

The 365 Calvary Steps

The 365 Calvary steps in the charming old town of Pollenca lead up to an incredible Good Friday procession.

Experience the charm of Pollenca and the 365 Calvary Steps (Calle de Calvari), one step at a time.



Up the 365 Calvary Steps, Pollençia, Mallorca

If you don't look hard enough, you could possibly miss an important attraction in old town Pollençia, the 365 Calvary

Steps (Calle de Calvari).

Worn down from thousands of Christian devotees and tourists, there are numerous steps required to reach the top, in fact, one for each day of the year. If you feel fatigued half way to the top, enjoy a rest under the cypress trees or the fourteen tall crosses evoking Christ on the way to his crucifixion.

Along your journey, catch your breath and view the gorgeous homes and shops dotted along the steps. You will also find the occasional cat enjoying a siesta under the trees – a welcome sight to get your mind off the steep trek. Once you reach step number 365, enjoy gorgeous views of the Traumantana Mountains.



A cat along the 365 Calvary Steps in Pollenca, Mallorca

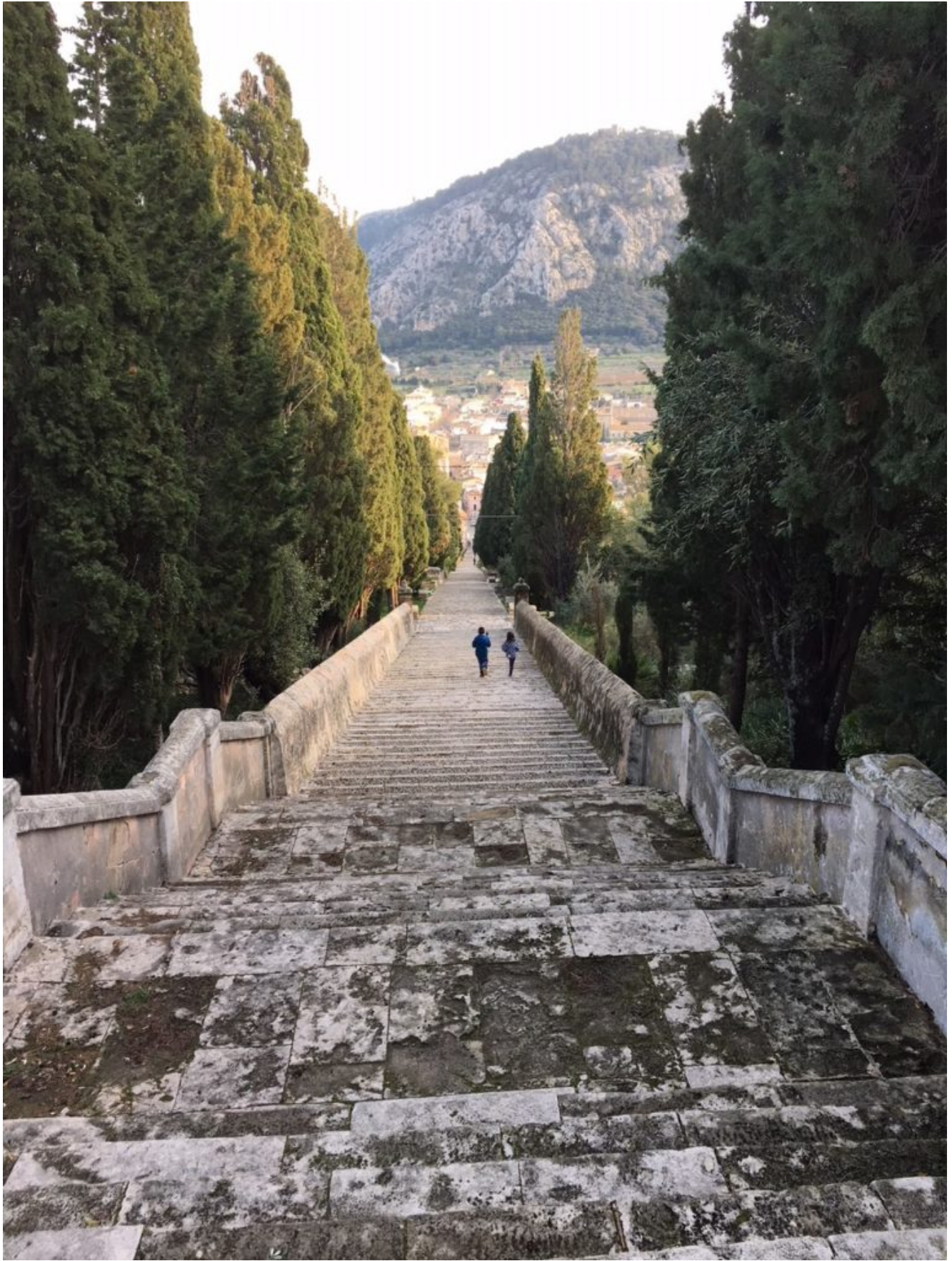
The Knights Templar were the first owners of this mount. Today, it hosts one of the most impressive traditions of Mallorca's Easter week celebrations.

On Good Friday, the Calvari steps is where the Davallament (Descent from the Cross) takes place. A carving of Christ is removed from the cross. Then, in a somber torchlight parade, the carving is carried down the steps. The ritual is performed in silence except for the beating drum. Locals and tourists follow the procession led by members of various brotherhoods dressed in hooded robes. The parade ends at Our Lady of the Angels, the parish church dedicated to the patron saint of Pollença, the Virgin Mary, and St. Michael the Archangel.

What goes up, must come down.

You can retrace your steps down the hill or venture along the side streets back to Pollença. Reward yourself for your efforts and massive fitness tracker step count at one of Pollença's many restaurants.

Tip: One of my favorites is [La Font del Gall](#). Just look for the fountain with the rooster on top at Calle Montesion, 4.



Down the 365 Calvary Steps Pollenca, Mallorca