

## Reading 2 – Irati Forest touristic brochure

# Irati Forest



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The Irati Forest is the second largest and best preserved beech and fir tree forest in Europe, an immense green forest of 17,000 hectares that still remain wild. Located in Pyrenees of Navarre, it is a natural treasure. There are two ways to access the Irati



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Forest: on the western side from Orbaitzeta and on the eastern side from the pretty village of Otsagabia.

Sit down in the heart of the forest and enjoy nature; the silence is broken only by the sound of water. Admire the crystalline colour of the Irati river that turns turquoise in the Irabia reservoir and listen to the sounds of the fauna.

This place is the habitat of multiple wild animals, birds and fish such as: foxes, wild boars, roe deers, stags, goldcrests, chaffinches, robins, black woodpeckers, white-backed woodpeckers and trouts.

The variety of colour is amazing in autumn when brown, yellow and red leaves decorate the tops of the trees.

## Activities



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### Mountain biking

There are incredible cycling trails and tracks all around the Irati Forest, suitable for children and families (green line), of moderate difficulty for people in general (blue line), or of advanced difficulty for risky, adventurous people (red line).

### Bungy jumping

One jump full of emotion. Bungee jumping is like a giant pendulum as we jump from one point on the bridge and the ropes are attached at the opposite end. Jumping from the Orbara bridge (100 meters high) is one of the most exciting experiences you can feel, it's a 7 seconds free fall!

To practice bungy jumping at Irati Forest, please contact [www.iratiaventura.com](http://www.iratiaventura.com)



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## Where to sleep

There are campsites, hotels or touristic apartments, but the rural guesthouses are the best option in the area. There are lots of them, sorted by price, location or number of rooms at [navarrabooking.com](http://navarrabooking.com). Here you have some examples:

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### Iratienea

ORBARA. (The Pyrenees)

Tel.: 618279393

[casa.iratienea@avired.com](mailto:casa.iratienea@avired.com)

Type: **Rural House (Entire)**

Weekend **from 325.00 €**

Number of places: **6**

Distance **4 Km.**

### Ertegi

ARIA. (The Pyrenees)

Tel.: 630457108

[ertegietxea@gmail.com](mailto:ertegietxea@gmail.com)

Type: **Rural House (Entire)**

Weekend **from 395.00 €**

Number of places: **8**

Distance **7 Km.**

For a cheaper option, you can also check the following campsite:



### Asolaze

ISABA. (The Pyrenees)

Tel.: 948893034

[info@asolazecamping.com](mailto:info@asolazecamping.com)

Type: **Campsite**

Adult **from 5.50 €**

Number of places: **400**

Distance **27 Km.**

**23. The Irati Forest is a 17,000 hectares...**

- A.** wild oak and beech forest.
- B.** preserved beech and fir garden.
- C.** immense beech and fir forest.
- D.** first largest forest in Europe.

**24. When the Irati river reaches \_\_\_\_\_, it changes its colour getting a beautiful blue.**

**25. There are different sounds that you can listen to at this forest, like...**

- A.** cars and lorries.
- B.** the fauna or the water.
- C.** the trees.
- D.** rural houses.

**26. Where can you sleep if you want to be the closest possible to the forest?**

- A.** In Orbara.
- B.** In Aria.
- C.** In Erro.
- D.** In Isaba.

**27. You can follow the \_\_\_\_\_ line tracks for an easy itinerary appropriate for children.**

**28. Where can you spend a night if you are on holidays with your parents, twin sisters, grandparents, an uncle and three cousins?**

- A.** Asolaze.
- B.** Ertegi.
- C.** Iratienea.
- D.** At navarrabooking.com.

**29.** The entrance to the Irati Forest is possible from two villages: Otsagabia and \_\_\_\_\_.

**30.** How tall is the Orbara Bridge?

- A.** 110 meters tall.
- B.** 107 m.
- C.** Taller than 90 meters.
- D.** 332 m.

**31.** Which is a type of fish you can find at this nature reserve?

- A.** A woodpecker.
- B.** A hake.
- C.** A trout.
- D.** A deer.



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# Writing – Holidays



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Have you ever had a **perfect holiday**?

Do you remember some of the things you did during the holiday?

Write about it, and enjoy imagining it...

Here you have some ideas or things to take into account:

*Where did you go? When did you go? Who did you go with? What did you see and do there? Where did you stay? What places did you visit? Did you try any new kind of food or drink during your holidays? Etc.*

*Notes & draft box (to write ideas or key words). This planning is not scored.*

**32.** Now write your text here. Be careful with the punctuation and remember the use of paragraphs and capital letters. Be creative!



<i>This part is only for the teacher</i>		Mark 0, 1, 2 or 3
<b>Presentation</b>		
<b>Spelling</b>		
<b>Grammatical structures</b>		
<b>Relevance and coherence</b>		
<b>Vocabulary</b>		
<b>Item 32 – Total:</b>		