

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Val de Laguart – 5000 Steps	
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Benimaurell Village parking area opposite Bar Jalisco and below Restaurant Severino (but name changes regularly!)	
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	13.3km	
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	830	
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	4.25hr 5.5hr	
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	VS/A	
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 38.77366, -0.12724	
Directions to Start	Drive 1 km north of Orba on the CV715 and turn off W along the CV721 to Campbell- Fleix and Benimaurell. Do not enter the narrow streets of Benimaurell but at the entrance to the village turn R and then up L to a large parking area on the RHS opposite Bar Jalisco.	
Short walk description	Called the Cathedral of Senderismo in Spain this is undoubtedly one of the finest walks in the region following an engineered zig-zag walkway down and up across the Barranco del Infierno 3 times.	
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far	
From walk board walk back (E) down the surfaced road and take the third L down a steep concrete road, which bears L and then R to pass the Font & Lavadero on your RHS . Continue along this rather charming and unfrequented winding country lane to the lavadero on your LHS just before Fleix.	20min, 1.8km	
Now turn round and take a few paces back and find the path on your RHS going down. This soon turns into the magnificent, beautifully engineered, ancient mozarabic mule path which zigzags 250 meters down to the usually dry river bed.	1h, 3.6km	
Cross the river bed and take the continuation of the mozarabic path which now zigzags up to reach a concrete road.	1h 40min, 5.3km	

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Ignore the path going off R and bear L following the concrete road to arrive at a signpost next to a house.	1h 48min 5.9km
Turn L (Direction Juvees De'Alt PRCV147) and in a few meters take the path L , marked by a Y/W flash, which skirts to the left of a house. Follow this path down to the bed of the Baranco D'Inferno passing the Fuente de la Reina (almost always with good water) about half way down.	2h 28min 7.7km
Turn R in the river bed and look for a path going off L marked with a large post with Y/W . Reach a cross track and signpost.	2h 58min, 8.9km
To the L is an interesting old farm house but we turn R and follow the track to arrive at a ruin on the LHS and a well on the RHS .	3h 1min 9.1km
Just beside this ruin look for a path going down L sign posted direction Benimaurell. Take this path down to the river bed.	3h 26min, 10.3km
Now we begin our final ascent. After about 5min arrive at an indistinct junction with a Y/W cross on the LH path. Turn R direction Benimaurell. Continue to follow the PRCV147 to reach the surfaced road at Font d' els Olbis. (<i>see map</i>)	4h 6min, 12.4km
Now turn L down the road and as you reach Benimaurell take the LH fork and then L again and bear R to the car.	4h 16min, 13.3km
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Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None

See map below.....

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