

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAINWALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk Trasero de Caballo

Location of Start Benigembla

Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km 11.5

Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m 400m

Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops 3hr15mins.
5hrs

Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system) MS/C/Scr

Grid reference of start point (if known) Lat:- 38.750619, Long:- -0.157928

Directions to Start Drive from Benigembla towards Castell de Castells on the CV720 to first bridge (km 4.5), cross bridge and park on other side on tarmac parking area (LHS)

Short walk description Ascent through barranco Seques, over col de Garga and return via mix of mozarabic trails and interesting river bed. Can be scratchy and some scrambling

Full Walk Description

Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far

Cross over the road, proceed down ramp that bears to the L and enter the barranco in the direction of Castells. Proceed to where the barranco forks (house on RHS) and take the R fork (1.20km). Continue to a small island and exit the barranco onto a path on the L (28mins, 1.83km)

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Proceed through campo, between two houses (close to the one on the RHS) bear L onto a track and continue up to a road (2mins, 0.15km)

30mins, 1.98km.

Bear R onto road look for a large villa on RH side of barranco and leave the road on the R just before the villa. (6mins, 0.61km)

36mins, 2.59km

Cross the riverbed, bear R before the villa and then turn L onto a path pass old beehives and pass the villa on your LHS. Follow path down into barranco Seques. (5mins, 0.33km)

41mins, 2.92km

Follow path up barranco. Wherever possible keep in barranco but where this not possible due to undergrowth follow the path marked by blue spots (sparsely) and cairns that leaves the barranco on numerous occasions.

Past a ruin on your RHS. (27mins, 1.21km)

1hr8mins,4.13km

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Pass another ruin on RHS and up 1st terrace and keep going across aiming for the trees and scree on other side. Keep to lower path heading for the trees.

Through trees and take the path going up look for cairn on left.

Back down into barranco go through group of trees and climb out of barranco to reach the broad track at Col Garga with the sea ahead looking at Denia and Montgo.(33mins, 1.53km)

1hr41min,5.66km

Turn R onto track and proceed to restaurant cross road.(9mins, 0.60km)

1hr50min,6.26km

Turn L onto road then after 30m turn R picking up Y/W path going through some trees to a track.(km 6.45) At next track turn R and pass wooden house with caravans,animals, etc. BEWARE OF THE DOGS. Take the path to the L and reach an intersection with a signpost for Benimaurell, Cabell Verde, etc. (10mins,0.68km)

2hrs, 6.94km

Turn R signed "Font de la Carrasca" onto path (which becomes a little used track after about 200m) marked Y/W down to a wider track and turn R. (6mins, 0.31km)

2hr6mins,7.25km

After 180m with wire fence on LHS, look for cairn on LHS and go down path marked Y/W by the side of the wire fence.to a track and turn L. Within 50m turn R before ruin onto a path that soon becomes a mozarabic path. (7mins, 0.36km)

2hr13min,7.61km

Proceed down this path, past font (km8.57) and down to part concrete surfaced track and turn L. (17mins, 1.15km)

2hr30min,8.76km

Proceed down to road (there is a signpost for PR CV 181) Turn L and ignore the Y/W cross (3mins, 0.25km)

2hr33min,9.01km

Go down road past a house called Cereza - modern white building continue down road. Look for a blue mark on RH side and take path opposite. (7mins, 0.49km)

2hr40min,9.50km

For those who have had sufficient barranco walking for one day do not turn L here but continue on the road back to the cars

Proceed down through trees until you come to terraces follow blue spot down two terraces and turn L. Carry on down turning right where you see ruin – pass ruin on your LH side and pass a big carob tree also on your LH side and continue to a track and turn R. (9mins, 0.48km)

2hr49min,9.98km

After 20m pass a building on your LHS and turn R onto a path. (3mins, 0.24km)

2hr52min,10.22k

Go L after 120m on path/watercourse over rocky surface. After approx. 200m leave this watercourse onto a path on the RHS and continue straight on above the dry river bed on your LHS. There is a dam across the river and a ruin, continue until you see the white pebbles in the river bed and find a path down to the river bed. (8mins,.0.46km)

3hrs, 10.68km

Continue up river bed until you come to the blue bridge where you started in the morning. (15mins, 0.82km)

3hr15min,11.50k

Walk Recommendations or restrictions

None

Route followed is outlined in Red

