

## ROUTE 5: BENISSA-GATA DE GORGOS-CUEVA DE LAS CALAVERAS

### BENISSA

Situated at 10 km. from Calpe. It combines an attractive historical center dominated by the Templo de la Purísima Xiqueta (temple), known as the Cathedral de la Marina (cathedral), with beaches and cliffs, which from the Paseo Marítimo Ecológico (boulevard)

#### Visits:

Historical center – Catedral de La Marina (Iglesia Parroquial de la Purísima Xiqueta) – Convento de los Padres Franciscanos (Kloster, 17. Jh.) – Monumento al Riberero (Denkmal) – Calle Desamparats (street) – Antiguo Hospital de los Pobres (ancient hospital for the poor), which is now the Town Hall – Plaza de la Iglesia Vieja (old church square 14,15. th.) – Sierra de Bèrnia: Font (square), Forat (natural cavity on the mountain), Fort de Bèrnia (fort 14. th.) – Seashore: creeks and beaches – Paseo Ecológico

### GATA DE GORGOS

This village is situated in the basin of the river Gorgos at 12 km. from Benissa. Data offers the visitors great crafts made of wicker, palm and esparto.

#### Visits:

Fuentes de la Mata or de la Rana (different fountains full of local color) – Ermita del Santísimo Cristo del Calvario (hermitage, 18. th.) – Museo Arqueológico – Iglesia Parroquial de San Miguel Arcángel (church 17. th.) – Guitar factory.

### CUEVA DE LAS CALAVERAS

Situated at 8 km. from Benidoleig. This prehistoric 300 m. long cave is provided with stalactites, stalagmites and a wonderful dome of more than 20 m. high. A jewel of nature with a great archaeological value.