

Distance 9.5 km (5 mi 1,589 yd)

Ascent 537m (1,762 ft)

Start and end Lower part of Feners –Take the B-400 from Saldes to Gósol, near the *mirador de l'Espa* turn left to Feners. In Feners you follow the dirt track to *Can Blanc*. After about 400m (437 yd) you reach the lock where the canal which provides the hydroelectric plant of *Molí d'en Güell* starts.

Area Feners (Saldes)

Time approximately 4 hours

Way marking **Yellow** marks going from Feners to Bonner
White and red marks (GR 107.1, the Trail of the Cathars) the way back.

Parking Lower part of Feners near to the lock where the canal which provides the hydroelectric plant of *Molí d'en Güell* starts.

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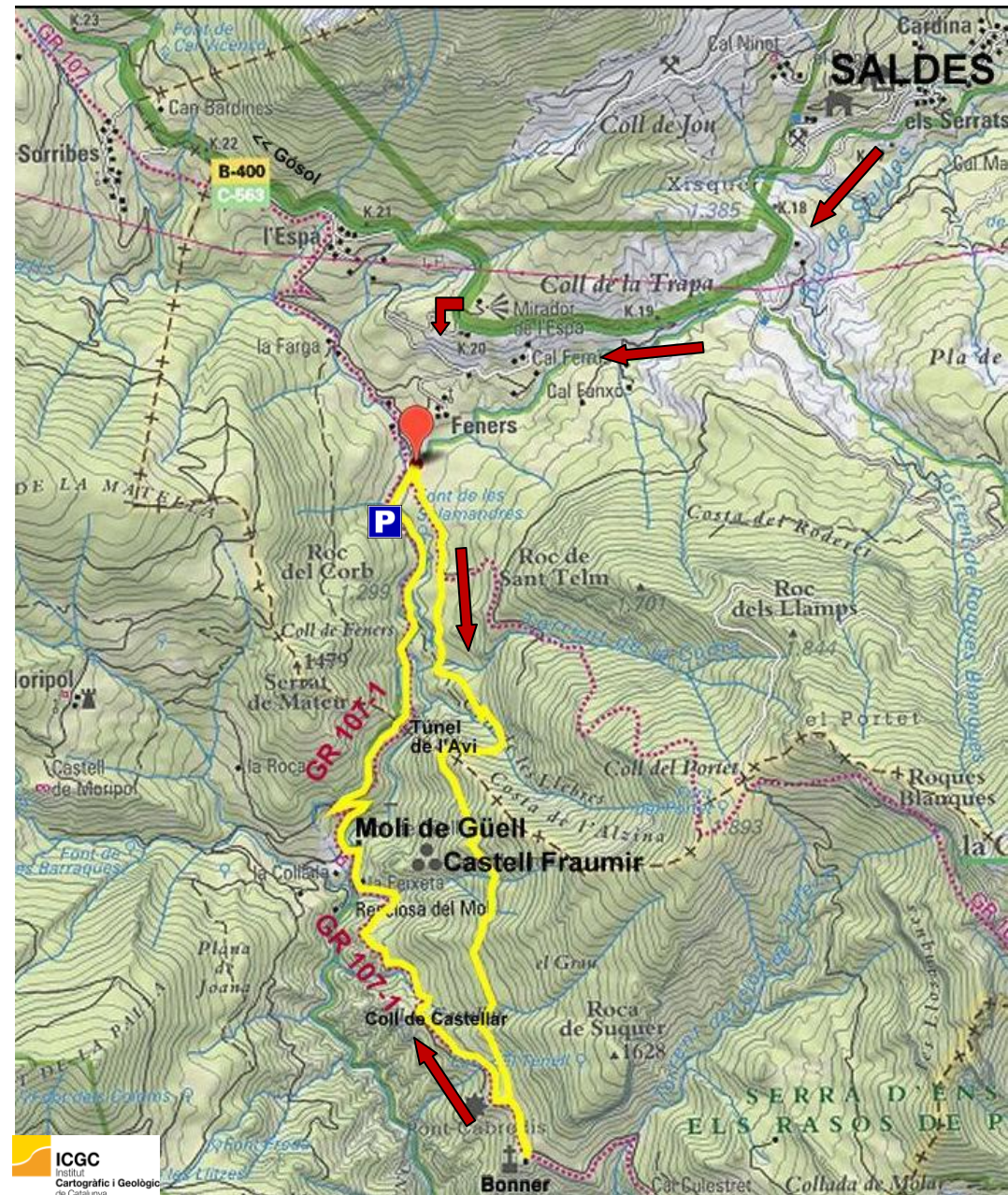
- Recommendations**
- Don't throw waste. Take them with you and drop them in the correct waste container.
 - Some plants and flowers are venomous or are protected due to its rarity. Admire them without gathering them and respect all the vegetation.
 - Keep your dogs under control at any moment, it's recommended to keep them on the leash, so they don't bother wildlife and livestock.
 - Utilise appropriate material and equipment for the activity and check the weather forecast.

Observations *Neither the Consorci de Turisme de l'Alt Berguedà nor the council of Saldes cannot held responsible for accidents or damages caused to users during the accomplishment of this route nor for the way marking defects that occasionally there may be.*

However, with respect to any kind of deficiencies that you could find, please notify us. Respect private property and cattle fences. Please, inform us of any problems you encounter.

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FROM FENERS TO BONNER ALONG LES FRAUS AND MOLI D'EN GÜELL



This circular route will take you to one of the most unknown corners of Saldes and Gósol. The way there, via the old way of *les Fraus* that connects the little mediaeval villages of *Feners* and *Bonner*, first mentioned in the 13th century and the 11th century respectively. Between those two villages are the remains of the castle *Fraumir*. A very interesting way going along shady places and a lot of vegetation and offers you impressive views of this little explored place. The way back, via dirt track following the variant of the Trail of the Cathars (Camí dels Bons Homes), through the deep valley and along the stream *riu Aigua de Valls*, passing by the old mill *Molí d'en Güell* and the mediaeval bridge.

Description of the walk:

At the lower part of Feners and near the lock where the canal which provides the hydroelectric plant of *Molí d'en Güell* starts, there's a signpost with the two options to follow the Trail of the Cathars, you take the uphill way, to the left, in other words, not following the principal dirt track. At about 300 meters (328 yd) on this way, you leave the Trail of the Cathars and you continue on the path on the right with yellow marks, there is also a signpost and from here you only have to follow the path that leads to the abandoned village of Bonner.

The way back you can do via the same way or following the dirt track that you find just before reaching Bonner and which goes parallel with the way there. Here you also find the white and red marks of the Trail of the Cathars. The dirt track goes down until the ruins of the mill *Molí d'en Güell*, where the way crosses the stream and goes uphill on the other side until you find the principal dirt track *Can Blanc - Feners*. Turn to the right and follow the stream upstream, the dirt track goes high above the stream, going through *Túnel del Avi* and after crossing the stream you are at about 800 meters (874yd) from Feners.

Feners

Fener was first mentioned in 1289, conserves still, despite of the changes done during the ages, the primitive mediaeval structure. The complex consists of a central group of houses in two parallel rows and separated by a corridor with round arch gates on both ends. This interior corridor allowed the access to the houses; the outer walls of the houses were the defensive walls of the complex. The actual chapel, dedicated to Saint Anthony, was build outside the fortification, in the 18th century.



El castell de Fraumir

The castle of Fraumir is build above the stream *riu Aigua de Valls* and the mill *Molí d'en Güell*, in an elevated place and very difficult to reach due to that there is no path and the terrain is covered with a very thick vegetation. Of the castle only remain some parts of walls,

which you can see on the way from Feners to Bonner, at right, beneath, on the side of the stream.

The geographic location of the castle was of great strategic importance, it watched over the way that connects the counties Berguedà, Solsonès and Cerdanya. The place was first mentioned in the 12th century and the castle in the 13th century, exactly on the 23th of august 1288, when the monk Bertran, son of the priest of Brocà absolved Galceran de Pinós and his vassals who had captured him and Bernat de Gósol who held him prisoner at the Fraumir castle.

At the end of the 18th century we have proofs of the place Fraumir but not as a castle, but as a village with 102 habitants).



Bonner

There written proofs of the existence of a castle in Bonner, but from which they didn't found any traces, although they believe, for the remains they have found it was probably a fortified house that depended on the castle of Fraumir.

The Romanic church of Santa Eulàlia, today in ruins, has pretty higher walls than normally and where you perceive modifications on the upper part that does suppose that it could form part of the fortification. The first document where the church is mentioned is from the 11th century, where it's mentioned as one of the boundaries of Tuixén.

The village was inhabited until the sixties of the last century, and between its ruins there is one of the most important mansions of these valleys, sign of the former wealth of the place.



View of the mansion of Bonner

Molí d'en Güell

Is a mill from the 17th or 18th century located on the bank of the stream *Riu Aigua de Valls*. Next to the mill there is a mediaeval bridge, against which they have attached a modern concrete bridge. Under the bridge there is a spring, go down the stairs. The traditional name probably has relation with the fact that here the stream and the way forms a ford (in Catalan *gual*), the most passable between Feners and Valls.

