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Castelo Monforte - Cold Waters - Chaves - Portugal

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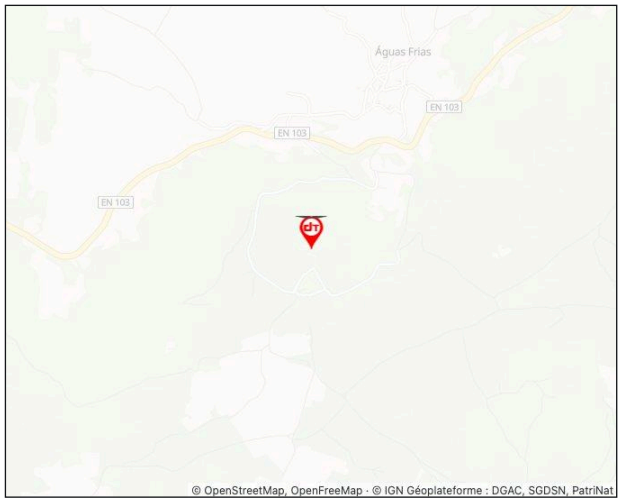
GPS coordinates	41.76235, -7.35588
Elevation	854 m
Maximum height	120 m max
Access	Direct access by car
Nearest aerodrome	Aerodromo de Chaves (LPCH) 9.9 km SW · spot 494 m higher
Spot reference	298520



Spot location and restrictions (Drone-Spot map image)

Sun (local times, UTC)

Day	Dawn	Sunrise	Sunset	Dusk	Day length	Golden hour
Wed 25 Nov	07:00	07:31	17:02	17:33	9 h 31	07:31–08:14 · 16:19–17:02
Thu 26 Nov	07:01	07:32	17:02	17:32	9 h 30	07:32–08:15 · 16:19–17:02
Fri 27 Nov	07:02	07:33	17:01	17:32	9 h 28	07:33–08:16 · 16:18–17:01

Nearby aerodromes

Aerodrome	Type	Distance	Elevation
Aerodromo de Chaves	Aerodrome	9.9 km SW	360 m

Description

The Castle of Monforte, also referred to as Castelo de Monforte de Rio Livre, in Trás-os-Montes, is located in the parish of Águas Frias, village of Monforte, municipality of Chaves, district of Vila Real, in Portugal. Monforte de Rio Livre became part of the Portuguese territory as soon as nationality was established. The oldest reference to the medieval castle dates back to the 12th century, in a document quoting a noble lieutenant (tenens) of the castle. The Rio Livre trial was instituted in 1267. In 1273 the settlement received a charter from King Alfonso III (1248-1279), when the works of reform of the whole must have begun. This sovereign raised the town to the head of the territory, within the same process of organization of the northern border that gave rise, for example, to the Castle of Montalegre. The building work continued during the reign of his son and successor, D. Dinis …

Scan to open the up-to-date spot page: weather, map and restrictions.

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=298520

Before every flight: check the UAS zones map, NOTAMs and temporary areas, the weather and the Kp index.

Preparing the flight

Pre-flight Check-List

- ☐ Area checked: UAS zones, restrictions, protected areas
- ☐ NOTAMs and temporary areas checked
- ☐ Weather: wind, gusts, rain, visibility; Kp index
- ☐ Operator number displayed on the drone
- ☐ Training certificate or licence with me
- ☐ Third-party liability insurance checked
- ☐ Batteries charged: drone, controller, phone
- ☐ Propellers, motors and frame in good condition
- ☐ Memory card inserted and empty
- ☐ Software up to date, compass and IMU calibrated
- ☐ Return to home: home point and return height set
- ☐ Electronic signalling or remote ID active
- ☐ Take-off area clear, people informed and at a distance
- ☐ Observer present for FPV flights

Key rules of the open category

This country applies the European drone rules (open category); it may add its own zones and conditions.

- Maximum height: 120 m above the ground, lower where a restriction requires it.
- Always keep the drone in sight; when flying FPV, an observer keeps it in sight next to you.
- Never fly over crowds and keep the distances of your subcategory (A1, A2 or A3).
- Respect UAS geographical zones: around aerodromes, prohibited or restricted areas, protected areas, sensitive sites.
- Register as an operator if the drone weighs 250 g or more or carries a camera (toys excepted), and display the number on the drone.
- Training: online A1/A3 certificate from 250 g or for a class C1 drone; A2 certificate to fly closer to people with a class C2 drone.
- Always give way to manned aircraft and land if one approaches.
- Respect privacy: no images that identify people without their consent; aerial photography is prohibited in some areas.
- Check your third-party liability insurance.

Non-exhaustive summary: rules change. Reference: the DGAC open-category guide and the country's regulations.

Useful links

UAS zones map around the spot : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/carte-uas.aspx?lat=41.76235&lon=-7.35588
Drone pilot library : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque

My flight notes

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