



La Pedra Llarga
→ Palau-solità i Plegamans



La Pedra Serrada
→ Parets del Vallès



Menhir de Castellruf
→ Santa Maria de Martorelles



La Pedra de Llinàs
→ Montmeló

Other menhirs in Baix Vallès

The Baix Vallès is one of the areas of Catalonia with the highest concentration of menhirs. The following menhirs are known to exist: the Pedra Serrada, in Parets del Vallès; the Pedra Llarga, the Pedra de Can Falguera and the Menhir de Can Tarragona, in Palau-solità i Plegamans; the Pedra Salvadora, the Menhir de Gallecs and the Menhir de Mollet, in Mollet del Vallès; the Pedra Fita, in Montornès; the Pedra de Llinàs, in Montmeló; and the Menhir de Castellruf in Santa Maria de Martorelles. Like the one in Mollet, these last two also have engravings.

The Menhir can be seen in the Can Mulà Park, in the Literary Garden of the Library, at the following times:

- Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am to 1.45 pm and Monday to Friday from 4 pm to 8.30 pm.
- Closed on Saturdays in July and all of August.

Entrance through the Can Mulà-Jordi Solé Tura Library

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MOLLET DEL VALLÈS
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Length: 4.9 m
Weight: 6.2 tonnes

Engraving that gives it the status of a menhir statue

One of the most important archaeological finds in southern Europe

The Menhir of Mollet



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The discovery

In April 2009, during works in the Ciruelos Park, in the centre of the city, a menhir was discovered buried 8 metres deep and stretched out. In the days that followed, an archaeological intervention was carried out there to find out if there were other buried materials, but the little discovered was decontextualised.

What is a menhir?

The word *menhir* is Breton (*men*, stone, *hir*, long) and designates a megalithic monument made of a single block of stone planted in the ground. In some cases, the stone has been worked, engraved, or both. Menhirs can be found in isolation or in alignments or circles.

What is the Menhir of Mollet like?

It is a large sculpted block of stone that gives it the status of a menhir statue.

Morphology

The stone's shape is due to human action. The whole block has been reworked and decorated with engravings and reliefs.

Geological composition

It is arkose, a stoneware rich in feldspars of which there is no known outcrop of similar characteristics in the immediate surroundings.

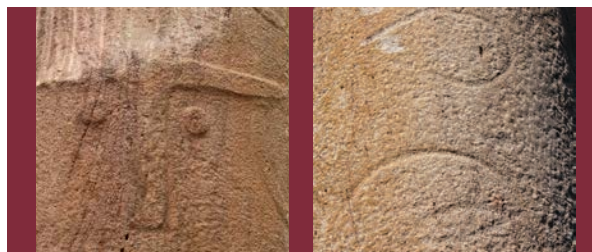
Decorative motifs

In contrast to what is usual, the decorative motifs are found on the two narrow sides.

On one side, there are several schematic engravings, and on the opposite side, there is a relief that represents a face.

Chronology

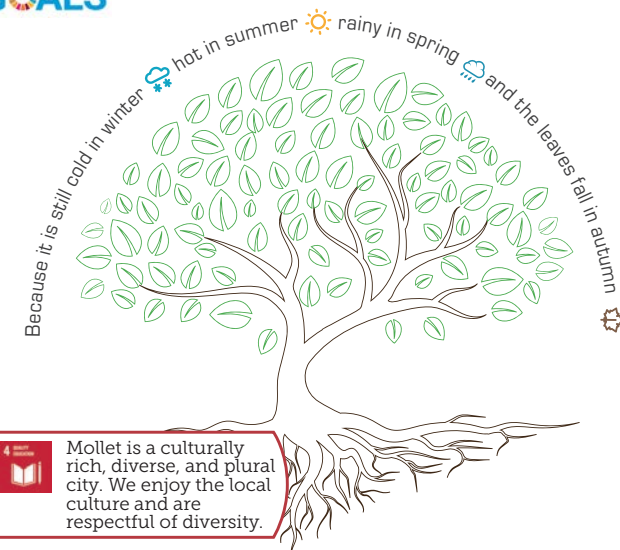
Between 3,500 and 2,500 B.C.



Why is the Menhir de Mollet so important?

- Because it is the largest menhir in the Iberian Peninsula and one of the largest in southern Europe.
- It is the largest menhir statue in this geographical area, considering that it is a menhir statue.
- Because, with the Menhir de Mollet, there are now more menhirs known to exist in the Baix Empordà, making it one of the areas with the highest concentration of menhirs in Catalonia.

DECALOGUE FOR RESPONSIBLE TOURISM IN MOLLET DEL VALLÈS AND GALLECS



4 Mollet is a culturally rich, diverse, and plural city. We enjoy the local culture and are respectful of diversity.

5 Mollet promotes tourism that respects the right to gender equality. Any violation of this right can be denounced.

6 Mollet, we minimise generation of waste and wasteful use of natural resources that respect the environment. Let's collaborate.

7 Mollet has its clean energy resources such as photovoltaic panels and windmills. Let's use energy responsibly.

8 Mollet has productive and commercial activities for social purposes, such as the Taller Alborada or the Centre Ocupacional del Bosc. Let's visit their networks.

9 Mollet is a city adapted to technological devices. Let's use them to minimise waste generation.

11 Mollet can be reached by train on two lines. can also get around on foot, by city bus, and by intercity bus.

12 Mollet has a large municipal market where we can find local and proximity products, a guarantee of quality. Let's buy.

13 Mollet is a tourist destination with a sustainability label. We are looking for these labels when in tourism.

15 Mollet has a lot of natural space. We respect the area's natural beauty and contribute to keeping our ecosystems alive.

17 Mollet is a city with its own identity that generates alliances and a sense of community. Let's spread these values.