

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk MORRO BLAU CIRCUIT

Location of Start Bolulla

Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km 14km.

Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m 893mtrs.

Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops
4 ¼ hrs.
5 ¼ hrs.

Key Statistics for walk - Grade S/B

Grid reference of start point 751272E 4285150N

Directions to Start From Callosa d' En Sarria take the CV715 to Bolulla. Ignore the road into the village, which is opposite the bridge, and continue for a few hundred meters to the next road sharp left. 200 meters up this road is the Bar Era plaza with usually enough parking. If this parking is full there is plenty more back down and across the bridge on the other side of the river.

Short walk description

Full Walk Description

An arduous walk that starts at Bolulla with a steep climb up a surfaced road offering fine view of the village. A little known old mule path continues the climb up to Foia Selles where spectacular views can be enjoyed. A short decent into the Barranco del Negra offers a little respite before climbing steeply once again to arrive just below the summit of Morro Blau. A short track walk followed by a no path, find your own way down, to below the Serra del Raco Roig. Fine views of Bollua Castle can be enjoyed from the path to El Collada. The walk ends with a relaxing walk down to Bolulla on sections of old mule paths.

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKS

BOLULLA-MORRO BLAU CIRCUIT

THE WALK

NOTE THAT TIMES QUOTED ARE WALKING TIME ONLY. NO BREAKS.
UNDERLINED LETTERS ARE MAP REFERENCES.

**Elapsed Walking Time/
Distance so far**

The walk starts at the Bar Era in Bolulla, (generally enough parking in the morning). Walk a short way down the road leading **S**. Take the first **R** to the **T**-junction of C. Calvari. Turn **L (W)** up C. Calvari and follow the tarmac road past casa Crisha & casa Capelettes. Continue up passing mesh fences on your **LHS** to reach a **Y** junction and a metal post marked with red and blue arrows **A**. **(16mins 1.1km)** **16min 1.1km**

Follow the direction of the arrows and walk up **LH** concrete road for a few paces to find cairn on **RHS** marking faint start of the old mule path to the "Pinnacle". This old path used to be very overgrown but has now been cleared and waymarked with red dots. It skirts the **N** side of a small valley to arrive at a track with cairn **B**. (Shady stop) **(15min. 1.9km)** **31min 1.9km**

Turn **L (W)** along track for some 400metres through old plastics (shredded fruit tree covers). Track bears **L** and then in a few meters bears **R** to pass ruined casita on **LHS**. Carry on passing a roofless concrete hut on **RHS** and soon reach a wide area at the foot of a barranco with prominent pinnacle of rock **C**. **(10min. 0.5km)** **41min 2.4km**

Leave the track and on the **R (NNW)** find a good path winding up the east side of the barranco to eventually reach a cross track **D**. This path is marked by various colored way markers. **(28min. 1.5km)** **1h 9min 3.9km**

Turn **L** and in a few meters find a path going up **R**. Follow this path up to the top of Foia Selles. **(10min. 0.4km)** **1h 19min 4.3km**

Passing the ruins on your **RHS** the path continues down to the Barranco del Negre. Ignore a path going off **R** to a ruin. Continue straight ahead, from here the way becomes more difficult and the path is often very narrow. After crossing to the **N** side of the barranco the very steep climb up the Barranco del Negre begins. (*an ascent of some 300 meters*). Arrive at a clear cross path (possibly an old track) marked by a cairn **E**. **(37min 1.7km)** **1h 56min 6km**

Turn **L** and follow this path/old track bearing **L** then **R** and up (ascent of 55 meters) to reach a main track at a wrecked car **F**. **(8min 0.4km)** **2h 4min 6.4km**

Turn **R** follow main track keeping **R** at intersections (Direction Castell de Castells PRCV150). Arrive at a rough minor track going off **R G**. **(6min 0.4km)** **2h 10min 7km**

Turn **R** along this minor track which goes along the top of a ridge. Look down on the **LHS** and spot a small ruin on the **RHS** of two small cleared fields - this is your next objective. Continue along the track to its end (do not be tempted to leave the track before it ends as you will reach a cliff) then make your way down to this ruin **H**. There is no path but bear **R** rather than **L**. We have placed cairns along our route but they are easy to miss. **(30min 1km)** **2h 40min 8km**

Just before reaching the ruin find a track going down to the fields. Heading **N**, cross or go round the fields to reach some ruins on the other side. From these ruins keep heading **N** and look for cairns to guide you to a cross path **K**. (*you are now on the Raco Roig circuit path*) **(8min 0.5km)** **2h 48min 8.5km**

Turn **R** and follow path to reach the Col beneath the pinnacle of Bululla Castle **M**. **(30min 2km)** **3h 18min 10.5 km**

Turn **R**. Walk down track passing a Casa on your **LHS**. At a sharp **R** bend continue a few steps to find a path going off and down **L N**. **(6min 0.4km)** **3h 24min 10.9km**

Take this path down to reach a surfaced road. **(6min 0.3km)** **3h 30min 11.2km**

Turn **L** walk down road for approx. 100 meters to find a track going off **R**. **(2min 0.1km)** **3h 32min 11.3km**

Follow this track for a few meters to find a path going off **L** take this path which winds down to reach the road once again. **(5min 0.3km)** **3h 37min 11.6km**

- Turn **R** walk down the road and just after a sharp **LH** bend find a path going down steeply on your **RHS P**. (7min 0.8km) 3h 44min 12.4km
- Take this path which goes down to reach a track. (6min 0.3km) 3h 50min 12.7km
- Turn **R**. Follow track and find a path going off **L**. Take this path down to the river bed. (5min 0.2km) 3h 55min 12.9km
- Turn **L** and follow river bed to reach a track going off **R**. (2min 0.1km) 3h 57min 13km
- Turn **L** and follow this track which goes up to reach a surfaced cross track **R**. (4min 0.2km) 4h 1min 13.2km
- Turn **L** and follow track to reach Bollulla and the Bar Era. (15min 1km) 4h 16min 14.2km

