

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

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<b>Title of Walk</b>	Planises circuit from Maserof	
<b>Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)</b>	Jalon. Maserof. Parking at km6 on the CV749	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km</b>	15	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m</b>	460	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops</b>	3.66hr 4.66hr	
<b>Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)</b>	MS/B	
<b>Grid reference of start point (if known)</b>	Lat: 38.708034, Long -0.040419	
<b>Directions to Start</b>	From Jalon find the CV749 and follow this steadily uphill around all of its twists and turns to pass a large restaurant on the LHS and soon after some gravel parking on the RHS beside the 6km marker.	
<b>Short walk description</b>	A delightful round of the hills leading up to the Bernia with excellent views all around and down to the coast. Difficult later stage down a rocky slope and up a barranco with uphill finish back to the car.	
<b>Full Walk Description</b>		<b>Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far</b>
Walk back towards Jalon and take the first road on the LHS rising uphill. Ignore side turnings and proceed up in zig-zags as the tarmac becomes a track pass a small casita on the L and then as the track becomes level you see that the track becomes the drive into the house.		825m, 10.5min
Just before entering this drop down on an obvious path a couple of terraces to continue ahead on an obvious path.		
Contour around on this clear line around a barranco and then uphill to the R to pass a ruin. 100M or so beyond this drift down a little where the path is less clear but continue ahead soon rising again to find a clearer line until you are just above a casita after which you reach a path junction where you turn L down to join a track where you turn R.		1.4km, 20min
Turn R on the track and pass a small red-roofed building as you round a barranco and head uphill.		

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<p>Swing around to the R to find yourself facing a large modern house directly in front of you and pass a cairn indicating a path dropping down to the L. A few metres after this there is a second cairn indicating a path (poor track) rising up the hill on your RHS.</p>	2.1km, 27min
<p>This drifts a little off the obvious line by moving up L but if you arrive at a large wall corner then move up L a few paces to find the continuation of the path climbing between walls and terraces on the LHS.</p>	
<p>Swing around to the L now on a level path to pass a rendered house on your LHS and observe that it is "Los Diex Magnificos" and number 43!!</p>	2.3km, 31min
<p>A few metres further turn R to a flower adorned well head and pass this to turn immediately L uphill on a clear path to arrive at another building where you turn R on a track and then L at a fork before the next building to continue ahead on a less developed track (more overgrown).</p>	2.5km, 35min
<p>This diminishes in stature a little and aims towards the mouth of a large cave but before you reach this turn L steeply uphill on the clear line to a rocky corner where you turn R to reach the foundations for a pylon (missing!).</p>	
<p>Now work around the head of the cave (below on your RHS) and soon arrive at a track just below Casa del Jaime where you turn L immediately passing a large well.</p>	2.8km, 40min
<p>Cross a chain at a track fork and turn R uphill.</p>	2.9km, 42min
<p>Continue ahead when the track doubles back to the R to join a footpath.</p>	
<p>After pushing through a prickly bushy section look out for the path doubling back to the R .....</p>	3.3km, 48min
<p>and follow this to double back L and run into a track.</p>	
<p>Keep up R passing a small casita below you with small horse corrals.</p>	
<p>Curl around to the R to pass a large square well about 2m high and 1m x 1m across and then quickly pass a casita on your LHS.</p>	4.2km, 59min
<p>At a bend L with a concreted section (5km, 1hr 8min) ignore this and continue ahead swinging L around the barranco and then rising gently up to the R to join the main road.</p>	
<p>Turn L walking downhill on this and pass the 10km marker after which you turn R onto a track.</p>	5.2km, 1hr 12min
<p>Ignore minor tracks off to the L and reach a level section where there is a track uphill to the R which we ignore to continue and pass a large ruin on the RHS, swing around to the R and quickly crest the ridge.</p>	6.1km, 1hr 23min
<p>Here turn R up an overgrown track and when you crest this and are facing a building across some terraces, turn L around rough ground to curl around to the R and join a terrace turning L. Your objective here is to arrive at a building further L with solar panels and an abandoned van and here join a track.</p>	6.4km, 1hr 30min
<p>Follow this as it swings R and climbs gently to arrive at a modernised house where we keep R to continue on the same track line across open rocky ground.</p>	

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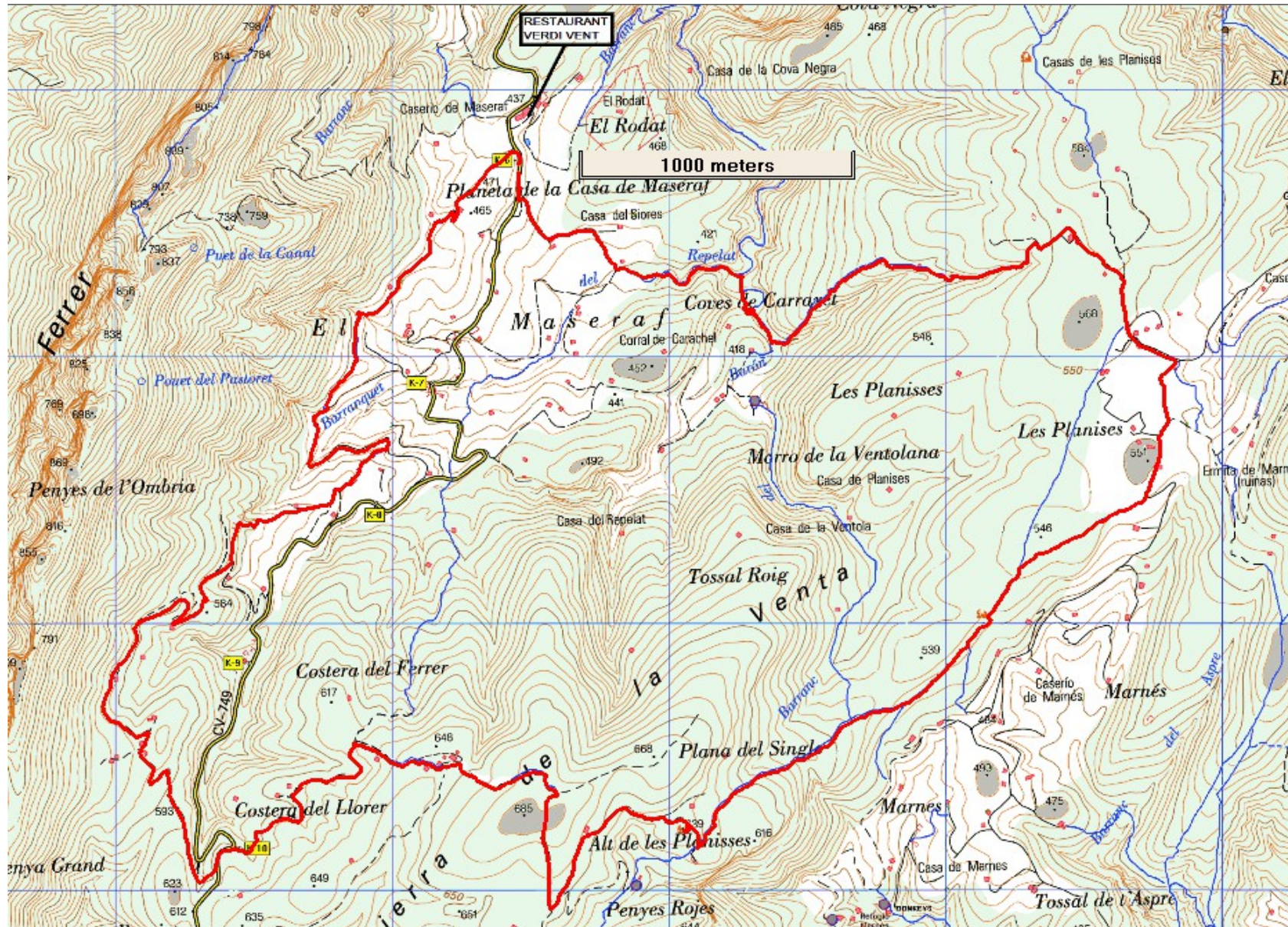
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<p>This crosses a small spur and drops onto a terrace where we turn R and at the end of this we keep up to the R to join a track.</p>	7km, 1hr 37min
<p>Turn R up this track and pass over the crest of the hill to begin dropping steadily. When you reach a T-jnc turn L.</p>	7.4km, 1hr 43min
<p>Pass a substantial building on your LHS now dropping steadily. Rise gently up a small rise to see a straw covered shelter up on your RHS and a track leading up to it which acts as a good place for a break (with thanks to whoever put it here!!)</p>	8.2km, 1hr 52min
<p>After your break return to the main track and turn R downhill a short way to reach a very large building under construction and just before this on your LHS is a cairn with footpath doubling back L which we take.</p>	8.4km, 2hr 37min
<p>Continue ahead on this for some time ignoring a footpath going off directly L and at the next junction keep L rising slightly. Keep L again at the next fork and then when you are faced with a "Y" junction in front of you keep R now following blue and white paint spots.</p>	
<p>Follow this ahead to reach the road beside the large wall (unfinished) of a large house and turn L up the road beside the white wall.</p>	10.6km, 2hr 29min
<p>Pass a ruin on the RHS and descend to reach a sign "Planises" where you turn L onto a track.</p>	11.2km, 2hr 36min
<p>Ignore side turnings until you pass a footpath with Y/W marking on the LHS and just beyond this is a small water deposito on the RHS.</p>	
<p>At the next fork turn L up the track and then L again at the next junction soon passing a very large walled residence on your LHS. Continue ahead and turn L as the track swings downhill.</p>	11.9km, 2hr 44min
<p>The track now swings R again and shortly after this there is a cairn on the LHS indicating the start of a descending footpath which we take.</p>	12km, 2hr 46min
<p>After you have crossed a barranco and walked across a cultivated terrace the going becomes more broken and you have to look carefully for the continuation of the descending line. Turn L at a footpath junction.</p>	
<p>Make your way steadily downhill to emerge at the bottom on the LHS of a small barranco.....</p>	13.2km, 3hr 9min
<p>which you drop down immediately join a larger barranco where you turn R following cairns now as the route snakes around a little. Finally exit this on the LHS to find a clear footpath which drops down into a bigger barranco – Barrancuet de Repelat.</p>	13.6km, 3hr 19min
<p><b>Turn L up this and just after you have passed a walled overhang used as a corral on your RHS you come to a more open stretch of barranco and here you can exit up to the R to join a level terrace which you follow L to reach at building with track leading away from it up to the R. - see below</b></p>	14.2km, 3hr 29min
<p>Follow this as it ascends back to the main road where you turn R for a few metres to find your car.</p>	
<b>Walk Recommendations or restrictions</b>	There have been reports of deliberate obstructions near the end of this route near the walled overhang

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Route followed is outlined in Red



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