

Enjoy the park

Collserola is full of hidden spots for nature lovers to discover. You are welcome to hike, observe, stroll and listen.

- A visit to the Information Centre and its surrounding area is a great way to learn about the park.
- Can Coll farmhouse is open on Sundays. You can visit the house and its environs.
- The many viewpoints situated along the roads through the park offer magnificent panoramic views of the landscape.
- The leisure areas and resting spots are suitable places for picnics and recreational activities.
- There are marked paths that head off from every leisure area, making it easy to discover the park.
- The many springs provide pleasant, cool spots where you can rest.

Information Centre

Open every day of the week from 9.30 am to 3.00 pm. Closed on 25 and 26 December and 1 and 6 January.

Carretera de l'Església, 92 (at km 4.7 on the main road from Vallvidrera to Sant Cugat)

Tel. 932 803 552 | ci@parccollserola.net

Eight minutes walk from Baixador de Vallvidrera station on the FGC train.

Bar "El picot" | Tel. 932 802 840

Can Coll, Environmental Education Centre

Open on Sundays from 9.30 am to 2.30 pm. Closed between Christmas and Epiphany (Kings' Day), Easter and from 24 June to 11 September.

At km 2 on the main road from Cerdanyola to Horta. Cerdanyola del Vallès.

Tel. 936 920 396 | cancoll@parccollserola.net

Vallvidrera Reservoir Interpretation Centre

Open on the second Sunday of the month from 10.30 am to 2.00 pm. Closed in January, August and December.

Camí del pantà, s/n. Vallvidrera.

Tel. 932 803 552.

Five minutes from Baixador de Vallvidrera station on the FGC train network and from the Santa Maria de Vallvidrera leisure area.

The centres offer a wide range of possibilities: information and personalised attention, publications, exhibitions, audio-visual presentations, Can Coll farm, Feixa dels ocells observatory for birdwatching in winter, marked routes in the surrounding areas and itineraries for people with impaired mobility. Mid-week educational activities by prior arrangement.

Documentation and Educational Resources Centre

Open Monday to Friday from 10 am to 2 pm. Visits must be arranged in advance.

Consultation service specialised in Collserola and loan of environmental education material. Located at Can Coll.

Tel. 936 922 916 | cdre@parccollserola.net

Torre Baró Castle Interpretation Centre

Open Monday to Friday from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm; Saturdays from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm; and Sundays from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

Carretera alta de Roquetes 309. Barcelona

Guided tours and activities suitable for everyone.

Tel. 664 044 079 | castell_torrebaro@bcn.cat

(Managed by Barcelona City Council)

La Riera Park Information Point

Open Sundays and public holidays from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

Passeig d'Horta-Parc de la Riera. Cerdanyola del Vallès.

(Managed by Cerdanyola Town Council)

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Parc Natural de la Serra de Collserola



COLLSEROLA! Welcome to

Good practices

Three million people visit the park each year.

Let's feel involved in its conservation and raise awareness of its impressive features.

We look after the park when we

- Take public transport to get there.
- Avoid making unnecessary noise or shouting so that we can enjoy its peace and tranquillity.
- Respect the plants and animals that live there.
- Take away our rubbish back with us.
- Respect properties, farmhouses, churches and other monuments and sites.
- Do not release exotic species that impact on its ecosystems.
- Do not tame the wild boar by feeding them.
- Use the marked paths rather than clearing new ones.
- If we have a dog with us, we keep it on a lead.
- If we are riding a horse, we give way to pedestrians, never gallop, use tracks that are more than 3 metres wide and travel in single file in groups of no more than five horses.

Welcome to a veritable natural space that extends across 8,000 hectares in the heart of the metropolitan area of Barcelona.

The Serra de Collserola chain of hills, like the Serra de Marina and the Montnegre and the Garraf massifs, is part of the Litoral Catalana, a system of mountains that runs parallel to the Mediterranean Sea for about 300 km from the mouth of the Ter River to the plain of Castellón. Collserola itself is 17 km long and 6 km wide and lies between the valleys of the Besòs and Llobregat rivers, the El Vallès depression and the Barcelona plain. Tibidabo (512 m) is the highest of the many peaks that form its silhouette.

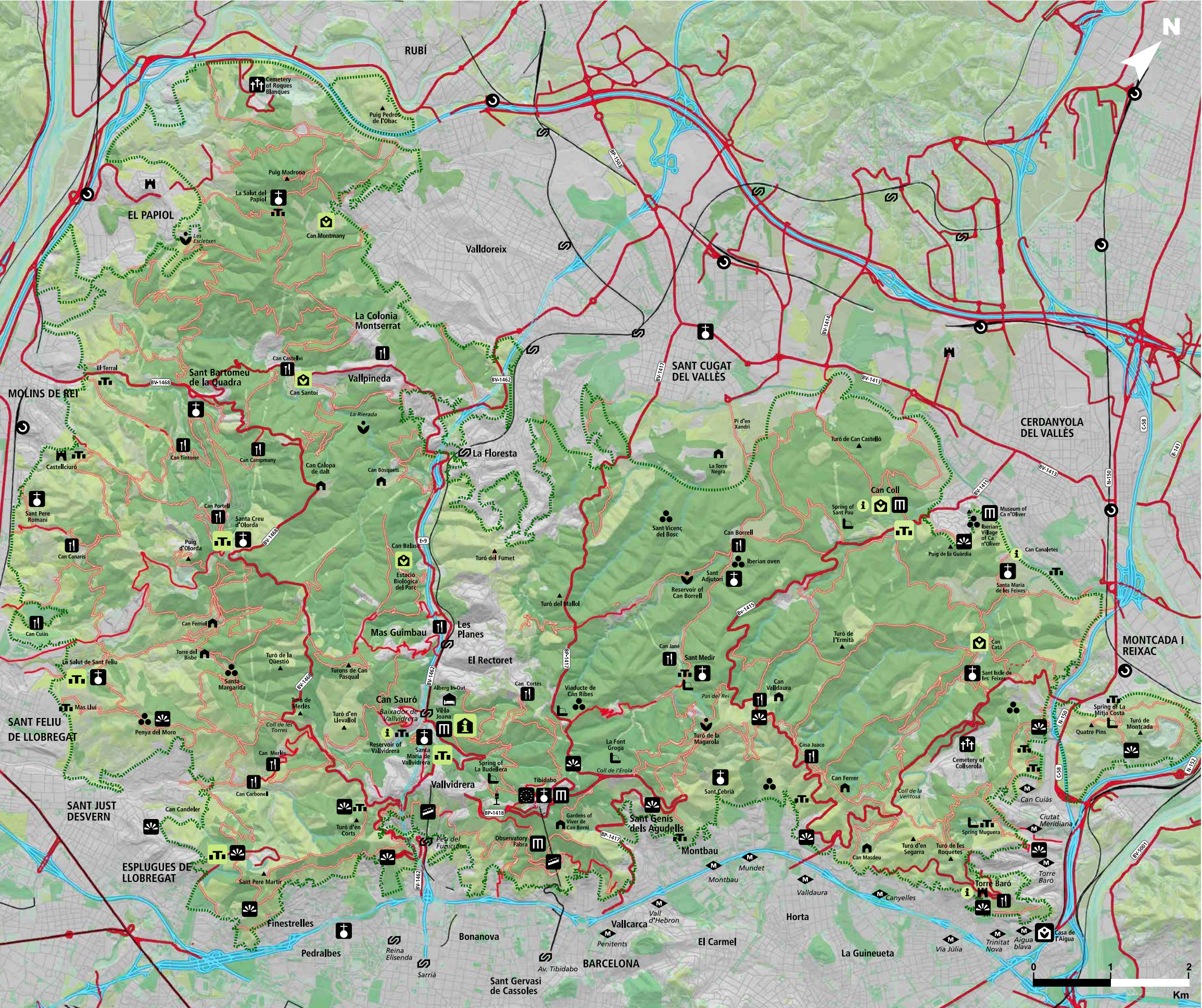
The slopes of the sierra that look out to sea are steep, whereas the side that faces El Vallès has numerous long and gentle valleys. The differences in the relief and orientation are reflected in the microclimates, with sunny slopes that have meadows, scrub and brushwood, as well as hillsides in shade, which have extensive oak and pine forests, between them providing a rich illustration of Mediterranean landscapes.

On Collserola, we find archaeological remains that attest to human activity here since ancient times. The word 'Collserola' dates from the Middle Ages and is a combination, etymologically, of 'coll' (hill) with 'sa' (an old way of saying 'the') and 'erola', a reference to a small patch of cropland. It is possible that the importance of the 'Coll Serola', situated on the medieval route from Barcelona to Sant Cugat, gave rise to the name of the chain of hills.

It is a magnificent wooded sierra that is familiar, much loved and valuable, a privilege enjoyed by the people living around it.



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Road network

- Motorway
- Main road
- Forest track. Basic network
- Railway/ Funicular

Public transport

- FGC
- Metro
- RENFE
- Funicular

Habitats

- Riverbank and lowland flora
- Oak forests
- Pine forest
- Maquis and scrub
- Meadows
- Cropland
- Urban parks
- Urban land

Administrative boundary

- Natural Park (Outside limit)

Facilities and services

- Information centre
- Information point
- Research centre/Environmental education
- Leisure area
- Resting spot
- Interesting farmhouse/facility
- Hostel
- Restaurant
- Amusement park
- Museum
- Viewpoint with facilities
- Cemetery
- Castle
- Archaeological remains
- Communications mast
- Spring
- Site of environmental interest
- Shrine

Leisure areas

With restoration services, WC, picnic tables and, in some cases, with barbecues.

Santa Maria de Vallvidrera
Tel. 93 280 26 49

La Salut de Sant Feliu
Tel. 93 685 26 18

Santa Creu d’Olorda
Tel. 93 668 96 65 (Estiu)
93 668 88 28 (Hivern)

Sant Pere Màrtir
Tel. 93 473 91 84

Torrent de Can Coll
Tel. 93 580 69 86

Telephones of interest

Emergency: 112

Local police
Barcelona: 092
Esplugues: 93 371 66 66
Sant Just Desvern: 93 473 10 92
Sant Feliu de Ll.: 93 666 15 43
Molins de Rei: 93 668 88 66
El Papiol: 93 673 20 00
Sant Cugat del Vallès: 93 589 13 28
Cerdanyola del Vallès: 93 691 20 00
Montcada i Reixac: 93 575 21 77

FGC: 93 205 15 15
RENFE: 93 224 02 02

SARBUS: 93 580 67 00
SOLER Y SAURET: 93 632 51 33

Welcome to
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El **Serra de Collserola Natural Park Consortium** is the body responsible for managing the park. It reports to the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona, Barcelona Provincial Council and the Government of Catalonia, the public authorities that provide the annual budget that enables it to pursue its programme of activities.

In order to achieve the aims and targets laid out in the Special Plan to Administer and Protect the Natural Environment on Collserola, **the consortium's Technical Services** are organised as follows: Natural Environment, Projects, Works and Urban Development, Administration and Procurement and Public Usage, Awareness-Raising and Env. Education.