

Down Puig Major via the Camino des Cingles Pat

It constitutes one of the simplest routes and yet the most spectacular as it all runs down the north face of **Puig Major** with impossible cliffs which shear down towards the sea. The **Camí des Cingles** refers precisely to the cliffs (**cingles**) which tower over this Alpine landscape.

From Sóller we have to take the C-710 road in the direction of **Puig Major** until attaining km 38.1 where we can leave the car in a small parking area alongside the road. From here we have to take the path which links the road to the estates of **Bini Petit** and **Bini Gran**; there should be no problem finding the access. The route starts with a small ascent of around 30 metres, arriving at a green crossing gate which we can pass on its left if it is closed.

Shortly after going over the first crossing gate, we will run into another (you must always leave the crossing gates closed if they were like that when you found them). If you go on this excursion in summer it is worth remembering that the heat around these places is suffocating and the fountains are dry.

Once we get onto the path we can behold on our right the impressive block of **Penyal des Migdia** which will accompany us for a good part of the route. We will gently begin to ascend between the trees until arriving at **Coll des Cardscolors** where the mountain clears and we can delight in the view of a marvellous landscape; from here we can see on our right the radar stations located on top of **Puig Major** (1,455 metres), the highest peak in Mallorca.

If we turn our gazes left we can behold a cross-shaped monument and behind it a small hillock; if we decide to go up it (highly recommended), we can delight in some excellent views over the **Montcaire** Mountain and the hill of **Sa Vacade** la Calobra. Retracing our steps, we continue on the path until coming to the valley of **Bini** where we will find the settlements of **Bini Petit** and **Bini Gran**.

Once we have passed the hamlets there is a path which leads us to **Sa Coma Fosca**, but before we run into the **Fountain of Sa Bauma**, situated under an immense, solitary, old black poplar. The path starts turning into a trail and from this point onwards we start a gentle descent, delighting in a view of the immense slope which comes down from the summit of **Puig Major**. After a few minutes of the route we reach a lighting tower where we can recharge our batteries before commencing the return journey.

17th Hiking Route around Sóller



Duration	Difficulty	Slope	Outward bus
2/3 h	average	850 m	bus

Tips and recommendations:

If you don't have your own vehicle, tell the bus driver from Sóller-Lluc to leave you at km 38.1 (start of this route) or start out from the nearby vantage point at the entrance to the Son Torrella tunnel. On the way back we will have at least one hour's walk downhill to Sóller and slightly less to Fornalutx, with the possibility again of catching the bus back to Sóller.



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