## ONE MOUNTAIN, MANY WORLDS

The mountain pathways are a network of pedestrian routes that, due to the range and diversity of places covered, represent one of the most enriching ways of discovering the region.

The Canica route crosses a valley of rugged terrain where the landscape preserves a marked rural character. On the way, water is a constant presence with numerous places that encourage close contact with nature.



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CERVAS (Ecology, Recovery and Wild Animal Surveillance Centre) Tel.: 919 457 984 / cervas.pnse@gmail.com

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Loriga Tourist Office: Tel.: 238 951 175

Sabugueiro Tourist Office: Tel.: 238 315 336

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Serra da Estrela Natural Park (Seia Delegation): Tel.: 238 001 060

# WHERE TO STAY AND WHERE TO EAT

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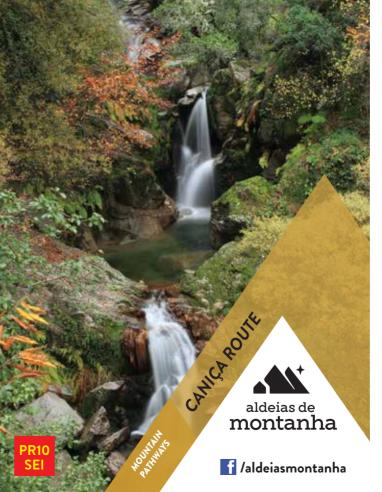












MOUNTAIN PATHWAYS

# **CANICA ROUTE**

The Caniça route develops along the valley of the Caniça stream in a landscape dominated by woodlands, pine trees, hay meadows, scrubs and rocky outcrops.

On this route, the Lapa woodland worth's a special mention, woods of very old sweet chestnut trees support a great diversity of species flora and fauna, some of which are rare in Portugal.

















## **CANIÇA ROUTE**

#### **NATURAL HERITAGE**

- > Chestnut Woodlands
- > River beach
- > Caniça waterfalls
- > The Devil's Horns
- > Buraco do Sumo
- > Flora and fauna

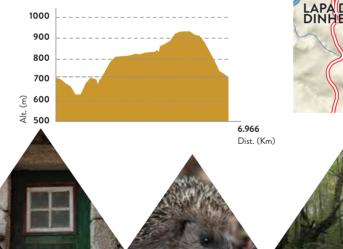
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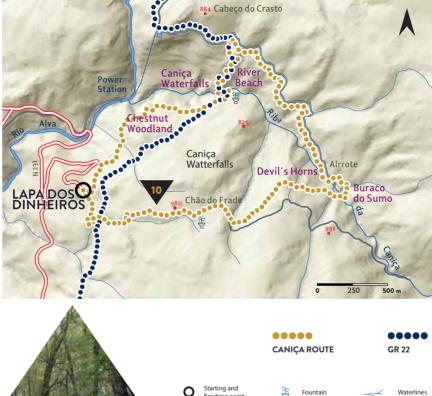


#### **TECHNICAL SHEET**

Type of route: circular short distance path Recommended direction: clockwise Starting / finishing point: Lapa dos Dinheiros (main church) Starting / finishing coordinates: N 40° 22.731' / W 07° 42.564' Distance: 6.966 km

Accumulated gradients: +471 m / - 471 m
Altitude: minimum 622 m / maximum 922 m
Approximate time: 2 hours 45 minutes
Degree of difficulty: III - rather difficult
Recommended season: all year
Military map: (IGEOE / 1:25000) n.º: 223





### BEHAVIOUR RULES

- > Plan the route you intend to do: gather beforehand the available, necessary information and make sure you finish the walk before nightfall.
- > Do not light fires.
- > Stay on signed paths and respect signs at all times.
- > Be polite to the local inhabitants and respect their customs and traditions.
- > Do not disturb cattle and do not damage cultivated areas.
- > Respect nature: do not remove and/or disturb animals, plants or damage geological formations
- > If you find a wounded or debilitated wild animal, try to direct it to a recovery centre for wild fauna.
- > Do not drop litter or remains of your passage.
- > Always carry water, food, sun screen, appropriate clothes and footwear and a first-aid kit
- > In some situations you will need to cross tarmac roads. Do so with care.

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