



Discover the Montado

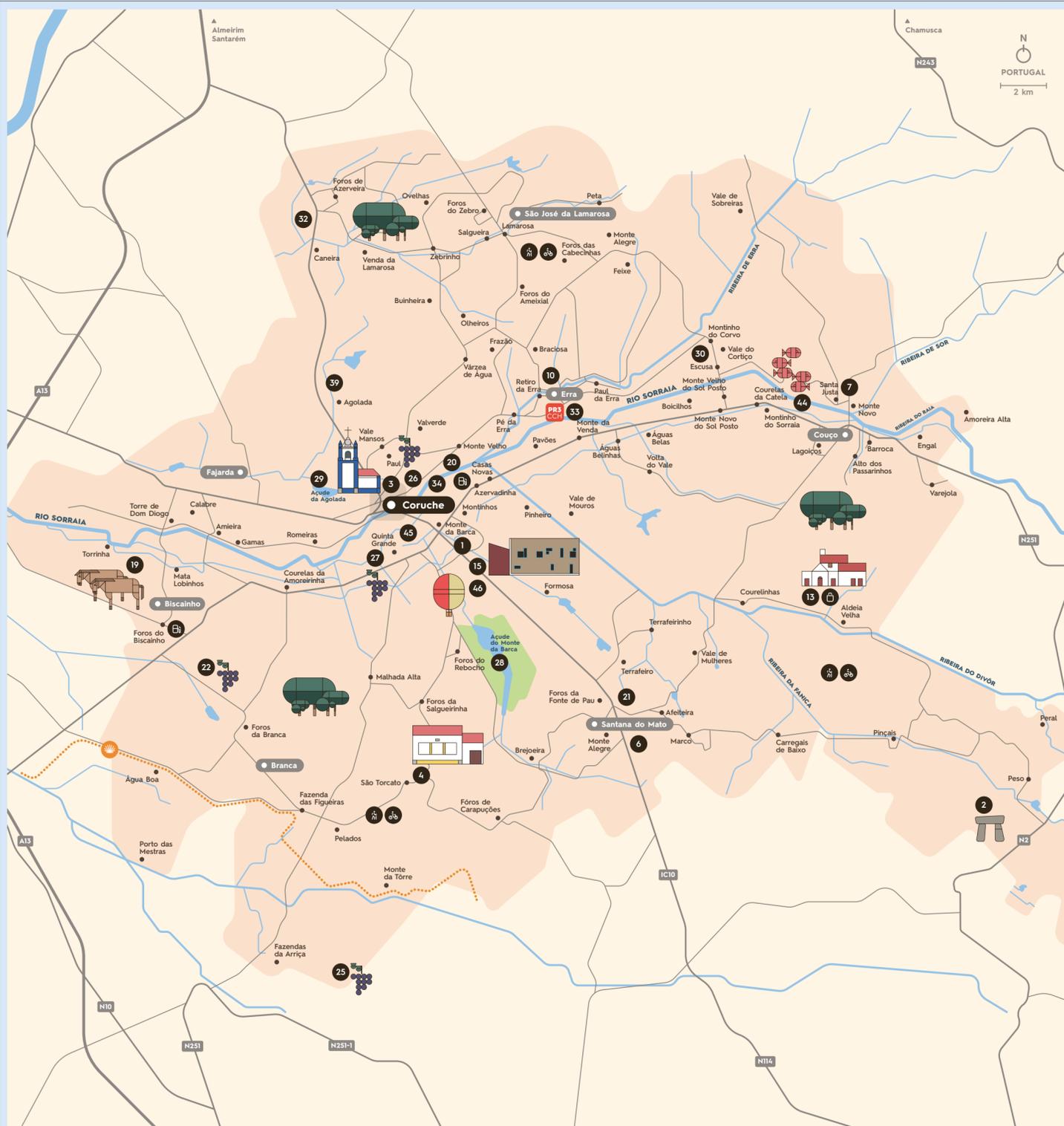
The cork oak is a distinctive feature of the Portuguese landscape. The terrain of the *montado* is rich and varied in wildlife, with the cork oak providing food and shelter for many species. The wildlife, livestock, birds, and wildflowers thrive in a perfect haven.

The balance between man and nature is striking – while the grasslands make for superb walking, cycling and ecotourism, be sure to leave nothing but your footprints.

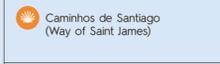
Coruche

Map of the Municipality

Legend



- Municipality Headquarters
- Parish Headquarters
- Place Name
- Rivers and Valas (streams)
- Motorway (A)
- National Road (N)
- Local Road
- ||| Railway Track



A Glorious Heritage and Faith

- 1 **Monte da Barca Aqueduct**
Estrada Nacional 251
- 2 **Coruche Megaliths**
Estrada Nacional 2, km 495
Couço
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museunicipal@cm-coruche.pt
- 3 **Nossa Senhora do Castelo Hermitage and Viewpoint**
Avenida Nossa Senhora do Castelo
2100-100 Coruche
tel: +351 243 675 748
- 4 **Escola Museu Salgueiro Maia**
São Torcato
2100-054 Coruche
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- 6 **Igreja de Santa Ana**
Rua de Santa Ana
2100-075 Santana do Mato
- 7 **Igreja de Santa Justa**
Rua de Moçambique
2100-376 Couço
- 10 **Igreja de São Mateus**
Rua de São Mateus
2100-623 Erra
- 13 **Mosteiro Nossa Senhora do Rosário**
Vale Covo
2100-300 Couço
- 15 **Observatório do Sobreiro e da Cortiça**
Zona Industrial do Monte da Barca, lote 41
2100-051 Coruche
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- 19 **CEART, Centro Equestre António Ribeiro Telles (riding stables)**
Herdade de Vale Casas
2100-651 Biscainho
tel: +351 914 604 089
ceartpt
- 20 **Centro Hípico "O Montinho" (riding stables)**
Montinho do Brito
Estrada da Erra
2100-055 Coruche
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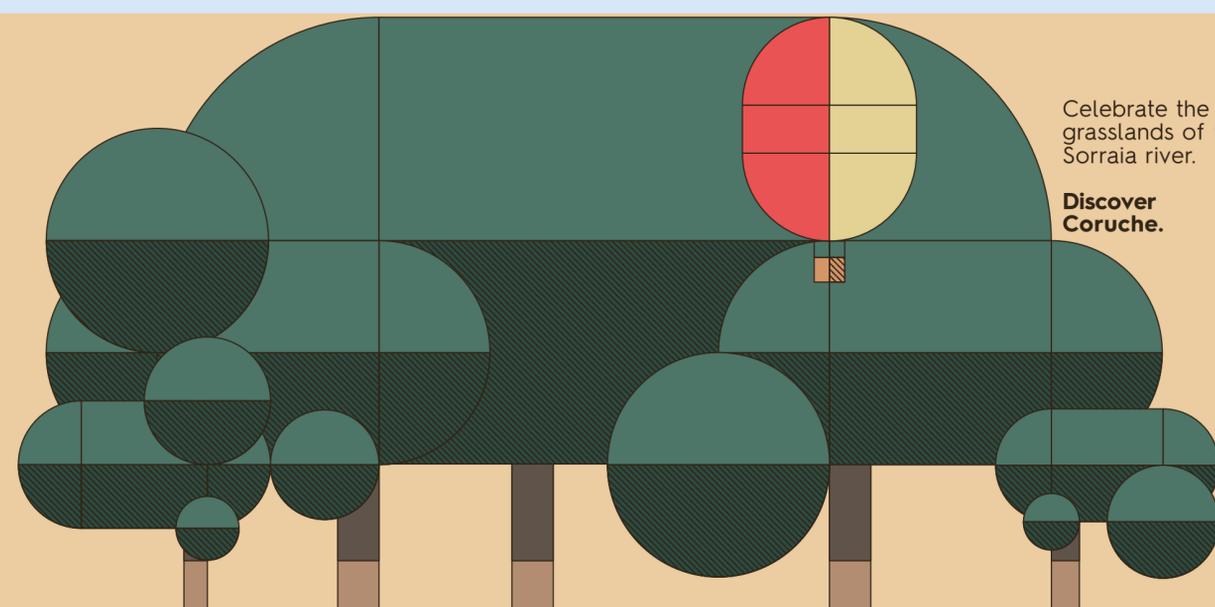
- 21 **Coudelaria Vale de Pau (stud farm)**
Santana do Mato
2100-675 Coruche
tel: +351 938 510 532
coudelariavalepau.com
- 22 **Herdade dos Fidalgos**
2100-653 Biscainho
tel: +351 243 689 520
- 25 **Quinta da Arriça**
Fazendas da Arriça
2100-601 Branca
tel: +351 265 897 156
- 26 **Quinta do Santo André – Velga Teixeira**
Rua da Misericórdia, 46
2100-134 Coruche
tel: +351 243 617 173
qsa.pt
- 27 **Quinta Grande**
2100-056 Coruche
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Relaxing in the Great Outdoors

- 28 **Monte da Barca Dam**
- 29 **Agolada Dam**
- 30 **A Apicultora, Atelier Interpretativo Apícola (bee keeping workshop)**
Montinho do Corvo, Escusa
2100-371 Coruche
tel: +351 917 284 421
apicultora.pt
- 32 **Birdwatching and Themed Visits to Montado**
Monte do Areeiro
Estrada Nacional 114, km 100.7
2100-407 Caneira
tel: +351 213 015 494
montedoareeiro.com
- 33 **Mountain Bike Hire**
Rua da Capadoura
2100-623 Erra
- 34 **Cycle Route**
- 39 **Herdade da Agolada de Cima**
Monte da Agolada
Estrada Nacional 114
2100-048 Coruche
tel: +351 243 617 047
reservas@agolada.pt
agolada.pt
- 44 **Sport Fishing**
- 45 **Ski Clube Quinta Grande**
Quinta Grande
2100-056 Coruche
tel: +351 919 418 930
skiclube-quintagrande.pt
- 46 **Windpassenger, Passageiros do Vento**
Zona Industrial Monte da Barca, Lote 37
2100-051 Coruche
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windpassenger.pt

- Walking Trails of the Lezíria do Tejo**
- Caminhos do Vale ao Montado (walking trail)**
Start of Route
Praça do Pelourinho
2100-623 Erra
Distance: 9.7 km

Explore this stunning habitat, cruise along the Sorraia and wander the tranquil villages.



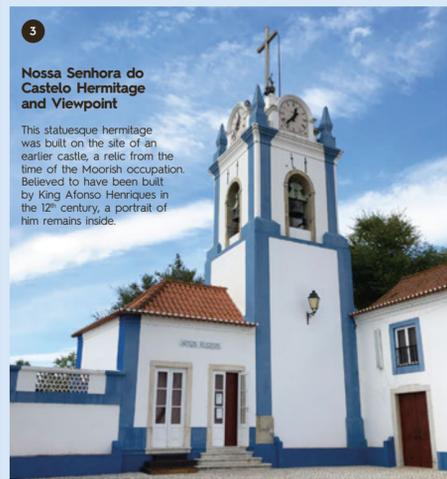
Celebrate the grasslands of the Sorraia river.

Discover Coruche.

The cork oak is one of the treasures of Coruche, at home in the sweeping grasslands of the *montado*. Idyllic and unspoilt, this a truly unique ecosystem.

Welcome to Coruche

The river, the grasslands and the peaceful villages



Nossa Senhora do Castelo Hermitage and Viewpoint

This statuesque hermitage was built on the site of an earlier castle, a relic from the time of the Moorish occupation. Believed to have been built by King Afonso Henriques in the 12th century, a portrait of him remains inside.



Festas em Honra de Nossa Senhora do Castelo

In August, Coruche prepares for the Feasts in Honour of Our Lady of the Castle. There's a traditional procession with a dramatic firework display over the river, and plenty of music and a folklore festival.

Traditions are always respected here and the culture and heritage of the Coruche is proudly celebrated. On Campino Day the iconic livestock are on show, the thoroughbred Lusitano horses, the cattle and the bulls, all overseen by the distinctive campinos, the traditional herdsmen on horseback.

This is the biggest day in the Coruche calendar, with thousands of visitors joining the party and sampling the fine gastronomy on offer.



Núcleo Taumáquico

The main museum in the centre of Coruche has a special exhibition tracing and celebrating the story of the bull in the region.

The collection of artefacts, together with posters, photographs, books and correspondence provides a fascinating background to this almost mythical animal.



Sorraia River

Rising in Couço and eventually flowing into the Tagus at Vila Franca de Xira, this important river crosses the Coruche municipality.

The riverside here is now a pleasant spot for strolling and enjoying the scenery, as well as being popular with anglers in search of the elusive carp and barbel.



Activities on the Sorraia River

Take a bike down the riverbank trails, paddle a canoe along the idyllic waters or sit patiently and fish at the water's edge, waiting for the big one.



Carne de Toiro Bravo

With a firm texture and a richer, deeper flavour than regular beef, the toiro bravo beef is a special delicacy. Sample it at any restaurant in Coruche or during the Festival Sabores do Toiro Bravo (Food Festival).



Arroz de Tomate

Tomato rice is a classic dish showcasing two prized staple products of the Ribatejo. The ripest, reddest tomatoes are the key, bursting with flavour, and garlic and smoked bacon are often added. The dish is usually served alongside a grilled chop, butter beans or with a fried egg.



Azeites do Sorraia

Named after the emblematic river, these round biscuits combine traditional ingredients of sugar, flour, eggs, oil and lemon. Buy some from a pastry shop or sit and nibble them with coffee in a Coruche café.



Pinhoada

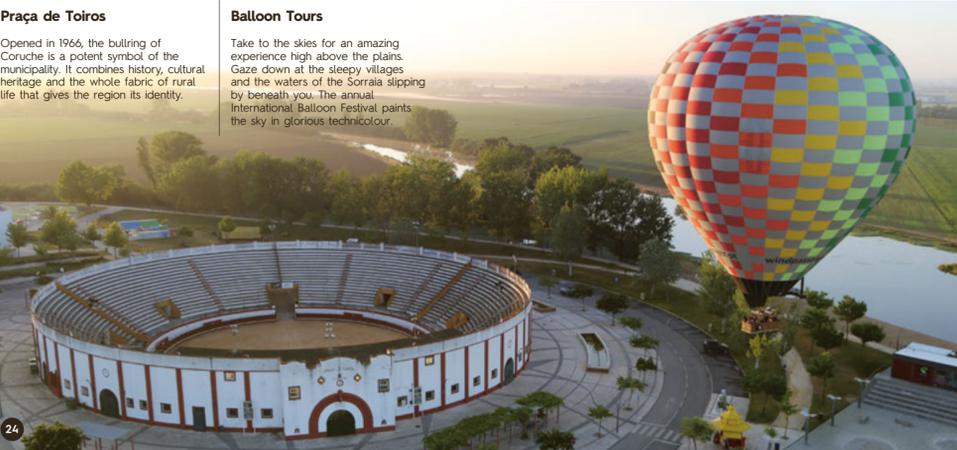
A delicious sweet treat, often seen at festivals and special occasions around Coruche where it was originally popular with travellers on the move. The recipe is simple, involving toasted pine nuts drenched in honey. Once set, the pinhoada is often presented on an orange leaf.

Praça de Toiros

Opened in 1966, the bullring of Coruche is a potent symbol of the municipality. It combines history, cultural heritage and the whole fabric of rural life that gives the region its identity.

Balloon Tours

Take to the skies for an amazing experience high above the plains. Gaze down at the sleepy villages and the waters of the Sorraia slipping by beneath you. The annual International Balloon Festival paints the sky in glorious technicolour.



Cork Capital of the World

The epicentre of global cork production, Coruche produces 5 million corks daily.



Observatório do Sobreiro e da Cortiça

The Cork Observatory is an eye-catching building, funkily clad in cork and housing a wealth of information, workshops and auditorium. Who knew cork was such a fascinating material?



Municipal Museum

In a pleasant riverside location, this museum safeguards and salutes the cultural and traditional heritage of Coruche with a wide range of fascinating exhibits and auditorium.



Núcleo Rural

This institution is part of the Municipal Museum and focuses on research and the conservation of the deep-rooted agricultural heritage of Coruche.



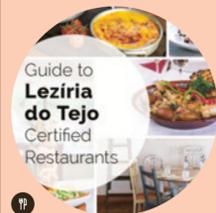
Escola Museu Salgueiro Maia

Depicting school life from times past, this recreation of a classroom gives an idea of education before the bloodless Carnation Revolution of 1974, and demonstrates its effect on democracy and freedom.



Tejo Wines

Check out the Tejo Wine Tourism Guide that lists the wine producers and farmsteads of Coruche and Ribatejo, together with their wine-related activities.



The Flavours of Ribatejo

Discover the flavours of Coruche in the Guide to Lezíria do Tejo Certified Restaurants.

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Rua da Misericórdia
2100-211 Coruche
- 8 Igreja de Santo António
Largo de Santo António
2100-167 Coruche
- 9 Igreja de São João Baptista
Largo Terreiro do Brito
2100-118 Coruche
- 11 Igreja de São Pedro
Largo de São Pedro
2100-164 Coruche
- 12 Municipal Museum
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museu-coruche.org
- 14 Núcleo Rural
Rua dos Bombeiros Municipais
2100-151 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 820
- 16 Historic Pillory
Largo do Pelourinho
2100-114 Coruche
- 17 Ponte General Teófilo da Trindade
- 18 Ponte Pedonal de Coruche

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- 23 Núcleo de Taumauquia
Rua João Maria de Sousa
2100-192 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 820
- 24 Praça de Toiros
Largo do Rosário
2100-115 Coruche

Relaxing in the Great Outdoors

- 31 Bestravel
Praça da Liberdade, 19
2100-121 Coruche
coruche@bestravel.pt
- 35 Sports Complex
- 36 Canoeing (River Sorraia)
tel: +351 919 638 575
buzios@buzios.org.pt

- 37 Escada Peixe de Coruche
- 38 Professor José Peseiro Municipal Stadium
- 41 Mundo de Aventuras
Rua de Diu, 1C, 2º Esq.
2100-143 Coruche
tel: +351 934 005 110
mundodeaventuras.pt
- 42 Parque do Sorraia
- 43 Swimming Pools Complex
Rua Capitão Salgueiro Maia
2100-042 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 590
- 44 Sport Fishing
- 47 X-Adventure
Edifício Horta da Nora
Rua de Oliveira
2100-157 Coruche
tel: +351 918 753 863
x-adventure.org

- ### Trails and Routes
- PR1** **CCH** **Percurso Pedestre da Cegonha (walking trail)**
Starting Point
Distance: 8.5 km
 - PR2** **CCH** **Percurso Pedestre do Cavalo e da Coruja (walking trail)**
Starting Point
Distance: 8.4 km

The Colourful Festivals

March	Cork Trail Running
April/ May	Sabores do Toiro Bravo (gastronomy)
May	FIOR – Feira Internacional da Cortiça
June	Sons de Verão 24horas BTT (24h bike race)
July	Coruche Triathlon
August	Festas de Nossa Senhora do Castelo
September	Feira de São Miguel
October/ November	International Balloon Festival Sabores do Arroz, Jornadas de Gastronomia food festival)
December	No Natal Comércio Tradicional (Christmas market)

Village Map



Useful Information

- coruche município**
- i Tourist Office and Regional Shop**
Edifício do Mercado Municipal
Rua 5 de Outubro
2100-127 Coruche
tel: +351 243 619 072
coruchenspiraturismopt
- Town Hall**
Palácio da Liberdade, 50
2100-121 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 200
cm-coruche.pt
- 67A Court**
Palácio da Justiça
Estrada da Lamarosa
2100-042 Coruche
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- 19 Health Centre**
Estrada da Lamarosa,
Santo Antonino,
2100-042 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 500
- Higiene Pharmacy**
Rua da Misericórdia, 7
2100-134 Coruche
tel: +351 243 675 070
- Misericórdia Pharmacy**
Rua de São Pedro, 4
2100-111 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 370
- GNR (National Republican Guard)**
Rua Bombeiros Municipais, 46
2100-179 Coruche
tel: +351 243 611 240
- Fire Station**
Quinta do Chapéu
2100-230 Coruche
tel: +351 243 610 260
- Railway Station**
Rua Doutor Virgílio
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2100-202 Coruche
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