



MAP OF ARAGÓN

ON THE BORDER WITH FRANCE, ARAGÓN IS LOCATED AT THE CENTRE OF THE MOST PROSPEROUS QUADRANT OF SPAIN, EQUIDISTANT FROM SPAIN'S MAIN CAPITAL CITIES, TO WHICH IT IS CONNECTED THROUGH EXCELLENT MEANS OF TRANSPORT.



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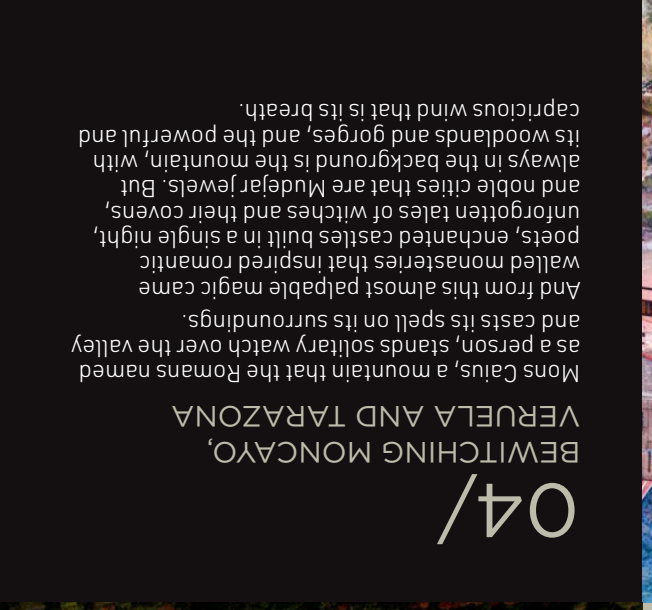
01/ THE STUNNING MALLOS DE RIGLOS AND LOARRE CASTLE

Where the Pyrenees end and the horizon leans out over the valleys are two spectacular sights, similar yet different. Los mallos de Riglos are rock formations that seem to have risen from the pages of an adventure story. Perched on a crag which in places forms its own defensive wall, it conjures up times of epic action and legend.



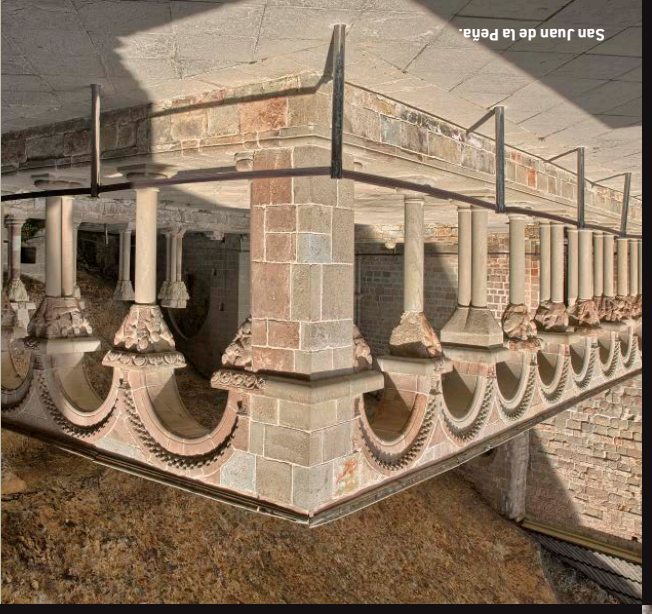
02/ EXHILARATING ORPESA, ANISCLÓ AND PINETA

Discovering any part of the Ordesa and Monte Perdido National Park is an emotional adventure that only pristine high mountain can bring to the human spirit. The mystery of its woodlands, changing colour with the seasons, the serenity of its snow-capped peaks, the thunder of the rivers and waterfalls at every turn of the way, the pure green carpeting the meadows and hillsides, and a pervading sense of living, breathing wildness are sensations which remind us of our insignificance in the world and our good fortune to be part of it.



04/ BEWITCHING MONCAYO, VERBELA AND TARAZONA

Moncayo, a mountain that the Romans named as a person, stands solitary watch over the valley and casts its spell on its surroundings. And from this almost palpable magic came walled monasteries that inspired romantic poets, enchanted castles built in a single night, forgotten tales of witches and their covens, and noble cities that are Mudéjar jewels. But always in the background is the mountain, with its woodlands and gorges, and the powerful and capricious wind that is its breath.



05/ CONJURING UP ROMAN, MUSLIM AND CHRISTIAN ZARAGOZA

Zaragoza is not one city, it is many cities. More than two thousand years yields many histories. Some tell of founding settlements and Romans, others of the refinements of Moorish culture. The rest tell of how the city of the Ebro blossomed into the Spanish Florence and made itself world-famous for its resistance to Napoleon. All of this makes for a character that is unusual, ingenious, tolerant and creative, that will reduce the visitor before they even know it.



03/ WANDERING THE STREETS OF ALBARACÍN

What is the secret of this famous and wonderful place? Albaracín is many things, but above all it is a showcase of charming and unexpected nooks and crannies, with streets and steep slopes that lead us straight into an imaginary world of medieval legends and the Thousand and One Nights. The rustic and beautiful houses are a high contrast play of light and dark, while the walls which guardingly scale its hillsides seem to clothe the landscape in the russet tones of a land that exudes history and tradition at every step.



08/ UNCOVER THE SECRETS OF MATARRANA

If you had to sum up what it means to get close to Matarrana it would have to be surprise, discovery or wonder. Because these are the feelings you will experience in its villages, mountains and woodlands, and with a whole series of quality products which combine traditional knowledge with the desire to offer something different and special. Everything here is surprising, and you will feel like you have made a discovery that you should share with the whole world. Then you will change your mind, because a treasure like this is not for sharing with everyone. But you are wrong.



09/ A DREAM OF HEALTH AND RELAXATION

Aragón is the beneficiary of a marvellous gift from nature in its many hot springs, well-known since antiquity. Located in places of singular beauty and natural charm, they offer therapy not only for the body but also for the spirit. Traditional facilities have been modernised to meet the recent growth of pension and thermal treatments in this age of tension and stress. And Aragón has become a leader in this highly sought-after tourist service.



10/ RELAX BESIDE THE MONASTERY OF THE RIVER PIEDRA

The charm of the Monastery of the River Piedra is its atmosphere of daydream, a paradise seemingly created by the mind of a romantic artist rather than by nature. The ceaseless murmur of the flowing water, the fresh mist of the waterfall suggesting a walk in the clouds, in this corner of the world, time stops, memory dissolves and imagination wanders unchecked in such a way that the person who leaves here is not the same as the one who entered. And life and its worries seem simpler and less important and nothing will be the same, because something inside you has changed.



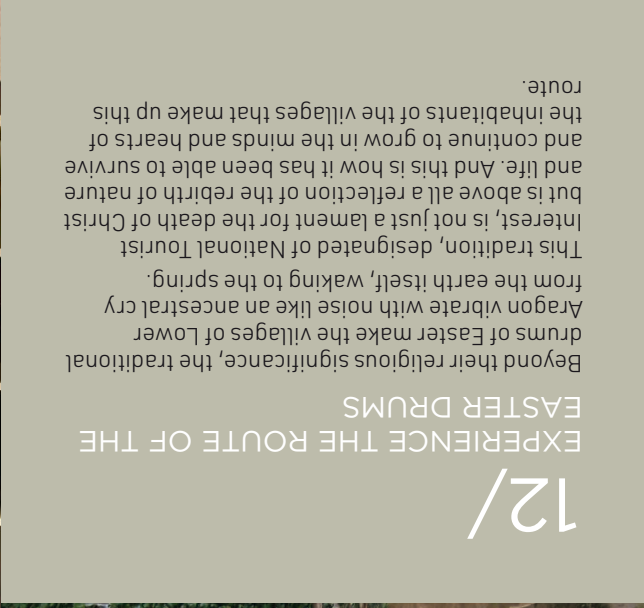
11/ DELIGHT IN THE ARAGON SNOW

Aragón is Spain's winter paradise. From the north to the south, in the Pyrenees or in Teruel, the opportunities to enjoy all types of winter sports are numerous and well-known. From the splendid resort facilities for alpine or cross-country skiing to the most adventurous specialties (snowshoeing, ski mountaineering, mushing, etc.), the spectacular Aragónese mountain terrain and its magnificently preserved natural spaces make this region a dream for free spirits.



14/ VENTURE INTO THE FAR CORNERS OF EL MAESTRAZGO

It might seem like El Maestrazgo, ancient frontier between Christian Aragón and the Muslim East, is a wild, beautiful and deserted land of mountain ranges and canyons. But to let yourself wander here is a journey of discovery of an artistic heritage with an identity all its own, featuring unexpected encounters with its gorges, rock walls, spectacular caves and vast, endless pine forests. Stark fortifications, high towers and lofty villages mark out the skyline, seeming to reach up into the heavens, evoking the past.



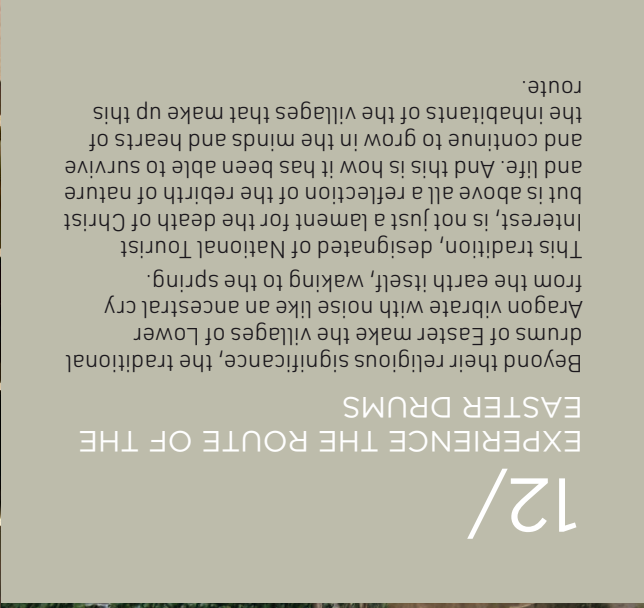
12/ EXPERIENCE THE ROUTE OF THE EASTER DRUMS

Beyond their religious significance, the traditional drums of Easter make the villages of Lower Aragón vibrate with noise like an ancestral cry from the earth itself, waking to the spring. This tradition, designated of National Tourist Interest, is not just a lament for the death of Christ but above all a reflection of the birth of nature and life. And this is how it has been able to survive and continue to grow in the minds and hearts of the inhabitants of the villages that make up this route.



15/ WINE TOURISM IN ARAGON

Knowing a region is not just about seeing it. The feel of its stone, the smell of its lands and the sounds from o help to build a memory. And taste is a powerful sense that can help us journey back in time and space. The flavour of wine tells us of its origin, its nature and its culture. Wine is not just another drink. It is an intense way of feeling the ancient wisdom in our spirit.



ARAGÓN IS MAGICAL CROSSROADS, A RICH AND VARIED LAND FULL OF SURPRISES. IT IS NATURE, CULTURE AND FLAVOUR TO SUIT EVERY TASTE. AND ARAGON IS ALSO PEOPLE WHO ARE WELCOMING, FRIENDLY AND PROUD, WHO WILL MAKE YOU FEEL AS HAPPY AS IF YOU WERE IN YOUR OWN KINGDOM.



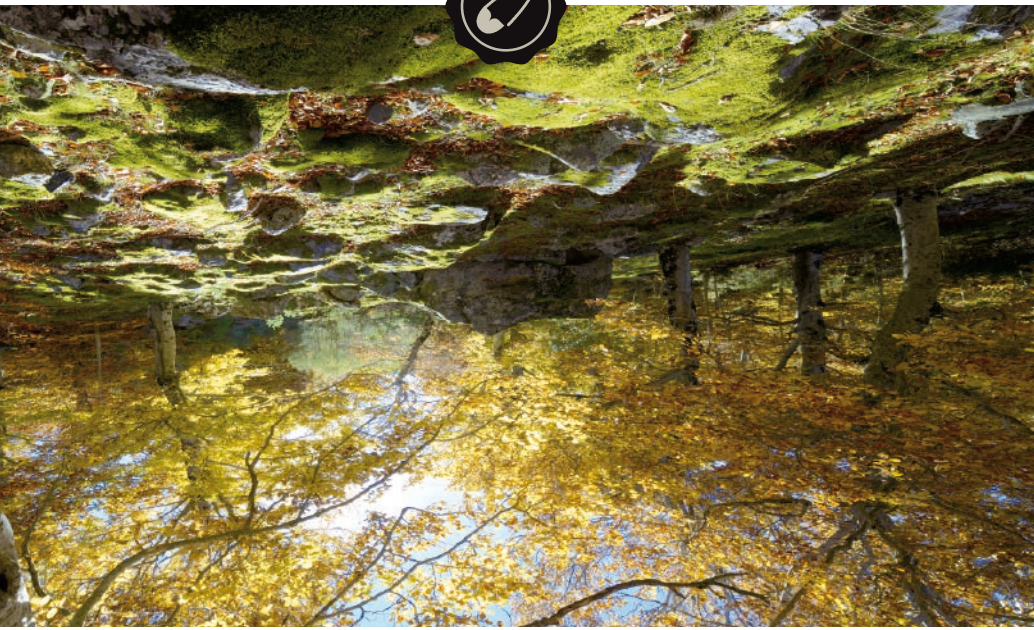
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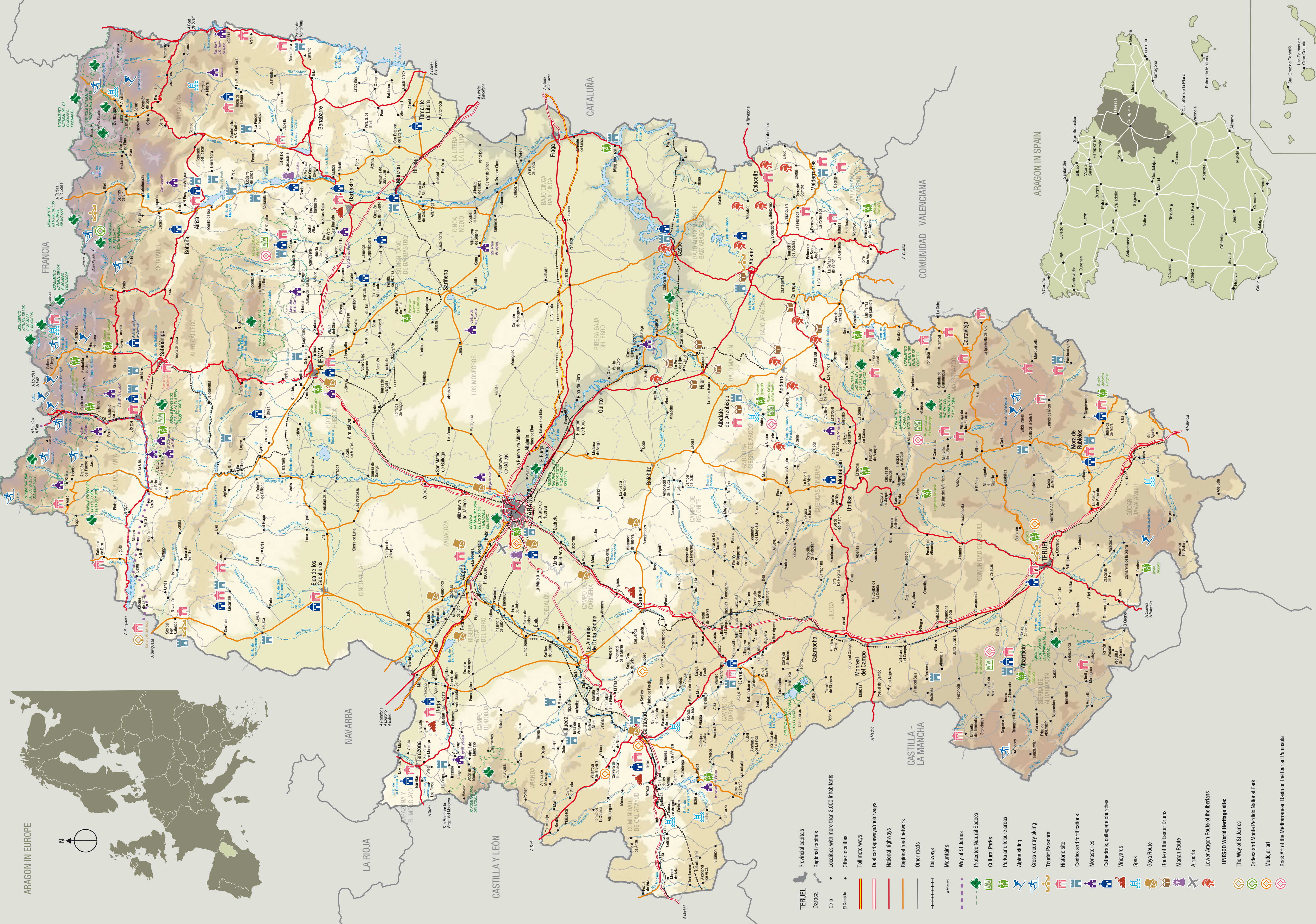


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/ ARAGÓN'S TOP 15

In a region with such an abundance of tourist attractions as Aragón, any selection seems unfair. But these 15 destinations are a must for anyone who wants to get to know the most spectacular sights of a region full of natural beauty, historic monuments and cultural treasures. This is our top 15, but there are of course many more treasures waiting to be discovered.





TERUEL

Daroca

Cella

El Campello

Provincial capitals

Regional capitals

Localities with more than 2,000 inhabitants

Other localities

Toll motorways

Dual carriageways/motorways

National highways

Regional road network

Other roads

Railways

Mountains

Way of St James

Protected Natural Spaces

Cultural Parks

Parks and leisure areas

Alpine skiing

Cross-country skiing

Tourist Paradors

Historic site

Castles and fortifications

Monasteries

Cathedrals, collegiate churches

Vineyards

Spas

Goys Route

Route of the Ester Drums

Marian Route

Airports

Lower Aragon Route of the Iberians

UNESCO World Heritage site:

The Way of St James

Ordesa and Monte Perdido National Park

Mudéjar art

Rock-Art of the Mediterranean Basin on the Iberian Peninsula