



Refuge du Club Alpin Français des Cortalets

Département des Pyrénées-Orientales

Massif du Canigó

Hut keeper: Thomas DULAC – Owner: FFCAM

o Summer 2025, open from Saturday May 24, 2025 to Thursday October 9, 2025.

(105 places, counting both the hut and the Coderch annex)



o Winter 2025-2026: from October 9, 2025 to May 30, 2026 only the annex will be open (19 places, in the Jean Coderch annex) Information can be found at:

- Facebook refuge des Cortalets

- <https://hutdescortalets.ffcam.fr/le-hut-d-hiver.html>



o Reservations can be made year-round by internet

- <http://hutdescortalets.ffcam.fr/reservation.html>



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Your reservation will be firm only upon reception of a deposit of €10 per person. Three days prior to your arrival, the deposit will become non-refundable regardless of your situation. If you have any doubts, you can take out cancellation insurance either through the operator, a specialized organization or your usual insurer.

If you don't have internet, you can send a check for the deposit (after having checked availability with the hut keeper), made out to Thomas DULAC

Send to Thomas DULAC

42, rue San Juan de Porto Rico 66500 PRADES

Please write your name and date of the reservation on the back of the cheque.



If you wish to contact the hut keeper by email, please bear in mind that he is only available as of the 15th of March for each new season, tomdulac@hotmail.com

Phone number during the open periods of summer: 04 68 96 36 19



To join the French Alpine Cub (Club Alpin Français), 50% off on overnight stays:

FFCAM Prades Canigou – Allée de la plaine Saint -Martin - BP 65 - 66502 PRADES-CEDEX

04 68 96 18 90 <http://prades.ffcam.fr/>

Type of stay	Tourism and TGV line taxes	Additional costs for basic overnight stay	BASIC OVERNIGHT STAY, incl tax and overnight stay, without showers	1/2 BOARD ACCOMODATION, incl tax, without showers	1/2 BOARD ACCOMODATION + MEAL BASKET
Individual	0.72	1.50	22.22	50	61
Group, minimum of 9 people organizing for a single final payment	0.72	1.50	18.22	46	57
Children aged 8 to 18 accompanied by an adult	Free	1.50	12.50	36.28	47.28
Children under 8 accompanied by an adult on half-board	Free	1.50	1.50	10.18	21.18
Sous pente/ winter hut/ guide/ mid-mountain guide/hut	0.72	1.50	12.22	40	51
FFCAM member or member of a reciprocal	0.72	1.50	12.22	40	51
Young FFCAM members aged 18 to 24	0.72	1.50	7.22	35	46
Young FFCAM members from 8 to 18	Free	1.50	6.50	30.28	41.28
Young FFCAM members under 8 *	free	1.50	1.50	10.18	21.18

FOOD AND DRINKS	ADULTS	Youths (8-18)	Children (4-8)
Evening meal 7:30 PM	21	17	7.18
Breakfast	8.28		3
Meal basket	11		

Snacks	2.50-12.50
Menu and a la carte dishes	From 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Hot and cold drinks	1.80-6.00
showers for residents only, service not guaranteed	

*discount included for: high mountain guides, AMM, BE climbing, FFCAM federal managers, hut keepers

Some practical information

The hut is an isolated place, with no direct energy link to the plain, and many people living together in close proximity. This often leads to disturbances that you'll have to accept when you arrive, as there are few other possible solutions.

Information on: [reussir son expérience en refuge](https://www.ffcam.fr/reussir-son-experience-en-refuge)

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We serve evening meals at a fixed time: **7:30 PM**

Your reservation is valid until 6 PM on the day of your arrival, please arrive before or telephone us if you are going to be late. After 6PM., it may be given to campers passing through who request it.



The Cortalets hut, when staffed, has standard single mattresses and a pillow, so it's up to you to bring your own sleeping bag, bag liner or sheets. There is no heating in the rooms. Sheets (bag liners) are available according to stock ≈ 20 €.



The hut has showers, tokens cost €3 (≈ 5 minutes of hot water). The showers are reserved for staff, and are not guaranteed, it depends on water availability.



Dogs are not allowed inside the hut. If you come with a dog, please have it sleep in a tent. If it is well-trained, it can stay with you during meals. A dog which has escaped its master's control, and which cannot be brought swiftly back under control can represent a threat to local wildlife.



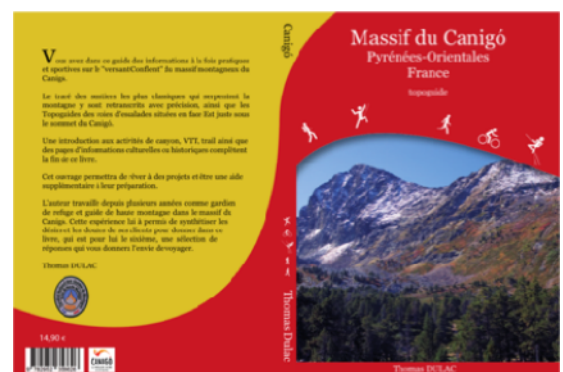
If you want to leave in the morning before sunrise, please let us know early enough to organize breakfast trays.

Information: <https://hutdescortalets.ffcam.fr/divers.html>



Some organizational resources:

- Come to the Canigó massif, whether by plane, train, car or on foot. Hike to or above the hut to reach the Pic du Canigou, or hike around the hut.
- Climb the new routes on the east face of the Canigou.
- Do the Llech canyon and find out about other canyons.
- Find out about mountain biking and trail running.
- Find out about local festivals, especially the troubade.



We've written a book to answer the questions our visitors have been asking us since we started working at the Cortalets hut.

The book is illustrated with sketches, photos and texts that will help you make the most of your hikes and climbs.

To order online:

<http://www.thomasdulac.com/spip.php?rubrique5>

It can be found locally in Perpignan or Prades and in sports stores; in France in “Vieux Campeurs”.

144 pages, format 148X210, four-color printing on both sides.

ISBN 978-2-9 523 566-2-6

Getting to the hut

1. **By train then foot:**
2. **On foot**
3. **By car**
4. **With donkeys or horses**
5. **By mountain bike**



1. Access on foot from the nearest station:

o From Prades station, take the GRT83 to the village of Taurinya, signposted in red and white, 1 hr 30 min walk.

Then via Llasseres, le roc Mosquit, Soucarrade, Ras des Cortalets, then Cortalets hut in 5 hours' walk (1,780 m ascent).

From the village of Prades to the hut, 6 hours 30 minutes uphill. The return downhill takes 4 hours 45 minutes.

o From Villefranche de Conflent train station, take the bus to Vernet les Bains, then take the Portella de dalt path up to the hut in 5 hours 15 minutes.



2. Foot access from the last parking areas:

There are countless pleasant trails, and I've listed the five main ones below:

1. With 1,300m altitude difference, the Balaig trail via the Col des Voltes takes 3h30-4h to reach the hut, the easiest route from an orientation and walking point of view. The parking lot is at the Col de Millères near the village of Fillols, with the option of descending by another trail.

2. 1,120m in height difference, the Los Masos trail takes 3h - 3h30 to reach the hut, the quickest route, the start is steep, the second part is less so. The parking lot is in the village of Los Masos de Valmanya in the area (not to be confused with the village of the same name: Los Masos near Prades). The route starts from the village of Vinca for the Conflent or La Bastide for the Vallespir, with the option of descending by another path.

3. 1,300m ascent, from Mas Malet (Llech trail, starting from Prades then crossing Villach), this route takes 3h30-4h on foot to reach the hut by the path that passes Roc Mosquit (the start is steep, same path for the descent, no loop possible).

4. 1,390m ascent, Roc de Onze heures and Bonne Aigue trail, a wonderful excursion starting from the village of Vernet les Bains, with the possibility of descending by another trail.

5. 1,520m ascent, Llasera and Roc Mosquit path, magnificent ascent starting from the village of Taurinya, possibility of descending by another path.



3. Access to the hut was possible by car:

There is no authorization (except for those entitled to do so) for motorized traffic upstream of Mas Malet for the Llech and Col de Millères trails, or for the Balaig trail.



4. To transport luggage with donkeys or on horseback:

The best way to take off with kids is by lightening your load and taking your time...



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Anne Cécile GASSER 06 27 30 92 63.

5. Mountain bike

- Marco Rollot, ideally located on the LLech trail up to the hut, very good quality suspended mountain biking: 06 12 92 60 70, booking required, rates from 75 euros a day.
- Blue Béar route de Taxo Argelès sur mer (next to camping la Sirène) 04 68 95 77 68
- Conflent évasion, in the village of Los Masos, just before the Llech trail 07 66 80 94 09

Neighboring huts within a days' walk:

Mariailles hut, staffed 04 68 05 57 99

Bonne Aigue hut, non-staffed

Peaks to bag from the hut within a day:

Canigó (canigou)	2784m	+634m
The Canigou round trip / Col des Voltes - Bonne Aigue - la Perdrix loop / Barbet - Canigou loop / Barbet – Canigou loop		

Other routes (loops, crossings, etc.):

Traversee des Pyrenees: GR10 Banyuls - Hendaye

From the sea to the mountains: Banyuls-sur-mer - Pic du Canigou (Cortalets hut) in 4 days

Vernet les Bains loop: Vernet les Bains - Hut de Mariailles - Canigou - Hut des Cortalets - Vernet les Bains

Location specificity:

Listed site: Canigou grand site (pond, fauna, flora and hooked pine forest)

Accessible in summer as a family, on foot, with a pack donkey, on horseback or mountain bike

Winter: back country or cross-country skiing, snowshoeing...

Numerous big wall routes within 45 minutes of the hut

Winter mountaineering, gullies, snow slopes, mixed.



Tour du Canigou:

Conflent

Cortalets hut

00 33 4 68 96 36 19 /

www.hutdescortalets.ffcam

Marialles hut

00 33 4 68 05 57 99 /

www.hutdemariailles.fr

Vallespir

Batera hut

www.hutdebatere.fr

Les Conques hut

00 34 6 96 29 86 31 /

www.refugi-lesconques.com

Sant Guillem hut

www.hutsantguillem.com

