



At Hostalets we open a window onto the Miocene

The area around Els Hostalets de Pierola is one of the richest in terms of fossilised vertebrate remains from the Miocene. It is also one of the important sites in the world in terms of primate fossils, such as *Pierolapithecus catalaunicus* and *Anoiapithecus brevirostris*. The exceptional wealth of the area's paleontological heritage is also evident from discoveries such as the remains of the earliest-known representative of the giant panda lineage.

The p@leo_rutes® are interactive routes that link the world of paleontology to the current landscape of our municipality. The use of multimedia resources allows us to travel back in time by 12 million years and explore the Miocene ecosystem.

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Connect to the Miocene

Go back in time to the Miocene, 12 million years ago, and find out about the main paleontological discoveries that have been made in the Els Hostalets de Pierola area



Will you dare to go 12 million years back in time?

Join Màrius, Roc and Gaia and explore the p@leo_rutes®

Pau's world

Uncover the mysteries of evolution



Have you heard about Pau?
Pau is the nickname given to *Pierolapithecus catalaunicus*, a unique species that lived 12 million years ago and has taught us some very important things about the evolution of the first hominids.

My name's Màrius and I'm a palontologist. I'll tell you all about Pau and other primates!

Specific details:

Approximate distance: 7.5 km

Difficulty: medium

Approximate walking time: 2 hours



Walking the Miocene

Read and interpret the shape of the landscape



What was this landscape like during the Miocene? The watercourses and gullies have revealed it to us. Undoubtedly, the area where Pau lived was nothing like what we see today. Both the landscape and predominant climate were very different.

I'm Roc, and I'm a geologist. I'll show you what this landscape can tell us about the history of the Earth.

Specific details:

Approximate distance: 3.6 km + 5 km by car from the CRIP to the start of the route

Difficulty: low

Approximate walking time: 1 hour

Please note: You will have to get to the starting point of the walk by car.



In Search of Paradise Lost

Explore a subtropical paradise



Do you like adventures? We've got something really exciting for you! Find out about the area Pau lived in and the biodiversity of his world.

I'm Gaia and I'm a biologist. I'll show you what the Hostalets ecosystem was like during the Miocene.

Specific details:

Approximate distance: 8.4 km

Difficulty: high

Approximate walking time: 2.5 hours

Please note: We recommend that you bring some scissors to cut back any brambles or reeds that may block your path.

