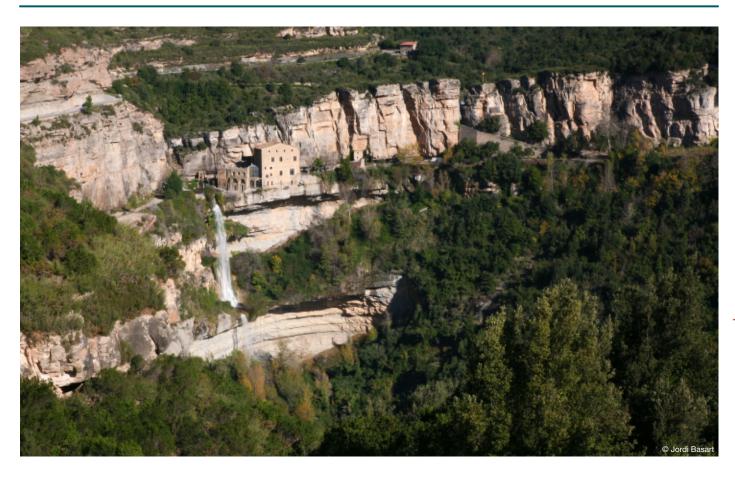


7 Rossinyol waterfall



The Salt del Rossinyol waterfall is formed by this same river when the water descends from the Bertí cliffs, near the Casa Prioral. At the base opens a large overhang known as the cave of Sant Miquel.

The Rossinyol is a river of the Besòs basin that rises in the district of Sant Martí de Centelles (Osona), crosses Sant Quirze Safaja (Moianès) and drains into the Tenes, in the municipality of Bigues i Riells (Vallès Oriental). It is precisely between these last two municipalities that the water descends the cliffs of Bertí, forming one of the emblematic waterfalls of this area, the Salt del Rossinyol. The cascade is close to the Priory House and at the base opens under a large cliff overhang known as the cave of Sant Miquel.

From the top of the cliff to the Sant Miquel valley, the Rossinyol drops down a hundred meters of in a series of

falls. The waterfall or "*falla*" (from the Latin *fallium* or water falling from a cliff) is the etymological origin of Sant Miquel del Fai.

In dry years, the landscape is very different, with a waterfall reduced to a sliver, sometimes non-existent, which contrasts with the photographs from the seventies, where the pool under the waterfall was used as a swimming pool.