



# FORTRESS OF SALSSES

A Spanish fortress on French soil.

15km from Perpignan and the Mediterranean beaches, the Fortress of Salses, built in the 16th century by Ferdinand 2d and Isabel, Queen of Castille, to guard the ancient frontier between France and Spain, features impressive architecture, with its 12-metre thick walls, counter mine galleries, artillery towers and keep. Designed to house a garrison of 1,500 men and 300 horsemen, the visit explores how they lived and the defence systems used as well it explains the lively history of this old Catalan frontier. The fortress is situated in stunning natural surroundings, between the lakes of Salses and the Corbières mountains, offering visitors exceptional views and a truly unique atmosphere.

Site with the “Quality tourism” label and the “Quality Sud de France” label.

## RECEPTION

Subject to modification.

### Open

1st April to 30th September: from 10 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.

1st October to 31st March: from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.  
and from 2 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

Last admission 45 minutes before closing time.

### Closed


1st January, 1st May, 1st November, 11th November  
and 25th December

### Accessibility

Disabled visitor parking at the entrance of the Fortress

A guide in Braille is available for the Visually Impaired

## FACILITIES

- Wifi at the reception
- Seating available during the tour
- Drinks dispenser - Lavatories  - Gift shop and bookshop
- Picnic area near the site
- Parking for coaches 200 m
- Paying municipal car park on July and August. Free parking near the fortress and the railway
- Function room rental

## ACCESS



On the Perpignan/Montpellier motorway 15 km north of Perpignan Access

From Béziers: A9 Perpignan, exit n°40,  
then D627 and D900 Perpignan

From Perpignan: A9 Perpignan, exit n°41  
via D900 Narbonne

Access to the fortress possible from motorway  
areas “Château de Salses” A9 (10 min on foot)

Port-Vendres: 58 km

## INFORMATION

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## TOURS

**Unaccompanied tour with guide booklet of Chapel, permanent exhibition, stables, and parade ground**  
French, English, German, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Catalan  
Duration: 45 min

**Guided tour (terrace, galleries and the keep)**  
French, English, German, Spanish  
Reservations: 2 weeks  
Duration: 45 min

**Visit application**  
"Salses en B.D."



## RATES 2020 CATEGORY 4

Rate for groups (minimum 20 people)

**6,5 €**

Pro E-ticketing



Adults  
**8 €**

Free admission: minors under 18\*

Free admission: 18-25 years old  
(EU nationals and regularised EU residents)

\* excluding school groups

## USEFUL ADDRESSES

**Corbières Roussillon Tourism Board**

tel.: (33) (0)4 68 45 69 40

[www.corbieres-sauvages.com](http://www.corbieres-sauvages.com)

**Pyrénées-Orientales Tourism  
Development Agency**

tel.: (33) (0)4 68 51 52 53

[www.tourisme-pyreneesorientales.com](http://www.tourisme-pyreneesorientales.com)

**Occitanie / Pyrénées-Méditerranée  
Tourist Board**

tel.: (33) (0)5 61 13 55 55

[www.tourisme-occitanie.com](http://www.tourisme-occitanie.com)

**Nearby national monuments:**

67 km - Ensérune archaeological site

100 km - Castle and ramparts of  
Carcassonne