



## Route of *el Racó*

It is an easy route through Manises' market garden. It runs parallel to the two main pieces of water infrastructure in our city. The Séquia Tapà, from the beginning of the twentieth century, and the Canal Daroqui, whose waters help irrigate a considerable part of the market gardens in L'Horta Sud district. There is no difficulty and it's ideal for a stroll through the city's agricultural landscape.

Difficulty  Easy  
 Difference in height  17 m.  
 Distance  4,33 km.

## Route of *Les Masies*

It is an easy route through a unique natural environment, taking you right into the Nature Park of El Turia and offering a complete view of Manises' rural heritage with its irrigation canals and its most important farmhouses.

It is an ideal route for a walk, run or even for Nordic walking, as it offers no technical difficulty whatsoever.

Difficulty  Easy  
 Difference in height  30 m.  
 Distance  5,65 km.

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## Nature Park of el Turia

The Nature Park of El Turia, so declared on 13 April 2007, is a protected natural area preserving the environmental, historical and cultural and educational values of a highly populated and industrialized area. The park has a varied landscape with a great diversity of fauna and flora habitats and species.



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## Manises canal

The common section of the canal of Manises-Quart-Benàfer-Faitanar runs through the municipal district of Manises. Water conduction at low pressure, built at the beginning of the twentieth century, which flows into La Presa Drinking water Treatment Plant and flows through the municipal district. The ventilation towers are the canal's visible elements. It is a valuable hydraulic architectural work included in the municipality's catalogue of protected buildings.



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## EMSHI Interconnection

To guarantee supply to the city of Valencia and its metropolitan area, the Metropolitan Entity for Hydraulic Services (EMSHI) designed a watercourse project to link the water treatment plants of El Realón (Picassent) and La Presa (Manises). This work of engineering includes the novel system that enables the two plants to be joined with a section of over 25 metres under the river Turia with zero impact on the environment.



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## Waterway Park of el Turia

Running from the Cabecera Park to Vilamarxant along both banks of the river Turia, it can be labelled Valencia's green way. It has almost 30 km which can be crossed by bicycle, on foot or horseback. Along the way, you will come across vegetable gardens with traditional crops availing of the water to create landscapes full of life.



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## Huertos del Turia

This is a private company offering small vegetable gardens for rent to people wishing to take up eco-gardening. Unique in Valencia for growing vegetables and greens in a setting combining typical farming and nature.



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## Irrigation diversion weir

One of the most important elements in the water infrastructure which, together with the canals, help irrigate the market gardens of Valencia. They allow the water to be regulated by means of a system of gates, for the purpose of feeding the canals and branches and diverting its course to the required spot.



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## Masía de El Racó

In this farmstead, over four centuries old, you can still appreciate an original structure, despite the different transformations. It is one of the first examples of an attempt to protect heritage in Spain, as, in 1724 and 1725, the then Mayor of the town was instructed to legally protect the ceramic flooring.



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## Daroqui canal

This is one of the sections of the Manises-Quart-Benàfer-Faitanar canal that irrigates the gardens and fields of the right bank of the river Turia. This canal diverts practically all of the river's waters and takes them to the load chamber of the former hydroelectric power plant called El Molí de Daroqui. Once there, the turbine waters return to the river and the irrigation waters continue along the canal.



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## Masía de Sant Joan

The oldest farmstead in the Partida de La Cova and one of the last historical farmsteads retaining their original purpose in El Racó de Manises. This farmhouse has housed five generations of the Valdecabres family who kept its original design with adjoining porticoes, characteristic of the region.



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## Masía de La Cova

A traditional seventeenth century farmhouse linked to the agriculture in its region, which continually adapted to technological advances right up to the end of the twentieth century, when it stopped working. It was built on an existing natural cave which gave it its name and comprises a rural dwelling with a tower and buildings around a yard.



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## Masía de Espinós

This is the result of a segregation from the Masía de La Cova, which has managed to keep up its farming activity by transforming its olive oil-based production into a plantation made up almost entirely of citrus fruits. Of note is the stonework oil press, dating from the first decades of the twentieth century XX.



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