

# GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE DOÑANA NATURAL AREA

# 1. GENERAL DATA

Junta de Andalucía

Legislation and date of declaration	Law 8/1999, of 27 October, on the Doñana Natural Area. It integrates the Doñana National Park and the Doñana Natural Park into a single area.  Decree 24/2007, of 30 January, declaring the Sierra Nevada Natural Area and regulating the management and participation bodies of the Doñana and Sierra Nevada natural areas.  Decree 142/2016, of 2 August, extending the territorial scope of the Doñana Natural Park, declaring the Doñana North and West Special Area of Conservation (ES6150009) and approving the Natural Resources Management Plan and the Master Plan for the Use and Management of the Doñana Natural Area.
Area of Socio- economic Influence	Almonte, Bollullos Par del Condado, Bonares, Hinojos, Lucena del Puerto, Moguer, Palos de la Frontera and Rociana del Condado (Huelva). Aznalcázar, Isla Mayor, Pilas, La Puebla del Río and Villamanrique de la Condesa (Sevilla). Sanlúcar de Barrameda (Cádiz). Andalucía (Spain) (Agreement of 17 May 2011 of the Governing Council).
Surface	128,530.60 ha
Offices of the Natural Area	Centro Administrativo El Acebuche, 21760 Matalascañas (Huelva) Tel.: 959439627/26 E-mail pndonana.csmaea@juntadeandalucia.es Office in C/Sevilla nº 33 - 1º 21730 Almonte (Huelva) Tel.: 600144624 Office in the Fábrica de Hielo Visitor Centre. Avda, de Bajo Guía s/n 11540 Sanlúcar de Barrameda. Cádiz. Tel.: 956386577.
Information pages on the Internet	http://www.miteco.gob.es/ http://www.cma.junta-andalucia.es/medioambiente/site/portalweb https://juntadeandalucia.es/temas/medio-ambiente.html https://www.juntadeandalucia.es/medioambiente/portal/web/ventanadelvisitante https://www.juntadeandalucia.es/medioambiente/portal/web/ventanadelvisitante http://www.donana.es







# 1.1. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE DOÑANA NATIONAL PARK

Legislation and date of declaration	Decree 2412/1969 of 16 October 1969 on the creation of the Doñana National Park.
Legislation and date of reclassification	Law 91/1978 of 28 December 1978 on the Doñana National Park.
Legislation and date of extension	Resolution of 6 February 2004, of the National Parks Autonomous Body, making public the Agreement of the Council of Ministers of 6 February 2004, extending the boundaries of the Doñana National Park by incorporating adjoining land.
Location	Huelva and Sevilla (Andalucía).
Surface	53,424.70 ha
Surface Rocina and Coastline Protection Zones Area	6,724.72 ha
Ecosystems represented	Lagoons, marshes, mobile dunes, beach, Mediterranean scrubland, and pine forest.

# 1.2. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE DOÑANA NATURAL PARK.

Legislation and date of declaration	Law 2/1989, of 18 July 1989, approving the Inventory of Protected Natural Spaces of Andalucía, and establishing additional measures for their protection.
Legislation and date of reclassification	Decree 2/1997 of 7 January 1997 modifying the name and boundaries of the Surroundings of Doñana Natural Park, which is now called the Doñana Natural Park, and approving the Natural Resources Management Plan and the Master Plan for its Use and Management.
Legislation and date of extension	Decree 142/2016, of 2 August, extending the territorial scope of the Doñana Natural Park, declaring the Doñana North and West Special Area of Conservation (ES6150009) and approving the Natural Resources Management Plan and the Master Plan for the Use and Management of the Doñana Natural Area.
Location	Huelva, Sevilla and Cadiz (Andalucía).
Surface	68,236.40 ha
Ecosystems represented	Pine forests and coastal strip, fossil dunes, transformed marshes, beach, Mediterranean and pine forest.



#### 1.3. INTEGRATION INTO CONSERVATION NETWORKS

- In 1980 the Doñana National Park and part of the Natural Park lands were designated a Biosphere Reserve, within the framework of UNESCO's Man and Biosphere Programme (MAB), for hosting a representative sample of different ecosystems: continental marshes, sandbanks, and coastal dune complexes, both fixed and mobile, as well as beaches and a portion of the Guadalquivir estuary.
- In 1982 the National Park was included in the List of Wetlands of International Importance under the Ramsar Convention, and in 2005 the Ramsar site was extended to include the Natural Park.
- Council of Europe Diploma for Management, awarded to the Doñana National Park in 1985 and
  obtaining five renewals of the award, until 2020, which implies having maintained and improved
  the state of conservation of the protected area and having developed optimal management
  policies for its development. The renewal of the Diploma is currently being requested.
- A Special Protection Area for Birds (ZEPA, for its acronym in Spanish), the Doñana National Park was declared in 1988 and was extended to the Doñana Natural Area in 2002.
- In 1994 the Doñana National Park was inscribed on the World Heritage List.
- Site of Community Importance (LIC, for its acronym in Spanish) Mediterranean Biogeographical, approved by Decision of the European Commission on 19 July 2006.
- In July 2012 (National Parks Resolution of 18 April 2013), the International Coordinating Council of the Programme on People and the Biosphere (MAB) approved the extension and zoning of the Doñana Biosphere Reserve. It currently covers the entire surface area of eleven municipalities: Almonte, Aznalcázar, Bollullos Par del Condado, Bonares, Hinojos, Isla Mayor, Pilas, La Puebla del Río, Rociana del Condado, Sanlúcar de Barrameda and Villamanrique de la Condesa. It partially includes three other municipalities: Lucena del Puerto, Moguer and Palos de la Frontera. The approved zoning is divided into: core terrestrial zone, 54,680.12 ha; terrestrial buffer zone, 53,834.64 ha; marine buffer zone, 4,778.96 ha corresponding to the National Park's coastal sea protection zone, and terrestrial transition zone, with 155,000 ha. Broadly speaking, the core zone coincides with the Doñana National Park plus the Arroyo de la Rocina; the buffer zone with the Doñana Natural Park, and the transition zone corresponds to the rest of the territory up to the outer perimeter of the municipalities as a whole.
- Special Area of Conservation (ZEC, for its acronym in Spanish), declared by the Governing Council
  of the Regional Government of Andalucía by Decree 43/2012 of 25 September.
- Both as a ZEC and as an ZEPA, and in accordance with Article 3 of the Habitats Directive, Doñana is an integral part of the European Ecological Network Natura 2000.
- The Doñana Natural Area is included by the IUCN on the Green List, in recognition of its conservation achievements. July 2015.



#### 2. FACILITIES AND SERVICES FOR VISITORS.

The network of facilities and services for visitors to the Doñana Natural Area is made up of the following:

#### 2.1 Visitor Centres and Information Points:

All the centres have a reception-information area staffed by a person (guide-informant), as well as other services and facilities (exhibitions, audiovisuals...). The visitor centres are open all year round, except for the week of the Pilgrimage of El Rocío, Christmas and local festivities. Access is free of charge.

# 2.1.1. El Acebuche" Visitors' Centre

It is located in the municipality of Almonte, on the A-483 road (El Rocío-Matalascañas section), kilometre 37.8. From there, continue along an asphalted track for approximaTel.y 2 km until you reach the visitor centre car park.

Opening hours: From 16 September to 31 March: from 8:00h to 15:00h and from 16:00h to 19:00h. April: from 8:00h to 15:00h and from 16:00h to 20:00h. From 1 May to 15 September: from 8:00h to 15:00h and 16:00h to 21:00h. On Sundays from 16 June to 15 September, the visitor centre closes at 15:00.

This centre has the following services and facilities:

- Reception-Information: Tel.:959439629; e-mail: cvacebuche.pndonana.csmaea@juntadeandalucia.es
- Exhibition: It presents the fundamental themes of Doñana: migrations, the importance of water, the vineyard, the ecosystems, ethnographic features of Doñana and ends with a projection that simulates a balloon trip around the Natural Area.
- Audiovisual and conference room: The audiovisual projection presents characters and scenery of Doñana narrated by a singular bird, "Porfirio Calamón".
- Rest room: Here it is possible to enjoy images of Iberian lynxes, transmitted from the Acebuche Captive Breeding Centre in real time.
- Footpath path "Laguna del Acebuche": (1.5 km). It starts in the courtyard of the El Acebuche visitor centre. It allows you to walk through a landscape of Mediterranean scrubland, "los cotos", and to approach several observatories of an ancient lagoon.
- Footpath "Lagunas del Huerto y las Pajas": (3.5 km) It starts on the left side of the Laguna del Acebuche. This trail allows you to walk through the landscape of the reserves and pine groves. It is organised in consecutive circuits that cross the canals by means of footbridges. Several linear branches lead to two observatories.
- "El Acebuche Iberian Lynx Observatory": Access is via the "Huerto y Pajas" pedestrian path. It is an
  interpretative resource for the development of Educational or Interpretation Programmes organised
  by the Park Administration. To visit the Observatory, it is necessary to book a visit by phoning the
  visitor centre.
- The visitor centre is also the location of the company that runs the southern route of the Doñana National Park in off-road vehicles, which passes through different ecosystems of the Doñana National Park (beach, mobile dunes, marshes, marshlands, vineyards, pine forests, reserves, etc.).
- Cafeteria and souvenir shop.
- Recreation Area: It has tables and benches where you can have a picnic without making a fire.

## 2.1.2. "La Rocina" Visitors' Centre

It is located in the municipality of Almonte, next to the village of El Rocío, on the A-483 road, Km 27.5. Opening hours: From 1 February to 31 October: 9:00h-15:00h and 16:00h-19:00h. From 1 November to 31 January: 9:00h-15:00h and 16:00h-18:00h. On Sundays from 16 June to 15 September the centre closes at 15:00h.

This centre offers the following services:

 Reception-Information: Tel.: 677159840; e-mail: cvrocina.pndonana.csmaea@juntadeandalucia.es



- Audiovisual room: Projection on the Rocina stream.
- Exhibition Choza La Rocina: "La Romería del Rocío".
- Pedestrian path "Charco de la Boca": (3.8 km) Along the right bank of the stream of La Rocina with four observatories from where you can observe the aquatic fauna and the landscape.

#### 2.1.3. "Acebrón Palace" Visitors' Centre.

It is located in the municipality of Almonte, next to the village of El Rocío, on the A-483 road, Km 27.5. It can be reached by following a tarmac track for approximaTel.y 6 km, which starts at the Rocina visitor centre.

Opening hours: From 1 February to 31 October: from 9:00h to 15:00h and from 16:00h to 19:00h. From November 1st to January 31st: from 9:00h to 15:00h and from 16:00h to 18:00h. On Sundays from 16 June to 15 September the centre closes at 15:00h.

This centre has the following services and facilities:

- Reception-Information Tel.: 600144625; e-mail:cvacebron.pndonana.csmaea
   @juntadeandalucia.es.
- Ethnographic exhibition on the historical, social and cultural relations between Doñana and its inhabitants.
- Audiovisual room: Audiovisual projection on aspects, characters and legends of Doñana.
- Pedestrian path "Charco del Acebrón" (2.1 km). This path surrounds a natural widening of the Rocina stream. Along the way you can appreciate the botanical diversity of the gallery forest as well as the surrounding pine and cork oak forest.

# 2.1.4. "José Antonio Valverde" Visitors' Centre

This centre is located in the middle of the marshlands, in the municipality of Aznalcázar (Sevilla). Its architectural style is similar to that of the traditional marsh huts. It overlooks a restored pike where a variety of aquatic fauna is concentrated. It can be accessed from the municipalities of Villamanrique de la Condesa, La Puebla del Río and Isla Mayor, located at a distance of about 25 km from these towns, and is reached by unpaved tracks. Any vehicle can be used to travel along these tracks, although their state of conservation varies throughout the year, so it is necessary to obtain information beforehand.

Opening hours: From November to February: from 10am to 6pm. March and October: from 10am to 7pm. From April to September: from 10:00h to 20:00h. From 15 July to 31 August: Sundays closed at 15:00h.

This centre offers the following services:

- Reception-Information. Tel.: 671564145; e-mail: cvjavalverde.pndonana.csmaea@juntadeandalucia.es
- Exhibition: In which special attention is devoted to the marshland ecosystem, its flora, fauna and seasonal changes, as well as the transformations and human uses of the territory.
- Exhibition on the Iberian lynx and the Mediterranean forest. It briefly explains the delicate situation of the most endangered feline on the planet and the efforts for its conservation, inviting you to visit the Iberian Lynx Observatory El Acebuche.
- "Porfirio Calamón" conference and audiovisual projection room.
- Observation points: This centre is equipped with large windows, oriented towards the marsh, which allow you to observe the birdlife that concentrate on the pike. It also has a small pedestrian path that leads to an outdoor observation point.
- Cafeteria and souvenir shop.

## 2.1.5. <u>"Fábrica de Hielo" Visitors' Center</u>

It is located in the fishing district of Bajo de Guía, in the municipality of Sanlúcar de Barrameda (Cádiz). It is a former fishermen's guild and Fábrica de Hielo, now restored as a visitor centre.



Opening hours: From October to March: from 9:00h to 19:00h. From April to September: from 9:00h to 20:00h.

This centre has the following services and facilities:

- Reception-Information: Tel.: 956386577; e-mail: <u>cvfabricahielo.pndonana.csmaea@juntadeandalucia.es</u>
- Exhibition: The first floor presents the natural values of the Doñana Natural Area. The first floor shows the history of Doñana and the lower Guadalquivir, with a chronological trajectory through its history and territory, as well as the uses and products of the lands of Doñana.
- The visitor centre is also the location of the company and booking point for the "river itinerary" on the boat Real Fernando, which runs from Sanlúcar de Barrameda - La Plancha - Salinas de Bonanza and back to Sanlúcar de Barrameda.

# 2.1.6. "Guadiamar" Visitors' Centre.

It is located near the town of Aznalcázar and just a few metres from the banks of the Guadiamar. It is accessed by the old Aznalcázar - Pilas road Km 0.2. This centre is the basic starting point for visiting the Green Corridor and its surroundings. Its privileged location allows you to contemplate, from the heights of the building, the course of the waters and the leafy forest in gallery that houses the river in this section, as well as an ancient Roman bridge, a witness to the historical and cultural importance of the river and its basin.

Opening hours: Thursday to Sunday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and evenings from May to August from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and from September to April from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

This centre has the following services and facilities:

- Reception Information: Tel.: 954497043 /675438975; e-mail: <a href="mailto:cvguadiamar@reservatuvisita.es">cvguadiamar@reservatuvisita.es</a>
- Exhibition: The visitor centre offers extensive information on the significance and evolution of this protected landscape. Following restoration work after the mining accident in 1998, the Guadiamar Green Corridor has created an ecological corridor connecting Sierra Morena and Doñana, allowing the circulation of species between the two.
- Trails: in the surrounding area you can discover the varied landscapes that the Guadiamar river
  encounters on its way: pastures, pine forests, cereal crops and marshes. The vegetation of these
  landscapes can also be contemplated in a more comfortable way, in the nearby botanical
  itinerary and recreational area of Buitrago.
- Cafeteria
- There is also the possibility of carrying out active tourism activities with a private company.

# 2.2 Temporary information points:

There are information points that operate in spring and summer, linked to other facilities such as trails and car parks. They are located on the coastal strip of the Doñana Natural Park, on the A-494 road, between Matalascañas and Mazagón.

- 2.2.1. "Cuesta Maneli": It is located on the A494 road Km 40.2. It is located next to the Cuesta Maneli footpath. It has a car park (payable during the summer season).
- 2.2.2. "Pico del Loro": It is located on the A494 road, Km 35.7, next to the Doñana Campsite. It has access to the Pico del Loro beach.
- 2.2.3. "Arenosillo": it is located on the A-494 road linking Matalascañas with Mazagón, at kilometre point 32.6. It is open during the summer season. Next to this information point there is a wooden walkway leading to the beach, and a car park (payable during the summer season).

# 2.3 Network of signposted footpaths and observatories:

In addition to the pedestrian trails already described next to the visitor centres, you can enjoy



the following trails, which offer the possibility of discovering the singularities of Doñana by approaching its diverse landscapes. They are free and open access and have thematic signposting and information in leaflets, which can be downloaded from the Visitor's Window website: www.ventanadelvisitante.es

- 2.3.1. "Dunar" footpath. (1212m) It is located in the mobile dune ecosystem of the Doñana National Park, where the Matalascañas development ends (end of the northern road). This is a circular, low-difficulty trail. It starts next to the National Park beach access control hut. On this trail you can enjoy excellent views of the beach and the dune ecosystem. It crosses the first embryonic dunes and the dune front, approaching the first corral, where you can see the grove of stone pines and the vegetation typical of this ecosystem.
- 2.3.2. "Ribetehilos" footpath. (2.4 km) It is located about 19 km from Almonte. It is accessed by the forest track in the direction of Abalario (an old forest settlement that no longer exists), from the A-494 road that links Matalascañas with Mazagón or from the forest track from Almonte to Cabezudos. It is a circular route of low difficulty. It runs through an area of great ecological interest, which is home to a row of lagoons with typical riverside vegetation and an area of peat bogs. Observing the different landscapes, you can also see the different human uses that have transformed this environment over time.
- 2.3.3. "Cuesta Maneli" footpath. (1.3 km) It is located on the A-494 road, which connects Matalascañas with Mazagón, at kilometre point 40.2. It offers spectacular views of the complex of fossil dunes in the Acantilado del Asperillo Natural Monument (112m. above sea level), constituting the highest natural viewpoint in Doñana.
- 2.3.4. "Laguna del Jaral" footpath. (5.2 km). It is also located on the A-494 road, at kilometre 46. Its circular route is particularly attractive for its views, both towards the Atlantic Ocean and the green pine forests of the Abalario. It is of medium difficulty, with several steep sections.
- 2.3.5. "Cerro del Águila" footpath. (4352m) About 10 km from the town of Sanlúcar de Barrameda, along the access road to the agricultural colony of La Algaida. The path starts next to the Tarelo Lagoon observatory. This sublittoral pine forest was formed after the reforestation of a dune system, which has now stabilised, and in which there is an undergrowth of junipers, mastic trees and Mediterranean scrub.
- 2.3.6. "Poblado de la Plancha" footpath. (1Km.) It is located in the south of the Doñana National Park, next to the final stretch of the Guadalquivir River. It offers the opportunity to visit different huts, which show the lifestyle and traditional uses in this territory. The path runs alongside the river, along a boardwalk that allows you to visit several very representative landscapes of Doñana, such as the Pinar del Faro and Los Llanos de Velázquez. At the end of the path and on the edge of the Llanos there is an observatory, from where you can see the characteristic fauna of this landscape: deer, fallow deer, wild boar and some species of birds of prey.
  - This route is only possible through the organised visits that take place in this area. As these itineraries have a limited number of places, it is advisable to book a place with one of the two companies that manage the itineraries: "Itinerario Sur Acebuche La Plancha Acebuche" by 4x4, or the "Itinerario fluvial en barco Sanlúcar de Barrameda Salinas La Plancha Sanlúcar".
- 2.3.7. "Arboreto del Villar" footpath. (5.6Km.) It can be accessed from the town of Bonares, taking the exit towards San Juan del Puerto on the A-5001 until it joins the A-486. Here turn off in the direction of Rociana del Condado and after a few metres take the tarmac road to the right, in the direction of Mazagón (formerly known as Camino de los Playeros). About 8.5 km from the junction, on the right



is the entrance to the parking area where you can leave your vehicle and start the pedestrian route.

The itinerary is of low difficulty and universal accessibility. The Arboretum of El Villar is an area of about 75 hectares that in the 40s, 50s and 60s of the last century housed different species of the eucalyptus genus, as test plots, to test their potential use in the reforestation programmes of that time.

#### 2.4 Cycle touring lanes:

There are three cycle lanes available to the public that run through different areas of the Doñana Natural Park.

- 2.4.1. "El Asperillo": (24,519 m) This is a linear route of low difficulty. It runs parallel to the A-494 Huelva-Matalascañas road, between the Loro crossroads (kilometre point 35.7) and Matalascañas. You can enjoy the pine forests and the vegetation that covers the fossil dunes of Asperillo. Along the route are the accesses to the "Laguna del Jaral" and "Cuesta Maneli" paths, to the Doñana and Pico del Loro campsites, and to the "Mazagón" recreational area.
- 2.4.2. <u>"El Arrayán</u>": (5.635 Km.) This track links the municipality of Hinojos (Huelva) with the area of the Natural Park where the Arrayán Campsite is located via a 1.8m. wide track that runs through pine woods.
- 2.4.3. "Pinar de la Algaida": (7032m) The route starts at the entrance to the Pinar de La Algaida, in Sanlúcar de Barrameda (Cádiz) and forks into two branches which then meet again. The main track runs parallel to the path that crosses the mountain, continuing to the Hermitage of Nuestra Señora María de La Algaida.

#### 2.5 Recreational Areas:

An open-air space where various recreational, leisure and leisure activities can be carried out during a day. It may include facilities such as water supply, toilets, cleaning and waste collection, tables, benches and barbecues, vehicle parking and other services. It is important to remember that the use of fire in these areas is not permitted during fire risk periods, which are set each year by the regulations. There are four recreational areas with different services:

- 2.5.1. <u>"El Acebuche"</u> It is located next to the CV El Acebuche. This area has tables, benches, toilets, etc. It does not have barbecues and it is not allowed to make fires at any time of the year.
- 2.5.2. "Mazagón" It is accessed by the A-494 road between Matalascañas and Mazagón (Huelva). Located next to the Pino Centenario del Parador de Mazagón Natural Monument and the Acantilado del Asperillo Natural Monument. It has access to the beach, car parks, tables, benches, barbecues, and a seasonal kiosk-bar.
- 2.5.3. "Pinar de la Algaida": Located in the Pinar de la Algaida, Sanlúcar de Barrameda (Cádiz). It is accessed by the secondary path where the main lane of the "Pinar de la Algaida" cycle path forks. It has tables, benches, and barbecues.
- 2.5.4. "La Ermita": It is also located in the Pinar de la Algaida, in Sanlúcar de Barrameda, at the end of the main lane that crosses the mountain, next to the Nuestra Señora de la Algaida hermitage. This recreational area has tables, benches, and barbecues.



#### 2.6 Guided Routes:

These are services developed by local companies, which allow you to have first-hand contact with Doñana through the specialised support of nature guides. There are equestrian, all-terrain, river, cycling and hiking routes, etc. with a variety of routes, activities, and prices.

At present, the Doñana Natural Area offers the possibility of enjoying various guided itineraries. Although their control and monitoring are the responsibility of the Administration of the Natural Area, they are carried out by concessionary or authorised companies that offer visitors both the experience and the knowledge of their specialised nature guides. To access them it is advisable to book in advance as the number of places is limited.



Nam	ne Itinerary	Route	Type
Itine	eraries under administrative co	oncession	
N°. 1	"Itinerario Sur: Acebuche - La Plancha - Acebuche"	Itinerary from CV Acebuche - access control to the National Park from Matalascañas - beach - dunes - Torre Carbonero lane - Vetalengua - Marismillas - La Plancha - Beach - Acebuche.	Off-road vehicle
N°.2	"Itinerario fluvial: Sanlúcar de Barrameda – salinas de Bonanza -La Plancha – Sanlúcar"	It starts in Sanlúcar de Barrameda and runs along the Guadalquivir River to the Salinas de Bonanza - disembarkation at La Plancha (P. Nacional) - return to Sanlúcar de Barrameda.	Ship
Authori	ised routes		
N°. 3	"El Rocío - CV JA Valverde - El Rocío".	Itinerary that runs from El Rocío - section of Raya Real - Cañada Mayor through Cancela del Vicioso (P. Nacional) - Muro de la Confederación - CV JA Valverde - return along the same route to the starting point. It crosses several different ecosystems: reserves, marshes.	Off-road vehicle
N°. 4	"Villamanrique - Raya Real - El Rocío"	Itinerary along the "Vereda Camino de Sevilla y Rocío" (Raya Real), which can start in Villamanrique or in the village of El Rocío. It follows part of the traditional paths of the Rocío Brotherhoods in the province of Sevilla.	Equestrian, horse-drawn carriage, and off-road vehicle
N°. 5	"Raya Real – Raya Los Vázquez"	El Rocío - "Vereda Camino de Sevilla y Rocío" (Raya Real) - Palacio del Rey - Raya de los Vázquez - Villamanrique de la Condesa.	Equestrian
√°. 6	"Marisma y Lomo del Grullo".	El Rocío - section of Raya Real to the Coto del Rey estate - passable paths of the Lomo Grullo estate - Rincón del Pescador (possibility of linking with route no. 3).	Off-road vehicle
N°. 7	"Camino de Moguer"	El Rocío - Camino de Moguer - Gato and return along the same route to El Rocío. It enters the protected area of the Arroyo de la Rocina through cork oak groves, pine forests and riverside woods, using one of the traditional paths of the Huelva brotherhoods of El Rocina.	Equestrian Horse-drawn carriage and Of road vehicle
۷°. 8	"Camino de Hinojos y Camino de los Playeros"	Itinerary that runs along the Camino del Rocío de la Hermandad de Hinojos, alternating with the Camino de los Playeros and linking up with the stretch of Raya Real that leads to El Rocío. It can start in Hinojos or in the village of El Rocío.	Equestrian Horse-drawn carriage and Of road vehicle



Name I	tinerary	Route	Type
N°. 9	"Camino de Hinojos"	El Arrayán - Camino de Hinojos - Cabezarrasa house - Raya Real-El Rocío.	Equestrian Horse- drawn carriage
N°. 10	"Los Centenales"	CV Los Centenales - El Arrayán - Coto del Rey - CV J.A, Valverde - Los Centenales.	Off-road vehicle
N°. 11	"Dehesa de Abajo – C.V. J.A. Valverde"	Dehesa de Abajo - Marismas de Isla Mayor - C.V. J.A. Valverde - Caño del Guadiamar - Dehesa de Abajo.	Off-road vehicle
N°. 12	"C.V. Acebuche - El Asperillo - La Rocina - C.V. Acebuche"	V.C. Acebuche - Asperillo - Abalario - La Rocina - V.C. El Acebuche.	Off-road vehicle
N°. 13	"El Loro – Abalario Acebuche"	Track starting in front of the access at Torre del Loro - Carril de los Americanos - Lagunas de las Casillas - Laguna del Cojuelo - Abalario - Pista de la Mediana al Alamillo - Pista Torreta de Abalario - Laguna de la Res - Cruce del Pepino - Carril vivero Mata Juan de Dios to Abalario.	Off-road vehicle
N°. 14	"Asperillo"	Dunar Park - track bordering the Natural Park - Asperillo - Beach - Asperillo - Dunar Park.	Equestrian
N°. 15	"El Loro- vivero Mata Juan de Dios"	Doñana campsite - Abalario vivero Mata Juan de Dios track. - Track that passes through the Cruce del Pepino-road A- 494- Vía pecuaria Vereda del Loro until reaching the starting point.	Equestrian
N°.16	"Los Poblados Forestales."	Forest tracks linking the old forest settlements: El Villar, Cabezudos, Bodegones, Abalario, Acebuche	Off-road vehicle
N°. 17	"Arroyo El Loro- Poblado Forestal Mazagón"	El Loro crossroads (Doñana campsite) - path parallel to the cycle lane in the direction of Mazagón - right bank of the Caldera stream - path along the edge of the Asperillo cliff - return to the starting point (path parallel to the cycle lane).	Equestrian
N°.18	"Arroyo El Loro – Arroyo de la Caldera"	El Loro crossroads (Doñana campsite) - access track to the Guardia Civil barracks up to the edge of the Asperillo cliff - path next to the La Caldera stream - path that follows the Camino Verde until reaching the starting point.	Equestrian
N°. 19	"Pinares de La Algaida"	Algaida Observatory - Pinar de la Algaida service lane - central lane - recreational area and return.	Equestrian Horse- drawn carriage and off-road vehicle



Name I	tinerary	Route	Туре
N°. 20	"Salinas de Bonanza"	This path runs from the San Carlos salt flats, passing through the Santa Teresa and Monte Algaida salt flats until it reaches the Caño de Martín Ruiz, continuing along the road of los prácticos and the central lane of El Pinar until it ends at the Tarelo lagoon.	Equestrian and horse-drawn carriage
N°. 21	"Sanlúcar de Barrameda - La Plancha - Sanlúcar de Barrameda"	Sanlúcar de Barrameda, river trip along the Guadalquivir River to the Salinas de Bonanza in the Doñana Natural Park and back to Sanlúcar de Barrameda.	Ship
N°. 22	Equipamientos de Uso Público	Footpaths, Observatories, Cycle paths in the Doñana Natural Area	Hiking and biking



# Companies certified with the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism that carry out the itineraries indicated in the table above:



- The off-road vehicle itinerary n° 1 "Acebuche La Plancha Acebuche" is carried out under administrative concession by the company Marismas del Rocío Sociedad Cooperativa Andaluza. It is located in the El Acebuche Visitor Centre, P.N Doñana Carretera A-483 El Rocío-Matalascañas Km. 37,5. Almonte (Huelva). Telephone and fax: 959430432 and 959430451. Website: <a href="www.donanavisitas.com">www.donanavisitas.com</a>. The route lasts approximaTel.y 4 hours and covers approximaTel.y 70 km, taking in the most characteristic ecosystems of the National Park: beach, dunes and corrals, marshes, pine forests and vera. It is also possible to link up with the river route "Sanlúcar Guadalquivir La Plancha Salinas de Doñana". <a href="Summer timetable">Summer timetable</a>: from 1 May to 14 September: Morning departure: 8:30h. Afternoon departure: 17:00h. Winter: from 15 September to 30 April. Morning departure: 8:30h. Afternoon departure: 15:00h. Rest day: June to September: Sunday. October to May: Monday.
- The river route by boat no. 2 "Sanlúcar de Barrameda Salinas La Plancha Sanlúcar" is operated under an administrative concession by the company Cristóbal Anillo López. Buque Real Fernando. Avda. Bajo de Guía s/n 11540 Sanlúcar de Barrameda (Cádiz). Tel.: 956363813. Fax: 956362196. Web: <a href="www.visitasdonana.com">www.visitasdonana.com</a>. The tour lasts just over 3 hours and takes place on board the ship "Real Fernando", equipped with a video room with simultaneous translation, exhibition, bar on deck and a small souvenir shop. Access the National Park at the Poblado de la Plancha and the Natural Park at the Salinas de Bonanza. There is also an alternative itinerary that links the river itinerary with the off-road vehicle itinerary "Acebuche-La Plancha-Acebuche" <a href="Timetables">Timetables</a>: From November to February. Single departure: 10:00h. From March to May and October: Morning departure: 10:00h. Afternoon departure: 16:00h. From June to September: Morning departure: 10:00h. Afternoon departure: 17:00h. Sundays and Monday mornings off. From 20 December to the end of January the service is interrupted for maintenance and inspection of the vessel. This company also operates under authorisation No. 21, the "Sanlúcar-Guadalquivir Doñana" river route, with stops exclusively in the area of the Natural Park, on the left bank of the Guadalquivir River.
- The itinerary in all-terrain vehicles no 3 "El Rocío C.V. J.A. Valverde El Rocío and vice versa" runs along the Raya Real, Cañada Mayor, Muro de la Confederación, C.V. J.A. Valverde, the northern marshland area and back along the same route. In addition, this itinerary has the possibility of including the following complementary sections: Raya Blanca and Cancela Vicioso-Raya Real to Palacio del Rey and Raya de los Vázquez. The itinerary is carried out under a transitory authorisation system, as it is planned to be carried out under an administrative concession system. The number of places and vehicles is limited. The two companies in charge of carrying it out are Doñana Reservas y Visitas S.L. and Doñana Nature S.L.
- Doñana Reservas y Visitas S.L., Avenida de la Canaliega s/n 21750 El Rocío, Almonte (Huelva).
  Tel.: 959442474. Web page: <a href="www.donanareservas.com">www.donanareservas.com</a>. This company offers other authorised routes in off-road vehicles along different itineraries in the Doñana Natural Area: Nos. 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 13, 16, 19 and 20. The departure points, the type of routes and their duration are very varied, so it is advisable to contact the company directly to request information.
- Doñana Nature S.L., C/Moguer 10, 21750 El Rocío, Almonte (Huelva). Tel.: 959442160 Website: <u>www.donana-nature.com</u>. It carries out routes in all-terrain vehicles and hiking on itineraries N0.3,4,6,7 and 15. The departure points, the type of routes and their duration are very varied, so



- it is advisable to contact the company directly to request information.
- Other route companies that have the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism are:
   Alaconde López S.L. "Viturevent Ardea Purpurea" C/ Concejo, 20. 41850 Villamanrique de la
   Condesa (Sevilla). Tel.: 955755479. Web: <a href="www.ardeapurpurea.com">www.ardeapurpurea.com</a>. They carry out routes in offroad vehicles and horse- drawn carriages along the itineraries N° 4,5,7 and 8.

Platalea SCA. C/ Rico, N0.9, 21003 Huelva. Tel.: 959260708 Website: <a href="www.platalea.com">www.platalea.com</a> It carries out environmental education activities, heritage interpretation, hiking, routes in motor vehicles, etc. along the paths and facilities for public use in the Doñana Natural Area.

# Other CETS-certified companies involved in the development of educational activities and other accommodation and hospitality services:



- Camping La Aldea. Carretera de El Rocío, km. 25, 21750 El Rocío, Almonte (Huelva). Tel.
   959442677. Web page: <a href="https://www.campinglaaldea.com">www.campinglaaldea.com</a>.
- Gran HoTel. del Coto. Sector Dunas 2ª Fase. 21760 Matalascañas, Almonte (Huelva) Tel.: 959440017. Web page: <a href="https://www.granhoTel.delcoto.com">www.granhoTel.delcoto.com</a>
- Hacienda Olontigi. C/ Ventorro, 23, 41849 Aznalcázar (Sevilla). Tel. 955751976. Web page: <a href="https://www.hacienda-olontigi.com">www.hacienda-olontigi.com</a>
- Camping Dehesa Nueva. Ctra. Aznalcázar-Isla Mayor, Km. 3,200, 41849 Aznalcázar, Sevilla Tel.
   959750981. Web page: www.campingdehesanueva.es
- Parador de Mazagón. Carretera San Juan del Puerto-Matalascañas km 31, 21130 Mazagón, (Huelva) Tel. 959536300. Web page: <a href="https://www.parador.es">www.parador.es</a>

## Other tourism companies authorised to carry out itineraries in the Doñana Natural Area:

- Alaventura S.L. Tel.: 954331775. Website: <a href="www.alaventura.com">www.alaventura.com</a>. It organises hiking, cycling and off-road vehicle routes along Itineraries 4, 13 and 16 and public facilities in the Doñana Natural Area.
- Andalucía Nature Trips, offers hiking routes along itinerary no. 22 and routes in all-terrain vehicles on END free access trails. <a href="https://andalucianaturetrips.com/">https://andalucianaturetrips.com/</a> Tel.: 654 86 52 25
- Arte Andaluz S.L. Tel.: 626022055. Web page: <u>www.arteandaluz.es</u>. It organises equestrian routes and horse- drawn carriage rides along the itineraries n° 7, 15, 16, 17 and 18.
- Ciconia Consultores Ambientales S.L. carries out hiking and environmental education routes along the itinerary NO. 22: <a href="https://ciconia.es/">https://ciconia.es/</a>
- Club Hípico El Pasodoble Tel.: 959448241. Website: <u>www.donana-rutas-caballo.com</u>. It carries out equestrian routes along the itinerary N° 14.
- Danat Turismo y Ocio S:L. C/ Historiador Velázquez GazTel.u, 4, block 2 door, 11540 Sanlúcar de Barrameda, (Cádiz). Tel.: 627313018. Web page: <a href="www.danat.es">www.danat.es</a> It offers hiking routes, cycle touring in Pinar de La Algaida, equestrian and all-terrain routes along routes 19 and 20.
- Dehesa Boyal Tel. 665972577. Website: <a href="www.dehesaboyalvillamanrique.com">www.dehesaboyalvillamanrique.com</a> It offers hiking, cycle touring, equestrian and motor vehicle routes along routes 4 and 9 and the La Juncosilla estate.
- Dehesa de Gatos S.A. Tel.: 34 854 708 165 Website: <a href="www.dehesadegatophotohides.es.">www.dehesadegatophotohides.es.</a> It organises environmental visits in all-terrain vehicles, hiking, ornithology, photographic tours, agrotourism, industrial tourism, visits to the livestock cabins and visits on horseback and in horse-drawn carriages around the Dehesa de Gatos estate.
- Doñana Activa S.L. Tel.: 659766699//665374448. Website: www.donana-activa.com. It organises



- routes in all-terrain vehicles along itinerary no. 19. Canoeing activities, hiking along the "Cerro del Águila" path and bicycle routes through La Algaida.
- Doñanaaventura- Aracena S.L. <a href="http://www.donana-aracena-aventura.com/">http://www.donana-aracena-aventura.com/</a>. It carries out hiking and environmental education routes along itinerary no. 22.
- DoñaBike (Biortimo S.L.). Tel.: 688971996. Web page: <a href="https://donanaensevilla.com/">https://donanaensevilla.com/</a>. Guided routes on electric bicycles.
- Doñana Dressage. Tel.: 34666412345 Website: <a href="https://donanadressage.es/es/">https://donanadressage.es/es/</a>. Routes on horseback, in horse- drawn carriages, hiking and cycle touring.
- Doñana Formativa S.L. Tel.: 674219568. Website: <a href="www.donanaacaballo.es">www.donanaacaballo.es</a>. It offers horseback riding, horse- drawn carriage and hiking routes on itineraries 4, 7 and 8.
- Doñana Horse Adventure Tel.: 626784628. Webpage: <a href="mailto:info@donanahorseadventre.com">info@donanahorseadventre.com</a>. Organises horseback rides for small groups (max. 5 people) along itinerary no. 9.
- Doñana Wings. It runs hiking and environmental education routes along itinerary no. 22. <a href="https://www.donanawings.com/es/">https://www.donanawings.com/es/</a>.
- Elena Comasni. She runs hiking routes along itinerary no. 22 and astronomy workshops at the CV Dehesa de Abajo. <a href="https://www.experienciaspositivas.es/quienes-somos/">https://www.experienciaspositivas.es/quienes-somos/</a>
- Equiberia S.L: Tel.: 689343974. Web page: <u>www.equiberia-andalucia.com</u> It carries out equestrian routes in the Itineraries no 7,4,9,13,15,17 and 18.
- Faro del Sur Viajes y Aventuras S.L. Tel.: 959344490. Website: <a href="www.farodelsur.com">www.farodelsur.com</a>. It carries out hiking and flora and fauna observation activities in the public facilities of the Natural Area and along itineraries no. 4 and 8, and cycle touring in the public facilities specifically designed for this activity.
- Generando Emociones. It offers hiking routes, fauna, flora and landscape observation, astronomy, photography and cycle touring. <a href="https://www.generandoemociones.es/">https://www.generandoemociones.es/</a>
- Hato Sur S.L. Kukutana. Horseback riding, horse-drawn carriages and hiking along routes no. 4, no. 5 and no. 7.
- Lagartur S.L. Tel.: 654395301 Carriage and equestrian routes along Itineraries 4, 7 and 8.
- Living Doñana Tel.: 661898821. Website: <a href="www.turismodeobservacion.com/empresa/living-donana/114/">www.turismodeobservacion.com/empresa/living-donana/114/</a> It offers hiking activities, routes in motor vehicles and observation of fauna and flora along itinerary no. 11, the public paths in the northern area of the Natural Area (Entremuros, Vado de D. Simón) and the J.A. Valverde Visitor Centre.
- Marina Propiedades. Carriage rides along itineraries no. 4 and no. 7.
- Naturanda Turismo Ambiental S.L. Tel.: 699516234. Web page: <a href="www.naturanda.com">www.naturanda.com</a> It carries out hiking activities along the itineraries no 4, 7 and public use facilities of the END. Cycle touring in the northern area of the Natural Park and off-road routes along routes 4, 7, 8, 10 and 12.
- Ojos de Doñana: Website <a href="https://www.ojosdedonana.es">https://www.ojosdedonana.es</a> Guided tours of nature routes and non- professional photography, focused on the observation of flora, fauna, flora and landscapes.
- Paraíso de Doñana (suministros y Desrrollos Tecnológicos .L.) el.: 954491504. Website:
   www.paraisodedonana.es. Carriage, equestrian and trekking routes along itineraries 4, 8 and 7.
- Pasión por El Rocío (CAFUVAL): routes in horse-drawn carriages and vintage horse-drawn carriages, along itinerary N°8.
- Paseos Marismeños S.C., carries out equestrian and horse-drawn carriage routes along itineraries no. 4 and 7.
- Pinos de Hinojos, S.L. Tel.: 959459500. Web: <u>www.casaslospinos.es.</u> Carriage rides and trekking on routes 4, 9 and 10.
- Rocío Filigrana, carries out equestrian routes along itineraries no. 4 and no. 9.
- Rutas Doñana. Tel.: 654742743. Email: info@rutasdonana.com. Horse and carriage rides along routes no. 4 and no. 7.
- Rutas Ecuestres Doñana. Tel.: 687572850/695527790. Web page: <a href="https://www.donana-rutas-">https://www.donana-rutas-</a>



- caballo.com/. It runs equestrian routes along itineraries no. 4, 9 and 7.
- Sandra Escobar Vizuete. Guided tours in motor vehicles along itinerary no. 11.
- Suoreste Deporte y Naturaleza S.L. Tel.: 630640210. Website:
   <a href="http://www.suroeste.org/index.html">http://www.suroeste.org/index.html</a>. It carries out hiking routes, environmental education activities, fauna and flora observation and cycling tourism activities in the Natural Area's designated areas.

#### Other itineraries

In addition to the trails and itineraries described above, it is possible to carry out activities for public use and nature tourism in other areas of the Doñana Natural Area. In the Natural Park there are numerous paths and trails that can be used freely by individuals or by requesting the appropriate authorisations for those activities of public use and nature tourism.

professional character. In any case, it is advisable to find out in advance about the necessary requirements and the state of the paths and tracks that can be walked on at the visitor centres and information points of the Natural Area.

#### 3. ACCESS

#### 3.1. By car

- By A-49 Sevilla Huelva motorway.
  - Exit 16: Benacazón/Sanlúcar la Mayor. Take the A-473 road towards Benacazón and Aznalcázar, to reach the "Guadiamar" visitor centre.
  - Exit 28: Pilas/Carrión de los Céspedes. Take the A-8061 towards Pilas and the A-8060 towards Villamanrique de la Condesa and Isla Mayor. About 25 km from these villages and along unpaved tracks you reach the "José Antonio Valverde" Visitor Centre.
  - Exit 34: Hinojos/Chucena. Road A-481 to Hinojos, to access the cycle lane "El Arrayán". Exit 48: Bollullos Par del Condado/ La Palma. Towards Bollullos Par del Condado. Take the A-483 road towards Almonte- El Rocío and Matalascañas, to access the visitor centres "La Rocina", "Palacio del Acebrón" and "El Acebuche" and the "Sendero "Dunar".
- Take the A-8058 Sevilla La Puebla road and the A-8050 road to Isla Mayor. About 25 km from these villages and along unpaved tracks you reach the visitor centre "José Antonio Valverde".
- The A-494 Huelva Matalascañas road leads to the "El Asperillo" cycle path and the "Cuesta Maneli" information point and the "Laguna del Jaral" and "Ribetehilos" trails. There is also access to the seasonal information point "El Arenosillo", as well as to its car park and access to the "Cuesta Maneli" trail. Next to the Doñana Campsite is the access to the "Pico del Loro" beach.
- By A-4/E-5 Sevilla Cadiz motorway.
   Exit 78: Jerez de la Frontera. Connection by N-IV road with A-480 to Sanlúcar de Barrameda.
   Access to the visitor centre "Fábrica de Hielo", the "Cerro del Águila" path, the "Pinar de La Algaida" cycle path and the recreational areas of La Ermita and La Algaida.
   Also by the N-IV Sevilla Cádiz road to Lebrija and the A-471 road to Sanlúcar de Barrameda.

# 3.2. By Public Transport: Bus.

The service offered by the bus company Damas S.A. <a href="http://www.damas-sa.es/index.php/rutas-y-horarios/">http://www.damas-sa.es/index.php/rutas-y-horarios/</a> (Tel.: 954908040/954908280 Sevilla and 959256900 Huelva) facilitates access to the vicinity of the facilities from Sevilla, Huelva and their municipalities.

The companies La Valenciana (Tel. 956360191) and Los Amarillos (Tel. 956360466), provide access to the facilities and areas of the Natural Area in the province of Cadiz.



#### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE VISIT.

Each season provides a different view of Doñana and, although they are all important and offer different attractions, the autumn-winter season is the best time to visit the Natural Area. During this season there are fewer visitors and the temperatures are usually very pleasant. Enjoying the sight of wintering birds is one of the great pleasures of Doñana, and it is advisable to bring comfortable clothing and binoculars (some concessionary companies rent them for the visit). It is advisable to request information in advance at the visitor centres.

Visiting the Doñana Natural Area with pets is not recommended as it may disturb the wildlife in this protected area and its enjoyment.

#### 4.1. Accessibility in the Doñana Natural Area

All visitor centres in the Doñana Natural Area are in the process of eliminating architectural barriers. Almost all the pedestrian paths are laid out on wooden platforms and have adaptations in the observatories for the use of wheelchairs. In any case, it is advisable to request specialised information beforehand. In addition, some of the visitor centres have a collection of leaflets and maps of the National Park translated into Braille by the ONCE (Spanish Organisation for the Blind).

#### 5. PUBLICATIONS

There is a wide range of informative material on the Doñana Natural Area available to the public, including information sheets and free brochures on general information and visitor facilities. PDF versions of many of these publications can be downloaded from the Visitor's Window website: <a href="https://www.ventanadelvisitante.es">www.ventanadelvisitante.es</a>

# 6. ADDRESSES OF INTEREST

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Website: <a href="https://www.juntadeandalucia.es/medioambiente/portal/home">https://www.juntadeandalucia.es/medioambiente/portal/home</a>

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