



Ruta del Contraban – Mallorca’s Smugglers’ Route

Highlights

- > Walk on paths of the contra-bandas
- > Discover romantic bays
- > Enjoy exclusive accommodation

Profile

- > From accommodation to accommodation
- > With 5 selected hikes of the desired level of difficulty
- > With luggage transport

Service

- > 6 nights in selected accommodation, rooms with bath/shower and WC
- > Transfers according to itinerary
- > Luggage transport from accommodation to accommodation
- > Detailed route description and maps
- > GPS data for the hikes
- > 6 x breakfast, 1 x dinner

Once upon a time in Mallorca, Carabineros helped the smugglers load illegal wares. An armistice between the hunter and the hunted? Not at all. Just part of a long tradition of cooperation between law enforcement and the smugglers. Up until the 1990s, smuggling was a profitable business in Mallorca. Ships moored in hidden bays, and goods were brought into the hinterland via mule tracks. A paths that lead from the sea to the mountains? Hidden away from the crowds? Sounds like the perfect hiking holiday! Rediscover the smugglers’ paths on the Ruta del Contraban.



Trip type
Trekking trips, hiking trips

Minimum number of participants:
from 1 person

Area covered
Spain

Length of trip
7 days

Travel Code
2ESPMI01

Day 1 Welcome to Mallorca

Individual travel to Mallorca.

Details of journey

S Distance approx. 34 km **⌚** Travel time approx. 0,5 h

🛏 Accommodation 3- or 4-star hotel or similar, depending on the category booked.

Day 2 Romantic smugglers' harbour

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Your hike starts at the church square of Banyalbufar and leads through pine forest to the smugglers' harbour. You follow the panoramic trail along the sea.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 450 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 450 m **S** Distance approx. 9.5 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 3 h

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From Banyalbufar you hike along the coast and reach the Port d'Canonge smugglers' harbour. From here, you walk through pine forests into the hinterland and arrive at Esporles.

Daily tour Difficulty Level 3

⬆️ Ascent approx. 570 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 510 m **S** Distance approx. 13.5 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 4 h

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Your hike takes you from Banyalbufar along the coastline to the smuggler's harbour and on to Esporles, then back to Banyalbufar.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 880 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 880 m **S** Distance approx. 20,5 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 6 h

Details of journey

S Distance approx. 10 km **⌚** Travel time approx. 0:15 h

🍴 Meals breakfast **🛏** Accommodation 3- or 4-star hotel or similar, depending on the category booked.

Day 3 View over the smugglers' bay

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Following the old mule track, you walk to the coast and arrive at one of the many moorings used by smugglers.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 320 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 380 m **S** Distance approx. 7,5 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 3 h

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You descend through a sparse pine forest to the sea. Here, you follow the coastline to a dilapidated smugglers' path.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 520 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 550 m **S** Distance approx. 9.5 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 3,5 h

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You will experience a wildly romantic tour past the moorings used by the smugglers, following a dilapidated path along the coastline.

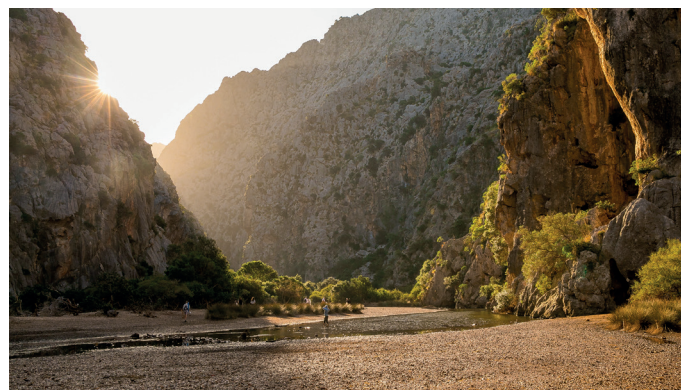
Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 360 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 500 m **S** Distance approx. 11 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 4 h

Details of journey

S Distance approx. 34 km **⌚** Travel time approx. 0,5 h

🍴 Meals breakfast **🛏** Accommodation 3- or 4-star hotel or similar, depending on the category booked.



Day 4 Between pine trees, sea and cliffs

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From Deiá, you walk along the coast to the hamlet of Llucalcari.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 400 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 400 m **S** Distance approx. 8 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 3 h

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Along the coast, past small hamlets and countless hiding places. Walking through olive groves, you come to the port of Soller.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 475 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 505 m **S** Distance approx. 10.8 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 4 h

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From Deiá, you descend to the sea and walk along the coast to the port of Soller.

Daily tour

⬆️ Ascent approx. 480 m **⬆️** Descent approx. 550 m **S** Distance approx. 9,8 km **⌚** Walking time approx. 4:30 h

Details of journey

S Distance approx. 9 km **⌚** Travel time approx. 0,1 h

🍴 Meals breakfast **🛏** Accommodation 3- or 4-star hotel or similar, depending on the category booked.

Day 5 The solitude of the coast

Difficulty Level 2

Difficulty Level 3

From Mirador de ses Barques, the path leads you through old homesteads, along lonely ridges and through ancient forests to Cala Tuent.

Daily tour

Ascent approx. 335 m Descent approx. 745 m Distance approx. 9.7 km Walking time approx. 4 h

Difficulty Level 4

The path starts in Port Soller and leads up to the heights of the Mirador de ses Barques. You walk along the north coast and arrive at the isolated Cala Tuent.

Daily tour

Ascent approx. 860 m Descent approx. 840 m Distance approx. 13,5 km Walking time approx. 5 h

Details of journey

Distance approx. 10 km Travel time approx. 0,1 h

Meals breakfast, dinner Accommodation 3- or 4-star hotel or similar, depending on the category booked.



Day 7 Farewell to Mallorca

Individual flight back home.

Details of journey

Distance approx. 54 km Travel time approx. 1 h

Meals breakfast



Day 6 Sa Calobra and Torrent de Pareis

A special day and a special tour await you today: enjoy the silence of Sa Calobra and the solitude of Torrent Pareis! A wonder of nature of incredible beauty, a gorge with a legendary reputation and, above all, the very essence of smuggling in Mallorca. Depending on difficulty, you can hike through the Torrent to Escorca (SKG IV) or enjoy the gorge by going as far as you want. You will find essential information for planning your tour in your travel documents.

Details of journey

Distance approx. 54 km Travel time approx. 1 h

Meals breakfast Accommodation 3- or 4-star hotel or similar, depending on the category booked.