GEOMONUMENTS

Geopark Naturtejo displays 16 geomonuments, places of geological interest with great and outstanding monumentality. These geomonuments exhibit the geological history of the territory in the last 600 million years.

Through rivers, valleys, mountains and plains, we propose you to discover the Geopark Naturtejo where the Earth's history was marked in the rocks and landscapes.

- Portas de Almourao Geomonument (Proença-a-Nova/VIIa Velha de Rodao)
 Malhada Velha Epigenic Gorge (Proença-a-Nova)
 Segura Mines (Idanha-a-Nova)
 Corgas Geomorphological Viewpoint (Idanha-a-Nova)
 Inselberge of Monsanto-Moreirinha-Alegrios (Idanha-a-Nova)
 Ponsul's Fault Scarp (Idanha-a-Nova/Castelo Branco/Nisa/Vila Velha de Ródão)
 Vila Velha de Ródão Fossil Trunks (Vila Velha de Ródão)
- 9. Zêzere River Meanders (Oleiros)
- 10. Erges River Canyons (Idanha-a-Nova)

- 13. Granite landforms of Castelo Velho (Castelo Branco)
 14. Arez-Apalhão Pedestal Rocks (Nisa)
 15. Monforte da Beira Mining Complex (Castelo Branco)
 16. Conhal do Arneiro Roman Gold Mine (Nisa)





















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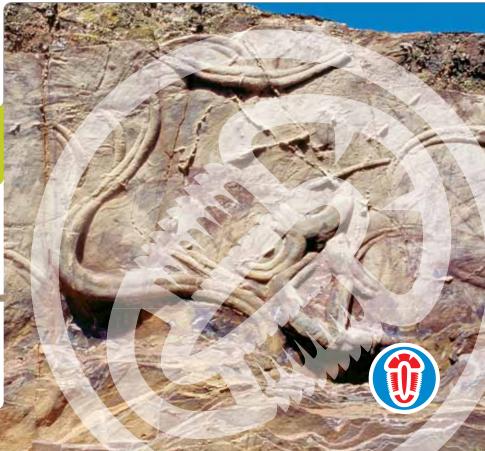


















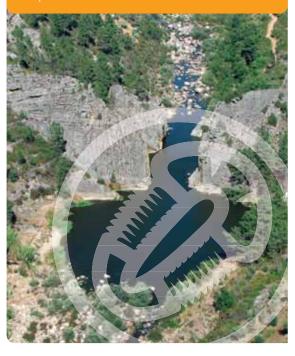


WHAT IS A GEOPARK?



GEOLOGICAL HERITAGE

The Geological Heritage is a set of geological evidence of high scientific, educational and cultural value, which tell the history of Earth. Geopark Naturtejo has numerous elements of the Geological Heritage in which we can distinguished rocks, fossils, landscapes,



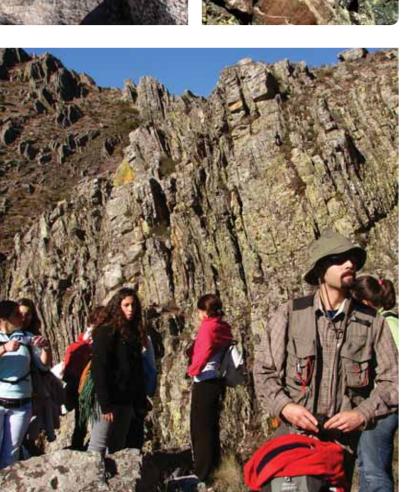
















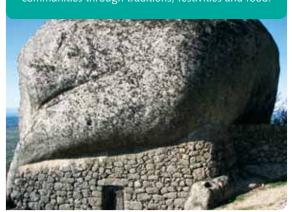




OTHER HERITAGES

A Geopark is not only Geological Heritage. The Geopark Naturtejo presents a rich biodiversity, including the Tejo Internacional Natural Park and Important Bird Areas. Also flora deserves reference for diversity including special habitats such as the Natura 2000 sites Nisa-Lage de Prata, S. Mamede and Gardunha, as well as carnivore plants and bog, or oak forests still

The historical and cultural heritages are also an highlight. There are 2 Historical Villages (Idanha-a-Velha and Monsanto), 5 Schist Villages (Foz do Cobrão, Figueira, Sarzedas, Álvaro, Martim Branco), Visigoth and Roman archeological sites, Templar castles, pillories and churches centuries old representing an unique multi-millennary imagery which is expressed by communities through traditions, festivities and food.



CONSERVATION

The Geological Heritage is a value for Humanity, in the present and for future generations. We must preserve it from several threats.

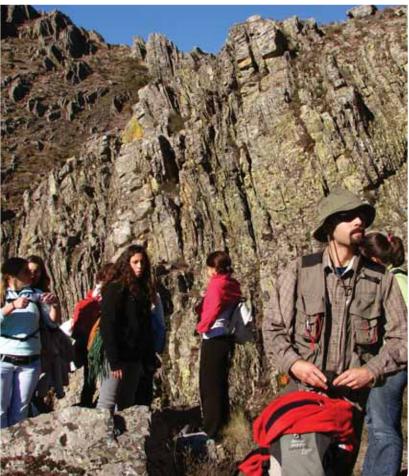
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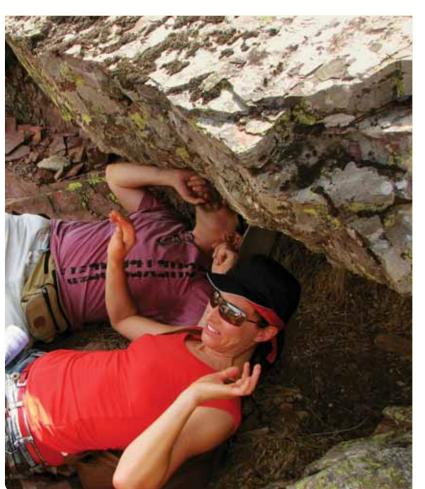
The Educational Programs of the Geopark Naturtejo allow to raise awareness of the Geological and Environmental Heritage, through various actions tailored to the various levels of teaching and curricula from the primary school to university.

GEOTOURISM

The Geotourism is a way to know the Geopark Naturtejo and their valuable assets. There are several routes and walking trails that enable to exploit this fantastic territory.







WALKING TRAILS

Geotourist Walking Trails enable to travel through the wildest territory of Geopark Naturtejo. It is possible to hike along the trails and by the landscapes that whisper the history of Earth.

Fossils Trail (Penha Garcia, Idanha-a-Nova) 3 km

Mines Trail (Segura , Idanha-a-Nova) 10 km

Boulders Trail (Monsanto, Idanha-a-Nova) 7 km

Gardunha Trail

(Louriçal do Campo, Castelo Branco) 17,5 km

Conhal Trails (Arneiro, Nisa) 9,8 km

Orvalho Trail (Orvalho, Oleiros) 7 km

Travel Across the Bones of Earth (Sobral Fernando, Proença-a-Nova) 18 km

Secrets from Almourão Valley (Sobral Fernando, Proença-a-Nova) 6,5 km

Schist's Trail "Vulture Flight" (Foz do Cobrão, Vila Velha de Ródão) 10 km

