

Charming little town



## MEDIEVAL BEAUTY

Villores is a small town located on the side of a mountain, on the banks of the river Bergantes, bordering Forcall and Morella. Its main activity is based on livestock and agriculture and some of its constructions, such as Las Eras, show us the importance that the rural world has always had. Since the 19th century, espadrilles have been the economic driving force in this town, together with livestock farming and agriculture. We can still find people making espadrilles in the street or at the entrance to their homes. The town centre is characterised by narrow, small streets. The most important element of its military architecture is the Torre del Castell, of which some ruins are preserved next to the hermitage of Nuestra Señora del Buen Suceso. As for its architectural heritage, the Town Hall, the Casa Marquesal, and the parish church stand out. The most outstanding places in Villores are the Molí de la Cova and the Sant Joan mountain.

#### THE CASTLE AND THE HERMITAGE OF OUR LADY OF THE GOOD WILL

The castle is a building that seems to have been a fortress tower of Muslim origin. Next to it is the hermitage, on the way up to the threshing floors.





## LAS ERAS

A staggered group of communal threshing floors with the sheds corresponding to each threshing floor. They are in good condition and it is still easy to imagine how work was done in the past.



## THE MARQUIS OF VILLORES PALACE

This building is located in the village square and has an entrance porch. It is currently the town's town hall.

## PARISH CHURCH

Dating from the 18th century, it is dedicated to Saints John, the Baptist and the Evangelist, and is a neobaroque style building.



## MILL OF THE CAVE

Old mill located on the banks of the Bergantes river, on a path that goes towards Palanques and La Balma, which is a good place for a walk.



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# ESPADRILLES

The village of Villores has been dedicated to the production of espadrilles since ancient times. Although agriculture and livestock farming have always been an important source of wealth for the population, the espadrille industry became the driving force of the economy from the end of the 19th century until the 1950s, and experienced its golden age between the two world wars.

## **APIVILLORES**

Apivillores is a tourist project that allows visitors to become beekeepers for a day and enjoy the experience of being surrounded by thousands of bees, learning about their world with guided visits to the apiary and experimental workshops for all ages. A great plan to enjoy nature with the family!

## FESTIVITIES AND TRADITIONS

## SAN VICENTE

On which there is a pilgrimage to La Balma. Date: Saturday before the Monday of San Vicente (April).

## SAN JUAN

Rogation at the San Juan waycross road. Date: Saturday closest to 6th May.

## **ST CRISTOPHER**

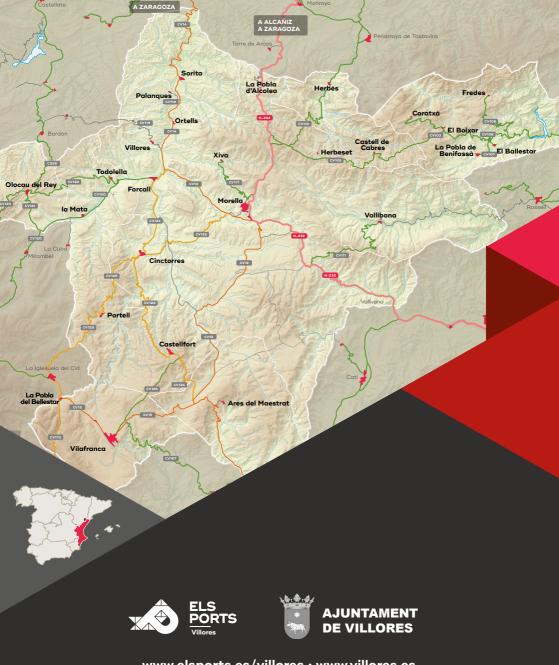
Blessing of vehicles and food. Date: Sunday next to 10th July, St. Christopher's Day.

## PATRON SAINT'S FEASTS

In honour of the Virgen del Rosario Date: From 13th to 17th August.

## SAN ANTONIO

Main winter festival. Date: The Saturday closest to 17th January.



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