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Presentation

Located in the Southern part of the Garraf region of Catalonia, Cubelles is a typical seaside town on the shores of the Mediterranean. With just over 13,000 inhabitants, Cubelles has easy access to both the mountains and the sea. The harmony of blue sea and green mountains makes Cubelles a welcoming place to spend your holidays. Cubelles is a quiet town with low-rise buildings and houses and an attractive old town.

Area: 13.36km²

Altitude: 12m

Distance from Barcelona: 50km

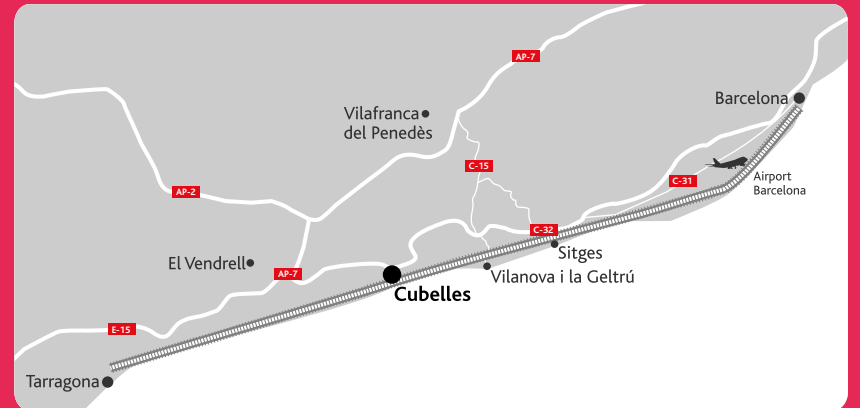


| How to get there

Train. Access by train, especially from Barcelona, is excellent, and the station is less than a kilometre from the town center and the beaches.

The high-speed AVE serves the stations of Tarragona and Barcelona and Cubelles has connections to both these stations. Airport. Cubelles is located 30 minutes from Barcelona International Airport.

Road. The road network provides access to Cubelles from the C-31 regional road or the C-32 Pau Casals Motorway, which has an exit for our town.



Places and cultural routes



Santa Maria de Cubelles Church (1737)

The bell tower dates from 1765. A rectangular church with three naves divided into sections marked by the exterior buttresses. Interesting stone façade.



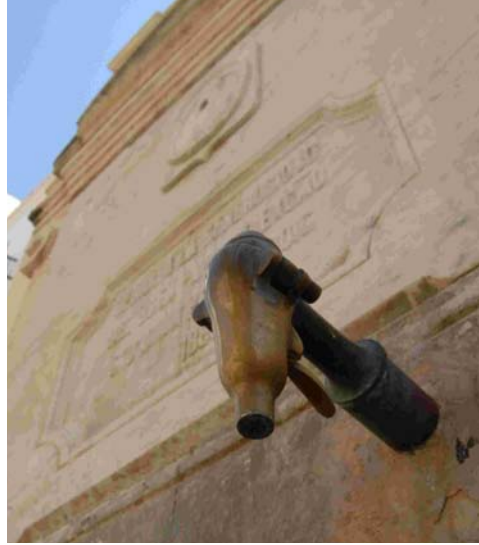
Marquesos d'Alfarràs Castle

Built in 1675 (17th century) on the remains of the ancient castle of Cubelles. It is currently being restored.



L'Aliança

An exhibition of the legacy left by the "americanos" or "indianos", the pioneers who returned from the Americas. Founded in 1914 by the *americano* Pere Escardó, it is owned by a local organisation, the Societat Recreativa l'Aliança.



Fountain of the carrer Major (Main street) and fountain of the street of Sant Antoni

The "Americano", Joan Pere i Roig, with the intention of bringing drinking water to Cubelles, had these two public fountains made and placed in the carrer Major and in the street of Sant Antoni.



Can Travé

Can Travé is a magnificent building which presents classical style features. There was a library specialized in classical mythology and it also had a Natural History study encouraged by Frederic Travé. These days it belongs to the Travé family. Privately owned.



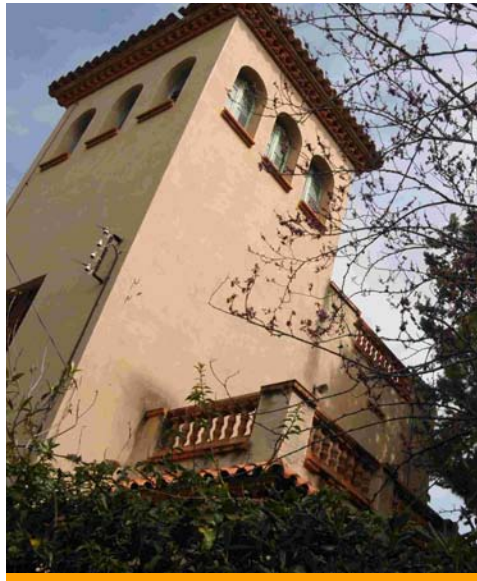
Hermitage of St Anthony of Padua

Built in 1664 by Marià Gassò. A single nave chapel. It is characterised by its architectural simplicity. Privately owned.



Old Gallifa Block

Buildings dating back to the 11th century. At the beginning of the 16th century, it belonged to the Renaissance poet Joan Boscà i Almogàver. Privately owned.



The house of Dr. Estapé

The house of Dr. Estapé was built in 1943, by this doctor, cardiologist and director of the Hospital Sant Pau of Barcelona. Privately owned.

Permanent Exhibition of the Clown Charlie Rivel

Personal collection of Josep Andreu Lasserre "Charlie Rivel" (1896-1983), the most popular and universal of all Catalan clowns. Charlie Rivel made generations of circus lovers laugh and cry with his famous howling. All he needed was a guitar, a chair and his talent. At the museum you can see the distinctive clothes worn by the popular clown from Cubelles, prizes, pictures of his performances... Charlie Rivel, the man who once said that the greatest treasure he cherished was the smile of children from around the world. The exhibition has been located since 16 March 2006, in a hall at Cubelles Castle and is run by the Cubelles Town Hall Tourist Office. It can be visited individually or in groups. Information and reservations, contact Cubelles Town Hall Tourist Office.



Romantic walk in Cubelles

The growth in vine cultivation in the Garraf region during the 18th century caused a demographic explosion which in turn led many men to cross the Atlantic to seek their fortune in the 19th century. The American Dream came true for some of them, who then returned to the Garraf to stay. These "Americanos" or "indianos", as the *nouveaux riches* were known, began the unexpected and dramatic architectural transformation of the region. They filled the Garraf with manor farms, houses, palaces and luxurious residences. It is highly rewarding to walk around and discover some of these architectural marvels.





Natural spaces, activities and sports

The River Foix Estuary

The reclaimed wetlands of the river Foix estuary have made this area into one of the main attractions of the town. The River Foix, which is dry during most of the year since the construction of its Reservoir, is another of the most emblematic places in Cubelles. At the Foix estuary, you can spend the day enjoying nature and bird-watching, or at one of the picnic areas. This zone is also intended for school visits, as it is a place where children can study the ecosystem of a Mediterranean river such as the Foix. The estuary is separated from the sea by a sand barrier which has accumulated over time, due to sea currents and rainwater sediments, forming freshwater lagoons behind the barrier. The natural area of the Foix Delta has a branch of the river that flows into the sea. This was formed during the floods of 1995 and then rejoins another branch, forming an island in the middle. Tourists can visit the island by crossing a wooden footbridge.

GR - Bicycle

This circular route takes us from Vilanova to Mas de l'Artis. Following the river Pastera, we go up to the Pla de les Palmeres and on to the Foix reservoir; after this we continue up again to the coast of Cunit, through Puig de Tiula to Cubelles.

Distance: 33km
Altitude variation: 300m
Signposted: Yes
Duration: 4h



Local Sports Centre

The local Sports Centre, situated beside the River Foix Estuary, offers a large number of possibilities for practicing many different types of sport: tennis, pelota, football, basketball, hockey, skating and swimming, to name but a few. During the summer season there are sporting activities and courses. There are also facilities to practise horseriding and sailing in the vicinity.



Beaches and services

The beaches of Platja Llarga, Platja de la Mota de Sant Pere, Platja de les Salines and Platja de les Gavines make up the 3Kms of coastline at Cubelles. In addition, Platja Llarga beach in Cubelles has received E.U. recognition with the Blue Flag during recent years as well as being awarded, in 2007, the mark of quality distinction from SICTED, the Tourist Destination Quality Joint Awards System.

Cubelles' Platja Llarga and La Mota de Sant Pere beaches also have lifeguards during the summer season. The beaches have showers, toilets for the disabled and foot showers.

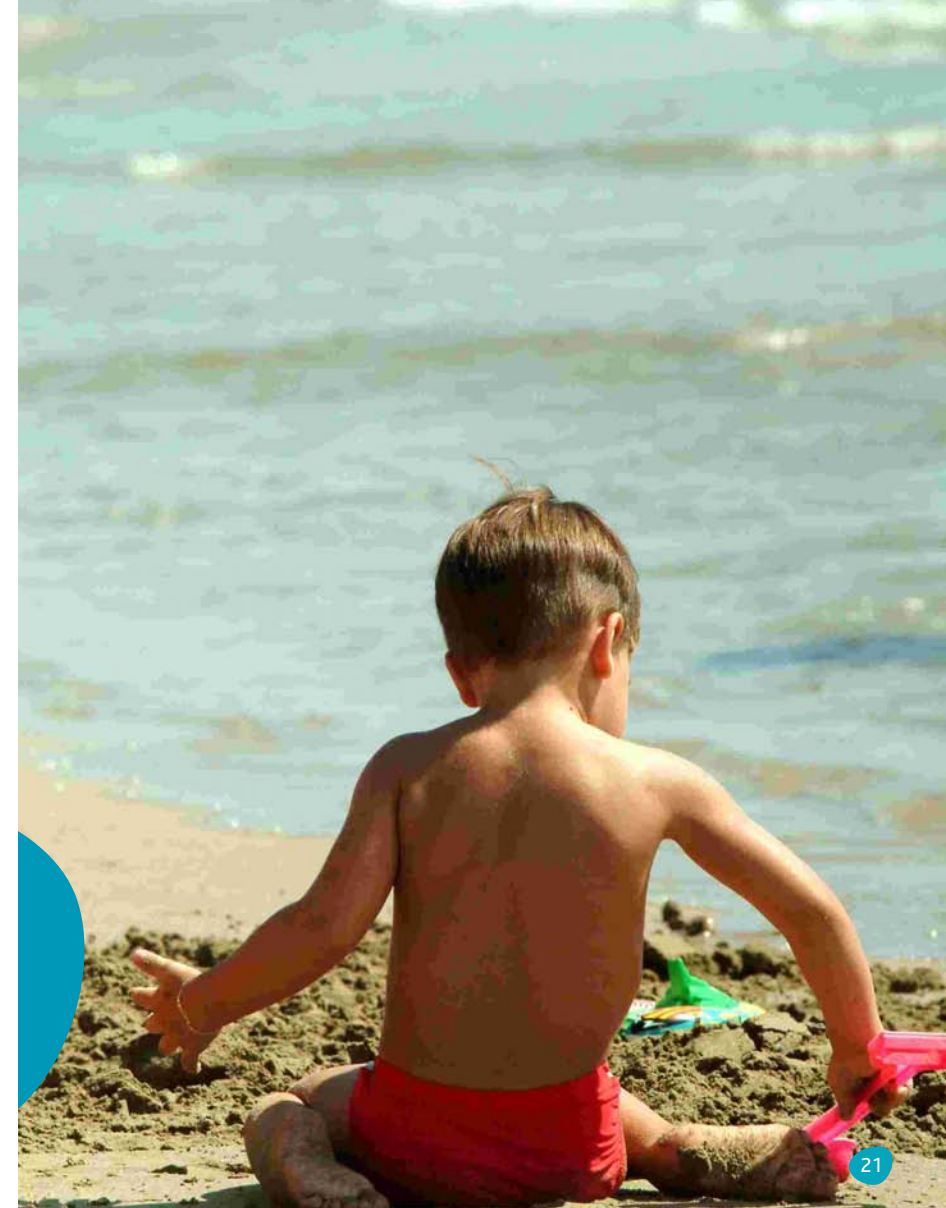


Platja
de Les
Gavines

Platja de
Les Salines

Platja de la Mota de Sant Pere

Platja Llarga





| Local holidays and traditions

JANUARY

"El joc de Quinto" Bingo (1st January)
The Parade of the 3 Kings (5th January).

FEBRUARY

Xatonada for everyone and xató-makers' competition
Cubelles carnival (the local "Merengada", a kind of "Milk Fight" open to everyone, the Carnival float and costume competition and the burial of King Carnestoltes).

MARCH / APRIL

Easter procession (Good Friday)

"Caramelles" (Easter Sunday).

Cultural week and St George's day (Lacemakers' gathering and open day at the permanent exhibition of the clown Charlie Rivel).

JUNE

Sports festival

Sardana festival

JULY

Festa Major Petita - the first of the local holidays

"Trobada de gegants" or "giants" meet

AUGUST

Festa Major Gran – main town holiday

Firework display, concert and dances, sporting activities, procession of the "Diables" or Devils theatre group through the street of the town, and many hours of partying are the main attraction of the Local Holiday in Cubelles.



SEPTEMBER

Wine Harvest Fair

Election of the Gala Queen and Junior Queen, tasting of the first pressing, awarding of the Silver Grapes, gastronomic tasting of wine and cava and a cava label exhibition are some of the ingredients of this fair that marks the end of summer.

OCTOBER

Paella Competition (12 October)

NOVEMBER

Gastronomy seminars in the restaurants of Cubelles (all month)

DECEMBER

Christmas holidays: the Christmas Concert, Bingo (26th December) and Christmas poem.



Accommodation

HOTELS / HOSTELS

Hostal del Foix Hotel St. Jordi

Av. de Catalunya, s/n | Dr. Fleming, 12-14 | Tel. 93 895 01 03

Hostal Mas Trader

C/ Dàlia, 30 | Tel. 93 895 09 28

Web: www.mastrader.com | Email: info@mastrader.com

Hostal Nàutic

Av. Països catalans, s/n | Passeig Marítim, s/n

Tel. 93 895 10 51

CAMPING

Càmping La Rueda

Ctra. C-31 – Km. 146,2 | Tel. 93 895 02 07 | Fax. 93 895 03 47

Web: www.la-rueda.com | Email: larueda@la-rueda.com

APART-HOTELS

Apart-Hotels Mar Blava

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Email: reservas@aparthotels-marblava.com

HOLIDAY HOUSES

Can Foix

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Email: maspedro@infonegocio.com

| Leisure and shopping

Gastronomy

Cubelles offers many dishes that are typical of traditional Catalan gastronomy. The sea and the vine are the key elements to the traditional cooking of Cubelles, which has a great variety of flavours. The most typical dishes are All Cremat (Burnt Garlic), "l'arrosejat" (a rice dish), "el bull de tonyina" (a tuna fish sausage), "l'arròs caldòs" (rice with broth), Cod, Pigs' trotters, Rabbit with garlic and pepper, broad beans, and paella, among others.

Club Marítim Cubelles 938950128 | Passeig Marítim, s/n

Hípica Cubelles 938953367 | Ctra. C-31

Medical Centre

Cubelles boasts one of the most modern medical centres in the Garraf region. Right in the town centre the health centre (C.A.P) gives medical attention to visitors, has a pediatrician, gynaecologist, nurse as well as women's services. There is also a 24-hour emergency room.

Local Police

Cubelles local police it was awarded the Barcelona province quality distinction in 2007 from SICTED, the Tourist Destination Quality Joint Awards System.



Shops

Local shopping in Cubelles is in-town and mostly made up of family businesses. The commercial area is mainly concentrated in the old town, l'Eixample (passeig Vilanova) and the Maritime quarter. In the Les Salines area there is a growing industrial and commercial zone.

Street market: Friday mornings in the market square.

Artisan stalls: July and August on the waterfront avenue.



Information of interest

Town Hall (OPIC):

93 895 03 00

Fire Brigade:

085

Emergencies:

112

Sant Antoni Abat Hospital:

93 893 16 16

Sant Camil Hospital:

93 896 00 25

Mossos d'esquadra (police):

088

National Police:

091

Transit and mobility:

012

Urgencies and sanitary emergencies:

061

Local Police:

93 895 01 32

Ambulances:

061

Public Medical Assistance (CAP):

93 895 38 24

Montaner pharmacy (town):

93 895 07 03

López pharmacy (beach):

93 895 28 04

Santa Maria parish church:

93 895 00 30

"Mossèn Joan Avinyó" public library:

93 895 23 87

Tourist Office:

93 895 25 00

"Exposició Permanent del Clown Charlie Rivel":

93 895 25 00

Consumer Service office:

93 895 03 00

People Office Service:

93 895 24 57

Cubelles Radio:

93 895 03 26

Social Center:

93 895 75 51

Young Office Center:

93 895 03 61

Sports Centre:

93 895 04 25

Associació d'Hostaleria i Comerç de Cubelles:

93 895 04 25

Centre d'Esplai Kitsch:

93 895 63 38

Esplai Parroquial Pessigolles:

656 312 063

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RENFE

902 24 02 02 www.renfe.es

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653 79 98 57

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