

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	A shorter version of Sender Del Seguli
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Benidoleig. Bus stop next to Bar Ballestra
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	8.7km
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	330 m
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	2hr 20mins 3hrs
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	M/B
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat:- 38.792867, Long: -0.028077
Directions to Start	Enter Benidoleig using the CV 731 or CV733. At the roundabout in Benidoleig park close to the Bar Ballestra. There is parking around the bus stop and the area by the recycle bins. There is additional parking behind the newly built houses.
Short walk description	This is a short version of the recently created walk PR-CV445 around the hills above the village of Benidoleig. The walk has wonderful views down into the Orba valley and out to the coast. Along the route there are information boards identifying flora and fauna and historical landmarks. A couple of steep sections of path but the going is good and the walk will be taken at an easy pace.
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
From the Bar Ballestra cross the roundabout and take the road Carrer Racona between the Farmacia and the Shop Grupo Marcos Marco.	
Pass the Bar Racona on your L and continue up the hill passing the school on your L. 100m past the school you reach a junction with the Ayuntamiento on your R with a walk map on a board outside and a sign against the wall in front of you, pointing to Zona Residencia Espana La Vieje. Turn L.	6mins/350m
Pass the recycle bins and go to the end of the road where there is a T Junction. Turn L. Follow the road for 100m until you reach the cemetery. Join the track to the L of the	8mins/500m

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<p>cemetery. This track now descends for a short distance before turning R and heading uphill at a white pumping station building. 30 m after the building the track splits. You take the L turn.</p>	950m/13mins
<p>Continue on the track for 200m until you see a sign post on your R (Sender de les voltes). Take this path which is marked Y/W and starts with a hand rail.</p>	1.2km/16mins
<p>Along the path there are many information boards pointing out the different Flora and Fauna.</p>	
<p>The path zig zags uphill for 150m before it meets a track. Cross over the track and continue uphill following the obvious path marked Y/W.</p> <p>You pass a resting point 'Mirador De Les Voltes'. Another useful information boards gives you a feeling for the local wildlife of the area.</p> <p>The path eventually becomes less steep and contours across the side of the hill. The path at this point has a couple of sections with handrails.</p>	
<p>You now meet a track and you need to turn R and continue to climb gently on the track.</p>	1.9km/30mins
<p>The track passes an old hut and heads towards the urbanisation of Aldea De Las Cuevas. As you reach the urbanisation the track become a tarmac road.</p>	2.8km/40mins
<p>Continue along the road until your reach a T Jnc with another walk signpost. Turn R.</p>	3.4km/47mins
<p>Beware of traffic as you go round a R hand bend. Shortly after the bend there is a low flat topped wall on your L. As you start to climb again there is a gap in the wall and a signpost. Turn L and join the path that descends into the Barranco De La Buscana. After a short distance the path turns L and then starts to climb steeply out of the barranco. At the top of a short steep rise the path joins a road. Turn R.</p>	3.8km/54mins
<p>Follow the road up the hill to the top of the rise. The main road turns R but you need to go straight ahead for a short distance to Villa 81 where you turn R and join a concrete road continuing to climb up the hill. There is a sign post pointing to Ca'l Dura.</p>	4.1km/58min
<p>Continue on the concrete road until it turns into a track. Shortly after joining the track there is a track junction you bear L and continue up the hill.</p> <p>You will eventually arrive at the highest point on the walk Ca'l Dura.</p> <p>You should stop at the high point and explore the 'table' and the Forn de Calc (Lime Kiln).</p>	4.7km/1hr8min
<p>Re-join the track and continue along the top of the hill. The track is now starting to descend. You soon reach some more houses and on your R there are two white gate posts with No '2'. At the junction after the gate posts turn R and join the road.</p>	5.4km/1hr18min
<p>Stay on the tarmac road straight ahead and down the hill. You pass another house and water tank on your R and then a concrete covered deposito set back from the road. Just beyond this on your L hand side is a path with sign and hand rail. Join the path marked Sender Del Badell Del Gat.</p>	5.6km/1hr22min
<p>The path goes through low scrub before it joins a fence line. Follow the fence line for about 100m until the path turn sharp R at a small Y/W post and cairn. Follow the path downhill for a further 100m before it turns sharply L. The path now undulates until you meet a house and another fence. Follow the fence line around until you join a concrete road. Turn R down the road.</p>	6.1km/1hr30min
<p>Follow the road which soon turns into a track. The track levels and goes round a RH</p>	

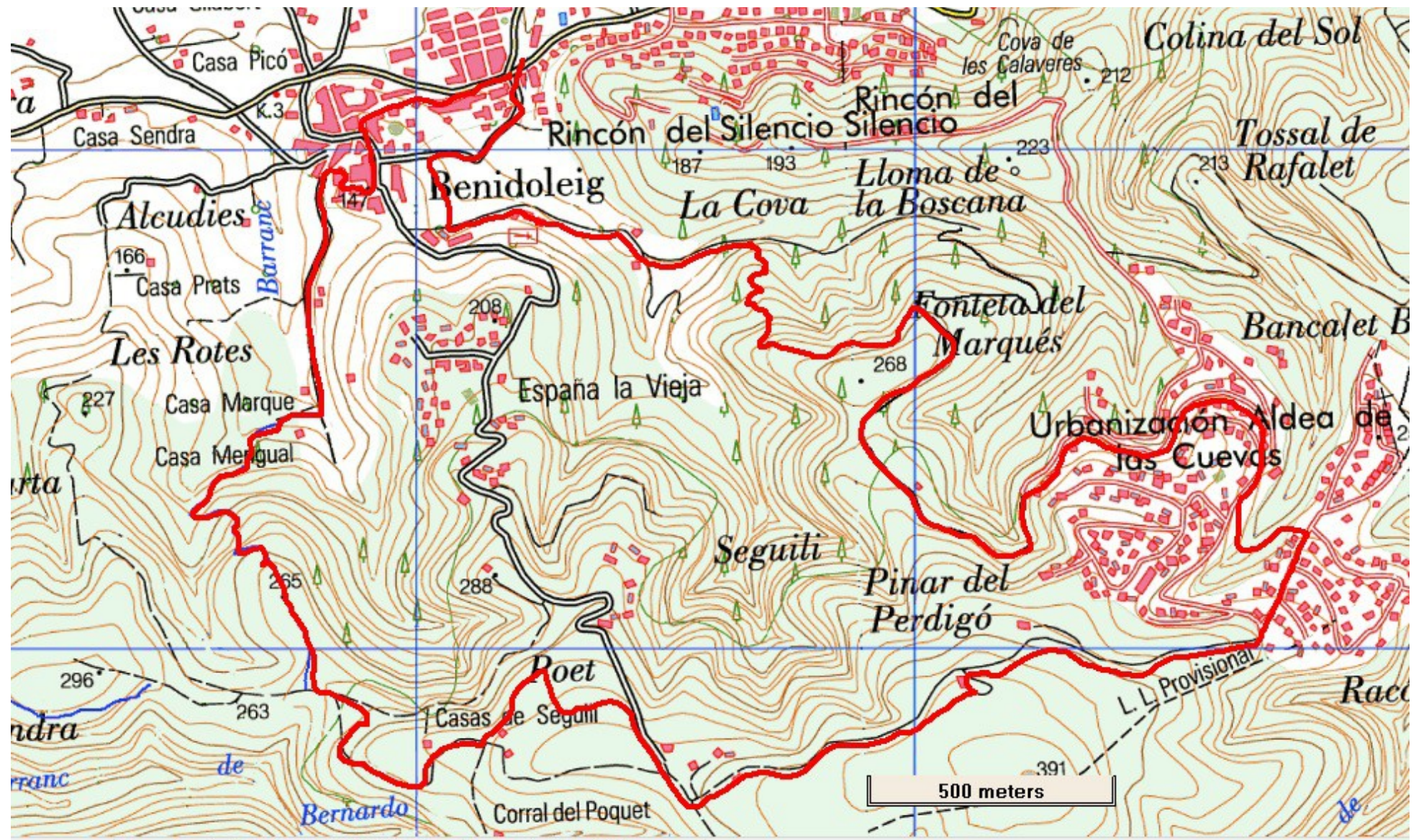
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<p>bend. Shortly after the bend a concrete road joins from the R signed Sender del Badall del Gat. Turn L Descend the road for 100m. At the sign post, leave the road and join the path marked to Mirador Del Badall del Gat. After 350m you reach the Mirador and the views across the Orba valley to Segaria and out to the coast. To the L of the path at the mirador is the Forn de Calc (Lime Kiln).</p> <p>(A lime kiln is a kiln used for the calcination of limestone (calcium carbonate) to produce the form of lime called quicklime (calcium oxide). Because it is so readily made by heating limestone, lime must have been known from the earliest times, and all the early civilizations used it in building mortars and as a stabilizer in mud renders and floors.)</p> <p>From the Forn continue to follow the path down the hill. The path becomes a little more unstable under foot so care is needed. The path eventually reaches the valley bottom where you reach a sign board for the Clot d l'Arena.</p> <p>This is the area where the sand was collected to mix with the mortar from the various Forn de Calc (Lime Kilns) of the area.</p> <p>Follow the now flat path until you reach the concrete road where you turn L. The road now leads you back to the village of Benidoleig.</p> <p>As you enter the village you arrive at a small open square. Turn R and go up the obvious steps. At the top of the steps turn R. after 40m you reach Carrer Murillo turn L and follow to the highest point in the village, 'La penya dels colombaire's'.</p> <p>This is a notable spot as it was an ancient fortified position of strategic importance as it was able to look out to sea and give warnings of pirates and attacks from the Balearics. More recently it became a centre for pigeon fanciers when the sport was very popular in the Valencia region not that long ago.</p> <p>From the high point turn L and then almost immediately L again down Carrer Concordia. Go down the hill until you reach the Temple Restaurant and continue down the 'no Entry' street to the church. Bear R and continue down the hill until you meet the main road and bear R and continue to the roundabout and the area that you started the walk.</p> <p><small>Spanish maps included within these descriptions are provided courtesy of the Spanish IGN and remain © Instituto Geográfico Nacional</small></p>	<p>6.5km/1hr38min</p> <p>7km/1hr45min</p> <p>7.5km/1hr58min</p> <p>7.6km/2hr</p> <p>8.1km/2hr7min</p> <p>8.2km/2hr10min</p> <p>8.7km/2hr20min</p>
Walk Recommendations or restrictions	Nil

see map below.....

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Route followed is outlined in Red



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