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Almonte, pueblo andaluz situado entre las campañas vitícolas del Condado onubense y las célebres marismas del Guadalquivir. De gran interés turístico, tanto por sus infraestructuras como por sus valores naturales. Sus atractivos se extienden desde las inmensas y luminosas playas de Matalascañas hasta sus calles blancas en las que disfrutar de un paseo entre historia y tradiciones, pasando por la aldea de El Rocío, tranquilo lugar de descanso a las puertas de Doñana y multitudinario corazón del fervor popular andaluz en Pentecostés.

Desde siempre Almonte ha vivido de la agricultura, de la ganadería, del caballo y de los usos tradicionales de su rico patrimonio natural: la caza, la agricultura, el carbón, la piña... La celosa conservación y transmisión de tradiciones, como la Romería del Rocío o la Saca de las Yeguas, hace que Almonte ofrezca hoy valiosos atractivos turísticos para aquellos que se animen a visitarlo.

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Convertido en referente internacional gracias a Doñana y a la Romería del Rocío, sin dejar de lado la idiosincrasia de sus habitantes que conservan su naturalidad y sencillez. Almonte se caracteriza por la tranquilidad, la calma y la transmisión del saber vivir de siglos. También desde siempre ha sido un cruce de caminos entre las provincias de Huelva, Sevilla y Cádiz, lo que sin duda ha contribuido al carácter abierto de su gente. Su vínculo con la tierra no se ha perdido ya que se vive en estrecha relación con el entorno natural, a través de los usos tradicionales, la agricultura, la ganadería y la pesca.

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Almonte has always lived from agriculture, livestock, horses and traditional uses of their rich natural heritage: hunting, agriculture, coal, pine ... The jealous preservation and transmission of traditions such as Rocío Pilgrimage or the "Saca de las Yeguas" (Gathering the mares), today Almonte offers a valuable attraction for those who dare to visit it.

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Becomes an international benchmark thanks to Doñana and Rocío pilgrimage, with naturalness and simplicity its inhabitants retain their idiosyncrasies. Almonte is characterized by tranquility, calm and transmitting their way of life over the centuries. It also always has been a crossroads between the provinces of Huelva, Seville and Cádiz, that undoubtedly contributed to the openness of its people. Their attachment to the land is not lost because they live in close relationship with the natural environment through the traditional uses, agriculture, livestock and fisheries.

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DOÑANA NATIONAL PARK

On the right bank of Guadalquivir river, in its estuary to the Atlantic Ocean, throughout 53,835 ha is situated the Doñana National Park, one of Europe's largest and most important wetland reserve, with an astounding diversity of biotopes and species, that was declared a Biosphere Reserve in 1980 then inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1994. The marshlands, fixed and mobile dunes, lagoons, virgin beaches and sea are of extraordinary importance as a transit, breeding and wintering for thousands of European and African birds.

Its fauna includes protected species such as the Golden eagle and the Iberian lynx. All this makes this space a unique place.

In the Doñana National Park you can find a rich palette of possibilities offered and available to everyone. You can tour it with the authorized companies or in some areas you can access on your own, among which are the three reception centers in our town (Rocina, Acebrón and Acebuche), the marked trails Ribetehilos, Laguna del Jaral and Cuesta Maneli and bike lanes Vereda del Loro and del Asperillo. They have surprises to the end, such as the cliff named Acatilado, located in the coastal border. You can see a show of contrasts, with a range of ochre and red, which are drawn according to time of day.

This sandy cliff impresses as much by their almost 30 meters high, the highest of its kind in Europe, as for its several miles long, which dominate the coastal landscape, being partly Natural Monument. Besides the obvious landscape value, has a great geological and ecological value.

GASTRONOMÍA

The richness of gastronomy that can be enjoyed in the municipal term of Almonte is characterized by its great variety and by its excellent wines. The Almonte cuisine is the heir of the different cultures that settled in this land. Tasty and varied cuisine, typical of the Mediterranean diet with primary products as a great variety of fruits, vegetables, meats and fish from the coast, along with locally produced products, wine, oil and honey, can offer visitors a traditional cuisine of exquisite quality.

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ESPACIO NATURAL DE DOÑANA

En el banco derecho del río Guadalquivir, en su estuario en el océano Atlántico, se encuentra Doñana con una extensión del 53,835 Ha. Uno de los mayores humedales europeos y mosaicos de ecosistemas que alberga una biodiversidad única en Europa que propició su declaración como Patrimonio de la Humanidad en 1994. Marismas, dunas móviles, corrales, cotos, playas y veras. Destaca sobre todo la marisma, de extraordinaria importancia como lugar de paso, cría e invernada para miles de aves europeas y africanas.

Su fauna incluye especies protegidas como el águila imperial y el lince ibérico. Todo ello hace de este Espacio un lugar con personalidad única.

Describe Doñana gracias al amplio abanico de posibilidades que nos ofrece y al alcance de todos. Recorrala con las visitas guiadas de empresas autorizadas o por las zonas en las que puedes acceder por ti mismo, entre las que se encuentran los tres centros de recepción de nuestro municipio (La Rocina, el Acebrón y el Acebuche),...

Los senderos señalizados de Ribetehilos, Laguna del Jaral y Cuesta Maneli y los carreteros bici de la Vereda del Loro y del Asperillo que guarda sorpresas hasta el final, como el Acatilado del mismo nombre, situado en la frontera litoral. Espectáculo de contrastes, con toda una gama de colores ocre y rojizos, que se dibujan según la hora del día. Este acantilado arenoso impresiona tanto por sus casi 30 metros de altitud, el más alto de Europa de este tipo, como por sus varios kilómetros de largo, parte Monumental, que dominan el paisaje costero.

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TRADITIONS

SACA DE LAS YEGUAS

The Gathering and Out of the Mares from Doñana's marshlands is one of the most iconic traditions in Almonte. Although there are numerous ancient historical references that attest to this event as an ancient livestock event, it was in 1504 when, through the ordinance of the Duke of Medina Sidonia, it is officially regularized. In that ordinance the figure of "yegüerizo" (man in charge of this work of gathering and taking out the animals from the marshland to the town, cattle breeders) appears and states that the cattle were moving to the established meadows in Almonte, coinciding with the feast of San Pedro.

So during centuries, every 26th of June the "yegüerizos" go to the marshlands to search the cattle that has remained throughout the year at different sites in Doñana Natural Area, in order to lead it into Almonte's cattle fair. At dawn, this 26th of June, the cattle are taken to the area called "wolf's mouth" in El Rocío, where the route starts. On their way to the town they have their first stop at the Sanctuary of El Rocío Virgin, where they are blessed by the priest and pray a salve. After living one of the most beautiful moments of the route, the cattle guided by the "yegüerizos" (cattle breeders) continue its way to Almonte.

Late in the afternoon, before the stop at Santa María stream, near Olivarejos, another stop takes place, to relax and organize livestock in troops before the spectacular entrance in the town of Almonte. This entrance is the climax of this route where the mares' troops are led by the cattle breeders through Almonte's streets. Nature and civilization merge together giving us one of the most unique and stunning landscapes that we can see.

The route ends at the Livestock Complex "Huerta La Cañada" where a livestock fair will take place. Several traditional tasks are performed there, such as cutting the mains or shoeing, in order to prepare the cattle to be sold. A few days later, the mares will be driven back to their place of origin in Doñana Natural Area where they will remain until June of the following year.

Thanks to the work of the National Association of "Marismeño" Cattle Breeders and its partners, a local breed is preserved as it is the "marismeña" mare, with over a thousand of specimens today.

Both, the path of these mares through El Rocío and their entry and stay in the town of Almonte attract the attention of hundreds of people every year. It is a unique experience and a spectacle for the senses. It's a privileged window to the origins of an ancient tradition that even today gallop fast thanks to the town of Almonte.

PROGRAM

Day 25th of June | Cattle breeder entry in Doñana

The cattle breeders are organized and divided into different groups by various places of Doñana Natural Area, as Marismillas, Las Nuevas, El Rincón del Pescador, La Vuelta de la Madre, Matasgordas, El Lobo, Las Mogeas or El Lucio, to collect and gather all the mares grazing in the marshlands during the year in the area called "La boca del Lobo" in El Rocío.

Day 26th of June | Path to Almonte

9:00 am *: Mares conducted by the cattle breeders pass in front of the Church, where an act of blessing and a prayer takes place.

19:00 pm *: Mares entrance in Almonte and walk through its streets to the Livestock Complex "Huerta de la Cañada".

* APPROXIMATE TIME

Days 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th of June | Cattle Fair: a market for buying and selling livestock.

FERIA

The fair of San Pedro, patron of the municipality, is of origin ganadero and is celebrated between the end of June and the first of July. The recinto is located in El Chaparral that during the rest of the year is used as a recreation area. By this place also pass the mares of the marsh when they make their entrance to the town, which is the starting point of the fiesta. It is a family festival that begins with a proclamation that marks the start of the fair. The attractions for the youngest children are accompanied by orchestras, fun and good food in different stands, which can be public or private. Moreover, there are activities like racing tape, horse ride and a great charitable bullfight.

FAIR

The fair of St. Peter, patron of the town, is from livestock and begins held between late June and early July. The area is located in El Chaparral but for the rest of the year is used as a recreation area. Also through this place pass the mares of the marsh when they make their entrance to the town on June 26, one of the key points to enjoy this event, which gives the starting signal for the start of the holidays. This family festival opens with a proclamation and the attractions for children are combined with orchestras, fun and good food in different stands, which can be public or private. Moreover, there are activities like racing tape, horse ride and a great charitable bullfight.