

## MELILLA, MY FAVOURITE CORNER: THE CLIFFS OF AGUADU

I still remember as if it was yesterday the first time I visited *The Cliffs Of Aguadu*. It was in May 2001. I had just moved to Melilla. It was my first day of work. When I finished my workday, a colleague offered to take me to a place that he considered to be the most beautiful spot in Melilla: *The Cliffs of Aguadu*. I found it impressive. I fell in love with its clear and clean water and the peace and tranquility that was breathed there – especially if you compare it with the over-crowded beach. I liked that place so much that I began going there regularly. I used to go every afternoon in summer. I went alone. I wanted my friends to come with me but they didn't because there were many children and men there, and they were embarrassed to wear a bikini.

Now, I am used to going when I feel a bit down because staying there makes me feel better. The best time to go is on weekends, early. Before eleven o'clock, there is usually no one. In the evening, it is usual for young people and adults to gather there to play cards, fish, swim, smoke a hookah or even have a barbecue.

Although I enjoy going there both in summer and the rest of the year, I am looking forward to summer.

If I had to recommend a place to visit in Melilla, it would be undoubtedly *The Cliffs of Aguadu* because they are unique.

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