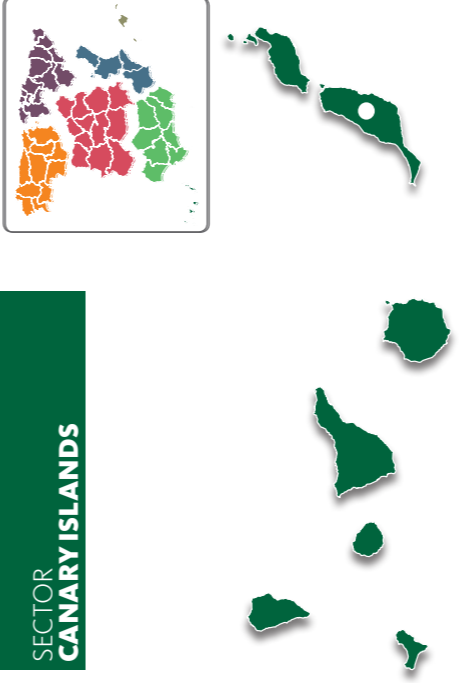


# NATURE TRAIL FUERTEVENTURA



Guide to the  
**Nature Trails**  
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The main route, **GR-131**, is divided into the following 9 sections:

- GR1. ISLA DE LOBOS.** The Nature Trail begins with a walk through Isla de Lobos, located northeast of Fuerteventura, a small island which in past centuries was home to a large colony of monk seals. The route runs through this mythical island from south to north, from El Muelle (the pier) to the lighthouse of Martiño.
- GR2. CORRALEJO - LA OLIVA.** From Corralejo, the road takes us through volcano cones and calderas, and other debris originated in different eruptions, of particular note is the natural monument Malpais de la Arena, stretching toward Lajares and La Oliva.
- GR3. LA OLIVA - TEJÍA.** This section of the trail leads to the iconic and legendary Montaña de Tindaya, a mountain sacred to the natives of the island. After passing through the town of Tindaya, the Nature Trail reaches Montaña Quemada (Burnt Mountain) and goes through the plains of Tablero Blanco and Tablero de las Avutardas, to conclude in the chapel of San Agustín de Tejía.
- GR4. TEJÍA - BETANCURIA.** From the shrine, the trail heads toward the historic capital of the island, Betancuria, which we reach after having skirted the unmistakable Montaña Bermeja and crossed Santa Inés valley.
- GR5. BETANCURIA - PAJARA.** After walking across Betancuria, the trail continues to the south along Morrete de Tegetuno, through the region of Vega de Río Palmas

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Since 1993 the Ministry for Agriculture, Food and the Environment's Nature Trails Program aims to restore former transport infrastructures such as railway tracks, cattle trails and traditional routes, for public use and enjoyment. These routes take us to the countryside to discover the biodiversity and beauty of our precious natural heritage, and discover the villages, sights, traditions and people that are part of the unique cultural landscape of our country. We invite you to visit them and offer you the keys to enjoy the trip. In this brochure you will find a brief description of the Fuerteventura Nature Trail and the map for the journey, along with recommendations to make the most of this experience. We only ask one thing of you: do not forget to leave everything as you found it. The conservation of these pathways is also your responsibility.

and the Los Granadillos Valley, finally reaching the village of Toro and heading out to Pájara

**GR6. PAJARA - LA PARED.** The next section takes us for the most part through a mountain range almost devoid of vegetation, reaching its greatest height at Filo de Tejeda. Then the path descends to El Cardón and leaves behind the rugged mountains, coming to its end at La Pared.

**GR7. LA PARED - RISCO DEL PASO.** The Nature Trail goes through the urban area of La Pared and enters Jandía Natural Park - which includes most of the peninsula of the same name - through the rough and gritty landscape of El Jabbe in the direction of the eastern coast of the island, where the trail ends on the beaches of Sotavento.

**GR8. RISCO DEL PASO - MORRO JABLE.** The trail continues parallel to the beach, along the southeast coast of the island, across the beach of Mal Nombre (Bad Name) and reaching Matorra beach, where we can find the Sladar de Jandía, a protected area of great natural and scientific value.

**GR9. MORRO JABLE - PUNTA JANDÍA.** The trail approaches Punta de Jandía, the southernmost tip of the island, through the vast Tableros plains that make up the coastal terrace on the west side of the trail, and Mosquitos valley, past small cliffs and ravines, until the path reaches a dirt road that leads to the lighthouse.

Local trails (**SL**) and short distance trails (**PR**) complete this nature trail:

**PR FV 1.** From the beach of Esquinzo, the path follows the coastline toward the village of El Cofillo, where it heads out to the interior of the island, reaching the small hills of los Frailes and los Corraletes to descend from there to the ravine at Cañada de Melián (Pass of Melián).

Fuerteventura is the second largest island in the Canary archipelago, and the whole island was named a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO on May 26, 2009. The landscape is dominated by the characteristic geomorphological features of the island, and wide beaches are its biggest tourist attraction. The Nature Trail runs along paths that have gentle slopes - with few exceptions such as the climb, along the PR FV 54 trail, to Pico de la Zarza or the Cofete cliffs - since the orography of Fuerteventura is characterized by intense erosion processes whereby the hills have been smoothed out by the action of wind and rainfall over centuries. Along the course of the trail, hikers will be able to enjoy most of the natural protected areas comprising almost thirty per cent of the islands surface.

## GOLDEN SANDS, TURQUOISE WATER BEACHES AND VOLCANIC BADLANDS IN FUERTEVENTURA ISLAND



**PRFV 9.** The trail goes through the protected landscape of Vallebrón, an area of high natural value.

**SL FV 29.** From Degollada de Tegetuno the trail ascends through the west side of the mountain, until it reaches Degollada Vieja, where it goes down along the east side to the village of Antigua.

**SL FV 28.** The trail joins SL FV 31 until it reaches the peak of Morro Rincón del Atajo, from where it ascends gently towards the village of Agua de Bueyes.

**SL FV 31.** Parte del pueblo de Tiscamanita y asciende hasta la cresta de Morro Jorjado para descender al pueblo de Agua de Bueyes y continuar hasta Vega de Río Palmas.

**SL FV 27.** This path detours from the main trail near the Palmas river canyon, and goes through a granite gorge toward the dam and the shrine of Las Penitas.

**SL FV 53.** Begins at the village of El Cardón and climbs the mountain of the same name, declared Natural Monument, at whose base there is a small shrine dedicated to the Virgin of Tanquito.

**PR FV 54.** From the center of Morro Jable, we begin the ascent to Pico de La Zarza, the greatest height of the island, within Jandía Natural Park.

**PR FV 55.** The trail starts at the foothills of the Gran Valle (Great Valley), toward the village of Cofete, with spectacular views of the coast and the mountain ranges in this part of the island.

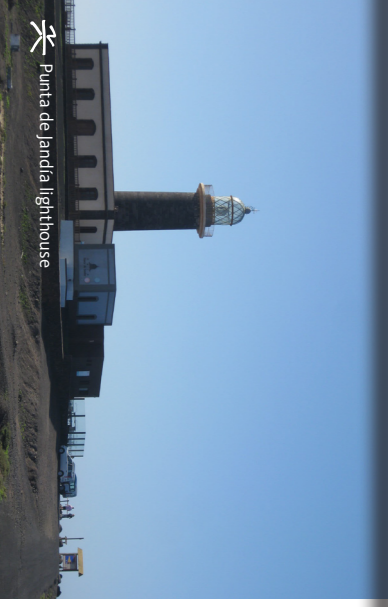
**PR FV 56.** Beginning and ending in the small town of El Puerto, this path goes through volcanic terrain first and then along sandy stretches, on a circular trail offering magnificent views of the "Majoreiro"



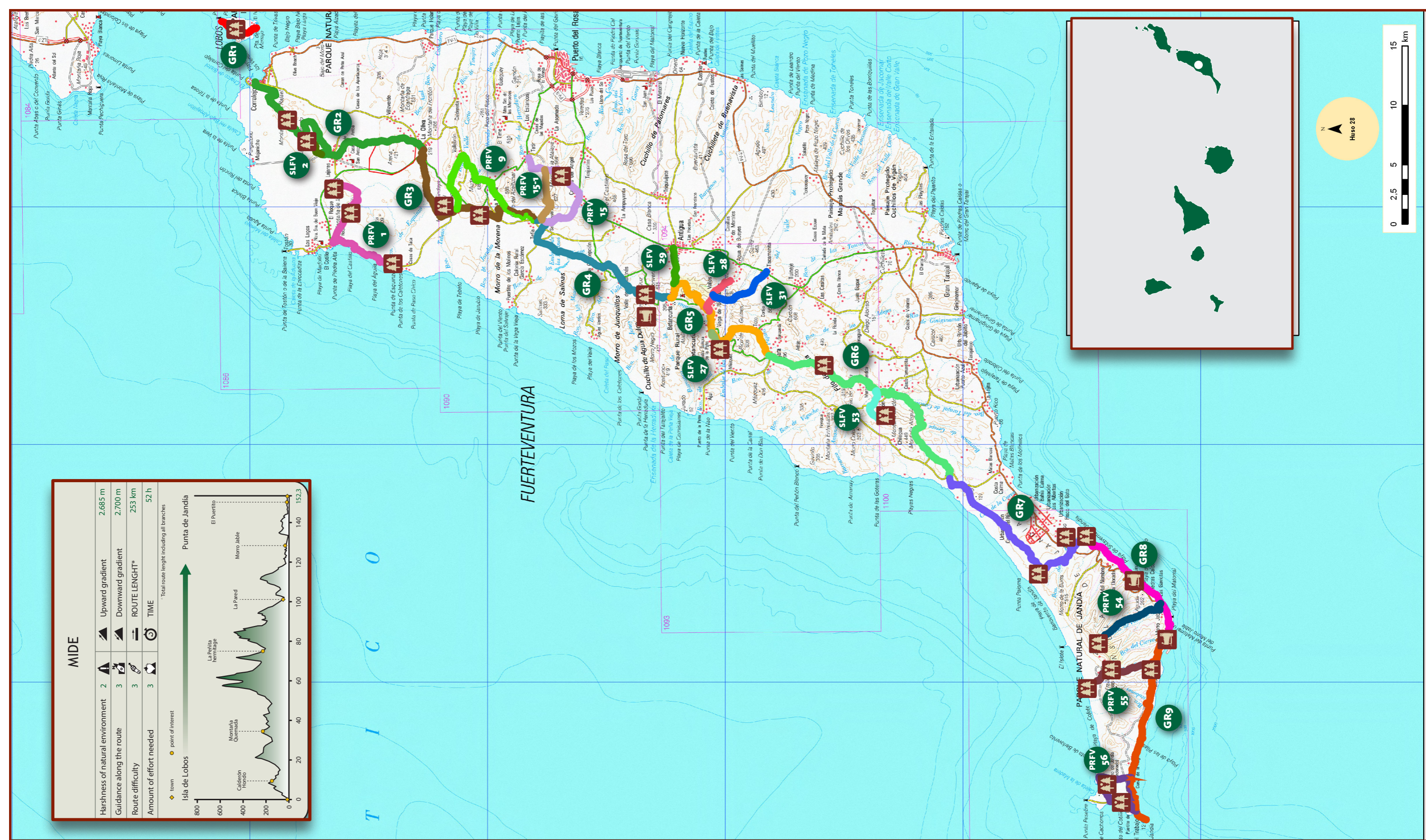
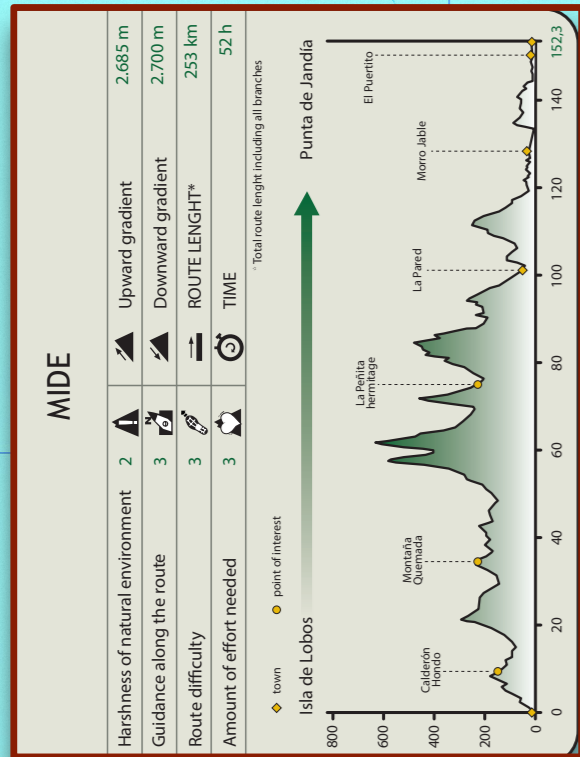
Information panel with the mountains  
On the horizon



Alto del Morro del Morralito



Punta de Jandía lighthouse



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- Feature of environmental interest
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