year round.

Caldea, the biggest thermal bath centre in Europe

The Caldea thermal baths have achieved international renown for their range of treatments and unique facilities.

As soon as you arrive at Caldea, you will be blown away by the building's unique architecture, designed by Jean-Michel Ruols. It is an avant-garde construction whose mesmerising design contains references to minerals and crystals.

The centre itself offers various complementary services and facilities so that you can try something different every time you visit. The thermal spa area is designed so that you can enjoy the thermal baths with friends or family, while silence and relaxation reign in the Premium zone.



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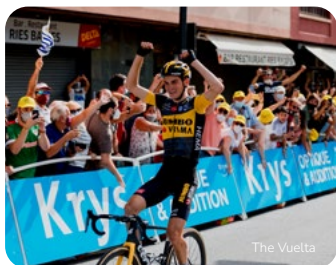
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Sports camps

Andorra's altitude and temperate climate in spring and summer make it ideal for hosting sports camps in various disciplines. The Andorra Sports Training Country platform can help you to organise your stay.

Sports events

Andorra is a world leader in mountain sports and has been the stage for countless prestigious competitions and events in recent years.

If you visit Andorra in the winter, you can enjoy some of the world's most important snow sports competitions, which we host regularly, including the alpine skiing, ski mountaineering and speed skiing world cups and the Freeride World Tour.

In the summer, the country normally welcomes stages of the Vuelta a España, the Tour de France, the Mountain Bike World Cup and the Trial World Championship. Andorra also plays host to competitions for the public, like the Spartan Race, La Purito Andorra, the Jorma Volta als Ports d'Andorra, the Andorra - Morabanc Clàssica, the Trail 100 Andorra by UTMB or the OSTO Travessa d'Encamp.



More information:

Culture

Get to know Andorra's fascinating culture





Museums and monuments

Andorra is also the perfect destination for **cultural tourism**. Our museums and monuments are testament to the history and culture that shape the essence of our country.

The Casa de la Vall, the smallest parliament in Europe, is now a museum that sheds light on how the Andorran political system is organised. Don't miss it: it is one of the most iconic monuments in Andorra!

Another must-visit site is the Sanctuary of Meritxell Basilica, known for its architecture and for being a significant religious symbol. In fact, it is part of the Marian Route, which includes the Spanish and French sanctuaries of Pilar, Torreciudad, Lourdes and Montserrat.

Equally, you cannot go to Andorra without visiting the Electricity Museum and the Farga Rossell, the iron interpretation Centre. There, **you will find out all about the country's industrial evolution**.

Among Andorra's other museums are various ethnographic centres that show how Andorrans lived in the nineteenth century. If this is something that interests you, make sure you visit Casa Cristo, Casa Rull, Casa Areny-Plandolit, Cal Pal Sociocultural Centre and the Espai Columba.

Other important museums include the Miniature Museum and the Escaldes-Engordany Art Centre, which is dedicated to the work of Josep Viladomat. Of course, **if art is your passion**, the Carmen Thyssen Museum Andorra is a must-visit.

Or, if you like cycling, visit the Bici Lab Museum and discover one of the best collections of classic bikes in the world, boldly combined with cutting-edge technology to create a one-of-a-kind experience.

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Thinking of visiting some of the museums we have included here?

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If you buy this pass for €2.50, you will receive a 50% discount on the tickets to the three museums you choose. Please note: the pass is personal and non-transferable and is valid for a year.



Romanesque art

Pre-Romanesque and Romanesque art is abundant in Andorra. Most historical religious and community buildings are still standing today, as testament to the formation of parish communities and early power relations, with the Andorran Romanesque style as a unifying thread.

Andorra is home to more than forty Romanesque churches, whose interiors are characterised by mural paintings and simple yet beautiful embellishment, mainly in the Lombard style. There are also some examples of original Romanesque sculptures, a priceless part of Andorra's heritage, including the Canòlich and El Remei Madonna statues.

The Espai Columba's goal is to safeguard, preserve and present the wall paintings from the apses of Santa Coloma and Sant Esteve Church, as well as various liturgical objects from Andorra's Romanesque churches. A ticket to the Espai Columba includes a visit to Santa Coloma Church, where a videomapping projection recreates the original appearance of the inside of the church in the twelfth century.

Baroque art

Andorran baroque art is reflected in the construction and modernisation of the country's churches between the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. This transformation left behind a significant baroque legacy that remains present inside Andorran churches even today. The most representative works include various altarpieces, paintings and sculptures, with depictions of the Madonna, saints and religious scenes. Each church's sculptures and art are complemented by an organ. These instruments are at the heart of the International Organ Festival held every summer in Andorra.

Cultural routes

The magic of each valley and its heritage is reflected in the wide variety of cultural routes available in Andorra.

These routes will take you on a journey into the past and help you to get to know the country's culture from a more active perspective. Some of the most famous ones are the Rural Habitat Route, the Iron Route and the Engolasters Hydroelectric Trail, which showcase traditional society, customs and the evolution of industry in Andorra.

Other cultural routes are designed to show you the most unique characteristics of each parish in depth. These include the Twelve Footprints Trail in Canillo, the Verdaguer Route in Ordino, the Green Ring in Andorra la Vella, the Water and Granite Route in Escaldes-Engordany, the Les Bons Architectural Site and the La Mosquera Murals.

Then there are the unmissable audioguide routes, which will take you around the main attractions in the urban centres in each of Andorra's seven parishes.

In Canillo, make sure you try the route that points out the parish's watering troughs, fountains and lavoirs: an excellent insight into traditional ways of life in Andorran villages.



The Iron Route



Church of Sant Joan de Caselles

La Margineda Archaeological Site

The La Margineda Archaeological Site, which opened in 2012, is one of the most significant medieval settlements in Andorra. Special mention must be made of the settlement made up of five houses from the twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth centuries and the corresponding public spaces, which provide an in-depth look at medieval life in Andorra.



Classical music, jazz, dance and theatre

**More information:**

Culture Guide. Available
in Andorra's tourist offices.
visitandorra.com

Most of Andorra's parishes offer so many music, dance and theatre activities that they make the country a leader on the cultural scene year after year. Some of the festivals of this kind you can visit during your stay include the Colors de Música Festival in Escaldes-Engordany and ClassicAnd.

Other unmissable cultural events include the Temporada Morabanc Andorra la Vella, Classicand Festival, Sax Fest, Jambo Street Music, Escaldes-Engordany Jazz Festival and, for several months a year, an extensive international theatre programme featuring some of the best-known actors and plays from around the world as part of the Andorra la Vella and Sant Julià de Lòria Theatre Season.

Finally, it is worth remembering that Andorra's museums offer all sorts of night-time cultural activities in the summer.

Show Cirque du Soleil



Unforgettable
moments

Cirque du Soleil regularly visits Andorra and presents a show seen nowhere else in Europe.

Find the next dates at visitandorra.com and register if you want to be the first to book when tickets are on sale.

Tourist bus



Time travel through Andorra's culture

One of the best ways of getting to know everything Andorra has to offer is on the various routes the Andorra Tourist Bus follows. There is always a tourist guide in the vehicle to provide you with all the information about the route you need. The ticket also includes entry to the museums and churches visited on each route.

The Tourist Bus routes take place from Monday to Sunday during the summer. We recommend booking in advance to avoid any scheduling issues.

More information:

Tourist Bus Guide.
Available in
Andorra's tourist offices.

Andorra la Vella Tourist Office

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**Festivals,
traditions
and celebrations**

Experience the magic of Andorra's festivals

Andorra boasts all sorts of ancestral customs and traditions, passed down by our forebears. Andorran folklore involves various dances present at most religious celebrations and community festivals that take place throughout the year. Two of the most important events are the Aplec de Canòlich and the feast day of Our Lady of Meritxell.

The Aplec de Canòlich takes place on the last Saturday in May in the parish of Sant Julià de Lòria. It is a religious festival with a deep-rooted tradition in Andorra that has become a day for gathering together and celebrating for the inhabitants of Sant Julià.

The festival includes a mass, fireworks and various fun activities, and the famous Canòlich bread is given out outside the church. This symbolises the act of sharing with others. Many pilgrims walk up to

the church to celebrate this traditional gathering.

The feast day of Our Lady of Meritxell, the patron saint of Andorra, is 8 September. This is the most important festival in the Principality and has been celebrated since 1873. If you are lucky enough to visit Andorra on this date, you will find a whole range of activities on offer, including institutional and religious events. They include the dawn mass, the young people's Eucharist, the service in honour of the patron saint organised by the Bishop of Urgell, the singing of songs known as *goigs* to the Virgin Mary and the children's choir's Meritxell concert.

On top of all that, each of Andorra's villages has its own festival – the Festa Major – full of fun and tradition for all ages.



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Fallaies of Andorra

One of the must-see summer traditions in Andorra is the Falles, unique fire festivals held across the country. To mark the arrival of the summer solstice, the falles (torches) are lit and spun at dizzying speed, creating fiery orbs as the fallaies parade through the streets of various villages. It's a truly spectacular event, deeply rooted in Andorra's history and heritage. In Andorra, the celebration takes place on two key dates: 23 June, on Saint John's Eve, in Andorra la Vella, Sant Julià de Lòria, Escaldes-Engordany, Canillo and La Massana; and 28 June, on the eve of Saint Peter's Day, in Ordino. Due to its great cultural significance, UNESCO added the summer solstice fire festivals of the Pyrenees to its Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 2015.

Festes de l'Ossa

The Festes de l'Ossa (Bear Festivals) are popular winter celebrations held in Ordino (in early December) and in Encamp (on Carnival Monday). These festivals reflect the ancestral relationship between humans and nature. Staged with burlesque dialogue and satirical scenes, the Bear Festivals present a critical and contemporary look at power dynamics in rural society. Humour, theatre and tradition come together in a unique show that forms part of the Pyrenean cultural identity. Since 2022, these festivals have been included on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list, alongside other bear festivals in the Pyrenees, in recognition of their cultural and symbolic value.



Shopping

Shopping without limits

Of course, Andorra is known for its shops. The country has garnered considerable global recognition thanks to its traditional commercial fabric, which has been going for decades.

The competitive prices and huge variety of products sold in Andorra make the country an international commercial hotspot. On top of that, our country is known for its excellent level of safety, which makes it even more ideal for tourists who decide to visit Andorra for a shopping trip.

But what makes Andorra's commercial offering stand out from others in cities and countries around the world? Well, Andorra's main shopping area is home to 2,000 shops of all kinds. All of these establishments offer consumers all the new trends in all sectors every season. So, it is time to start thinking what you would like to buy in Andorra!

Where should I shop?

Andorra's shops are spread out all over the country, through most of them are found in the parishes of Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany.

There are also plenty of shops in Pas de la Casa, while Sant Julià de Lòria is the parish with more large shopping centres than anywhere else, where you will easily find a great range of electronic products, music, food and home accessories.

The Shopping Mile

On the Shopping Mile, you will find all sorts of fashion and accessories, perfumes, cutting-edge consumer electronics and devices, and sports clothes and equipment by international brands.

From Avinguda Meritxell, along Fener Boulevard, to Vivand, you can make the most of a partially pedestrianised mile of shops with a wide variety of food and drink outlets, so that you can take a nice break from your shopping. In addition, a stone's throw from the Shopping Mile, you will find various areas of local shops: in the upper part of Escaldes-Engordany, near the Museu Carmen Thyssen Andorra; in the Ribera de Ygua i Travesseres neighbourhood of Andorra la Vella, and in the capital city's historic centre, where the Casa de la Vall is the main museum.



Sales

If you are a keen shopper, we know that the sales are one of the best times of year for you. During the two sales periods in Andorra – in the winter, from the end of December to early March, and in the summer, from the end of June to early September – you will find your favourite products at even lower prices.

The sales in Andorra usually start a few days before the sales in our neighbouring countries, Spain and France.

Events

The shopping-related events you can enjoy during your stay in Andorra include the Gran Mercat de les Oportunitats market, which takes place in July in Pas de la Casa. In the same location in December, the Snow Experience is held.

In June, there is the De Copes event to kick off the summer in the historic centre of Andorra de Vella, then Motand takes place in Santa Coloma in July. And on August evenings, you can enjoy Ritmes, Capital Musical.

If you are visiting in May or October, don't miss the Vide Dressing fashion and accessories market in La Massana.

Finally, the Shop in Andorra Festival takes place between October and November. Experience this unique festival as you enjoy all the events and soak up the celebrations organised around the world of shopping and sales.

In December, the magic of Christmas comes to the shopping areas, with the Poblet de Nadal in the capital and the traditional Saint Lucy fairs held across the country.



Duty free

You can take products worth up to a **limit of €900** out of the country without being subject to customs duties.



More information:

Cuisine

A festival of unforgettable flavours

If you like sampling the cuisine of the countries you visit, make sure you try some of Andorra's traditional dishes during your stay.

Our cuisine is characterised by a combination of the legacy of the original settlers and influences from French and Catalan cooking. Visit some of the country's restaurants to discover traditional dishes made from premium local products with a modern twist. It is sure to be an unforgettable experience!

Andorra's cuisine is inextricably linked with the country's main traditions. As a result, most of the biggest culinary gatherings take place during Andorran festivals.

Don't miss the Sant Antoni and Sant Sebastià *escudella* stews in January, sardines and *botifarra* sausages during Carnival in February, the Tapas Route in Sant Julià de Lòria in May, the La Massana Fogons sustainable autumn and winter

cooking events, Andorra a Taula (a culinary celebration) in November and the Ordino culinary shows on the second Sunday in November.

Other important events include artisanal fairs such as the Fira del Bolet in September, the Fira d'Andorra la Vella in October or the Santa Llúcia fairs in Encamp, Ordino and Sant Julià de Lòria in December.

Andorra is known for its mountain cuisine, which is showcased during the Andorra Taste event in mid-September.

On top of all that, as well as traditional fare, Andorra's restaurants offer all sorts of other cuisines, and some of them have been awarded a Michelin star.



Traditional dishes

Given the country's geographical location, it is no surprise that mountain cuisine is part of the essence of Andorran cooking.

During your stay, make sure you try traditional dishes with mushrooms, trout and *coca* pastry. Other unmissable delicacies include our cold meats (*donja*, *bringuera*, *bull* and *bisbe*), *escudella* stew, game meat stews and, of course, *trinxat* (one of the most famous Andorran dishes, made with potatoes, kale, lard and garlic).

Traditions

The Andorran culinary tradition is visible both through our typical dishes and through the ever-popular *bordes*. These buildings are one of the most characteristic signs of Andorran identity. They were originally annexes to homes in the mountains, in which hay and animals were kept.

Today, around twenty restored *bordes* have been turned into restaurants. When you eat at one of these establishments, you can enjoy some excellent Andorran cuisine in a truly unique setting, characterised by its special architecture and décor.

Food shops

Any foodies can buy high-quality local products from specialist stores, thanks to Andorra's tradition of local shops. In them, you can try out delicious snacks and find everything you need to offer your guests the most delicious international delicacies.

More information:

www.visitandorra.com
www.agricultura.ad





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Excellent meat with the IGP seal:
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Agricultura Cal Jordi

Canillo

Eggs from the Ransol Valley, at an
altitude of over 1,800 metres.
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Autèntic

Canillo

Honey 100% from the Andorran
mountains. 100% natural products,
made by our bees and packaged by the
beekeeper.
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Asgard

Canillo

By making mead at an altitude of
over 1,500 metres, we achieve a truly
legendary flavour.
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Cal Jordi

Canillo

This business specialises in making
traditional Andorran cold meats (*bisbes*,
botifarres, *donges* and *bringueres*)
without any chemical colourings or
preservatives.
artesaademuntanya@gmail.com

L'Ou 1900

Canillo

A fully organic, locally sourced egg that
naturally retains all its nutrients and
offers the authentic taste of eggs from
the past.
s.balqui@gmail.com

Naturalis

Canillo

Artisanal honey from the mountains,
mead and liquors made with the utmost
respect for natural cycles.
naturalis-andorra.com
naturalis@andorra.ad

Ti.Pur

Canillo

Soy candles. Products made with soul. Natural, vegan, non-toxic and sustainable.

tipur-artdelaterra.com

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BioBò

Encamp

This business is the first Andorran brand to receive the European certificate for 100% organically made products (traditional dishes with organic ingredients).

bomosa.ad/empresa/bio-bio-restauracio

Le Souffle d'Adore Factory

Encamp

The beehives are located at an altitude of 1,600 metres, making the most of the local flora. They operate in harmony with nature to produce pure, natural honey.

ahoney.com

info@andorrahoney.com

Boris Craft Beer

Ordino

Brewing and sale of craft beer.

boriscraftbeer.com

Casus Belli

Ordino

The highest vineyards in Andorra. Unique wines made with love for the earth and its fruits.

info@casusbelli.ad

L'Ànima del Bosc

Ordino

L'Ànima del Bosc is an artisanal business that harvests birch sap and produces various plant-based products.

lanimadelbosc@gmail.com

Poltrand

Ordino

If you are looking for organic foal meat, Poltrand sells it directly. This product comes from animals raised in Andorra's mountains. It carries the Andorran quality meat label.

poltrand.ad

info@poltrand.ad

El Pastador

La Massana

A vast catalogue of jams in different flavours, made artisanally with 100% natural ingredients.

elpastador.com

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Casa Raubert

La Massana

Shepherd's cheeses made exclusively from the milk of domestic sheep.

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Cervesa Alpha

La Massana

Production and sale of organic craft beer. Product tastings available.

alphandorra@gmail.com

Kalunae

La Massana

100% natural handmade soaps made with the best ingredients. Protection for your skin and for the environment.

kalunae.com

info@kalunae.com

Pocions de Lluna Nova

La Massana

Natural cosmetics laboratory that makes beauty treatments in a way that respects the environment and complies with European regulations.

pocionsdellunanova.com

info@pocionsdellunanova.com

Xocland

La Massana

Andorra's generally cold and dry, mountain climate allows us to produce an intense, pure chocolate containing 100% natural ingredients.

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AND beer

Andorra la Vella

Beer brewed with all the purity of water from the Pyrenees.

andgaradel.com

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Cafè El Conseller

Andorra la Vella

The fourth generation of a family of coffee roasters.

magatzemscoma.com

hola@magatzemscoma.com

El Batall

Andorra la Vella

Production of cheese and other dairy products using organic milk from Alpine Brown cows.

formatgeriaelbatall.com

formatgeriaelbatall@andorra.ad

Els Escaubells

Andorra la Vella

This company makes traditional Andorran cold meats, including *bringuera*, *donja*, *botifarra*, *llonganissa* and *bisbes* of all kinds.

andorcarn.ad

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El Rebost del Padri

Andorra la Vella

Andorran artisanal products and a comprehensive meal, restaurant, production and ready-meal service.

elrebostdelpadri.com

elrebostdelpadri@hotmail.com

Nectum

Andorra la Vella

You will only find this product in Andorra. It is a syrup made of pine cones, soaked with organic sugar, according to the traditional recipe.

elrebostdelpadri@hotmail.com

Pasta Natur

Andorra la Vella

A workshop where different types of pasta and fillings are made using local, high-quality ingredients to offer a natural, healthy, and additive-free product.

pastanatur@gmail.com

Borda Sabaté

Sant Julià de Lòria

This winery makes certified organic wines through a process where biodynamic principles are applied to create unique beverages.

bordasabate.com

info@bordasabate.com

Casa Auvinya

Sant Julià de Lòria

This winery produces wines with the utmost respect for the environment and nature, while maintaining a high quality of wine.

casaauvinya.com

casaauvinya@andorra.ad

Casa Beal

Sant Julià de Lòria

This winery uses grapes from the mountain vineyards on the same property. Its preference for Gewürztraminer white wine makes it stand out from other producers from Andorra and Spain.

casabeal.com

info@casabeal.com

Casa Folch

Sant Julià de Lòria

Sale of natural honey, with no added sugars, preservatives or artificial additives.

casafolch@gmail.com

Casa Gendret

Sant Julià de Lòria

Forest fruits are at the heart of Casa Gendret's offering. They are grown and sold directly by the business. Casa Gendret also makes jams and gelées artisanally in all sorts of flavours, without using additives of any kind.

gendret@andorra.ad

Can Sona

Sant Julià de Lòria

Eggs laid by hens fed organic wheat, as well as peas, rye, oats, legumes and garden produce.

blogscat.com/cansona

bio.cansona@gmail.com

Cortal Llueneres

Sant Julià de Lòria

Production and sales of all types of seasonal, natural produce grown in the country. Collection and sale of fresh eggs.

cortalllueneres@gmail.com

Mas Berenguer

Sant Julià de Lòria

In this winery, agricultural techniques passed down by generations of winemakers are used to make the wine. We recommend tasting their sparkling wine: Tanca Rocaforat and Mas Berenguer.

cellermasberenguer.com

clr2709@hotmail.com

Ratassia de la Carmeta

Sant Julià de Lòria

This is one of Andorra's traditional liquors. It is a drink with digestive properties, and its main ingredients are medicinal herbs and green walnuts.

lessenciadelesvalls@gmail.com

Vital

Sant Julià de Lòria

Artisanal products from Andorran sheep's wool.

vital.ad

albert.goma@vital.ad

Pâtisserie Estopiñán

Escaldes-Engordany

Treat your sweet tooth in just a click: the Andorran cake shop with online ordering.

pastisseriaestopinan.com

info@pastisseriaestopinan.com

More information:



Accommodation

Your dream stay



Accommodation that suits you

If there is one thing Andorra has plenty of, it is a variety of accommodation options that adapt to the needs of visitors who decide to come and spend a few days in our country.

When you stay in Andorra, you will feel right at home. You can choose between no fewer than **43,000 beds** for your trip, selecting the one that best fits what you expect from the perfect accommodation.

For city slickers...

Our urban centres are home to more than 380 hotel establishments in all categories that offer the best quality in all their services. Whether you are here for leisure or for business, in these hotels, you will find modern facilities designed to guarantee comfort at all times.

The short distances within the country also make the main leisure and shopping areas just a stone's throw away from wherever you are.

For families...

Browse Andorra's selection of **aparthotels and tourist apartments**, which offer comfortable, practical accommodation for family trips. In some establishments, you will even find themed rooms, designed for little ones to go on a unique adventure.

This type of accommodation is usually found near the country's main sports and leisure hubs.

For visitors looking for rest and relaxation...

Wellness is one of the main priorities for Andorran accommodation establishments, especially at the country's spas and thermal baths.

For adventurers with all they need in their backpack...

Do you like staying in a caravan or camping in a tent? Andorra is home to six campsites, which offer all the facilities you need for a pleasant stay.



Public holidays

1 January	New Year's Day	15 August	Assumption of Mary
6 January	Epiphany	8 September	Our Lady of Meritxell, patron saint of Andorra
February	Carnival	Thursday 1 November	All Saints' Day
14 March	Constitution Day	8 December	The Immaculate Conception
Holy Week	Good Friday and Easter Monday	25 December	Christmas Day
1 May	Workers' Day	26 December	St Stephen's Day
May or June	Pentecost (depends on dates of Holy Week)		



Illa Refuge

Most establishments of this type are located in the parishes in the mountains and provide access to various sports and leisure activity centres. You can also park your motorhome in one of the areas designated for this purpose.

For nature lovers...

If you like experiencing nature first hand and want to take in some of Andorra's most spectacular scenery, we recommend staying in one of the refuges spread out across our mountains. This way, you can make the most of your

surroundings and relax in a stunning natural environment.

There are around thirty refuges that offer the comfort you need to make sure your experience is unforgettable. You can also stay in one of six manned refuges, of different categories, which offer accommodation and a restaurant service so that you feel right at home. They are the Comapedrosa, Juclà, Sorteny, Natur Refugi Cortals de Sispony, Borda les Reineres d'Incles and Refugi de l'Illa refuges.



For groups of friends...

If you are travelling with friends, you are likely looking for great-value accommodation that provides comfort at a reasonable cost. If this is the case, a **hostel or youth camp** could be the perfect option, as their location makes it easy to enjoy Andorra's most iconic spots.

Need something specific?

If you are looking for accommodation in Andorra, there are eleven official pictograms to identify hotels that are equipped to welcome tourists who are coming to do the following activities:



Near a lake



Agrotourism



Sports camps



Cycling holidays



Families



Included in a GR



Cultural heritage



Fishing



Conferences and events



Agrotourism



Health and well-being



Transport

How to get to Andorra



Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany

Andorra is conveniently located for anyone who wants to visit the country. Its proximity to major French and Spanish cities makes it easy to access through a vast network of transport, which includes **buses, trains, cars and planes**.



By car

If you want to come to Andorra for a few days, you will be able to drive your car without any problems, even if you do not have an international driver's licence. If you are coming by car, here are the **distances to Andorra la Vella from some of the main cities in our neighbouring countries:**

Paris	861 km	Valencia	496 km
Bordeaux	427 km	Zaragoza	300 km
Toulouse	185 km	Girona	271 km
Perpignan	163 km	Barcelona	208 km
Foix	100 km	Tarragona	198 km
Madrid	613 km	Lleida	185 km
Bilbao	601 km		



By plane

There is no airport in Andorra, but **there are a number of major international airports nearby:** Toulouse-Blagnac (France) and the Spanish airports Barcelona-El Prat, Girona, Alguaira (Lleida) and La Seu-Andorra (La

Seu d'Urgell). You can get to Andorra easily from any of these airports.

Some of them provide a direct daily bus service to Andorra, which takes between 3 and 4 hours.



By train

Though you cannot get to Andorra by train directly, you can travel by train to **Barcelona, Lleida, Toulouse or L'Hospitalet-près-l'Andorre**. These cities have a direct bus service to Andorra.



Spain

Sants Station (Barcelona)
Lleida Pirineus Station (Lleida)
renfe.com

France

Matabiau Station (Toulouse)
Andorra Station – L'Hospitalet-près-l'Andorre (L'Hospitalet)
voyages-sncf.com





By bus

A good way to get to Andorra from France, Spain (Catalonia) and Portugal is by bus. The bus station in the French city of Toulouse offers a regular service to Andorra. You can also travel here from the main Catalan cities: Barcelona, Vic, Girona, Tarragona and Lleida.

Catalonia (Spain):

Madrid

Madrid–Andorra (Alsa)

Galicia

Tui–Escaldes-Engordany (Camino Bus)

La Seu d'Urgell

La Seu d'Urgell–Andorra (Camino Bus)

Barcelona

Barcelona Nord Station–Andorra la Vella (ALSA)

Barcelona Airport (T1/T2)–Andorra la Vella (Andbus)

Barcelona Airport (T1/T2)–Barcelona Sants Station–Andorra la Vella (Directbus)

Lleida

Lleida–Andorra (Andbus, Hife Andorra and Alsa)

Tarragona

Reus–Andorra la Vella (La Hispano Igualadina)

France:

Toulouse

Toulouse SNCF–Toulouse Airport–Andorra la Vella (Andbus)

Ax-les-Thermes - Andorra la Vella (Hife Andorra)

Portugal:

Arcos de Valdevez

Arcos de Valdevez–Escaldes-Engordany (Camino Bus)

Ancora–Funicamp (Encamp) (Cooperativa Interurbana Andorrana)

Porto

Porto–Andorra (Camino Bus)



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Tel. (+34) 902 422 242 · alsa.es

Directbus:

Tel. (+376) 805 151 · andorradirectbus.es

Camino Bus:

Tel. (+376) 865 500 · rutasvigo.com

Cooperativa Interurbana Andorrana

Tel. (+376) 806 555 · interurbana.ad

La Hispano Igualadina (Reus):

Tel. (+34) 900 929 192 · igualadina.com

Andbus:

Tel. (+376) 803 789 · andbus.net



On public transport

Regular bus routes link the parishes to one another. The main stops are found on the main streets in the urban centres.

You will also find orange express bus stops on the outskirts of towns.

On top of that, there are six interurban bus lines in Andorra that operate between the different towns. Each parish has its own transport service that can reach the small villages that are not covered by the main routes.

Move around Andorra

By taxi

Unlike most major European cities, to find a taxi in Andorra, you will have to book it over the phone or go to one of the taxi ranks on the most central streets in shopping areas. You can also hire a private taxi service.

Car hire

One option for getting around Andorra and exploring the country with total freedom is to hire a car from any of the car rental centres you will find in Andorra (with or without private driver).



Association of Taxi Drivers of Andorra:

Tel. (+376) 863 000

Taxi Exprés booking centre:

Tel. (+376) 812 345



Avis:

Tel. (+376) 871 855

avis.es

Europcar / Goldcar

Tel.: (+376) 818 888

europcar.es

Ifrent:

Tel. (+376) 866 067

ifrent.com



Mobility phone numbers and websites

Centre for Traffic Information and Management:

Tel. (+376) 1802 1802

Spain: Catalan Traffic Service

Tel. (+34) 93 567 40 00 (24 h)

902 400 012

France: Info Routes (Ariège)

Tel. (+33) 5 61 02 75 75 (24 h)

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**Business
tourism**

The perfect place for business

Business tourism is well established in Andorra. The country offers the high-quality facilities, additional amenities, professionalism and application of new technologies necessary for business events all year round.

The Principality has the ideal infrastructures for organising business conferences efficiently in a unique setting. Conference centres, business rooms in hotels and specialist conference organisation companies are also available in Andorra, making it the perfect business tourism destination.

The Andorra Convention Bureau has

consolidated the country's position as a major business tourism destination within Europe. This body helps to channel and organise business meetings and trips proposed by its customers.

Conference organisers can choose from more than 43,000 hotel beds in more than 380 establishments, as well as multiple outdoor leisure and adventure activities and a wide variety of cultural routes.



To promote and guarantee the quality of hotels specialising in MICE tourism, the Government of Andorra signals this type of accommodation with the Conferences and Events symbol.



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Conference and meeting centres



Andorra la Vella Congress Centre

Andorra la Vella Congress Centre

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Centre Cultural Lauredià

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 Fax: (+376) 744 014
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Palau de Gel d'Andorra

Tel. (+376) 800 840
palaudegel.ad

Ordino Congress Centre (ACCO)

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ordino.ad

Les Fontetes i La Closeta Tourism and Cultural Centre (La Massana)

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lamassana.ad

Prat del Roure and Escaldes-Engordany Events Venue

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e-e.ad

Encamp Conference and Party Venue

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**Tourism
by parish**

7 parishes, countless experiences!

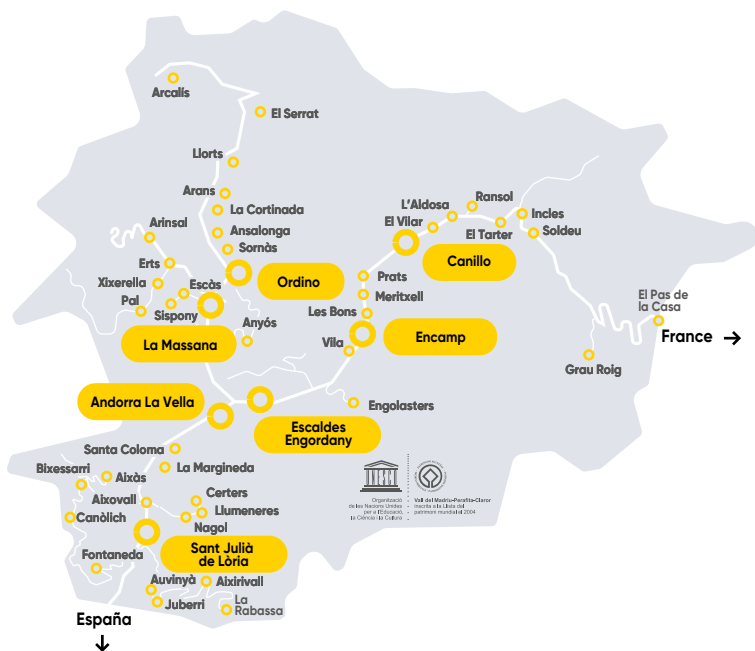


Each of Andorra's parishes has its own special characteristics and activities. Having access to the most important details about the parishes will help you to discover all of the Principality's delights, including its customs and traditions and the beauty of its villages and valleys.

Explore the country's parishes to get to know the real Andorra.



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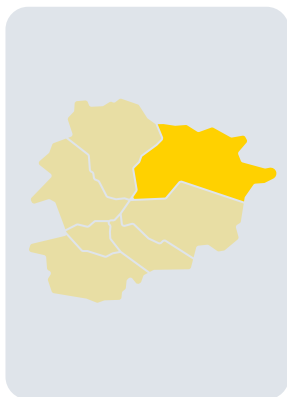
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Canillo



1,526 m



7,283 (2025 census)



Towns:

Canillo, El Forn, El Vilar, Els Plans l'Armiana, L'Aldosa, Meritxell, Molleres, Prats, Ransol, Sant Pere del Tarter, Soldeu.

To get to know the parish of Canillo, take a look at the list of points of interest; it will give you a better idea of what there is to see in the area.

The parish's biggest attractions include the twelfth-century Sant Joan de Caselles Romanesque Church and one of the country's most important landmarks, the Sanctuary of Meritxell Basilica, which honours the patron saint of Andorra. Every year, the feast day of Our Lady of Meritxell is celebrated here, with all sorts of religious, artistic and formal events.

Those looking for direct contact with nature should check out the ecotourism routes in the Incles Valley and Coma

de Ransol. Lake Juclà, the largest in the Principality, is also worth a visit, as is the Roc del Quer Viewpoint with its impressive vistas of the surrounding scenery.

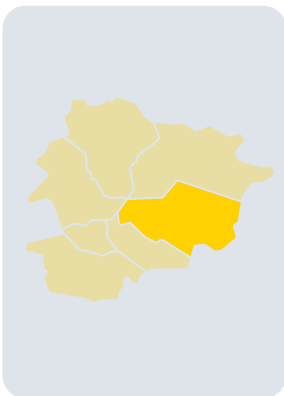
If heights are not a problem for you, then make sure you visit Canillo's new Tibetan Bridge. It is 603 m long and located at an altitude of 1,875 m!

If sport is more your thing, Canillo is home to the Palau de Gel d'Andorra ice rink and the Grandvalira ski resort, where you will also find activities like the Magic Gliss toboggan, zip wire and Golf Soldeu, the highest-altitude golf course in Europe.

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Moreno Lake

Encamp


1,250 m



13.679 (2025 census)

Encamp
 El Pas de la Casa

Towns,

Encamp, La Mosquera, Les Bons, El Tremat, Vila and El Pas de la Casa.

The parish of Encamp's impressive architectural and cultural heritage is visible in its unique buildings and museum facilities.

Its religious heritage includes the Santa Eulàlia d'Encamp and Sant Romà de les Bons churches, which date back to the Middle Ages, just like the Les Bons medieval site. It is also worth stopping off at some more modern churches, like Sant Miquel and Sant Joan in La Mosquera and Sant Pere in Pas de la Casa.

As for museums, Encamp is home to the Electricity Museum and the Automobile Museum, which shed light on the

country's commercial development, as well as the Casa Cristo Ethnographic Museum and the Sacred Art Museum.

If you are passionate about sports and nature, in this parish you will find the Pessons Cirque, Cortals d'Encamp, various ecotourism routes and the Grandvalira ski resort, where you can take part in snow and mountain sports in an environment with unique natural beauty.

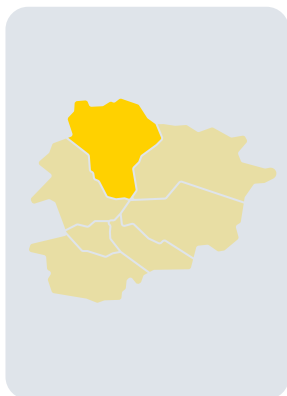
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St Martí de la Cortinada

Ordino



1,298 m



5.974 (2025 census)



Towns:

Ansalonga, Arans, La Cortinada, El Serrat, Llorts, Ordino, Segudet, Sornàs.

The list of points of interest in the parish of Ordino includes the Casa d'Areny-Plandolit (Andorra's only manor house), the twelfth-century Romanesque Sant Martí de la Cortinada Church and the Miniature Museum. Another option is to follow one of the trails in the area, like the Verdaguer, Riberamunt and Iron Routes. Alternatively, why not visit the Cal Pal Millstone and Sawmill, the Llorts Iron Mine or the Arcalís Solar Viewpoint (one of the highest viewpoints in the Ordino biosphere reserve)?

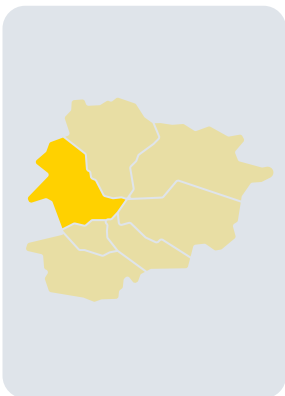
If you are looking to get out in nature and do some outdoor activities, this parish is perfect for adventure sports all year round, from via ferratas to canyoning or zip wire. On top of all that, the parish has breathtaking natural gems like the Sorteny Valley Nature Park and the Tristaina Lakes.

In winter, you can take part in snow sports at the Ordino-Arcalís de Grandvalira ski resort.

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La Massana



1,230 m



12.960 (2025 census)



La Massana
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Towns:

Anyós, Arinsal, Erts, Escàs, L'Aldosa, La Massana, Pal, Sispony.

La Massana is where the highest peak in Andorra, Comapedrosa, rises up 2,942 metres high, dominating the scenery majestically. This natural gem is found in the nature park of the same name: a protected reserve that contains all sorts of routes that showcase anything from glacial lakes to marshes, peaks and other intriguing spots. Its extraordinary beauty has made La Massana a venue for prestigious mountain events like the Mountain Festival Comapedrosa – Skyrace Comapedrosa, which brings together the world's elite sky runners every year.

Beyond the park, La Massana attracts nature lovers thanks to its more than eighty mountain paths, which mean that everyone has the chance to go on a hike in this exceptional environment. The main driving force behind La Massana's economy and tourism sector is the Pal Arinsal resort, which is open ten months of the year. In the winter, it becomes a paradise for skiers and snowboarders, as well as an excellent culinary destination. The unforgettable experiences on offer in the resort include night-time snowshoe excursions, followed by an extraordinary dinner in an idyllic setting under the stars.

La Massana has been recognised internationally with dual Starlight accreditation (Andorra Comapedrosa), which certifies it as a Starlight tourist destination and reserve. This recognition is awarded thanks to the area's dark sky, free from light pollution, which makes it ideal for stargazing.

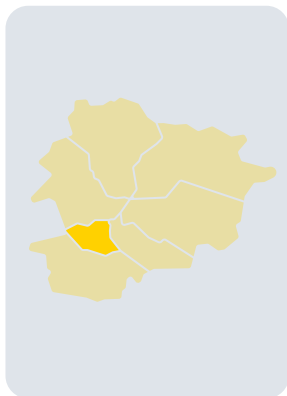
In the summer, La Massana transforms into a paradise for mountain bikers and road cyclists, with routes suitable for all levels and renowned events like Andorra Epic, the MTB World Cup and the MTB World Championships.

In the cultural sphere, La Massana offers all sorts of unique experiences, such as visits to the Casa Rull Museum, the Rossell Forge and charming Romanesque churches, like Sant Climent de Pal or Sant Cristòfol d'Anyós. Popular events like the Massana Còmic show, the Andoflora fair and La Serenalla Market are the cherry on top of the parish's cultural offering.

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Andorra la Vella



1,013 m



26.329 (2025 census)



Andorra la Vella

Towns:

Andorra la Vella, La Margineda, Santa Coloma.

Andorra la Vella is the ideal destination if you want to shop (on its various shopping streets), see a show at the Congress Centre or visit the pre-Romanesque Santa Coloma Church. Its other must-visit sites include the medieval La Margineda Bridge, built between the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, and the Espai Columba museum.

The Casa de la Vall is another of the parish's attractions. This building is Andorra's old parliament, and when it was still in use, it was the smallest in Europe. It has now been converted into a museum, which sheds light on the country's political system.

After your visit, take a stroll around the city's historic centre to learn first-hand about its development over the years. You can also stop off at the Bici Lab museum, where you will find the best collection of classic bikes in the world.

Perhaps good food and entertainment are more your thing: if so, visit UNNIC, the country's leading leisure hub and home to the Gran Casino d'Andorra. It also hosts the Christmas Village from November to January.

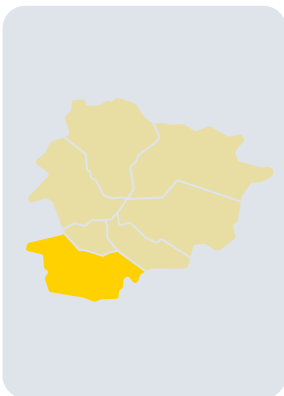
If you are looking to spend some time in nature, don't miss the Green Ring routes or the Enclar Valley ecotourism circuits. You can even pay a visit to Andy's Forest: a trail and family experience in the Bosc Negre area, known as the Tamarro Trail (Carretera de la Comella).

And make sure you take in the light, water and music show at the new fountains on Plaça de la Rotonda, located next to the Valira River, near Andorra la Vella Tourist Office.

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Sant Julià de Lòria



909 m



10.761 (2025 census)



Towns:

Aixàs, Aixirivall, Aixovall, Auvinyà, Bixessarri, Certers Llumeneres, Els Plans, Fontaneda, Juberri, La Moixella, La Peguera, Les Pardines, Mas d'Alins, Nagol, Pui d'Olivesa, Sant Julià de Lòria and Tolse.

Some of the parish's main points of interest include the four wineries in the area and the guided tours through the town of Sant Julià de Lòria, where you will find the Lauredià Cultural Centre, the Casa Comuna and the Sala Sergi Mas and their range of cultural events.

Another of the parish's main features is the Tomb Lauredià routes, which combine nature and culture and pass through magical spots with spectacular views. Then there is the Magic Sant Julià Route, on which the whole family can get to know the legend of the White Lady and the La Senyoreta Rock.

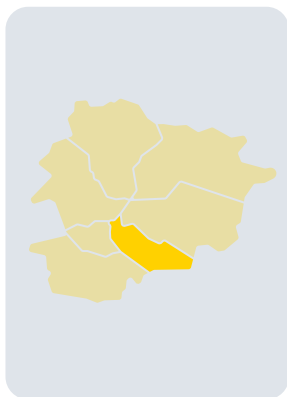
As for artistic and religious heritage, we recommend visiting the Romanesque Church of Sant Serni de Nagol, built between the eleventh and twelfth centuries, the mosaics in the church of Sant Julià and Sant Germà, created by the team of artists from the Aletti Centre in Rome, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Canòlich, patron saint of Sant Julià de Lòria.

Nature also has a strong presence in this parish thanks to the Estany de la Nou Lake and Naturland, the only cross-country ski resort with an activity park and Tobotronc, the world's longest alpine toboggan run.

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Escaldes -Engordany



1,050 m



17.142 (2025 census)



Towns:

Els Vilars, Engolasters, Escaldes-Engordany.

Welcome to Escaldes-Engordany, the parish of thermal waters.

The city of Escaldes-Engordany is the second largest in Andorra and is made up of two urban centres: Engordany, the older area, and Escaldes, the modern part, geared towards tourism and shopping.

One of the largest natural spaces in the country and a must-see for nature lovers is the Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in the cultural landscape category.

There are many cultural attractions in Escaldes-Engordany, including unique museums like the Museu Carmen Thyssen Andorra, the Escaldes-Engordany Art Centre and the Espai Caldes. Be sure

to take part in our traditional festivities, visit the Romanesque churches, tour the historical routes and enjoy some music in the street!

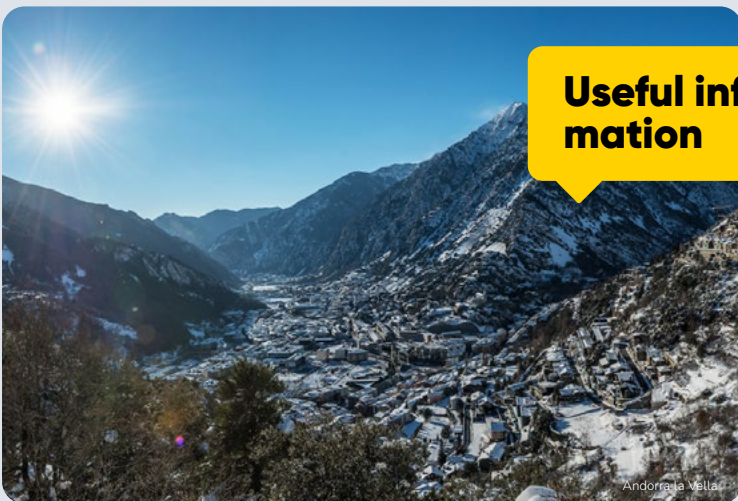
The main shopping centre is a pedestrian area called Vivand, where you can find more than 200 shops, restaurants and hotels. A culture, leisure and shopping district allowing you to make the most of the large outdoor shopping area.

As for thermal waters, Andorra has had this natural resource since ancient times, and it is present in the urban area, with public fountains and spa hotels. The thermal baths culminate in Caldea, the largest spa in southern Europe, designed for visitors to enjoy the well-being and escape provided by these hot springs.

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Documentation and visas

You do not need a visa to enter Andorra, regardless of your nationality. But remember that to get here, you will need to pass through Spain or France. Therefore, if you are coming from outside the Schengen Area, we recommend enquiring about the possibility of requesting a visa for multiple entries and exits in your home country. This way, you will be able to pass the French or Spanish border to come to Andorra. However, in these cases it is important to remember that each country has certain administrative particularities that must be respected.

If you are coming from the Schengen Area, entering Andorra is much simpler. Adults only need a valid ID document or passport. The same requirement applies to minors accompanied by their parents.

Children coming from countries in the Schengen Area travelling alone must present a permit to leave this area, together with a valid ID document.

Visitors travelling with their pets should be aware that they will be asked for their pet's passport and an up-to-date health and vaccination card, and the pet will need to be identified with a microchip.



More information:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Banks and changing currency:

If you need to change currency or carry out any other procedures, remember that most Andorran banks follow the same opening hours: Monday–Friday, 9 am–5 pm.



More information:

Association of Andorran Banks

Tel. (+376) 807 110
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Medical cover in the event of an accident

If you come from Spain, France or Portugal and suffer an accident during your trip, Andorra has a medical coverage agreement with these countries, so you will be able to request a refund for your medical expenses.

If you come from another country, you will have to pay for your medical expenses.



More information:

Caixa Andorrana de Seguretat Social

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Public safety

The fact that the country has only two access points and the remarkable work done by the police and customs services are factors that ensure a high level of public safety and guarantee visitors a peaceful stay.

Lost property

If you find a lost object or wish to report the disappearance of any of your belongings, please go to the Andorran Police Department.

Police

Tel. (+376) 872 000
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Roadside assistance

Each parish has its own traffic and citizen assistance service that can provide information on the private companies that offer this service.

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Traffic and road status information:

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Internet access

Andorra offers several Wi-Fi hotspots with free access in tourist offices, the streets of the main towns, ski resorts, public places and shopping and leisure centres.

There is a public network called Andorra Wi-Fi. You can connect to it on Avinguda Carlemany in Escaldes-Engordany, Avinguda Meritxell in Andorra la Vella, and in Pas de la Casa. On the Andorra Telecom website, you can buy the data package that suits you the best.

More information:
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Postal service

You can access the ordinary French and Spanish postal systems in all Andorran parishes.

La Poste French postal service

Tel. (+376) 820 408
 Monday to Friday
 8:30 am–1:30 pm
 Saturday
 9 am–12 pm

Correos Spanish postal service

Tel. (+376) 820 257
 Monday to Friday
 8:30 am – 6:00 pm.



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Fire service: **112**

Emergencies: **118**

Nostra Senyora de Meritxell Hospital:
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Urgent Medical Service (SUM): **116**

Mountain rescue group: **112**

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