

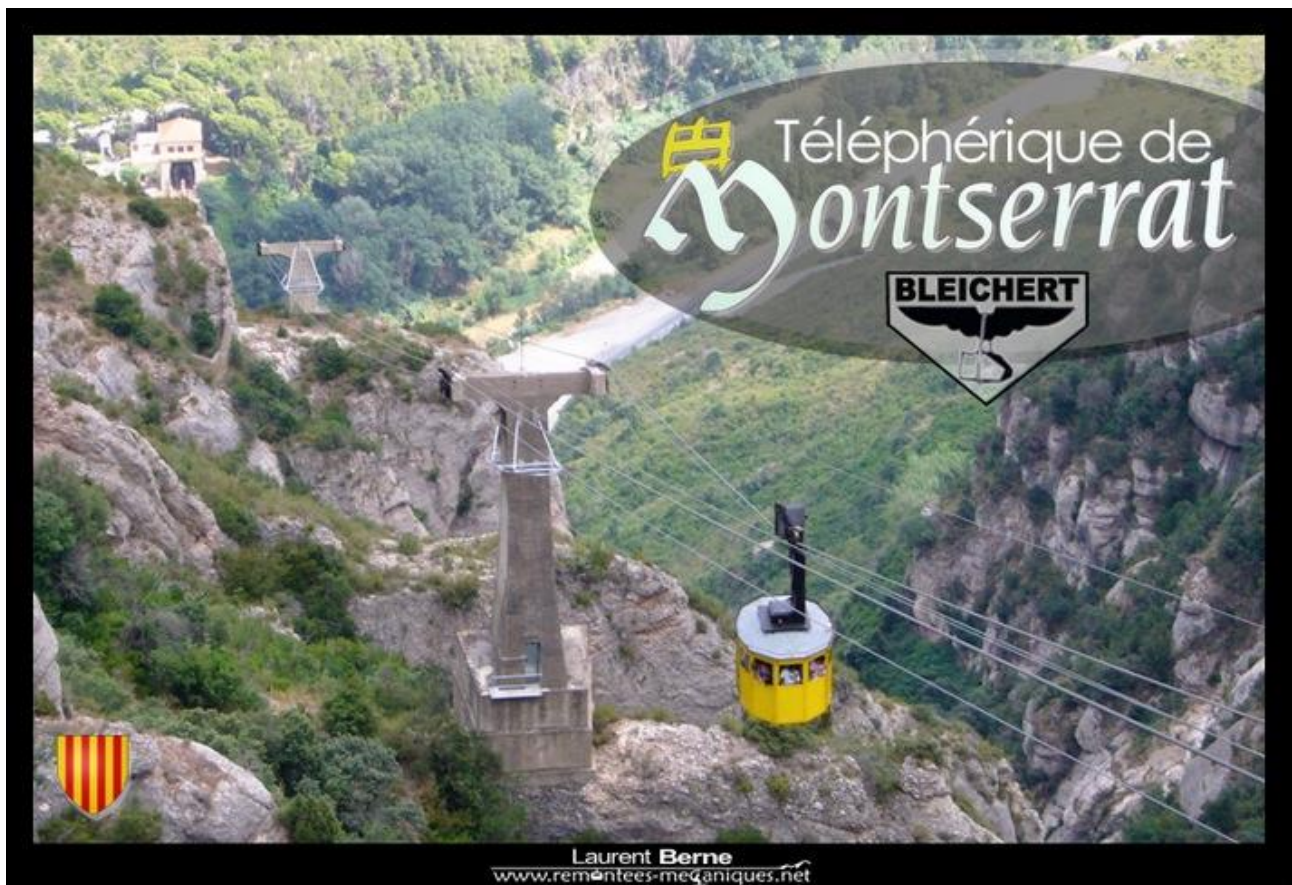
## Cable Car in Montserrat:

### The Aeri de Montserrat Cable Car

If you are travelling to Montserrat from Barcelona by train you will need to decide how you would like to get to the monastery once the train drops you at the bottom of Montserrat Mountain.

You will have two options: the rack railway or the cable car. The cable car is called the 'Aeri de Montserrat'.

It will take you on a breath taking journey over the Llobregat River and Valley, up the mountain and right up to Montserrat Monastery.



### The History of the Aeri de Montserrat

The cable car from the bottom of Montserrat mountain to Montserrat monastery first started running in 1930.

The Gondola Tramway up to the Montserrat in Spain was build in 1930 by the German Manufacturer **Adolf Bleichert**.

It travels at a speed of 5 metres per second and at a gradient of up to 45%.

The Track is over 1350 m long and the Height-Difference is about 544m.

Each Gondola can take 35 + 1 persons. The main engine have the power of 84 PS.



## What's it like travelling on the cable car to Montserrat?

Taking the cable car to Montserrat is not just a means of transport - it is an experience in its own right.

It is worth mentioning that this is a trip that is not for the faint hearted - you will be travelling 1350 metres up the mountain in a small hanging car! However, if you are not afraid of heights, you should be in for a really exhilarating experience.

The cable car journey lasts exactly five minutes. You will be inside the cable car with approximately 20 other people (this will depend on the time of day - the cable car has a maximum capacity of 35 people, so sometimes there will be more and sometimes there will be less than 20 people).

Your ears will pop and you will feel a rush of excitement as the car races up the side of the mountain and the ground below drops away.

Whilst you are in the car, take the opportunity to enjoy your surroundings - you will be passing over the River Llobregat, the village of Monistrol and even the famous [Santa Cova shrine](#).

On arriving at Montserrat you will need to walk about 3 minutes up a slope and a set of stairs to reach the heart of Montserrat Monastery.



## Running times of the Aeri de Montserrat

The running times of the cable car vary depending on what time of year you go to Montserrat. During running hours the cable cars run every 15 minutes.

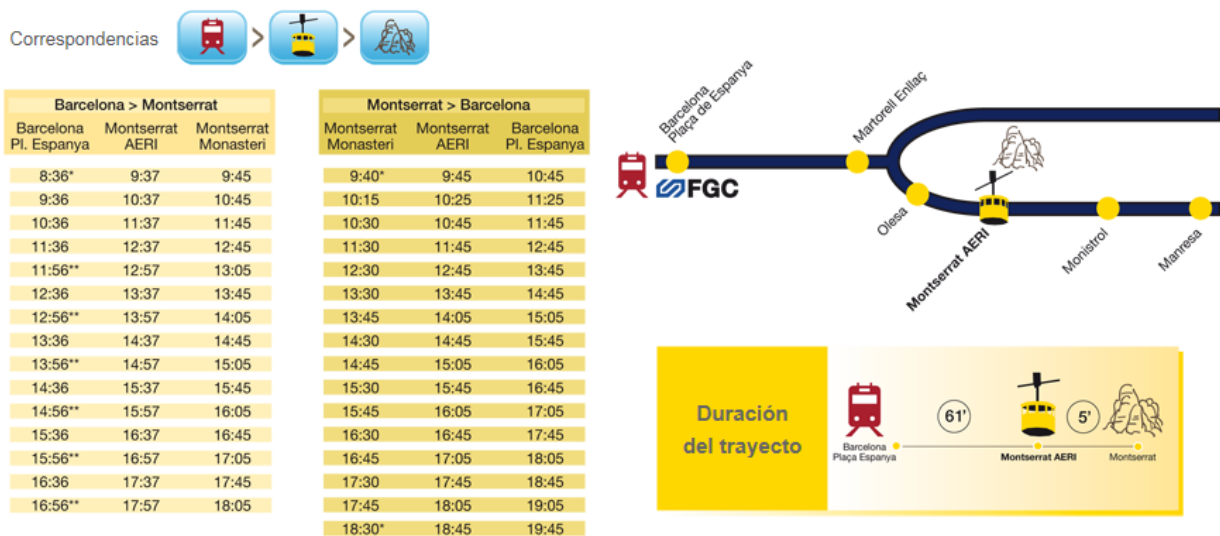
Time of Year	Day of the week	Running times
01 March - 31 October	Week days	09:40 - 14:00 and 14:35 - 19:00
01 March - 31 October	Weekends and public holidays	09:40 - 14:00 and 14:35 - 19:00
01 November - 28 February	Week days	10:10 - 14:00 and 14:35 - 17:45
01 November - 28 February	Weekends and public holidays	10:10 - 14:00 and 14:35 - 18:45

## Where do I catch the cable car?

If you are catching the cable car from the bottom of Montserrat mountain to Montserrat monastery you will need to head to Montserrat Aeri train station.

If you are getting the train from Barcelona the train will drop you at the station. If you are coming by car, see the [Official Aeri de Montserrat website](http://www.montserrat-tourist-guide.com) for driving instructions.

Once you have arrived at Aeri de Montserrat you will see the cable car station building directly in front of you.



\* De marzo a octubre \*\* Sólo laborables

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