

TOURISTIC TOUR BY COOLTUR TURISME CULTURAL

GORG NEGRE FROM SOBREMUNT



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During the seventeenth century, in Catalonia is known this period as a "bad years", a few years where droughts in summer and freezing winters affected much to the population. The peasant world would find the culprit of all these calamities, believing it was the work of the devil himself with the help of his earthly worshipers, witches and warlocks.

By popular pressures, during the years 1617-1627, there was a hard chase to catch and convict all witches. In this process, many people were hanged, accused of being complicity with the devil and of being responsible for the ills that the population lived.

This process demonstrates the great influence that the Catholic Church had in the population.

Parallel to these processes, legends were born a lot of talking about witchcraft. These legends served to the population were on alert, as they had all the evil witchcraft and the devil could do to them. Moreover, they also served to send to the gallows many people, because when someone suffered one of the misfortunes that explained the legends (hail, death of children, etc) related to witchcraft and accused persons who believed they were the causing of this bad omen.

From COOLTUR we propose a tour in Sobremunt to discover and observe some of the witchcraft legends of this town.



We will start and finish this tour in Sobremunt. We can park our car in the car park that it's on our left at the end of the road BV-4607.

Head west

13m

Take the left path

104m

Continue on the right path

125m

Continue on the right path

69m

Take the right path

117m

*Continue along the road on the left
604m*

*Continue along the road on the left
712m*



*At this point there is **Sant Roc**, a chapel at the intersection of two roads.*

*We take the road on the left
1,76km*



*To the left of the road we will see **la Caseta de Norra and l'Aumatell**.*

*At the fork in the road, we continue along the left.
410m*



*We find, to our right, the **Aumatell mill**.*

*We continue along the same path
217m*



To the left of the road we see a wall, very deteriorated, corresponding to an old road.

*We continue straight on the road that we were
1.34km*



*To the right there is **Guiteres**. At this point, if we want, we can deviate a moment to the tour to go to see the dam of **Guiteres mill**.*

*We continue along the path that we were coming.
503m*

We continue on the right path.

300m

Turn right

334m



*We pass the bridge of the **Mas Miolet Swamp**
We continue straight on the same road
628m*

*Turn left
390 meters*

*On the left we find two paths that lead us to the **Gorg Negre**.
35m*



In the **Sorreig River** there is the **Gorg Negre**, a spectacular natural setting. The people of the region thought that this place was where some witches lived, responsible for the worst storms that ravaged the plain of Vic. This is why there are two legends located in this place.

- The first legend says that the pool of **Gorg Negre** has no bottom, as people believed that this pool bring, directly, to hell. Once, a curious man tried to find the bottom of this pool. He tied a stone at the end of a very long string. The thread was ended before it hit the bottom of the pool, while a voice coming, from the pool, telling him "**you can unravel, but you never will not get to the bottom**".
- The second legend tells us that long ago, on a dark night, a peasant passed by the side of the pool and found a fat and very good presence ram. He thought

that someone had lost that animal and the man wanted to take for himself the animal, tying the ram to his horse tail. When they passed by the side of the pool, the sheep began to pull so hard that horse and the farmer were dragged toward the bottom of the pool. To be endangered, the peasant cut the rope with a knife that he was carrying, and the ram told "**Lucky you to wear a knife.**" Immediately, the ram jumped into the pool and disappeared into its depths.

To return to Sobremunt, we will dispose the same way

390m

We continue on the right path

628m

*From the **More Miolet Swamp** we continue along the same path*

334m

We continue along the road on the left

300m

At the fork, take the path on the right

3,35km

We continue on the right path

224m

At the fork, take the path on the right

206M

At this point, we will turn left to reach the town

145m

From COOLTUR we hope that you have enjoyed this tour, and you'll have a nice day.

