

## Montesinho Natural Park

### Away from the tourist spots

The **Montesinho Natural Park** was established in 1979 and is located in the extreme northeast of Portugal covering some 75 000 hectares. It is home to unique historical sites and a variety of landscapes. Two summits culminate in the park, the **Serra de Montesinho** in the east of the park (1500 metres high) and the **Serra da Coroa (crown)** in the west (500 metres high).

Exploring **Montesinho Natural Park** by motorhome is an ideal solution. The park is huge with many beautiful sights and hiking trails.

Near **Dine neolithic caves** were discovered in the last few decades. Towards **Moimenta ancient buildings** can be seen, such as a medieval bridge. Don't miss Bragança and its medieval centre and beautiful castle.

On the banks of the Maças River, near Quintanilla, you can take a dip to cool off on a hot summer day.

Near the **Baceiro River** there are former lime kilns and water mills with typical architecture of the region. The top of Montesinho has splendid panoramas. In the **Lombada national hunting** area near Guadramil you may see wolves in the pine forests or deer near the marshes.