CAMINITO DEL REY

Public space and safety regulations for the path El Caminito del Rey. Compulsory regulations.

1. The ticket with date, time needs to be presented when entering El Caminito del Rey.
2. Minors must be with responsible adults and need to have their ticket and ID, passport or corresponding identification at all times. The ticket has to be handed at the exit as well.
3. Person in possession of ticket will have civil liability insurance that will cover any accident along the trail except those provoked by failure to comply with established regulations or those that are visitor's fault.
4. Visitors who have previously booked their tickets need to arrive at the access points at least half an hour earlier than written on the booking receipt so groups could be formed. If you use the visitor centre car park, you must be there one hour in advance. It is compulsory to wear a mask on the shuttle bus.
5. Visitors with tickets shall go directly to the trail through the entrance placed in the Municipalitie of Ardales. These will be indicated by signs. It will only be possible to access the path at the authorized places, while the entrance at any other spot, especially along the railway, is absolutely forbidden. The County Council and the corresponding organization in charge of the spot will be absolved from any responsibility in the case of that kind of actions.
6. Visitors are obliged to put on correctly the safety equipment they will be provided with at the entrance.
7. Everybody should walk on the right side of the trail, above all, along the boardwalks. There is to be careful when walking next to the rail that protects from falling down the gorge in order to avoid hazard.
8. Visitors, climbers and other people who come to El Caminito del Rey Path, and the nature reserve Desfiladero de los Gaitanes have to obey these norms as well as those established by the responsible environmental consultancy.

Considering that the route is in protected natural environment, and it stretches along narrow and high, walkways, especially the boardwalks, and also for safety reasons, it is forbidden:

a) to carry a child or other person, no matter their age is, at any part of the boardwalks. **Access to children under 8 years of age is not permitted.**

b) **Wearing inappropriate footwear for hiking is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. Flip-flops, high heels, or any other footwear that is not suitable for this activity or that could cause ankle injuries or falls are not allowed. Footwear must be fully secured to the foot, especially at the back.**

c) to use a harness or to be tied to a cable on the boardwalks, as this might put obstacles in the way of other people who transit it and can make them fall down the precipice.

d) Carrying large backpacks, bags or bags or any other bulky transportable material. The use of selfie sticks, walking sticks and crutches is also prohibited.

e) not to use properly security equipment that is given at the access points to the boardwalks.

f) to use umbrella instead of a raincoat, cagoule or other waterproof clothes when it rains.

g) to drop litter.
h) to make a fire.
i) to smoke.
j) to consume alcohol or have any kind of food which is not mentioned in the above suggestions.
k) to take photos or videos with a tripod or to use cameras and equipment that can block other visitors' way.
l) use drones or similar machines, except when authorized by the correspondent environmental consultancy, as this natural beauty spot is an important birds sanctuary.
m) to come with animals.
n) to swim in the river or its ponds.
o) to go to the canals tunnels.
p) to leave the path which is in use in Hoyo Valley because there is the risk of landslide.
q) to pull up plants or its parts.
r) to shout or listen to loud music.
s) to take your clothes or shoes off and to lie down.
t) to damage rocks or other geological elements such as fossils.
u) to paint or write on structures or natural elements.
v) to scatter deceased people's ashes.
w) to come with a pram / baby carriage, pushchairs, strollers or similar.
x) to sell and resell tickets or booking receipts or its forgeries.

FINAL RULES

- ✔ At the access points and during the visit, the rules are to be followed by everyone, as well as the indications given by the staff from the Control and Information Section and from the security guards. Please, take necessary measures to prevent falling down and keep the area clean.
- ✔ People can only move in the areas which are authorized and indicated for that purpose. Therefore, you have to respect the banning and information signs.
- ✔ Those who do not respect the above rules can be expelled from the area by the responsible personnel or authorities.
- ✔ The corresponding organization has the authority to close, limit or temporarily suspend visits, even during the opening hours and days, for safety's matters, and in order to preserve the place, or because of refurbishment works, weather or some circumstances beyond anybody's control. There are no rights of compensation for the people affected by these changes.
- ✔ Nonetheless, regulations, rules or suggestions given by the employees who manage the trail, environmental agents, or state security officers are compulsory.
- ✔ All the information related to this active tourism infrastructure, as well as changes, alterations, or incidents that happen when accessing the area will be provided at the website of the path.

The holder of this ticket accepts each and every one of the 'Regulations governing public use of the Caminito del Rey'.