

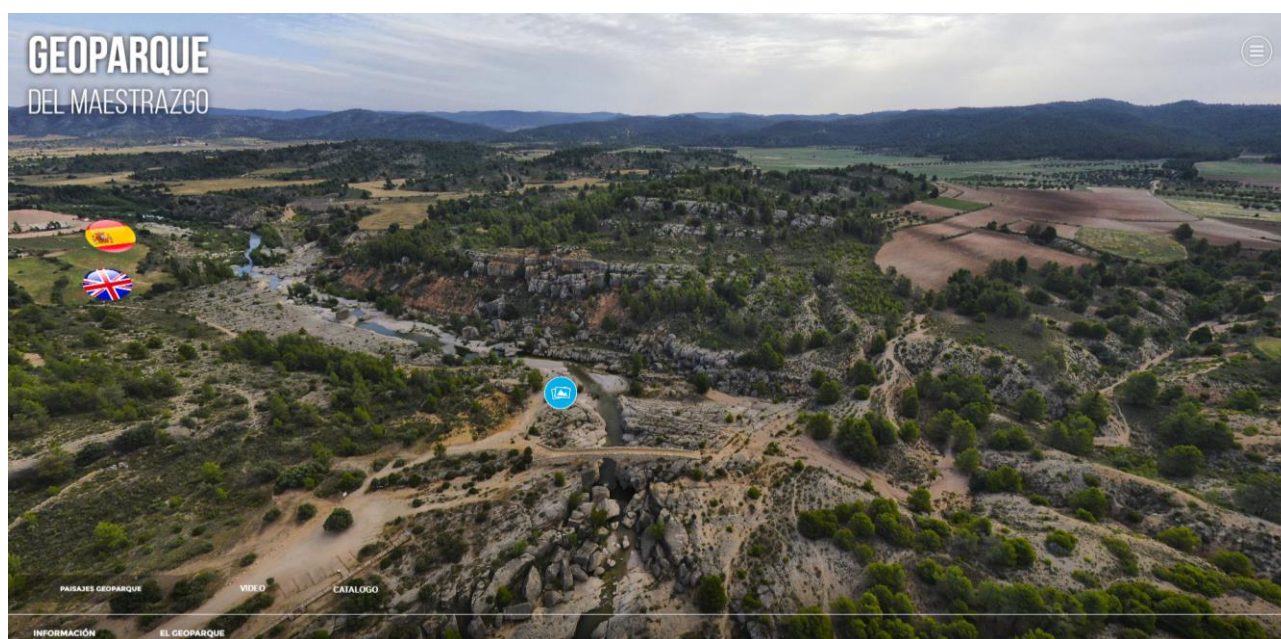
GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2023

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Maestrazgo Cultural Park UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain, European Geoparks Network

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2020 / 2023

Representative photo with caption (from the most important event this year)



Geoland experience project (360°) [ES-EN]+Promotional video (Maestrazgo Geopark)

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 2 staffs including 1 geoscientist (+ 19 Scientific Committee + collaborators).

Number of visitors: Pitarque Geosite Natural Monument (20,000); Montoro de Mezquita trail (20,000); Ejulve Interpretation Centre Maestrazgo Cultural Park (6,000), Alcorisa Tourist Office (4,000).

Number of Geopark events: Clarify the events held by management body and cooperative organization

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 6 School Centers within the Educational program.

Number of Geopark press release: 30 paper and online platforms (and many others through articles related to the territory where the Geopark is mentioned), 4 TV programs, 4 Radio programs, 10 articles in tourism papers, 60 posts in Facebook, 60 in Instagram, 60 Twitter.

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2023

- Geoland experience 360° Project (ES-EN): a commitment to accessibility, which aims to bring the landscapes and geology of the territory to all visitors, relying on 360° technology and the use of drone images. The Geopark offers the possibility of taking virtual tours of different geosites. <https://360.geolandexperience.es/> New promotional video (There you go! Maestrazgo UGGp) <https://geolandexperience.es/index.html#issue/1>
- LEADER Project (Maestrazgo Cultural Park UGGp, AGUJAMA, FCPT-Dinópolis): new paleontological action (research, development of educational activities for all audiences and local geotourism development). These new discoveries make this site the most relevant Upper Cretaceous site in the Iberian mountain range of Aragon.

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Celebration of International Mountain Day (11 December 2023). With activities to all audiences and a photo contest.
- Celebration of Geodiversity Day (6th October 2023). With activities to all audiences and a photo contest.
- World Tree and Forest Day in Mas de las Matas and Camarillas municipalities. Planting of trees and elms. 19th March 2023.
- Maestrazgo UNESCO Global Geopark (Spain): Maestrazgo UNESCO Global Geopark (Spain): The art of dry-stone walling. *European Geopark Network Newsletter*, 23 (Nov22-Apr23).
- Information, Education and Research. Travelling exhibitions as a tool to improve the visibility of the Maestrazgo and Sobrarbe-Pyrenees Geoparks. *European Geoparks Network Magazine* (20), p. 46.
- Participation in the Spanish Geoparks Magazine, FITUR 2023. The contents of the magazine are available through the portal of the Spanish Geoparks Forum. https://geoparques.es/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Revista-2023_geoparques_ok.pdf
- Participation and presentation of the Maestrazgo Geopark in the VIII Open Days of the Spanish Geoparks Forum in the Montañas de Courel UGGp. October 2022.
- Twinning agreement between Geoparque Caçapava UGGp and Maestrazgo UGGp, a document that aims to further deepen the collaboration between all of them.
- Twinning agreement between Quarta Colônia UGGp and Maestrazgo UGGp, a document that aims to further deepen the collaboration between all of them.
- Participation (oral presentation) in the 10th International Conference on UNESCO Global Geoparks, M'Goun UNESCO Global Geopark, Morocco, 7-11 September 2023.
- Revalidation mission Maestrazgo Cultural Park, UGGp (Spain). 102 participants/ 13 municipalities/ 860 kilometers route. Evaluators: Dra. Kirstin Lemon from Cuilcagh

Lakeland's UNESCO Global Geopark (G.B and Ireland) and Guiseppe Ottria from Apuan Alps UNESCO Global Geopark (Italy).

- The best tree for your Geopark (Maestrazgo Cultural Park UGGp, Spain). In: *Geoparks Going Green* Zouros, N. (Exc. Ed), p. 21.
- Paleoguía 02 (Geotourism) (2023). If you are passionate about dinosaur paleontology, Galve is your destination! [Si te apasiona la paleontología de dinosaurios ¡Galve es tu destino!] FCPTD (ed.) 16 p. (5000 u. for touristic offices).
- Geohazards in the Maestrazgo Unesco Global Geopark, Spain. In: Mir, X., Serdar, A., Amorfini, A. & Delaby, S. (editors). *Geohazards in European Geoparks*, 94-97.

Management and Financial Status

- The management body is an Association formed by 43 municipalities and 6 county councils.
- Meeting of the Scientific Committee (Gargallo). 10th February 2023.
- Meeting of the Board of trustees (hybrid meeting) (Aliaga). 17th February 2023.

Geoconservation

- Didactic magazine. La Ginebrosa, karst landscape (ES-EN).
- Paleontological Action Plan Project in Mosqueruela and Puertomingalvo municipalities (Scientific advisor: Dinópolis Foundation).
- Collaboration in the I Climbers Meeting in the Maestrazgo took place in Villarluego, a geological epicenter of the Maestrazgo UNESCO Global Geopark (UGGp).
- Climbing guidebook "Escaladas insólitas del Maestrazgo de Teruel" [Unusual climbs of the Maestrazgo of Teruel] (Magallón, J., 2023). The guide collects and reviews climbing routes opened since 1970 and presents other new ones that have emerged revealing a potential of 220 climbing routes along - and above - 37 kilometers in the Maestrazgo Geopark.

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Geopark's Day (La Ginebrosa). 25th march 2023. 125 participants.
- Maestrail 2023. Organization of outdoor activities for the broad public developed by the Maestrazgo UGGp close to Geological areas. <http://www.maestrail.com/> (225 participants+50 volunteers).
- MTB ROUTE La Mata de los Olmos.
- New touristic geo-route: Geological route Mosqueruela dinosaurs tracksite (Scientific advice from Dinópolis Foundation). Open day in the paleontological site 29th august 2023. 200 participants.
- Geology&Music&Traveling exhibition (Jarque de la Val). 16th december 2023.
- Festival against depopulation (Allepuz). 20-22th October 2023. (Maestrazgo UGGp as collaborator). Music, lectures and sport.
- Winter Festivities in the municipalities of the Maestrazgo Cultural Park Unesco World

Geopark

New education programmes on geoconservation, sustainable development and disaster risk reduction

- Awards ceremony *What is a Geopark for you? 2023* + Cultural event (music). 16th November 2023.
- Educational activity *What is a Geopark for you? 2023* (12th Edition): 150 participants.
- Maestrazgo UGGp Traveling exhibition in: Jarque de la Val [provincial impact]
- *A bird's eye view of the landscape... dinosaurs or birds?* Workshops and didactic activity in La Ginebrosa in collaboration with the local school and CRA. 22th march 2023.

Strategic partnership

- Collaborative project between Asociación Gúdar-Javalambre-Maestrazgo, Fundación Dinópolis, and Maestrazgo UGGp for the evaluation and development of the paleontological potential of Mosqueruela municipality (LEADER Project).
- XXV Anniversary of the Declaration of Levantine Rock Art as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. (Fieldrip, Science and Leisure). Ladruñán, 1 July, 2023

Promotional activities

- Anniversary commemorative day: XXV years on the road, contemplating our footprints. [*XXV años hacienda camino, observando nuestras huellas*] with lectures, field trip and socializing among stakeholders. 20th december 2023. Mosqueruela.
- Maestrazgo Cultural Park UGGp *XVIII European Geoparks Week 2023* (from 22 May to 5 June 2023).
- Maestrazgo UGGp Newsletter: "Boletín Geoparque del Maestrazgo, Geoparque Mundial de la UNESCO" [Maestrazgo Unesco Global Geopark]: *Newsletter 6 and 7 2023*.
- Presentation of the Geopark`s mascot.

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