

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAINWALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk Font del Paradis

Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description) Mas de Barberans

Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km 12

Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m 650

Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops 3.5hr
5hr

Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system) S/B

Grid reference of start point (if known) 40.751565, 0.321286

Directions to Start

Take the TV 3421 south of the village and turn R into the Cami del Barranc de la Galera signposted to La Vall. (between km12 and 13 from La Senia) Continue as the road deteriorates to a track. It passes a signboard at the Raco d'en Marc. Several km further there is a sign down to the L and the car park area with BBQ, tables and so on.

Short walk description

A pleasant walk partly through forest with good views of the rocky outcrops on the ridges and widening views later in the day.

Full Walk Description

Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far

From the cars continue ahead on the track for 150m and look out for a signed path on the LHS just at the edge of the woods. 2.75min
180m

Follow this steeply uphill for a few metres and then as it wanders steadily upwards at a less steep slope. There are fantastic views up to the R and the ridge line with balanced boulders and steep crags.

Eventually reach the Mas de Barro. 1hr 4mins
3.3km

A little above this there is a fenced viewpoint looking back at the crags below which you have walked. 1hr 14mins
3.7km

Continue ahead to reach a T-jnc where the Font del Paradis is up to the L some 450m. 1hr 25mins
4.2km

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This path leads up and then L to the Font – which is not much more than a muddy puddle when dry – and then returns to the jnc. (The uphill path would continue to join the GR7 on the ridge line.) 1hr 41mins
5km

Continue ahead on your original path making sure to see a LH turn on a spur with views. This winds up and down with good views down into the valley and eventually comes out at a forest track. 2hr 2mins
6.2km

Cross this directly to continue following the path and re-join the track just above the Forest House – tool store, workers base etc. – and continue down on the track below the building. 2hr 10mins
6.5km

A little further ahead there is another opportunity to re-join the footpath which wends down through trees and joins the forest track for the last time. 2hr 20mins
7.1km

Here ignore the continuation of the path almost directly opposite and instead walk back uphill along the track for some 50m where there is a path off to the RHS with red paint markings.

This falls steeply for a few metres and then follows a cunning route in and out of barrancos, past large boulders and past a rock column which appears to be holding up the rest of the mountain.

Finally this gives out onto a new track directly at the Col de Lloret. 2hr54mins
8.7km

There is nothing for it now but to follow this downhill to the R for some km to arrive back at the car park which requires a R turn mirroring your arrival route. 3hr 28mins
11.4km

Walk Recommendations or restrictions None

Route followed is outlined in red

