

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Sierra Aitana Penyo Mulero Anti-Clockwise Circuit
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Guadalest Font Moli Ondara – a remote font high on the slopes of Aitana.
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	7.5km
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	600
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	3.25hr 4hr
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	S/B
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 38.6627, Long: -0.2071
Directions to Start	Take the CV70 from La Nucia towards Guadalest. Pass the Km 34 sign and 0.7km further on take the minor surfaced road going off L (Sign for El Trestellador restaurant). Continue along this surfaced road ignoring road off L for 1.2km to a group of casas amidst trees and a trough which is near the Font Moli Ondara. This is the start and there is parking for several cars and more down the road.
Short walk description	Font Moli d'Ondara is a well-watered picturesque area with shady trees, excellent water, and a picnic area with tables and benches. This walk provides superb panoramic views especially from the track before the Nevera and also completely different magnificent views to the south of the Aitana divide. There is also a Nevera, (ice pit), and a view down to the font at Partagas. The basic walk described can be made in a hard version ascending Penyo Mulero or a medium version at a lower level. The medium version can also be shortened. The medium walk is nearly all on good tracks. The hard walk is 70% on good tracks and 30% on mountain paths. Being high it can be cold and snowy in winter. Isolated shade in summer. Some mud soon after rain.

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Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
Walk up the LH track between Casa La Caseta and another casa and round a sharp RH bend. Continue, ignoring a minor track off L , round a LH bend to reach a junction. Take the track up sharp R over a chain barrier A . (9min .6km)	.6km 5%
Continue up, ignoring a minor track off L , to where the main track curves up and sharp L with a minor track straight on B . (5min .3km)	.9km 7%
Ignore the minor track and continue along the main track up L , This soon turns sharp L again with a minor track going straight on C . (1min .1km)	1.0km 8%
Take this minor track going straight on. Pass a Nevera D on your RHS . (10min .6km)	1.6km 13%
Continue through rocky gully after which the track levels between "fields". (3min .2km)	1.8km 15%
<i>(At the end of the "field" on your LHS. note a cairn E. From here starts a path that becomes a track past El Albirec and rejoins the main route near a lone pine. This makes a shortcut.)</i>	
However we continue along the main track past the ruin of Corral de Senyores F on your RHS . (8min .3km)	2.1km 19%
Continue along the main track to a T-junction G . (12min .8km)	2.9km 25%
To see Partagas and to ascend Penyo Mulero, turn R at this junction, and ignoring minor tracks off R and L reach the track above Partagas H .	
Here the "easy" and "medium" parties separate. (15min 1.1km)	4.0km 33%
MEDIUM OPTION. RETURN TO MOLI ONDARA VIA PENYO MULERO.	
Turn L up the main track to reach the Col K . (30min 1.8km)	5.8km 49%
At the col take the path off L up to the summit of the Penyo M . (15min .7km)	6.5km 57%
From the peak continue down along the N side of the ridge to a shallow col where a large cairn marks the start of a path which turns L down between rock gates N . (30min 1.2km)	7.7km 73%
Turn L down this path, which soon turns into a track and continues to a main track junction P . (15min .7km)	8.4km 81%
From here both parties take the same way back so see description later: =====	
EASY OPTION. RETURN TO MOLI ONDARA VIA CASA SOLIGUER.	
From Partagas retrace your steps to the T-junction G , and take track straight on up. (15min.E)	

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Continue up this track through almond and cherry groves, passing Casa Soliguer on your **LHS**. to the col. **(18min.E)**

Continue down the track to a junction with a track going off **R P**. **(12min.ENE)**

OPTION. From this **main track junction** make a there and back visit to the ridge at the **Rock Gates N**, for the magnificent views to the **S** of Aitana. **(15min each way)**

BOTH PARTIES.

From the **main track junction P** turn **NE** down the track ignoring a track off **L**, near a lone pine, (which is the short cut track from Albirec,).

Continue down the main track to reach **Y junction C**. **(22min 1.3km) 9.7km 92%**

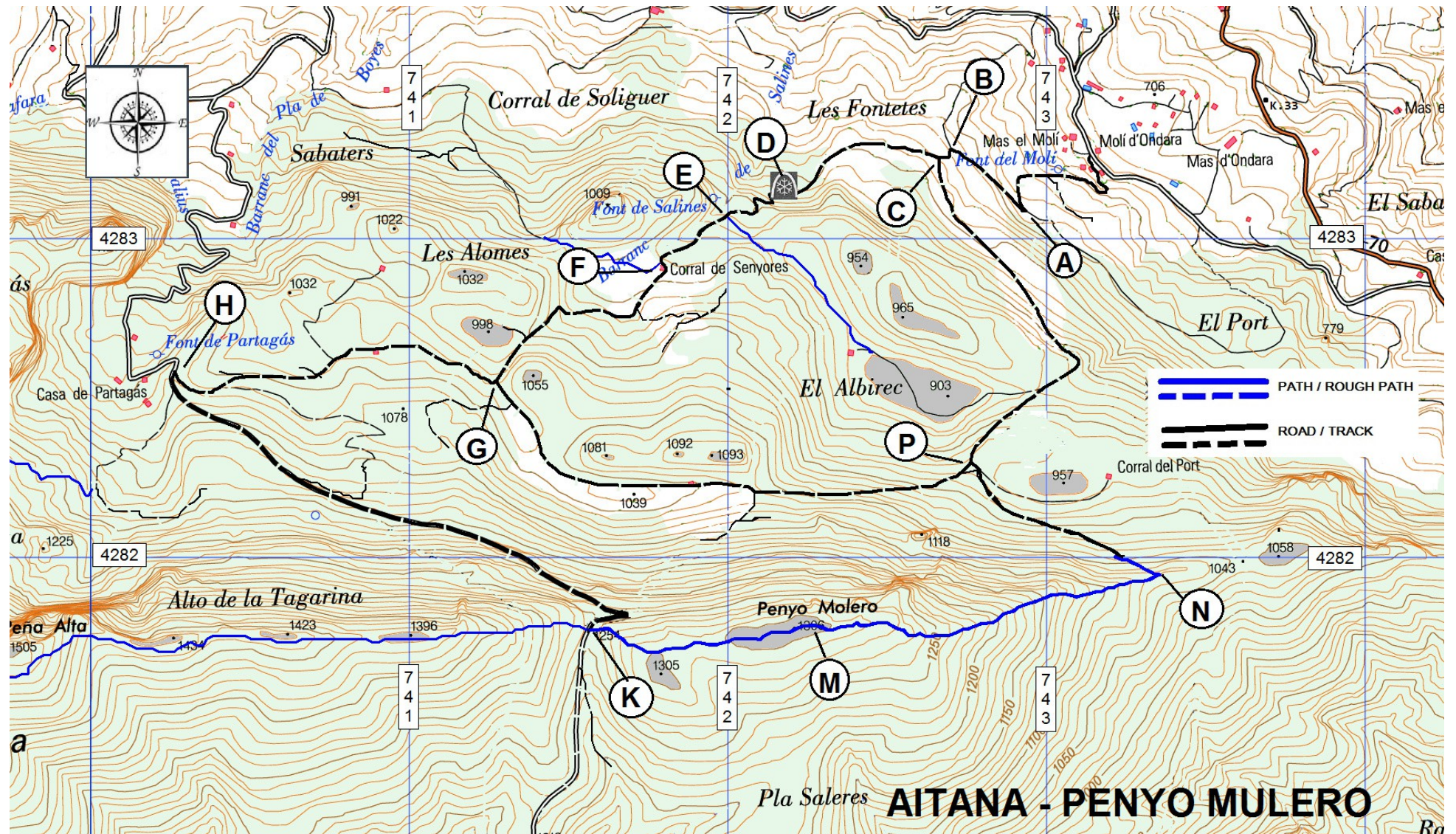
Retrace your steps along the main track down to the Font Moli Ondara. **(15min . 10.5km 100%) 8km)**

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Walk Recommendations or restrictions

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Route followed is outlined below.....



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