

Callosa d'en Sarrià

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Local police
Prolongación Ramón
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965 880 275



Civil Guard Station
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Health centre
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Municipal Library
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Dino Park Algar
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Useful information





Callosa d'en Sarrià forms part of the Marina Baixa region. It is located at an altitude of 247 m. in the valley between the Guadalest and Algar rivers.

Callosa d'en Sarrià is situated 10 km. from the AP7 motorway, 14 km. from Benidorm and 50 km. from Alicante. It has a regular bus service with links to the most important parts of the province.

In Callosa d'en Sarrià you can buy the products most typical of the area and browse around one of our weekly street markets: Mondays: clothes, footwear, accessories, cleaning products... Tuesdays and Saturdays: fruit, vegetables, pickles, flowers...

More than 700 years of history to explore,
It won't leave you indifferent!



The origin of Callosa d'en Sarrià is an old Arab farm which, after the Christian Reconquest carried out by King James I in the XIII century, was acquired by Admiral Bernat de Sarrià in 1290.

The historic quarter of Callosa still preserves part of its medieval urban structure, and one can still pass through one of its old gateways: The Portal.

The most traditional image of Callosa comprises: The Archpriestal Church of St. John the Baptist, the chapels and ceramic shrines in its streets, the Calvary (Stations of the Cross), the Poador (public washhouse) and the Ethnological & Archaeological Museum of our municipality.

Places to visit



Archpriestal Church of Saint John The Baptist
Plaça d'Espanya, 10
S.XVI



The organ
Plaça d'Espanya, 10
S.XVIII



El Poador de la Font Major
C/ La Font, 1
S.XVIII



El portal
C/ Major, 22
S.XIV



Ceramic shrine of our ¡Lady of the Injuries
C/ Sagrari, 2
S.XX



Hermitage of Saint Barbara
C/ Santa Bárbara, 20
S.XX



El calvari
Camí del Calvari, s/n
S.XIX



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C/ Sellesos, 5

Les Fonts d'Algar...



Les Fonts d'Algar (Algar Waterfalls), located just 15 km. from Benidorm and 3 km. from the town centre of Callosa d'en Sarrià, is a natural area with its carefully conserved rich ecology whilst at the same time providing tourist amenities.

The visit consists of a 1.5 km. route along the banks of the river Algar ("cave" in Arabic) to see the landscape resulting from the karstic moulding of the limestone rock: the spectacular waterfalls; the numerous springs which rise from the rock, considered to be "a fountain of health"; the "tolls" (pools of water) where one can take a refreshing dip in pure, crystal-clear waters; the former dam, the impressive canal and the hundred-year-old irrigation ditches still in use today.

A unique natural setting



The main waterfall of Les Fonts d'Algar is one of the most emblematic parts of the route. Its fall of over 15 metres and its crystal-clear reflection make it a compulsory stop for visitors.



At les Fonts d'Algar, there is a picnic area with space for approximately 500 people, with toilets and drinks vending machines. In the area surrounding les Fonts de l'Algar there are 5 restaurants and a campsite with barbecue area.



DinoPark Algar is located at 1 km. from Algar Water Falls. A surface area of 6 hectares featuring robotic and static models of dinosaurs in natural surroundings. The park is complemented by a 3D cinema, children's attractions and an educational route.

Callosa d’en Sarrià loquats

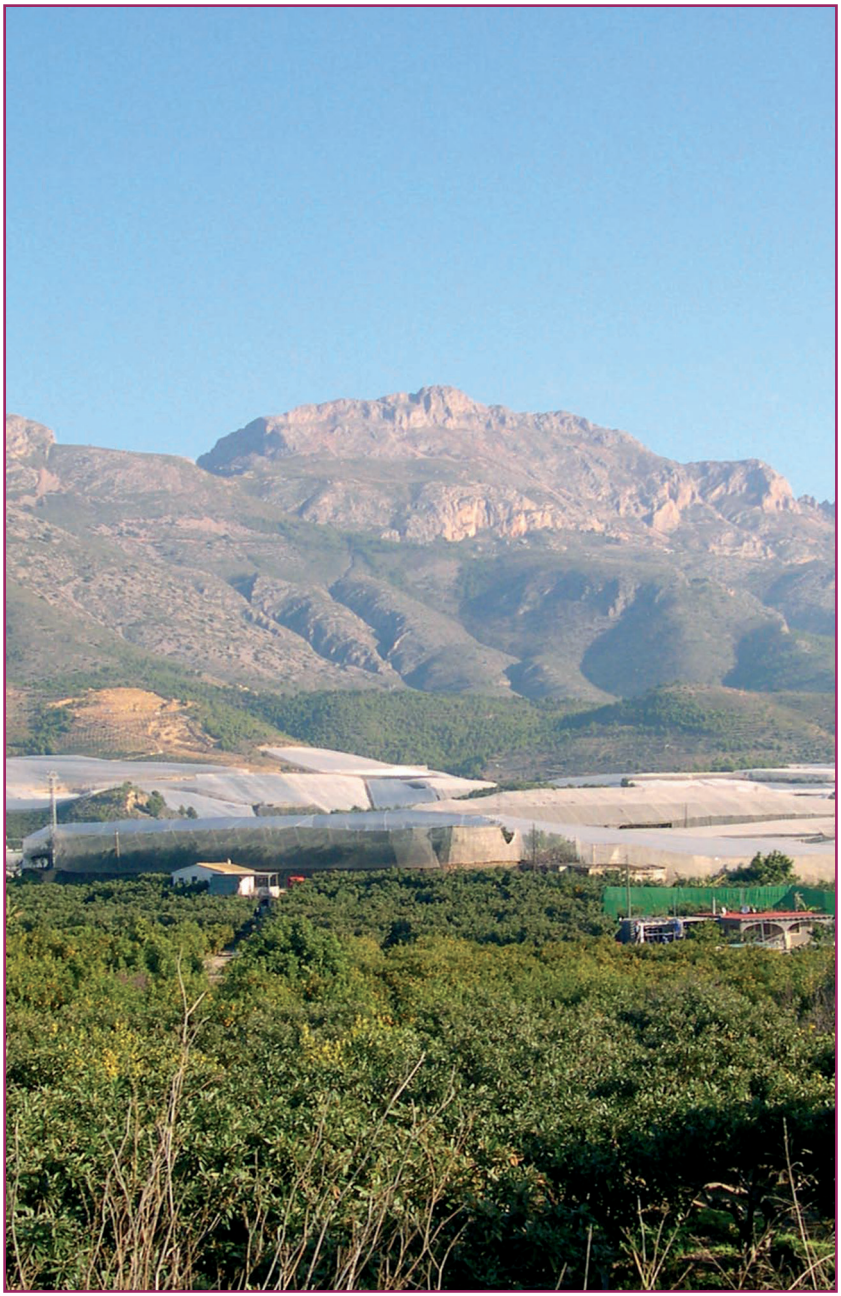
The queen of spring fruits



The Callosa d’en Sarrià Loquat has had a protected designation of origin since 1992. It is a tree of the rosaceae family, evergreen and generally very productive. It comes all the way from China and Japan.

This area of the Marina Baixa enjoys natural conditions which are very suitable for growing loquats: such as a mild climate and excellent water quality.

It should also be pointed out that sociological and human involvement has been highly significant and beneficial to the continued production of the loquat in Callosa d’en Sarrià and the municipality has become the main producer in Spain.



Many visitors who come to Callosa are surprised when they see some fields covered over. These are structures which help to protect the fruit from the wind (as the sharp leaves of the loquat can damage the fruit when it is ripe) and from possible hail storms.

The loquats are picked by hand between the months of April and May. As it is a delicate fruit it requires complex handling and packing to ensure that it reaches the consumer in top condition so that they can fully enjoy the quality of Callosa d'en Sarrià Loquats.

The particular characteristics of the Loquat are:

Colour: Orangey or yellowish.

Flavour: Sweet or slightly acid.

Pulp: Yellowish, shiny and compact.

Shape: Oval and sometimes pointed at the end joined to the branch.

Festes de Moros i Cristians



The Moors and Christians Festival is the most multitudinous and spectacular of the fiestas held in our municipality. It has been held since 1860 and is considered to be of Tourist Interest.

It begins in the second week of October and lasts 4 days. This festival is held in honour of the Virgen de las Injurias, patron saint of Callosa d'en Sarrià.

Together with the "Arrancà de dolçaines i tabalets" (clarinets and drums), the Entrance of the Moors and Christians and the Floral Offering, there are other acts such as the "Ball de les Pastoretes", dances in honour of the Moorish and Christian Captains and the "Ball dels Nanos".

Festes de Sant Jaume



The dances of St. James, also known as the “La Festa del Fadrí” are the oldest “fiestas” in the popular tradition of Callosa d’en Sarrià and in the region. The historian Adolf Salvà dates them back to 1819, when the first written reference to them is made.



The nights of 25th to 27th July the dance ritual is repeated in the Plaza de España Square which, started by a group of dance couples known as “els caps de dansa”, will be followed by the public taking part, always to the sound of traditional music.



The Fiestas of St. James are not just about dancing in the evening, they are also days of street parties with “cucanyes” (popular games), “Calitx” matches (an old game with coins), Valencian pelota matches, “correguda del gall” (rooster race), etc...

Callosa's cuisine is... a delight for your palate



Being located between the coast and the mountains, Callosa d'en Sarrià boasts a rich and varied sea and mountain cuisine.

The various civilisations who have inhabited the area throughout history have introduced different foods, ways of cooking and, in short, the recipes used today.

The most typical dishes are: "Mintxos", vegetables and fish are added to a base of scalded flour and baked in the oven (typical of rainy days). "Putxero amb pilotes" (stew with a meatball) and "arròs amb costra" (a dry rice dish coated with beaten egg and baked in the oven) are also very popular dishes. The most notable desserts are "pastissets d'aiguardent i a l'aire" (pastries) and, naturally, the loquat in all its varieties (fresh, in syrup, cakes, etc...).

Typical dishes from Callosa d'en Sarrià



Minxo



Putxero amb pilotes



Faves sacsades



Coquetes amb pèsols



Loquat swiss roll



Loquat cake



Pastissos a l'aire



Cheesecake with loquats

PR-CV 48 Les Fonts d'Algar - Fort de Bèrnia



This hiking trail runs from les Fonts de l'Algar to Fort de Bèrnia. Along the way we can enjoy magnificent views of both the coast, from Calp to Alicante, and the mountain ranges of Aitana and Xortà, plus the indigenous inland flora of the Marina Baixa region.

The Fort de Bèrnia was built in 1562 to protect the Levante coast from Ottoman incursions. In 1612, in view of its ineffectiveness, its demolition was ordered. Of this fortress we can still observe the arches, the moat, the bastion, the cistern and the remains of the walls. B.I.C. since 1997.

Difficulty: Low.

Unevenness of ground: Moderate (600 metros).

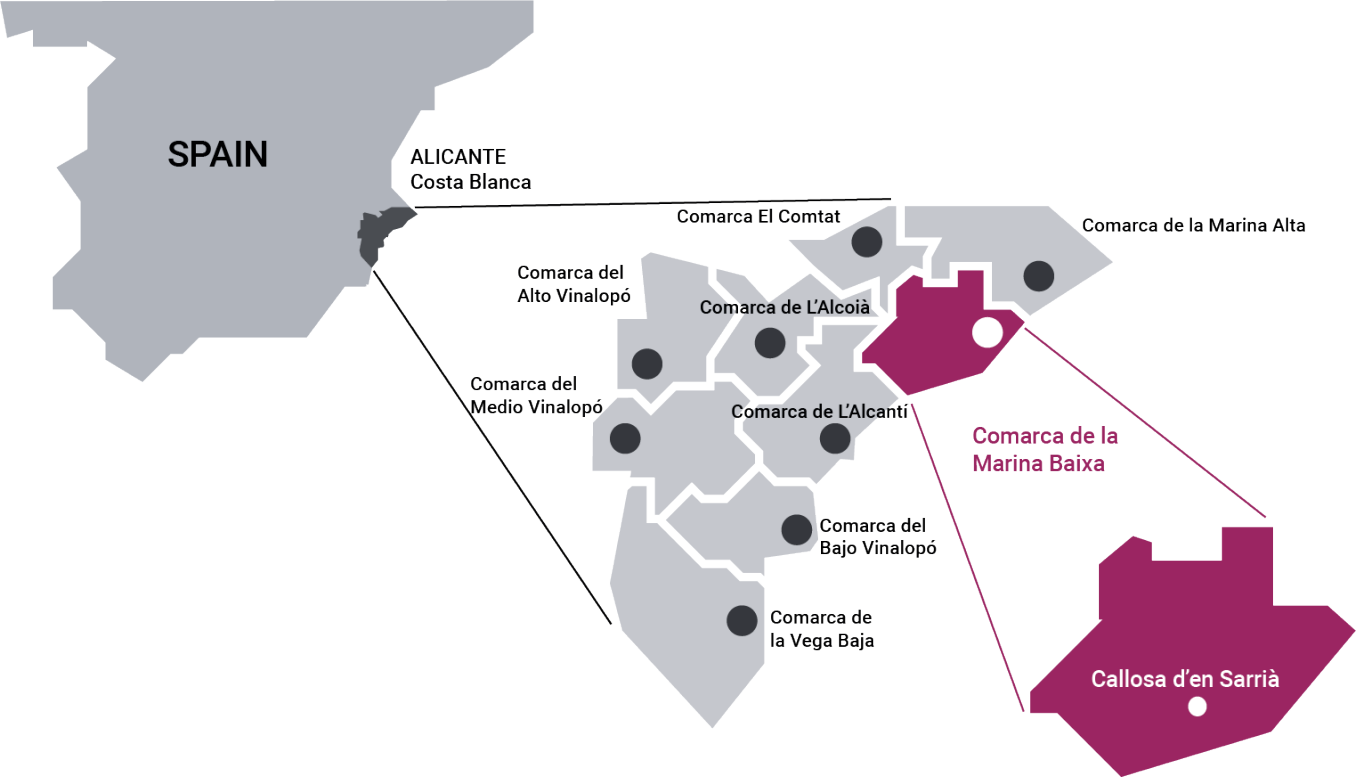
Approximate time: 2h 30 min.

Distance: 5.5 km.

It is recommended to take: suitable footwear, water and a camera.



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