

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Ribes de Freser to Vilallonga de Ter	
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Ribes de Freser Ayuntamiento	
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	21.5	
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	1100	
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	4.25hr 6hr	
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	VS/B	
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 42.306062, Long: 2.167840	
Directions to Start	From the N outskirts of Barcelona the C17 road runs N past Vic and Ripoll where it gives out to the N260 road. Follow this for some 14km to reach the village of Ribes de Freser.	
Short walk description	A high level traverse with an initial road walk followed by high pasture views and some fascinating villages. Used by the author as an alternative to the GR11 route during bad weather. Replaces Nuria to Setcases.	
Full Walk Description		Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
From the Ayuntamiento (Town Hall) in Carrer Mayor head E and then quickly NE soon passing a bridge over the river on the RHS and at the second bridge cross this and on the far side immediately turn L, then curve L and turn R soon passing the station for the Cremallera (rack railway to Nuria) off to the RHS.		
Continue ahead on this road (GIV 5262) following signs to Castell St Pere.		
Cross the rack railway and now pick up signs to Pardines as you pass below the castle high above you on the LHS.		900m, 10min
(Note that a little way before reaching the village thee is a fingerpost off on a track to the LHS which would return you on a waymarked route to Ribes.)		
Continue up this road to reach Pardines and keep ahead with the Ayuntamiento off to your RHS in a square		6.4km, 1hr 14min

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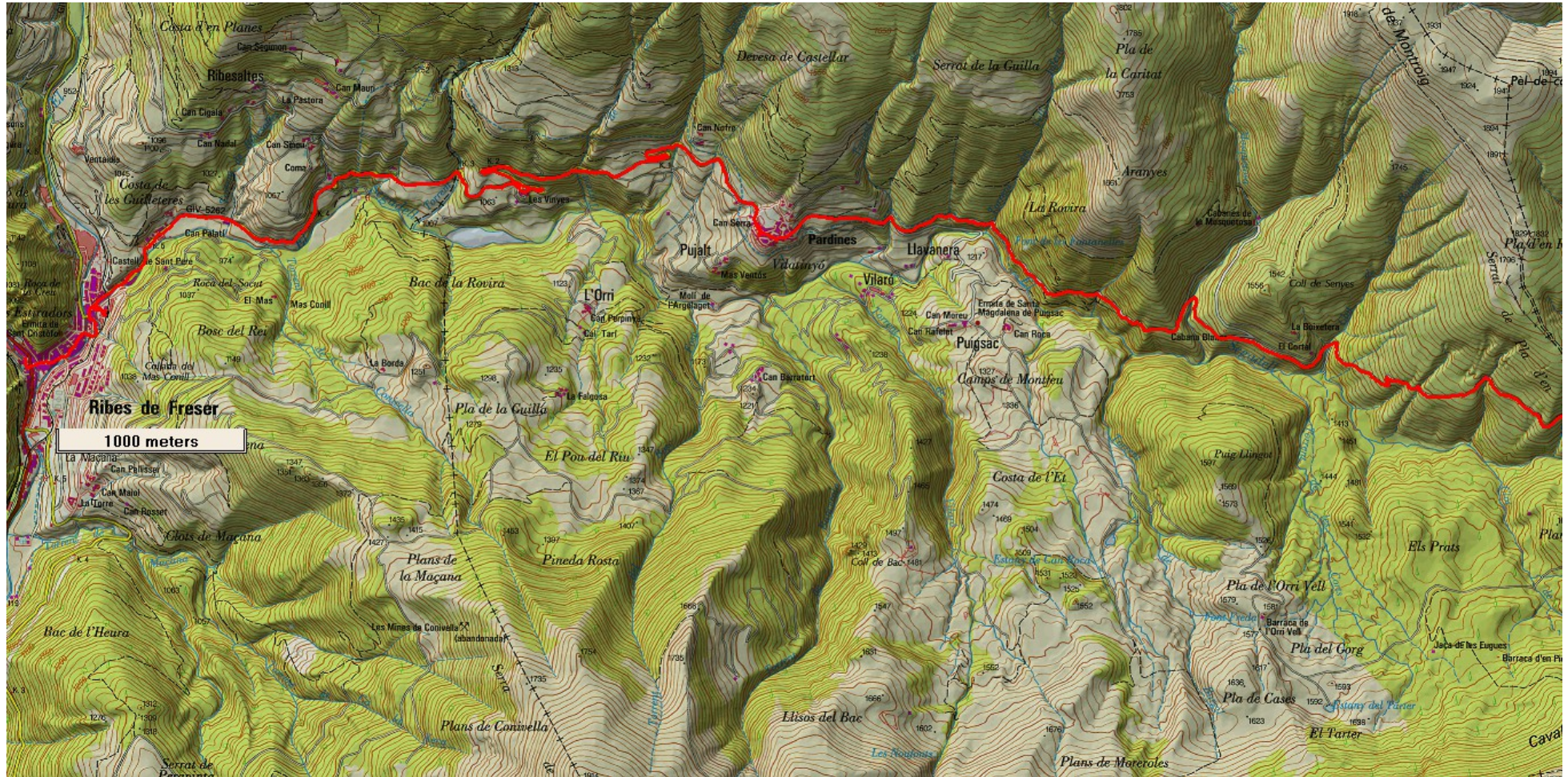
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<p>and then drop slightly ahead towards the church where you swing slightly L up a junction with a signpost to Vall de Camprodron which we follow. A few metres further there is a fork with a No Entry to the R where we keep L slightly uphill for a few metres and then exiting the village level on concrete.</p>	6.7km, 1hr 18min
<p>Several hundred metres further there is a fingerpost indicating a route to the L which we ignore now descending on concrete.</p>	6.9km, 1hr 20min
<p>Drop to cross a stream and soon reach 2 finger posts at the second of which we fork L signed to the Vall de Camprodron.</p>	7.3km, 1hr 24min
<p>After some time reach a cycle route finger post to Boixetera on the LHS which we ignore.</p>	
<p>Reach a T-jnc with a finger post where we turn L signed to Collada Verda and Vall de Camprodron.....</p>	10.2km, 2hr 1min
<p>and follow this very steeply for some time before levelling and aiming out towards high pastures.</p>	
<p>Ignore a finger post towards Minas (mines) on the LHS and descend slightly.</p>	
<p>Reach a finger post in a grassy pasture at a col where you swing L and cross a cattle grid. (Collada Verda)</p>	12.3km, 2hr 23min
<p>Keep ahead descending ignoring an ascending track further L.</p>	
<p>Finally catch sight of the village of Abella and reach a grassy spur where there is a fork and we keep R descending.....</p>	17.2km, 3hr 16min
<p>and doubling back to the R and soon we are descending on concrete towards the village.</p>	
<p>At the first fork where you can turn R down into the village houses keep up and L before turning R a little ahead into Carrer Taralles and then next L into the cobbled Carrer St Bernabe and then exit on the tarmac road on the LHS past the font to reach the equestrian centre (Club Hipic) and double back to the R, now leaving the village.</p>	18.2km, 3hr 29min
<p>Descend to approach another village in the middle distance with a little rocky outcrop pass one finger post pointing back to Abella and quickly reach a second pointing off and down to the L towards Vilallonga (2.3km).</p>	19.4km, 3hr 41min
<p>Keep ahead at the next finger post and reach a picnic area and just after this cross a water channel and turn R down beside this on a footpath which crosses a metal bridge over the river to continue on a track towards the main road. Cross this and walk into the village.</p>	
Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None

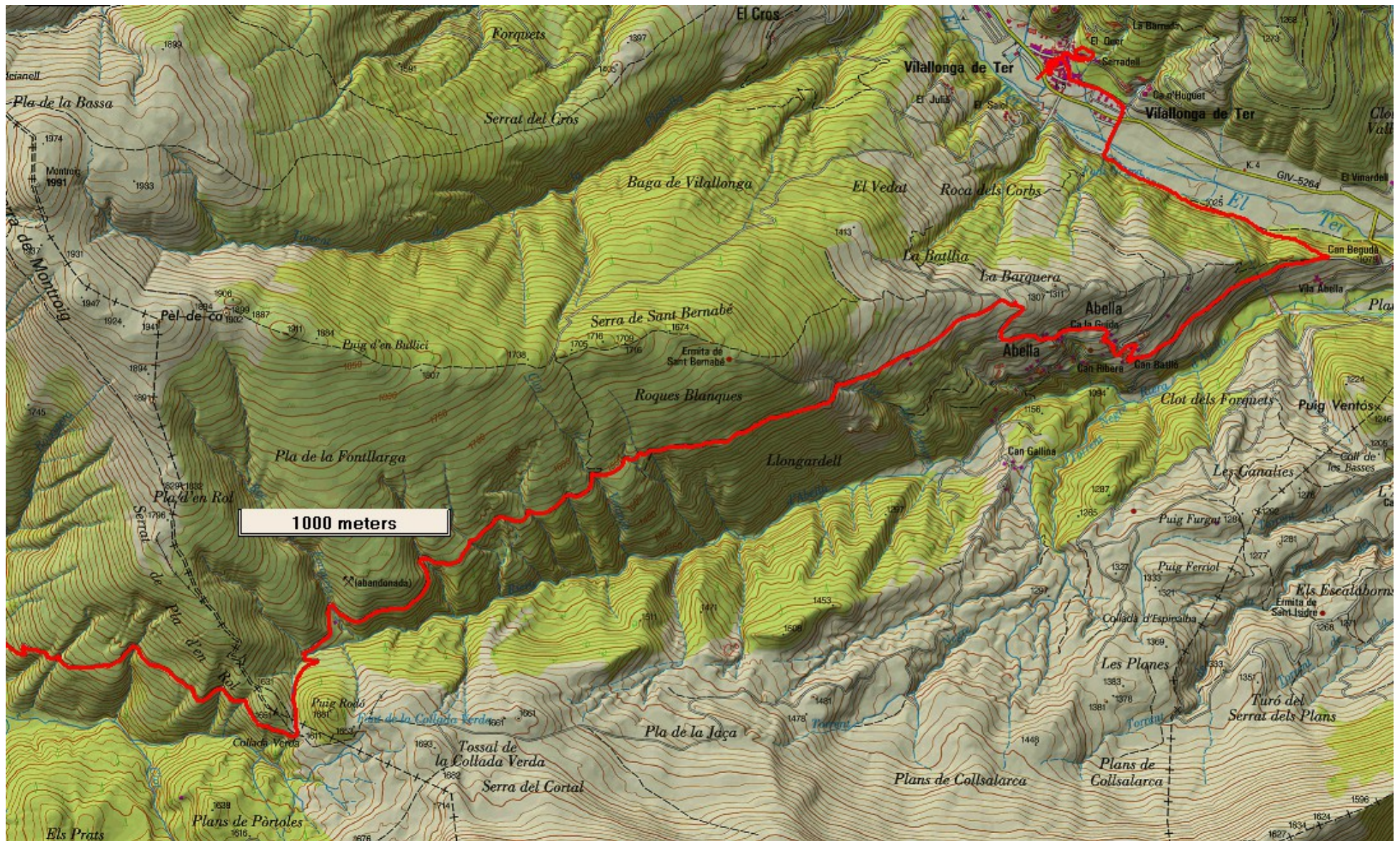
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Route followed is outlined in Red



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