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Summary of Case study	<p><b>Industrial Tourism Example: The Mining area in Huelva.</b></p> <p>The Thematic Park is sited at the Natural Park of Sierra de Aracena and Picos de Aroche and the County of Huelva (South East of Spain). With a vast expanse (900 Ha.) it is the first park in Spain including such features and on of the main ones regarding tourism and culture. We shall find the most ancient mines in the world still working: The Riotinto Mines. The visitor will be able to go back five centuries in the mining history and to look at a live working mine. Another attraction of this area is the landscapes of spectacular beauty: the tubular shapes, the ochre, violet, orangey and red colours, allow the spectator to get lost in a reverie.</p>
Organisations concerned	<b>Mining Park of Riotinto</b>
Case study detail	<p><b>Attractions of the Mining Park:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ This wonderful adventure will allow us to gaze at singular landscapes while we cover a distance of 18 km. up to Manzano's halt, in genuine mining wagon pulled by a steam engine from beginning century. The train that has been restored and fitted out, runs parallel the Tinto River -world's unique ecosystem- on the railway, which started to be constructed in 1873 by the English RIO TINTO COMPANY LIMITED that exploited the mines; these were closed down on</li> </ul>

	<p>February 1984.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ The Mining Museum: this is the first museum within de Iberian Peninsula devoted to the Mining and Metallurgy. Sited where the old English hospital used to be and with an area of 1,600 square metres housing a vast sample of what that mining region was.</li> <li>❖ Bellavista: English Neighbourhood. At a far end of the village and between late 19th and beginning 20th century a neighbourhood was risen for the English people who were to work in the mine. A stone wall and back surrounded this area to the rest of the population. The houses built here reproduced aesthetic and cultural schemes of the Victorian time. They stand out the Presbyterian Church, the Social Club and the Council House (former General Manager residence). Fundación Río Tinto has recover and restored the house number 21 from the neighbourhood. It will be the ethnographic section of the Mining Museum.</li> <li>❖ Atalaya Open Pit. This open pit of iron pyrite started to be worked in 1907; it is the biggest within Europe. It has an ellipse shape; 1,200 m length, 900 m width and 335 m depth. It is, for certain, an exceptional and powerful witness: men struggling to snatch from the earth's heart its most precious treasure.</li> <li>❖ Mine Resources. Visitors shall be able to tour through the different cores of mineral extraction and treatment, on active service such as Cerro Colorado, crushing departments, grinding, flotation, etc. Nowadays, this tourist visit has been suspended because of the crisis situation in the mining industry.</li> </ul>
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