## camí de sa figuera

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The route begins in the street Carrer Antoni Montis, from where you head to the roundabout that leads to the Sa Mola tunnel. On the other side of the road, you will see the start of the Camí Vell des port or Camí de Figuera, which you go down through a gate with a wooden barrier before coming to a lime furnace, which has been partially restored. After a gentle climb you will reach a flat area with olive trees.

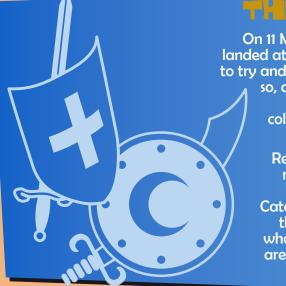
Once you have passed the Torrent de Son Llampaies, continue on until you reach a dirt road that is suitable for cars. Heading left would lead you to the village of Sa Figuera, but take the diversion on the right which passes through Coll d'en Borrassar. On the descent, the remains of the bridle path quickly lead you to the houses of Can Penya.

Keep going westwards, and shortly afterwards, take a diversion on your left hand side in order to reach the houses of Can Tamany. After a short paved stretch, you will join up with the Ma-10 road, go around it without crossing it until you reach a path that will lead you to the Vella des Port road. Close to the roundabout is Es Monument, a work created by the sculptor Pavía to commemorate the events of the Sant Ponç festival.

Your route now runs along the old floodable area of Sóller valley and, once you have come across the Torrent des Jaiot, continue along the port of Sóller road for a short stretch until on the other side, and next to a tram stop, you will find the bridge and the point where the route continues.

Soon afterwards, you will arrive at the next crossroads, ignore the Camí de Binidorm on the left and head down the old Camí Reial de Muleta, a path that you will follow before heading off on a short route on the right. It links up with the road that leads to Platja d'en Repic beach and the Cap Gros lighthouse, that you should go along carefully due to car traffic.

Now on Platja d'en Repic, you begin the urban stretch that takes you back to the starting point, around the bay of Sóller, always on the pedestrian promenade, allowing you to calmly enjoy the environment.



## THE FESTIVAL OF SANT PONG

On 11 May 1561, the day of Sant Ponç, one thousand Sarracens landed at Ses Puentes and headed to the town of Sóller, in order to try and catch its inhabitants off guard. The pirates failed to do so, and after some battles and several acts of heroism, they were defeated. These events were engraved on the collective memory and each year they are commemorate with a festival on the day of "Es Firó".

Returning back to the ships, the privateers got lost on the route to Sa Figuera. One of the groups ended up at the houses of Can Tamany, where the sisters Francesca and Catalina Casesnoves, club in hand, attacked one them and threw him out of the window onto the rest of the group, who fled terrified. As a result of what happened, the sisters are remembered as "Ses Valentes Dones de Can Tamany", the brave women of Can Tamany.



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Not suitable for: children under the age of 3.

Wheelchairs and prams can only be used on the urban stretch of the route.

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## THE DRAGON OF SA MOLA

There was a time when Saint George was passing through the country, and coincidence had it that he came to Sóller, where the farm workers lived in fear of the Cuca de Sa Mola, a "cuca fera" (a fierce dragon) that ate them without them being able to do anything to prevent it. When the dragon could find nothing to eat, it would spend the day nibbling rocks and stones.

Saint Jorge, who was very skilful, challenged the wild beast, and after a terrible duel, he killed it unceremoniously. Nothing more was ever heard of the saint or the beast, but in Sa Mola, on the other side of the stream, you can still see the nibbled boulders, and if you look really closely, the hole where the dragon hid.