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The vías verdes (greenways) are the old remains of train tracks which are no longer used and have been taken back for use as non motorised routes to walk or cycle along. Across Spain there are 3,100 km of greenways spread across 129 routes.

The design of the greenways makes use of the train tracks which run below offering a maximum level of ease and comfort for their use, guaranteeing complete accessibility, including for small children, older people and people with disabilities. The greenways are routes filled with magic, sprinkled with impressive tunnels and spectacular viaducts where trains in years gone by used to travel, many of them mining trains, or even tracks that were never used and never had a train roll over them.
Currently, the Region of Valencia has 13 greenways and around 200 km through which the traveller is able to learn the history, culture and nature of the Region of Valencia. Coastal greenways, in the interior, through the mountains or in the vegetable growing and orange grove areas. Experiencing all of them will be the best way to discover the Region of Valencia at your own pace.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR USE**

- Before you set out, check the condition of your bike and what’s the weather forecast and check the state of the routes.
- Respect the environment, the local population, the crops and the wildlife.
- Enjoy nature in peace and without rushing.
- Give priority to pedestrians and respect road signs along the roots.
- Travel safely along those sections shared with vehicles.
- Be careful especially in areas with crossings with other road users.
- Do not forget to carry a torch or bike lights for sections where there are tunnels.
- Binoculars, water, comfortable footwear and swimwear or essentials for your excursions.
- It is also recommended that you wear a helmet if you go by bike.
- Check the access conditions for bicycles on trains at renfe.com / tramalicante.info / metrovalencia.es / fgv.es and on other public transport.

- Check your route at viasverdes.com and at cicloturismo.comunitatvalenciana.com prior to setting out for the best information and warnings of possible incidences.
- In case of emergency, call 112.
A NEW LIFE FOR OLD TRAIN STATIONS

Ojos Negros Greenway (Castellón-Valencia)

Km 154 of greenways. Information point, interpretation centre and resting area.
Tel. + 34 659 290 715

El Palancar Station. Barracas
Km 119 of greenways. Resting area. Starting point for new scenic and ethnological routes through the El Palancar forest. There is a project underway to redevelop the building as a “Forest Classroom” with forest awareness activities and as a forest shelter.
Tel. + 34 659 290 715
Dénia Greenway (Alicante)

Dénia Station. Toy Museum and Art Centre

On the ground floor of the building that housed the old train station on the Dénia – Carcaixent line is where you will find the Art Centre with temporary exhibitions. On the first floor you will find the Toy Museum that exhibits a wide variety of toys showing the importance of this industry since 1904. Metal toys and especially wood toys characterise the toy production during this time.

C/ Calderón
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Torrevieja Greenway (Alicante)

Torrevieja Station

The sidings were redeveloped to create a park and currently there are buildings being redeveloped that used to make up the train station.

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GREENWAYS
Jewel of the Mediterranean Coast

The Del Mar Greenway runs along the ruggedly natural coast that separates Benicàssim and Oropesa del Mar. The main star is some scenery where the old trainline, in its efforts to move along such difficult terrain, has left its mark in the form of gigantic works such as deep trenches, a long tunnel and metal bridges. Today, it is one of the prettiest greenways in Spain.
Location: between Benicàssim and Oropesa del Mar (Castellón).

Length: 5.7 km of greenway + 5.3 km (cycle path crossing and passing Benicàssim).

Users: suitable on foot, bike and wheelchair.

Type of terrain: mixed (tarmac and compacted gravel).

How to get there: Renfe. Benicàssim and Oropesa del Mar stations.

GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 40.057803°, 0.085720°. End: 40.082159°, 0.136319°.

This greenway has been developed by the Ministry of Public Works and Transport.
The longest greenway in Spain

The Ojos Negros Greenway between Teruel and the Valencian coast runs for 160 km and is the longest in Spain. In the Region of Valencia, the Valle del río Palancia is the setting for this greenway along the Sierra Menera mining trainline. From the Barracas high plateau, at the foot of the Sierra de Javalambre, the Ojos Negros Greenway descends down into the rich Valencian vegetable growing area along the shores of the Mediterranean.
V.V. de Ojos Negros. Tramo: Teruel

V.V. de Ojos Negros. Tramo: Castellón y Valencia
Location: between Barracas and Albalat dels Tarongers (Castellón-Valencia).

Length: 75.5 km.

Users: on foot, by bike and wheelchair (except some ramps off the original track).

Type of terrain: mixed (tarmac and compacted earth).


GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 39.698671°, 0.342563°. End: 40.041561°, 0.731295°.

This greenway was developed by the Generalitat Valenciana.
A trip through Valencia’s vegetable growing area

Horta Nord county in Valencia is crossed by two rail lines which start in Valencia: one forms part of the Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat Valenciana (FGV) going to Rafelbunyol, and the other a Renfe line, towards Barcelona and Zaragoza. However, once a third line also existed. Today it has been dismantled, although it used to cut straight through this county following a rectilinear path. A greenway along part of this line between orange groves and vegetable patches.
Location: between Valencia and Puçol, Valencia.
Length: 16.20 km.
Users: suitable for all, totally accessible by foot, bike, skates and wheelchair.
Type of terrain: tarmac, apart from a small section between Meliana and Albalat.
GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 39.482875°, 0.351183°. End: 39.617068°, -0.307674°.
This greenway was developed by the Generalitat Valenciana.
Flat and easy route through the hills and fields of Camp de Túria county

This greenway runs along the old rail line between Valencia and Lliria and allows users to get to know the Turia Natural Park, a clear example of scarce and valuable Mediterranean forest associated with the Turia river, and pine forests and Mediterranean scrubland, together with a good representation of the Valencian vegetable growing area. A luxury for a densely-populated and industrialised area such as the Valencia metropolitan area.
Location: between Llíria and Benaguasil ending in the Túria Natural Park, Valencia.

Length: 6 km.

Users: suitable for all, totally accessible by foot, bike, skates and wheelchair.

Type of terrain: tarmac, apart from the final section of 300 m of compacted terrain.

How to get there: Llíria: 27 km from Valencia, CV35 motorway, rail: FGV Line 2 (Llíria and Benaguasil).

GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start 39.482875°, 0.351183°. End: 39.617068°, -0.307674°.

This greenway was developed by the Generalitat Valenciana and Benaguasil Town Council.
Following the route of the old, narrow-gauge line between Dénia–Carcaixent

This route, with its evocative name, follows the old feve line. -Spanish narrow-gauge railways- it crosses the territory of the Ribera Alta region, starting in the Valencian town of Carcaixent. This old trainline is now a pleasant route through Valencia’s interior which is expected to grow to more than 30 km when it finally reaches Tavernes one day.
Via Verde del Antic Trenet
Location: between Carcaixent and Alzira. Valencia
Length: 11.75 km.
Users: suitable on foot, bike, skates and wheelchair.
Type of terrain: mixed (tarmac 6.04 km and compacted gravel 5.71 km).
How to get there: Carcaixent: Media Distancia Renfe (Renfe Medium Distance).

GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 39.482875°, 0.351183°. End: 39.617068°, -0.307674°.

This greenway was developed by the Generalitat Valenciana.
First steps in the redevelopment of the Xàtiva – La Pobla Larga trainline

The conversion of this old trainline crosses the Valencian region of Manuel being the first kilometre of this project. In the future, it is planned to join up the municipalities of Manuel, La Pobla Llarg and Xàtiva. A way of promoting sustainable mobility and offering new routes in Ribera Alta county.
Vía Verde de Manuel
Location: Manuel Valencia.
Length: 1.35 km.
Users: suitable on foot, bike, skates and wheelchair.
Type of terrain: tarmac and compacted gravel.
How to get there: train. Cercanías Line C2. Stop L’Ènova-Manuel

GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 38.709172°, -0.470671°. End: 38.627322°, -0.545576°.

This greenway was developed by the Generalitat Valenciana and Manuel Town Council.
The orange blossom straight

The long, straight route through orange groves on the La Safor Greenway along part of the old Dénia-Carcaixent trainline is the best way to approach the vegetable growing area in the south of Valencia, between the labyrinth of irrigation channels and the scent of orange blossoms. From Gandía to Oliva with the possibility of connecting with the Dénia Greenway through the Marjal de Pego Oliva Natural Park.
**Location:** between Gandía and Oliva, Valencia.

**Length:** 7 km.

**Users:** suitable on foot, bike, skates and wheelchair.

**Type of terrain:** tarmac.

**How to get there:** Gandía: Cercanías Renfe, Valencia-Gandía line, Oliva: bus by Ubesa.

**GPS coordinates (decimal system):**
Start: 38.969604°, -0.179367°. End: 38.926168°, -0.124778°.

This natural route/greenway was developed under the framework of the Ministry for the Environment’s Natural Routes Scheme.
Through the orange trees along the Alicante coast

This route traces the old trainline between Carcaixent - Dénia, which crosses a sea of orange trees next to the coast north of the historic city that sits at the feet of the Montgó. The old line is an appealing route to get to Las Marinas beach, neighbouring towns and continuing to the Marjal Pego-Oliva Natural Park.
Location: between Dénia and the edges of the Dénia-Els Poblets municipality, Alicante.

Length: 6 km.

Users: suitable on foot, bike and wheelchair.

Type of terrain: mixed (tarmac irrigation covered with gravel and compacted gravel).

How to get there: Dénia station Ferrocarriles de la Generalitat Valenciana (FGV). Tranvía Metropolitano (Tram).

GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 38.841976°, -0.091316°. End: 38.8469667°, -0.02441473°.

This natural route/greenway was developed under the framework of the Ministry for the Environment, Rural and Marine Affair’s Natural Routes Scheme.
Between pines and viaducts through the Font Roja Natural Park

This route runs on what remains of the old Alcoi-Alicante trainline which was designed to transport the products made in this prosperous city’s factories. Today it represents a peaceful backwater which crosses a Mediterranean forest in the heart of the Carrascal de la Font Roja Natural Park.
**Location:** between Alcoi and Ibi. Alicante.

**Length:** 20 km.

**Users:** suitable on foot, bike and wheelchair.

**Type of terrain:** mixed (tarmac and compacted earth).

**How to get there:** Alcoi. Media Distancia Renfe (Renfe Medium Distance).

**GPS coordinates (decimal system):**
Start: 38.709172°, -0.470671°. End: 38.627322°, -0.545576°.

*This greenway has been developed by the Ministry of Public Works and Transport and the Generalitat Valenciana.*
A route through the ‘valley of toys’, in Alicante’s interior

The old line runs through the wide agricultural valley that separates the Sierra del Menetjador to the north, including the Carrascal de la Font Roja Natural Park and the Sierra del Cuartel to the south.
El Vía Verde de Ibi es un camino ciclista que se extiende a lo largo del río Alcalá y del río Túria, con un total de 15 kilómetros. La ruta comienza en el km 0 y termina en el km 15.3. El camino es una zona verde que ofrece una hermosa conexión entre la naturaleza y la ciudad. La ruta es total o parcialmente apta para el ciclismo tanto de montaña como de ciudad. La escala gráfica muestra la distribución de la ruta en el mapa.
**Location:** Ibi, Alicante.

**Length:** 1.5 km.

**Users:** suitable on foot, bike and wheelchair.

**Type of terrain:** compacted earth.

**How to get there:** La Alcoyana bus. Alicante-Alcoy line.

**GPS coordinates (decimal system):**
Start: 38.709172°, -0.470671°. End: 38.627322°, -0.545576°.

This greenway was developed by Ibi Town Council.
Along the edges of the Sierra Mariola

Alicante is home to a great heritage of abandoned trainlines that run through its different regions. This greenway takes up a section of the Villena - Alcoi-Yecla trainline, better known as “El Xixarra”. From the Sanctuary of Las Virtudes to the municipality of Biar, it is possible to enjoy the charm of these lands of Alicante and also link up with the Southeast Camino de Santiago.
**Location:** between Las Virtudes (Villena) and Biar. Alicante.

**Length:** 16 km.

**Users:** on foot, bike and wheelchair.

**Type of terrain:** conditioned soil.

**How to get there:** Villena: Renfe Media Distancia and Larga Distancia (Medium Distance and Long Distance). Madrid-Alicante lines.

**GPS coordinates (decimal system):**
Start: 38.621083°, -0.934702°. End: 38.638252°, -0.780165°.

*This greenway was developed by the Diputaciòn de Alicante.*
The construction of a trainline from Alcoi to Alicante seems like a crazy idea: an almost cursed terrain made any attempt very difficult. In spite of this, in the twenties, a trainline was built to face this challenge, laying spectacular viaducts and piercing the mountain ranges with very long stretches, all open today to enjoy an adventure through the highlands of Vinalopó and Hoya de Alcoi.
Location: between Agost and Puerto del Maigmó. Alicante.

Length: 22 km

Users: on foot and by bike.

Type of terrain: compacted earth.

How to get there: Agost stop. Please ask about the possibility of stopping trains on request.

GPS coordinates (decimal system):
Start: 38.407282°, -0.614982°. End: 38.500334°, -0.602963°.

This natural route/greenway was developed under the framework of the Ministry for the Environment’s Natural Routes Scheme.
Skirting the Laguna Rosa

The Torrevieja Greenway, which could well be called “Las Salinas” on the old Albatera-Torrevieja trainline, is an urban walk from this tourist town to the Acequión beach and a nature trail that skirts the town’s salt lagoon and provides access to the Lagunas de La Mata and Torrevieja Natural Park.
**Location:** between Torrevieja and the road to Los Montesinos (CV 945). Alicante.

**Length:** 6.7 km

**Users:** suitable on foot, bike, skates and wheelchair.

**Type of terrain:** on the urban section, double tarmac/paved path. On the rural section, tarmac road surface.

**How to get there:** La Inmaculada, Globalia and Costa Azul buses.

**GPS coordinates (decimal system):**
Start: 37.978752°, -0.691947°. End: 38.030304°, -0.719214°.

This greenway was developed by the Generalitat Valenciana and Iberdrola.
Eurovelo and XINM in the Region of Valencia

The Eurovelo network, managed by the European Cyclists’ Federation (ECF), consists of 17 routes through 42 countries covering more than 90,000 km, of which some 45,000 km are operational.

The route that goes through the Region of Valencia is Eurovelo 8, the Mediterranean Route, which, with almost 7,500 km, links Athens with Cadiz, crossing 10 countries in the Mediterranean basin.

The route in the Region of Valencia consists of 512 km divided into 10 stages of about 51 km/stage, crossing 78 municipalities, over a 74% paved surface with an average gradient of 1.6% and a maximum gradient of 9.3%. It also has 51 train stations within a radius of 3 km and crosses nine Natural Sites, as well as 47 Sites of Community Interest and SPAs.

The Consellería de Política Territorial, Obras Publicas y Movilidad de la Generalitat Valenciana is responsible for its planning and signposting, which is currently underway and part of the Xarxa d’Itineraris No Motorizats (XINM), or Network of Non-Motorised Itineraries, which aims to reach the figure of 3,360 km of cycle-pedestrian routes.

It should be noted that all the greenways that appear in this guide will form part of the network in the Region of Valencia, and to a large extent of the Eurovelo Itinerary, which will also connect with some others, as is the case of the Ojos Negros Greenway when it reaches Sagunto.

On the website cicloturismo.comunitatvalenciana.com you can find a network of cycle tourism routes that include Greenways, Eurovelo itinerary and historic roads adapted to low traffic and high cyclability.

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