

CYCLING ROUTES

SA CALOBRA

The road to Sa Calobra is the most famous on Mallorca. If you are doing this ride in summer, leave early, as the road gets busy with buses. Once in Sa Calobra, if you do not feel like cycling back, then you can take your bike back to Port Sóller on the boat. Check timetables with Barcos Azules.

Distance: 74 km (46 miles) or 37 km (23 miles) if cycling one way and taking the boat

Maximum Height: 880 metres (2,890 feet)

Altitude Gain: 2,050 metres (6,730 feet)

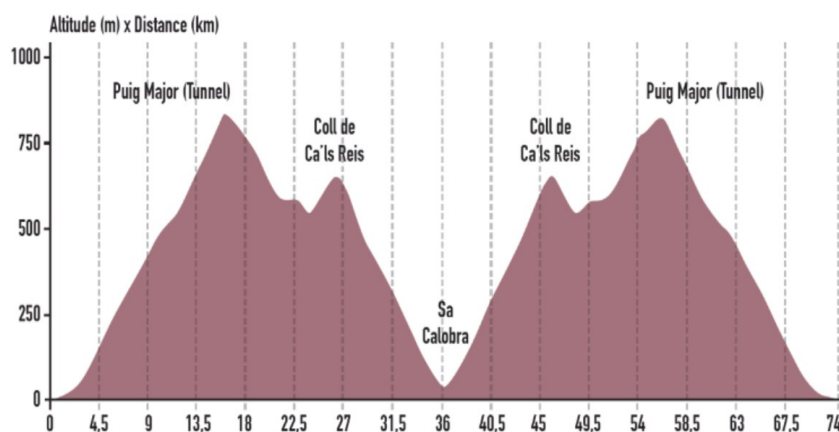


Things to see and do:

Admire Antonio Paretti's marvellous engineering feat / Take a swim in Sa Calobra, the half way point / Explore the Torrent de Pareis gorge, 10 minutes walk from Sa Calobra.

Mountain passes:

- ⇒ Puig Major Tunnel 871 metres (from Sóller)
Length: 14.5 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 855 metres | Average Gradient: 5.9%
- ⇒ Coll de Cals Reis 723 metres (from Escorca)
Length: 2.6 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 155 metres | Average Gradient: 6.0%
- ⇒ Coll de Cals Reis 723 metres (from Sa Calobra)
Length: 10 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 711 metres | Average Gradient: 7.1%
- ⇒ Puig Major Tunnel 871 metres (from Gorg Blau)
Length: 4.8 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 243 metres | Average Gradient: 5.1%



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VALLDEMOSSA LOOP

The Valldemossa loop is a beautiful cycle ride that initially follows the coast through Deià and on to Valldemossa before heading back inland and finishing over the Coll de Sóller. The Coll de Sóller is famous for its many hairpin bends and since 1997, due to the inauguration of the tunnel beneath it, the road is now relatively free of traffic.

Distance: 55 km (34 miles) start and finish Soller
59 km (36 miles) start and finish Port Soller

Maximum Height: 500 metres (1,640 feet)

Altitude Gain: 950 metres (3,110 feet)



Things to see and do:

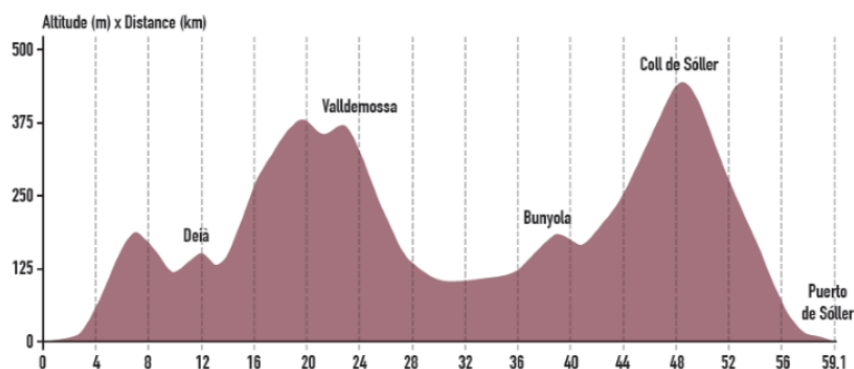
Take in the views as you cycle alongside the Mediterranean. Take your pick of coffee stops along the way. Deià, Valldemossa, Bunyola and the top of the Coll de Sóller are all worthy stops. Compare your times on Strava against the KOMs.

Mountain passes:

⇒ Coll de Can Bleda (1st climb out of Sóller):
Length: 4.0 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 204 metres | Average Gradient: 5.1%

⇒ Sa Pedrissa (starting at Es Moli Hotel, just past Deià):
Length: 6.2 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 273 metres
Average Gradient: 6.2% with 2 short sections of 10%

⇒ Coll de Sóller starting after Bunyola):
Length: 5.8 Kilometres | Altitude Gain: 304 metres | Average Gradient: 5.2%



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BALBIC VALLEY MOUNTAIN

This is one of the most scenic mountain bike rides on the island. A four wheel drive track snakes up above Soller till you reach the viewpoint which overlooks Port S  ller, the Mirador de Ses Arques. From here the trail takes us through the beautiful Balitx valley, lined with stone terraces of ancient olive trees, before returning to the Mirador and descending back to S  ller via Fornalutx

Distance: 26 km (16 miles) start and finish S  ller 36 km (23 miles) start and finish Port S  ller

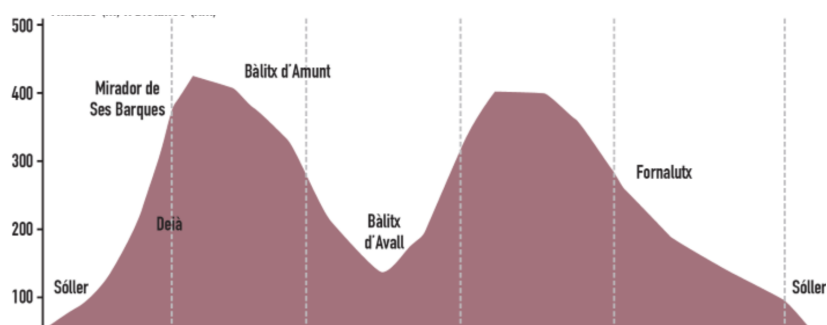
Maximum Height: 430 metres (1,410 feet)

Altitude Gain: 810 metres (2,660 feet) from S  ller 970 metres (3,180 feet) from Port S  ller



Things to see and do:

Have a freshly squeezed orange juice at the Balitx d'Avall farmhouse at the bottom of the Balitx valley. Enjoy the views over Port S  ller from the Mirador de Ses Barques. Stop for lunch in Fornalutx. Our staff can recommend the best restaurants.



MOUNTAIN VILLAGES

This route starts in Port S  ller and passes through Soller, Biniaraix and Fornalutx, before returning to Port S  ller via Sa Figuera, a seldom used mountain road.

Distance: 18 km (11 miles)

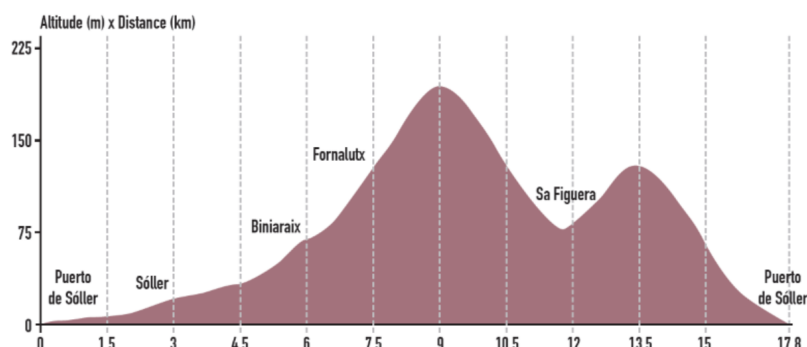
Maximum Height: 200 metres (600 feet)

Altitude Gain: 290 metres (950 feet)



Things to see and do:

Have a coffee in S  ller's main square and watch the world go by at one of its many caf  s. Walk up and down the narrow streets and alleyways in Fornalutx and find out for yourself why it has been twice voted the most beautiful village in Spain.



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CALA DEIÀ

Cala Deià is the destination on this beautiful ride along the coast. However if you are looking for even more remote beaches, then try **Bens d'Avall** or **Llucalcari** instead, which are enroute. The road down to Cala Deià is not well signed, pay a special attention to the signage in the area of Deià.

Distance: 26 km (16 miles)

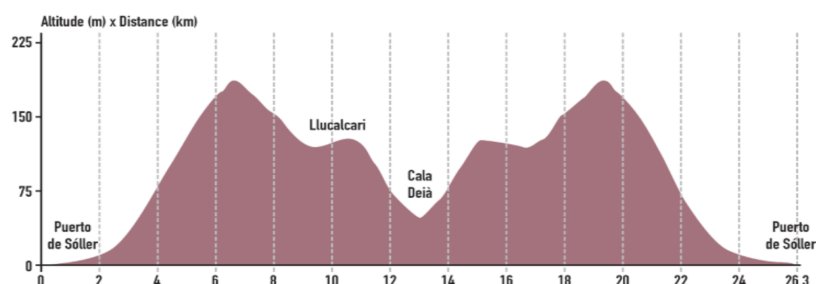
Maximum Height: 225 metres (750 feet)

Altitude Gain: 380 metres (1240 feet)



Things to see and do:

Have lunch and take a swim at Cala Deià. Admire the views as you cycle along the coast. Take a small detour and visit the quaint town of Deià.



SÓLLER VALLEY TECHNICAL MOUNTAIN BIKE

Although this mountain bike excursion is 30% on the road, the off-road technical sections more than make up for the paved sections. From Sóller the ride follows a remote road, crossing the Sóller to Palma railway, before traversing the mountain on a dirt track. The views of Sóller are replaced with even more beautiful views down to Cala Deià, which we reach via a rocky single trail. There's another challenging downhill to Port Sóller.

Distance: 30 km (19 miles) start and finish Sóller. Same from Port Sóller

Maximum Height: 225 metres (740 feet)

Altitude Gain: 550 metres (1,800 feet)



Things to see and do:

Stop and have a swim in Cala Deià along the way. Decide between the lighthouse and beach descent to get down to Port Sóller. Take a detour to the Torre Picada for more single trail fun.

