

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAINWALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Landing strip circuit from Alcala	
Location of Start	Alcala de la Jovada	
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	8.8km	
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	210m	
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	1hr48mins 2hrs (add on another 20mins (or more) if you have a picnic lunch)	
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	M/A	
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat:- 38.794373, Long:- -0.254703	
Directions to Start	From the Orba to Pego road near Pego take the CV712 signed to Vall d'Ebo. Continue past Vall d'Ebo to Alcala de la Jovada and park on the furthest edge of village near the public swimming pool (swimming).	
Short walk description	A circular walk all on wide forestry tracks and clearly defined paths. Ideal for a pre-lunch appetiser. You'll visit a landing strip used for refuelling aircraft when involved in fire fighting, two well preserved neveras (icehouses) an ancient wine pressing "thing", a spot where a treaty was signed between the Moors and Christians in 1245 and an ancient aqueduct which you'll have the pleasure on walking over (don't worry it's only small) AND ALL THIS BEFORE LUNCH !!	
Full Walk Description		Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
First get yourselves to the Church square. Leave the square from the low LH corner and after 10m turn R. Proceed along this road, past a lavadero on your LHS, (ignore LH turn a little further on) and continue to the end of the road. Ignore the road going uphill to the R and continue straight onto a track. (3mins, 275m)		3mins, 0.28km
Proceed down this track, ignore the one that joins from the RHS (km 0.55), and continue until a sharp LH bend where a path joins from the R. (small abandoned quarry on RHS) (6mins, 0.50km)		9mins, 0.78km
Go up this path; bear L at the top and down to the first, and largest, of the two neveras.		

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<p>Worth a good look around. With the notice board on your RHS proceed down to the track you had previously left, turn R and go down to a picnic area. (3mins, 0.24km)</p>	12mins, 1.02km
<p>Proceed through this picnic area keeping to the RH side and take the unmarked path ahead that bears off to the R and away from the main road. (1min, 0.12km)</p>	13mins, 1.14km
<p>Proceed along the path, across a water course, and up to a track. (5mins, 0.32km)</p>	18mins, 1.46km
<p>Turn R onto this track then L after 180m back onto the path. (track ends here)</p>	
<p>Proceed steadily upwards to a track where you turn R. (10mins, 0.72km)</p>	28mins, 2.18km
<p>Stay on this track, which steadily climbs to a cross tracks. (ignore any tracks joining from the L or R on your way) (24mins, 2.01km)</p>	52mins, 4.19km
<p>Turn R, proceed up to end of landing strip and down to a notice board on your RHS. (water tank opposite) (8mins, 0.70km)</p>	1hr, 4.89km
<p>(It's well worth a short excursion here down to the other nevera. With the notice board in front of you go R down the track to the nevera and back - only200m round trip)</p>	
<p>With your back to the notice board go across the landing strip and leave on the broad track opposite. This track will take you back to Alcada de la Jovada if, and only if, you ignore all other tracks that join from the L and R.</p>	
<p>After 29mins (km 7.24) you will pass a notice board in front of an old ruin. Worth a read this. It's also worth a short detour to see the wine presses. Take the track opposite the ruin for about 90m, go R across a small field, follow the path through a low wall and "bingo", it's a short distance ahead. Return to the main track the same way</p>	
<p>Continue down the track and look out for a notice board a short distance before Alcada that refers to a treaty signed between the Moors and Christian in 1245. At the flat roofed building with two large aerals just before you arrive at Alcada turn R down the ramp. (42mins, 3.48km Not counting the detour to the wine presses)</p>	1hr42min,8.37km
<p>At bottom turn L in front of the building and follow the path that takes you over the ancient aqueduct and back to the church square. (6mins, 0.42km)</p>	1hr48min,8.79km
Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None
Hard Copy of map showing route attached:-	
Software copy of map showing route attached (if appropriate):-	
GPS file of route attached (if appropriate)	
Web link to GPS file (if appropriate)	
Photos of walk attached	

Route walked is outlined in red.

