



8 Casa de Fusta

Typical fauna

Rice paddies: mallard, grey heron, cattle egret, little egret, black-winged stilt. **Els Ullals:** black-crowned night heron, Valencia toothcarp, three-spined stickleback. **L'Encanyissada:** flamingo, marsh harrier, reed warbler.

Typical flora

Els Ullals: European white waterlily, sedge, purple loosestrife. **L'Encanyissada:** common reed, yellow flag, lesser bulrush, glasswort, salt cedar, sea rush.



Reed bunting



European white waterlily



Three-spined stickleback










Ssedge

Recommendations

Wear a helmet and take sufficient food and water with you. Depending on the time of year, take sun cream and mosquito repellent. The trail is completely flat, but be careful, it can be very windy in this area. Don't forget your puncture repair kit. If you like birdwatching, binoculars will come in handy.

Rules and advises

-  Be very careful. This trail takes advantage of rural tracks and there is a cycle lane only along the Amposta riverside path and around L'Encanyissada pond.
-  Please follow the signs and keep out of no-entry areas.
-  Respect the plants and animals and the environment.
-  Do not leave litter. Help us keep the Park clean.
-  Camping is allowed only on established campsites.
-  In protected areas dogs must be kept on a leash.
-  Use the viewpoints to observe the landscape of the Delta.

Park Information Centres

 **Ecomuseum**
Martí Buera, 22
43580 Deltebre
Tel. 977 489 679
www.gencat.cat/parcs

Casa de Fusta
Bassa de l'Encanyissada
43870 Amposta
Tel. 977 26 10 22

Amposta Tourist Information Office
Av. Sant Jaume, 1
43870 Amposta
Tel. 977 70 34 53
www.turismeamposta.cat

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Route

Amposta - Casa de Fusta
Ullals de Baltasar - L'Encanyissada Pond



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Route

Amposta - Casa de Fusta

Fact sheet

Distance: 27.4 km

Location: Amposta, Els Ullals, L'Encanyissada

Estimated time: 4 hours

Gradient: none; completely flat

Difficulty: easy

Users: on foot, by bicycle Shared stretches: Mind the traffic! uses tracks and streets.

Surface: asphalt and dirt

Best time of year: all year round

Km

Km 0 Amposta Tourist Information Office

Km 0.9 End of the Sant Jaume avenue

Km 3.9 Els Ullals de Baltasar

Km 10.5 Start of L'Encanyissada cycle path

Km 13 Aguait del Carreter

Km 7.8 Casa de Fusta

Km 22.3 L'Enclusa - Navigation canal

Km 26.7 Riverside path

Km 27.4 Amposta Tourist Information Office



9 The floodgate - Navigation Channel



Route Amposta - Casa de Fusta

Description

We start off at the Amposta **Tourist Information Office** (km 0). With the Ebro on our left we walk along the Sant Jaume Avenue. About 150 m after we cross the N-340 bridge, we turn right and, we carry on towards Sant Carles de la Ràpita, and after 400 m we turn left off the tree-lined road and continue for 60 m along a dirt track that starts on our right (km 1.4).

We follow the dirt track, sharing the landscape with small allotments, and come across the first rice paddies on the route. After 2.5 km, we turn right over a bridge, taking as a landmark a large eucalyptus tree next to a farm (km 3.9).

We go straight ahead for 600 m and turn left long a dirt track that, after 1.1 km takes us to Els Ullals de Baltasar (km 5.6).

Ullals are a type of spring where water emerges from the karstic recharge area of Els Ports de Beseit and the Serra del Montsià mountains. It has most unusual flora, including the European white waterlily. Its waters are home to several endangered species of fish, including the nine-spined stickleback, the Valencia toothcarp and the stone loach.

We leave Els Ullals behind, and carry on for 300 m when we come across a farm where the L'Anglès irrigation channel starts (km 5.9). We go straight on with the channel on our left and the road running along the navigation canal from Amposta to La Ràpita behind us.



1 The Senyora's way



2 End of the Senyora's way

After 1.2 km we turn left, taking a bridge over the L'Anglès irrigation channel. We go along for 100 m and turn right along a dirt track, parallel to a drainage channel, which we follow for 2.4 km—along this stretch we have a splendid view of the Serra del Montsià—to the TV-3406 road from La Ràpita to Sant Jaume d'Enveja. We cross the road very carefully and go straight ahead for 500 m, where we find the path that takes us left and after another 400 m, meets up with the L'Encanyissada cycle path (km 10.5).

Here, we meet up with Trail 1, the "Lagoon Trail", and if we continue for 1 km we meet up with Trail 7, "Sant Carles de la Ràpita-Vilacoto-Casa de Fusta".

So we continue along the L'Encanyissada cycle path. After 2.5 km we reach a hide, the Aguait del Carreter (km 13). We go straight for 1 km to the Casa de Fusta, one of the most emblematic buildings in the Delta and Park Information Centre which houses an exhibition on the Delta ponds (km 14).

From the Casa de Fusta we retrace our steps all the way back to Els Ullals (km 22.3). We go past the farm and, very carefully, cross the TV-3408 road or the canal at L'Enclusa, from where we can see the old Carles III navigation canal which joined the Ebro and Els Alfacs Bay.

We return to Amposta with the navigation canal—today an irrigation channel—on our right. After 3.6 km, we leave the canal and carefully join the road that, some 600 m further on takes us back to the Amposta riverside path (km 26.5) (after 300 m we come across a link with the Sirga path, 20 km of cycle path from Amposta to the Migjorn River).

From here we go back to the Amposta Tourist Information Office, 900 m further on, completing a trip of 27.4 km.

This trail goes along roads (20%), rural tracks (52%) and cycle paths (28%). Asphalt (67%), dirt (33%).



3 Ullals de Baltasar



4 Mountains of Montsià



5 Bulls in the Zona XII

6 Encanyissada cycle track

7 El Carreter viewpoint

