

## **COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION**

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<b>Title of Walk</b>	Segaria Ridge	
<b>Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)</b>	Beniarbeig Zona Recreativa at the foot of the mountain ridge.	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km</b>	8	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m</b>	640	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops</b>	2.5hr 4.5hr	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)</b>	S/C/Scr/X	
<b>Grid reference of start point (if known)</b>	Lat: 38.833105, Long: -0.009495	
<b>Directions to Start</b>	Take the N332 to Ondara, turn off at the El Vergel/ Beniarbeig (N332a), turn left at the roundabout on to the CV729 to Beniarbeig, turn right at the sign for Senderos de Segaria (PR-CV415), just follow the signs right to the end, ample parking.	
<b>Short walk description</b>	A demanding day of scrambling and rock hopping up to the rarely visited summit of the Segaria ridge with its "trig point" and then along the ridge to return to our starting point.	
<b>Full Walk Description</b>		<b>Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far</b>
<p>From the car parking walk up a concrete track with a "No Entry" sign.</p> <p>At the top of this zig just a few metres L as you reach the buildings on your R and then turn R again to start climbing up a Y/W footpath.</p> <p>Follow this up to cross the Acequia – a water collecting channel – and continue following the Y/W markers.</p> <p>After climbing up for a while you are clear of the trees and then this starts to drift up to the L aiming for a broad gully which stretches up to the summit ridge.</p> <p>When you reach the gully you continue to the far side of this and then turn R to scramble up it. Near the top cross back to the R to just below some small crags and</p>		440m, 7min

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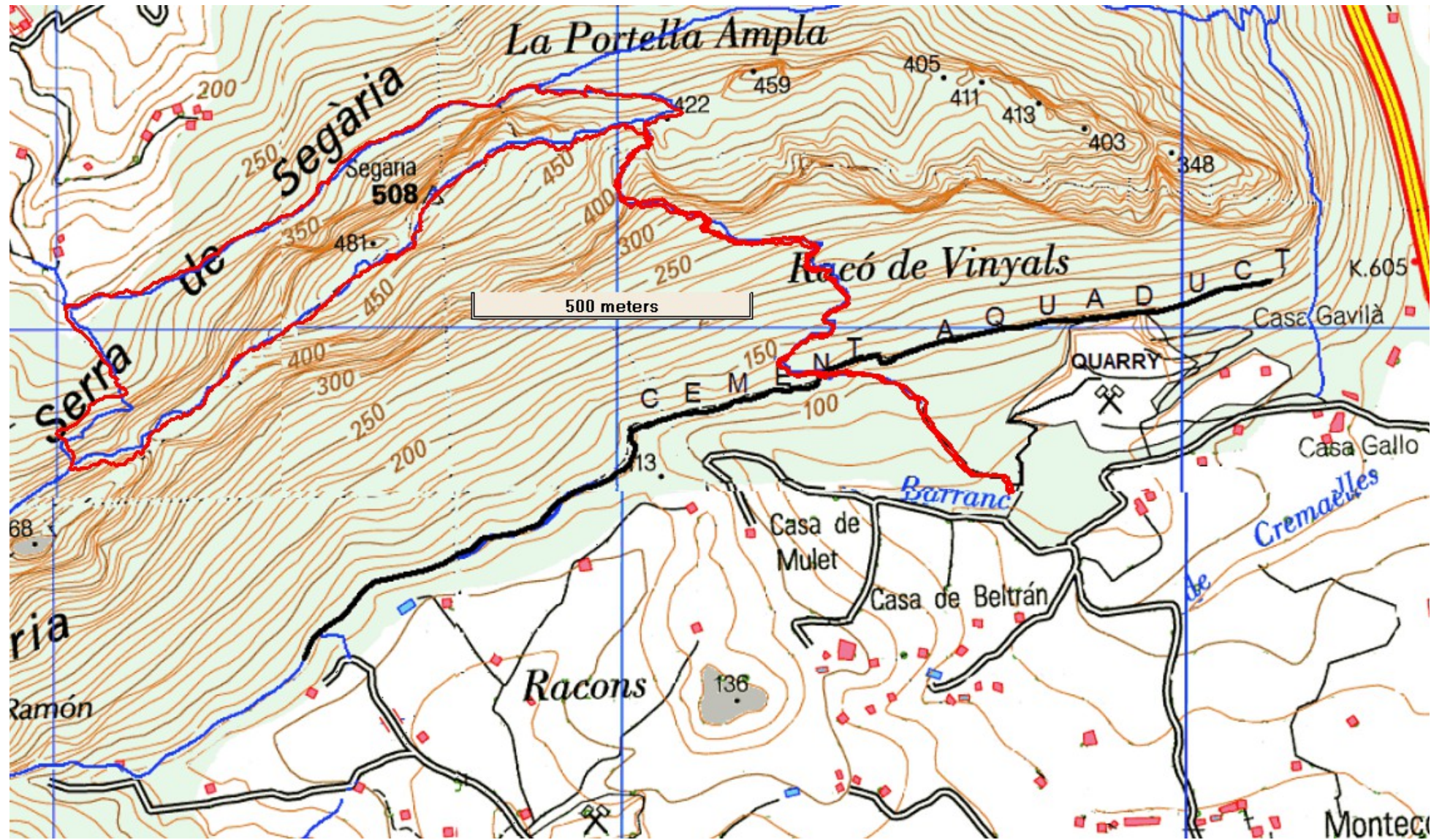
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<p>turn up L to crest the ridge.</p> <p>There is a finger-post here which points you over the ridge line (and another pointing up L to the summit) and down the other side!! Ignore this and turn R along the ridge for about 100 m rising slightly for a short distance to find a descending path doubling back to the L. Take this.</p> <p>This descends along the flank of the ridge and you soon have impressive crags above you to the L.</p> <p>You reach a path junction with finger-post and turn L.</p> <p>Now follow this down to reach a fenced compound with semi-ruined building within.</p> <p>There is a finger-post (Poblat Morisco) here where you turn L and start to ascend the flank of the ridge again.</p> <p>Ignore an indistinct L turn and continue generally moving up R towards the crags on this side of the ridge and as you meet them there is a finger where you turn L directly under the crags – signed Portet de Beniarbeig.</p> <p>A little way along here turn R up some slippery crags which are now protected with chains to aid your progress and continue climbing to finally emerge easily into a fantastic gap in the ridge line.</p> <p>Turn L and walk easily up a few metres before moving off to the LHS of the ridge just below its crags and now keep close to the crags above you as you traverse under the crags still climbing to arrive at a second breach in the ridge line.</p> <p>Now the going is easier and you scramble up over rocks quite steeply for a while until you reach a more level stretch of ridge where you must keep R and descend a little.</p> <p>You will be able to see ahead and below you a vegetated gully – A - rising up to regain the RHS of the ridge and you are aiming for this.</p> <p>Once you have descended a little you should be able to see a rocky ledge with a single palm tree erect in the middle of it level with you on the R flank of the mountain. You must be below this and there is a much easier descending line going through bushes and vegetation that will take you across to the foot of the gully -A -.</p> <p>Clamber up the gully – A - and then the going is again easier as you make for the summit trig point.</p> <p>Now continue ahead with Y/W markers and some yellow point splashes. These do not necessarily indicate the easiest route but at least they give you something to aim for.</p> <p>Soon aim down to the R for a clump of oak trees, pass these to the L and then 30m further pass a second clump on the RHS. Eventually re-gain the col you crossed earlier in the day. Turn R down the broad gully and retrace your steps back to the car park.</p>	<p>1.6km, 36min</p> <p>2km, 44min</p> <p>3km, 1hr</p> <p>3.5km, 1hr 10min</p> <p>3.7km, 1hr 13min</p> <p>4.6km, 1hr 37min</p> <p>5.1km, 60min</p>
<p><b>Walk Recommendations or restrictions</b></p>	<p>The N side of this ridge can be wet and shady at almost any time of year. It is steep and the going can be dangerous in damp conditions.</p>

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Route followed is outlined in Red



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