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*A guide to the EuroGA 2023 autumn fly-in*





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### *Introduction*

La Cerdanya, in Catalonia, Spain has been chosen for the Autumn 2023 EuroGA fly-in.

Cerdanya, along with the French Cerdagne across the border, occupies a low-lying basin between the higher reaches of the Pyrenees to the east and the west.



Most attendees will probably choose to stay in the village of Alp. It has an area of 44.3 km<sup>2</sup> that stretches from the plain to the Collada de Toses and has a complex orography with large areas of forests, alpine terrain, extensive areas of grass and crops. In short, it's an incomparable landscape.

The town of Alp sits at an altitude of 1,159 m at the exit of the valley of the river that bears the same name and the feet of the Tosa. The town is a picturesque urban nucleus, that is home to the Church of San Pedro of Romanesque. On the outskirts is the unique building of the Torre de Río, a fortified farmhouse of medieval origin, which at the end of the 19th century was

transformed into a romantic-inspired castle. La Molina and Masella are the other two towns that are located in the municipality, which were created following the development of the ski slopes.

A network of waymarked trails of more than 50 km will allow you to discover the natural beauty of the area. The town includes a small part of the Cadí-Moixeró Natural Park and the Cerdanya National Game Reserve.

Alp is a culturally active town organising numerous activities and events throughout the year. Gastronomy is one of the highlights of the area and can be enjoyed in the large number of excellent restaurants that are located nearby.







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### *Hiking*

The area is a haven for those who like to get outdoors. There are lots of hiking trails to be enjoyed in the area.

Here are a small sample of the available hikes in the locality of Alp.

#### WAY OF THE RIBERA IN ALP

The path of the Ribera takes advantage of the route of old ditches that helped to irrigate the sector of the Meadows of the Ramonet Coast. It is a path that goes through the valley of the Riera de Alp until you reach the town of La Molina. It is a easy route of 7.5 km with an altitude gain of 350m. It first crosses a sector of meadows by the edge of a stream and then goes into the forest.

The dark character of the mountain, the walk along the stream, the dense forests and the small streams that cross it make it especially pleasant to travel in summer. In addition, the fact that most of the route is done on a small path makes it a pleasant and an attractive walk. It starts in Alp and ends in La Molina.



A KML GPS track can be downloaded here

<https://www.femturisme.cat/mapes/rutes/tracks/cami-de-la-ribera-a-alp.kml>



#### PATH OF THE SEGREMORTA IN LA MOLINA

The Segremorta road, a traditional path in La Molina that has now been recovered for tourist use. The circular route begins and ends at the Albergue de la Virgen de las Nieves and can be done on foot or by bike. The total length is about 8 km, with a gentle slope of 400 meters. It's ideal to do with the whole

family as an outing.

More details including a GPS track can be found here

<https://www.femturisme.cat/en/routes/cami-de-la-segremorta-a-la-molina>



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### *Hiking*

#### PENYES ALTES DEL MOIXERÓ FROM GRÉIXER

For those looking for little bit more of a challenge, this might be a good choice.

It's a route with a demanding slope which rewards with fantastic views of Alt Berguedà and Cerdanya.

It's of medium difficulty. There is no technical difficulty but a significant incline. It's 14km in length with an altitude gain of 1377 meters, and takes between 5 & 6 hours to complete.



More details can be found here, including a GPS file of the trail.

<https://www.femturisme.cat/en/routes/high-penalties-of-moixero-from-greixer>

### *Tree Adventure and Zipline*

La Molina Parc Aventura offers circuits and a zip line in the tree tops for all the family to enjoy.

Details can be found here

<https://lamolinaparcaventura.com/>







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### *Historical Site*

#### *Dolmen de la Pabordà in La Molina*

The Dolmen de la Pabordà is a megalithic tomb that is located on a small elevated hill, at the confluence of the Molina valley and the Pletasses valley at an altitude of 1445 m, near the railway station of La Molina. It was built around 2000-1800 BC, at the end of the Copper Age. It was probably also reused during the Middle Bronze Age and more recently as a shepherd's hut. It is a simple chamber that preserves incisions or "reguerons" sculpted on the slabs. It's well worth a visit, and can be easily combined with a hike from Alp to La Molina.



### *Shopping*

If you'd like to engage in some retail therapy then you're in luck! You're sure to grab a bargain in nearby Andorra with its low tax shopping. Andorra is about one hour's drive away from La Ceranya airport. "The Shopping Mile" is the centre for shopping in Andorra.

### *Cheese Tasting*

If you would like to sample some La Cerdanya artisan cheese, directly on the farm, then you will enjoy a visit to Montmelús Farm and Cheese Factory. The farm is run by Helena and Xavi. They do one and a half hour visits in the morning on weekends and holidays for families and groups, which includes cheese tasting. Their cheese is made on the farm, with milk from their herd of goats.

More information can be found at [www.montmelus.cat](http://www.montmelus.cat)





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## *Pilot Information*

**ICAO designator :** LECD

**Elevation:** 3,609ft

**Operating, Customs & Immigration hours (UTC):** None available. If you need to clear into the Schengen area, please do so before arrival.

**Fuel :** No fuel available. If you need fuel, please refuel enroute.

**Runway:** 1150 \* 23 mtr asphalt

**Link to AIP:** [https://guiavfr.enaire.es/contenido\\_GuiaVFR/AD/LE\\_guiaVFR\\_LECD.pdf](https://guiavfr.enaire.es/contenido_GuiaVFR/AD/LE_guiaVFR_LECD.pdf)

**Period of closure:** Please note that on Friday 29 September 2023, the airport will be closed from 12:00 to 14:00 local time (10:00 to 12:00 UTC). No operations are allowed during this time.

**Closing flight plans:** Flight plans must be closed.  
This can be done with Lege ARO at +34 972 186 659

**Airport Contact:** +34 677 298 861 / [operacions@lecd.cat](mailto:operacions@lecd.cat)

**Airport fees:** [aeroports.gencat.cat/web/.content/03\\_GESTIO/tarifes/tarifes-cerdanya-2023-es.pdf](https://aeroports.gencat.cat/web/.content/03_GESTIO/tarifes/tarifes-cerdanya-2023-es.pdf)

**Note:** The valley where the airport is located, is best reached from the French side (north / north east). If the weather doesn't allow an approach from this side, then you can enter Spain along the coast and then fly west and north to reach the valley.

Also note that gliders are active on the field, launched with a tow plane. They sometime wait on the threshold area waiting for their turn. If you encounter such a situation, then provided you coordinate it with the glider operator on the radio (who does speak English), you can land over them.

Also be cautious that there are large birds in the valley. They are large enough to spot visually. A cautious approach, allowing time to see and be seen is advised. The birds are non-radio, VFR traffic and might not be able to fly in accordance with the rules of the air.

## *Taxis*

Trans Cerdanya taxi +34 669 380 940

Richi taxi +34 620 721 653

Alp is approximately two km walk from the airfield.

## *Hotels*

Aero Hotel