













Guide to the  
**Laguna de Zóñar  
Visitor Centre**



## Map of the Reserve



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|   | Visitor Centre                             |    | Roads         |
|  | Parking                                    |  | Footpaths     |
|  | Scientific observatory (restricted access) |  | Tracks        |
|  | Public observatory                         |  | Stream        |
|  | Footpath                                   |  | Railway line  |
|  | Recreational area                          |  | Drovers' road |

### Remember:



Accessible



Please be quiet



Follow the directions on the signposted footpaths



No littering. Use the containers



Respect goods and private property



The capture of animals is not allowed



Picking plants is not allowed



No fishing



No fires

## Presentation.

The Laguna de Zóñar Visitor Centre is located in the south of the province of Cordoba, just 4 kilometres from Aguilar de la Frontera.

Laguna de Zóñar and five other lakes were declared a Protected Nature Reserve on 25 October 1984, and together they make up the South Cordoba Wetlands Nature Reserves.

They are an oasis for innumerable bird species and the lake is a symbol of the recuperation of the White-Headed Duck.



The Reserve covers 66 hectares and among its highlights is the Visitor Centre, from where you can enjoy panoramic views of the lake.

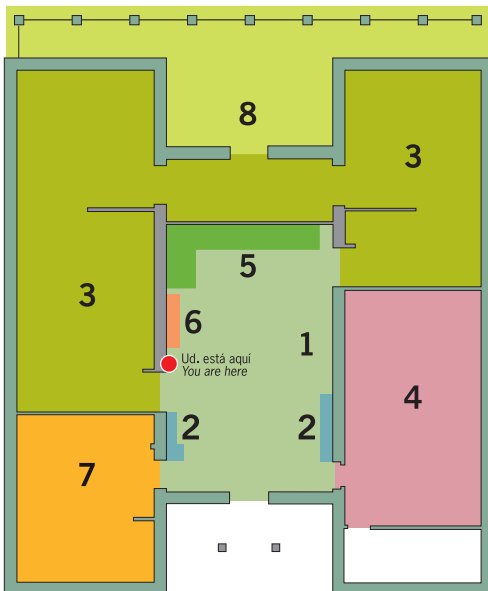
The Reserve also has one public and one scientific observatory, a recreational area and two signposted footpaths for visitors to enjoy, with all five senses, everything this protected natural space has to offer.



## The Visitor Centre...

The Laguna de Zóñar Visitor Centre is located 3 kilometres from Aguilar de la Frontera. Follow the A-304 and take the Laguna de Zóñar turning, which connects with a tarmacked side road that leads straight to the Centre. The Centre belongs to the Regional Ministry of the Environment and is part of the public facilities of the Network of Protected Natural Spaces in Andalusia (RENPA, in Spanish).

Its purpose is to explain the Laguna de Zóñar Nature Reserve to the public and highlight its importance to birdlife in the South Cordoba lagoons.



1	Recepción / Reception
2	Zona RENPA / RENPA Area
3	Exposición / Exhibition
4	Audiovisual
5	Tienda de la Reserva Natural Natural Reserve Shop
6	<a href="http://www.renpanet.es">renpanet</a>
7	Aseos / Toilet
8	Terraza Mirador / Viewpoint

## ...and its layout.

The 240-square-metre Visitor Centre consists of the following areas:

Reception: where we attend to the public. Here, visitors can find information about the different facilities in the South Cordoba Lakes Nature Reserve and, specifically, Laguna de Zóñar.

Shop: offering different products and souvenirs.

RENPA net Room: where there is access to the different consultation tools of the Regional Ministry of the Environment.

RENPA Area: an interactive information point to learn about the Network of Protected Natural Spaces in Andalusia.

Exhibition Room: equipped with different exhibition technologies, including dioramas, interactive games and a virtual environment to stimulate the senses, which invite us to learn more about everything related to the Laguna de Zóñar; how it functions, its varied fauna and flora and its landscapes.

Multi-Purpose Room: where visitors can enjoy an audiovisual stroll through the South Cordoba Wetlands. The room is also designed as a venue for temporary exhibitions, talks and lectures.

There is also a Rest Area in the access porch of the Centre.



## A first look at the lagoon.

In this first room, visitors have their first contact with the Laguna de Zóñar.

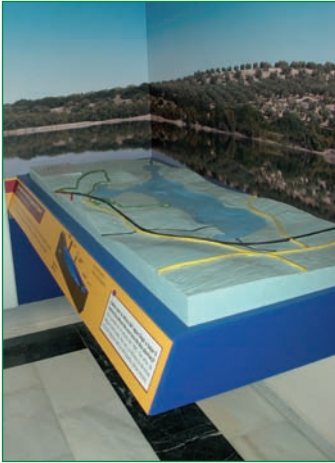
Different exhibition methods, some of them interactive, offer an overview of the importance of the lake.

The lake is unique in all Andalusia and, in this room, visitors will discover some of the peculiarities of Zóñar.



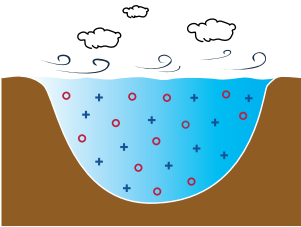
Let the diorama and the virtual environment, captivate you with the aromas, the shapes and the whispering voice of the lagoon, and much, much more.





## The Lake.

In this second room, visitors learn how the waters of the lake behave in different ways at different times of the year. Using an interactive light module, you can feel the shape of the lake bed with your own hands and find out more about the flora in and around the lagoon.

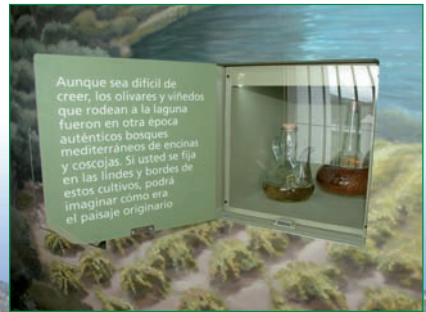




## The Lake: Past, Present and Future

The passage leading to the third room offers visitors a timeline of the lagoon. A 6-metre panel displays a summary of the past, present and future of Zóñar. The doors offer further information about the different elements highlighted.

To the right, there is access to a viewpoint on a balcony offering delightful views of the Nature Reserve. Breathe in deep and feel yourself part of the scenery!



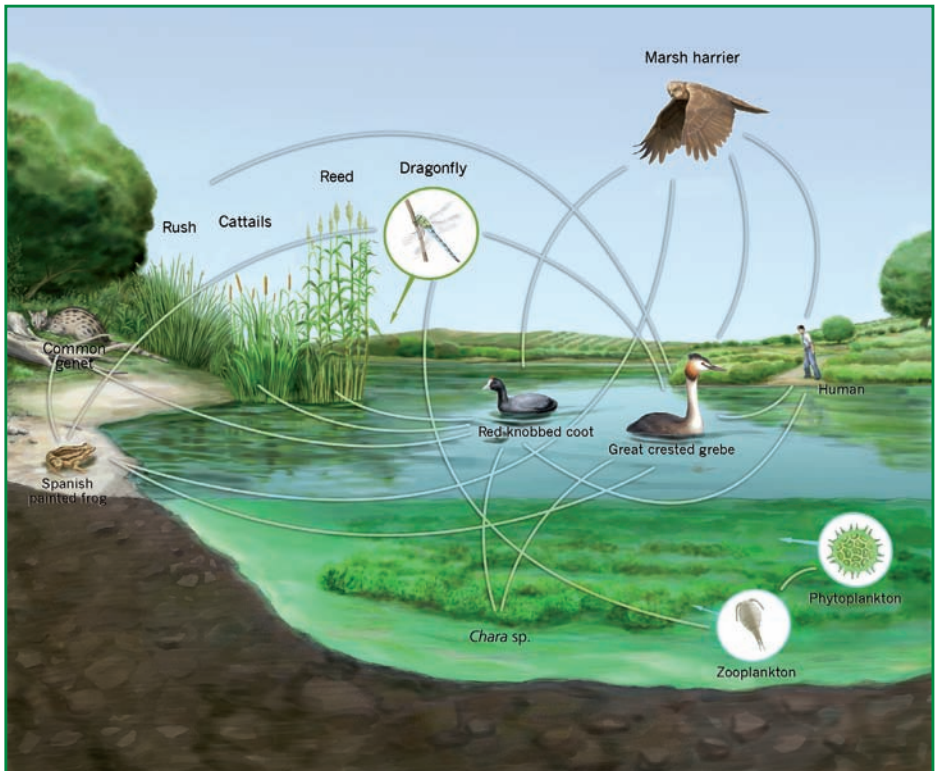


## Home to many, not to all.



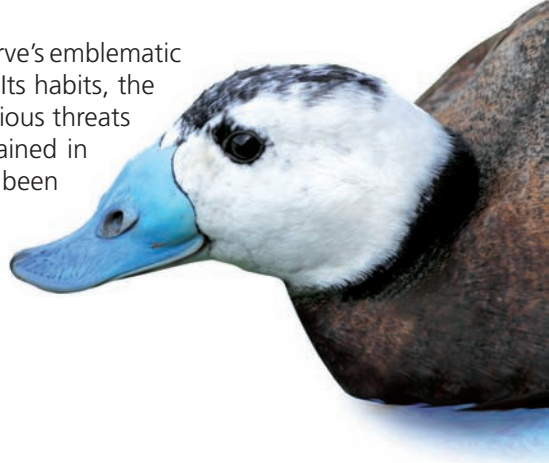
This third room studies the fauna of the lake. Although the importance of Zóñar to birdlife is obviously predominant, visitors can also learn about other animals which live here, about the relationships between them and how human activity has affected the survival of others.

Visitors can also hear the songs and the calls of the different bird species to be seen on the lagoon.

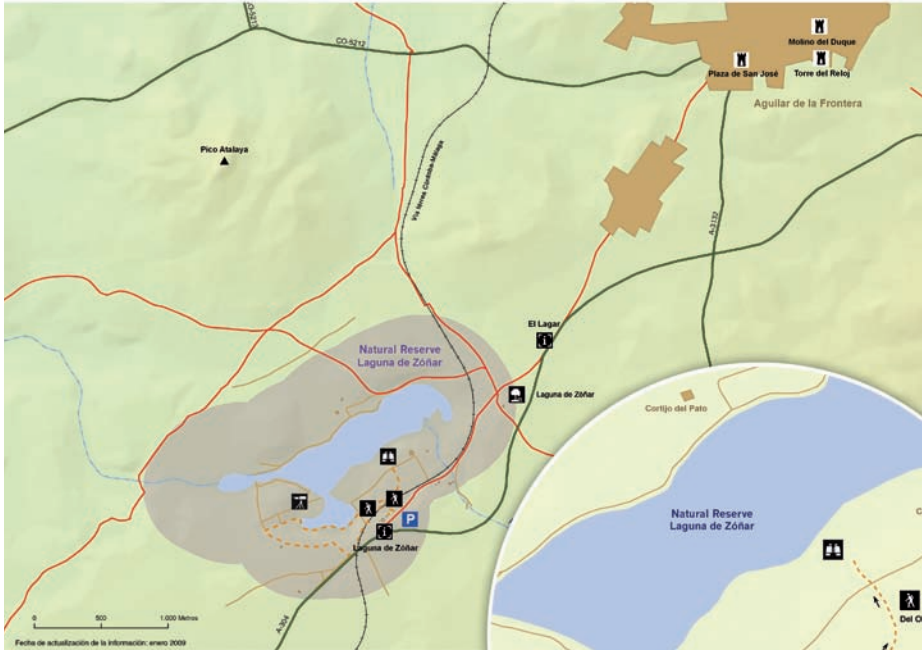














## The White-Headed Duck and Zóñar: a special symbiosis.

The White-Headed Duck, as the Nature Reserve's emblematic bird, takes pride of place in this exhibition. Its habits, the recovery of the species in Zóñar and the serious threats it faces, such as the Ruddy Duck, are explained in detail in this last room. You will never have been so close to a diving duck!



## Facilities.



-  Visitor Centre
-  Parking
-  Scientific observatory (restricted access)
-  Public observatory
-  Footpath
-  Recreational area
-  Roads
-  Footpaths
-  Tracks
-  Stream
-  Railway line
-  Drovers' road



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