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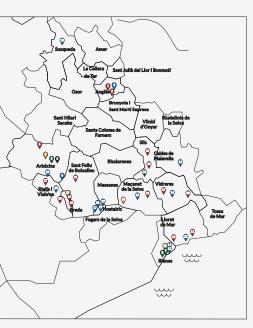
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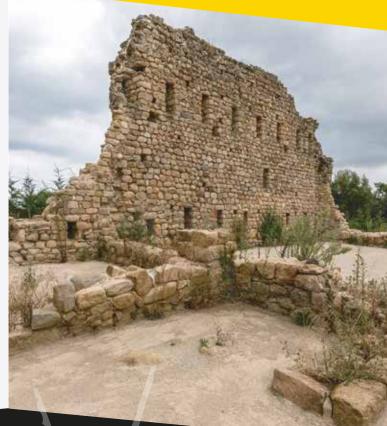
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# RIELLS I VIABREA





#### A THRILLING HISTORY



#### MILITARY ROUTE **RELIGIOUS ROUTE**

#### Pega Tower, known as "Domus de Busquets" in the Middle Ages, is an old fortified house built between the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13th centuries. It was built around a central square patio with various rooms. For much of the 13th and 14<sup>th</sup> century, the lords of the fortified house of Busquets were also the sub-constables of Montsoriu, the principal castle of the viscountcy of Cabrera.

he Viscountcy of Cabrera was a very important mediaeval domain that was part of the lands of the Catalan-Aragonese Crown. It extended from the forest-covered mountains of Montseny, Guilleries and Collsacabra down to the Mediterranean Sea, with its centre located in what is now the comarca (county) of La Selva. Today you can still visit various places and sites to revisit the time of the viscounts and all that went with them: loftv castles, solitary chapels, protective walls, silent monasteries, watchtowers and more.

The Cabreras were lords of these lands for nearly six centuries, leaving an extraordinary legacy that allows us to travel back to the Middle Ages, while enjoying all the things to do and services of our own time.

Welcome to the Viscountcy of Cabrera!

# RIELLS I VIABREA

**Riells i Viabrea is a** municipality in the county of La Selva, forming part of the Baix Montsenv subregion. Formerly named Sant Martí de **Riells or Riells de Mont**senv. it took its current name in 1893.

The municipality of Riells i Viabrea covers 26.53 km2 and is located in the south of La Selva. 60% of its land area is within the Montseny Natural Park and its surrounding area of influence. It borders on the municipalities of Arbúcies, Sant Feliu de Buixalleu, Breda, Sant Celoni, Gualba and Fogars de Monclús.

It includes two different landscapes: in the north, in the more mountainous area in the Natural Park, there is Riells del Montseny, the population of which has declined rapidly in recent decades. Fortunately, new residents are restoring and modernising the scattered farmhouses. In the south of the municipal area, in the plain of La Selva, there is Viabrea, which is not really a specific town but is made up of various neighbourhoods and residential areas.



CHURCH OF SANT

**MARTÍ DE RIELLS** 

Montfort Tower is on the boundary between the municipalities of Riells i Viabrea and Arbúcies, on the hill of the same name which stands between them, overlooking both valleys. It is a military building consisting of a round tower with a small walled area around it, built in different phases between the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> centuries and the first half of the 14<sup>th</sup>.

### \$ CHURCH OF SANT LLOP DE VIABREA

This church was originally named Sant Esteve de Sabruguera, but at the beginning of the 16<sup>th</sup> century an altar dedicated to Sant Llop (Saint Lupus) was added, and shortly afterwards it took its name. The church can be dated to the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> centuries, and it appears in 1246 in a bull by Pope Innocent IV in favour of the monastery of Breda.





PEGA TOWER

Cabrera.

Sant Martí is now the parish church of Riells i Viabrea. The building is Romanesque in origin (12<sup>th</sup> century). though in the 15<sup>th</sup> century it was rebuilt after suffering damage during the War of the Remences. In the document Constitucions dels Castells (Constitutions of Castles) in the year 1358, the parish of Riells is mentioned as part of the lands of Montsoriu, the principal castle of the viscountcy of