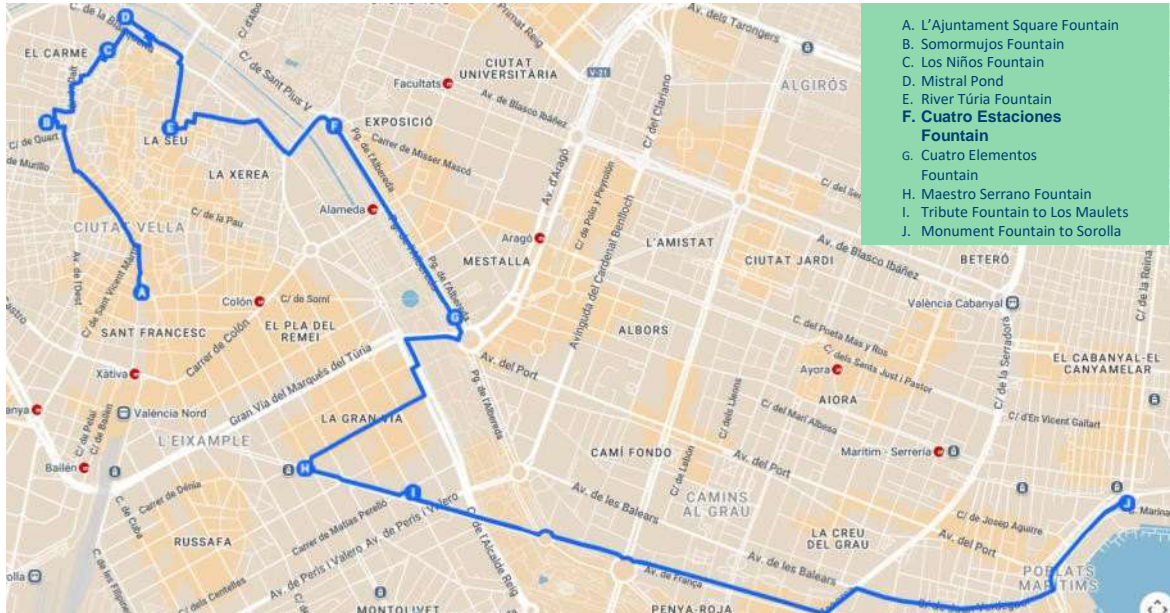




CUATRO ESTACIONES FOUNTAIN

ORNAMENTAL FOUNTAIN TOURIST ROUTE

GENERAL ROUTE PLAN



Located at the east end of L'Albereda promenade next to the Pont del Real bridge, it stands in the central stream and marks the beginning of the promenade. The area was decorated in 1861 and the fountain installed in 1863. It generated a lot of commentary when it was inaugurated as much of Valencian society at the time was shocked by the nude sculptures.

On the leaded basin of marble from Villamarchante stand two plates, the first supported by four allegorical seated figures representing the four seasons, the four seasonal changes but also the changes of life. The statues represent Neptune, his Nereid wife, and Galatea and her lover Acis. The second plate rests on four children and is topped by another child holding a basket on his head with water flowing from a spout. The fountain itself is made of cast iron from France.

The lower plate, four metres in diameter, shows four children holding hands, attached to a circular column, and cupids with plant attributes. It stands 8 metres high; the first plate has a diameter of 4 metres and the second of 2 metres.

This fountain is represented all over the world: Geneva (Switzerland); Lisbon (Portugal); Liverpool (UK); Troyers, Angerts, Hyeres (France); Tacna (Peru); Buenos Aires, Maipú (Argentina); Valparaíso (Chile); Salvador de Bahía (Brazil); Boston (USA); Quebec (Canada); Launceston and Tasmania (Australia).

It was returned to its original colour in 2009, black with some figures in gold. Levante football club fans celebrate their victories here.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Address: El General Elío Street.

ACCESSIBILITY

Access: Non-accessible square; it is a roundabout.

Parking: Spot reserved for PRM at 1 L'Albereda promenade.