

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Pic de Pessons from Grau Roig
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Soldeu Grau Roig ski lift parking area.
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	13
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	826
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	4.5hr 7.5hr
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	VS/C
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 42.531710, Long: 1.696336
Directions to Start	Entering Andorra from the S (in Spain) proceed up along the CG1 to Andorra la Vella and then the CG2 signed towards France. Continue through Soldeu and then find a turn on the RHS to the Grau Roig ski area. Continue ahead to park at the point nearest to the lifts.
Short walk description	A fantastic walk up through the Pessons valley with a succession of sparkling lakes and babbling streams leading to a stiff climb up zig-zags to a col and then a short walk to a summit with 360 degree views.
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
<p>Park by keeping R as you enter the huge car park and dropping to the furthest parking area you can find just before the ski lifts.</p> <p>From here follow the track that goes past the Restaurant and Trattoria with a large terrace and a sign towards Restaurant del Llac del Pessons</p> <p>Zig L and then R and when you reach a fork leave the major track to the L and onto a smaller track.</p> <p>Continue ahead on this making several short steep climbs until you walk around a bowl with a major climb looming ahead.</p>	450m, 6.5min

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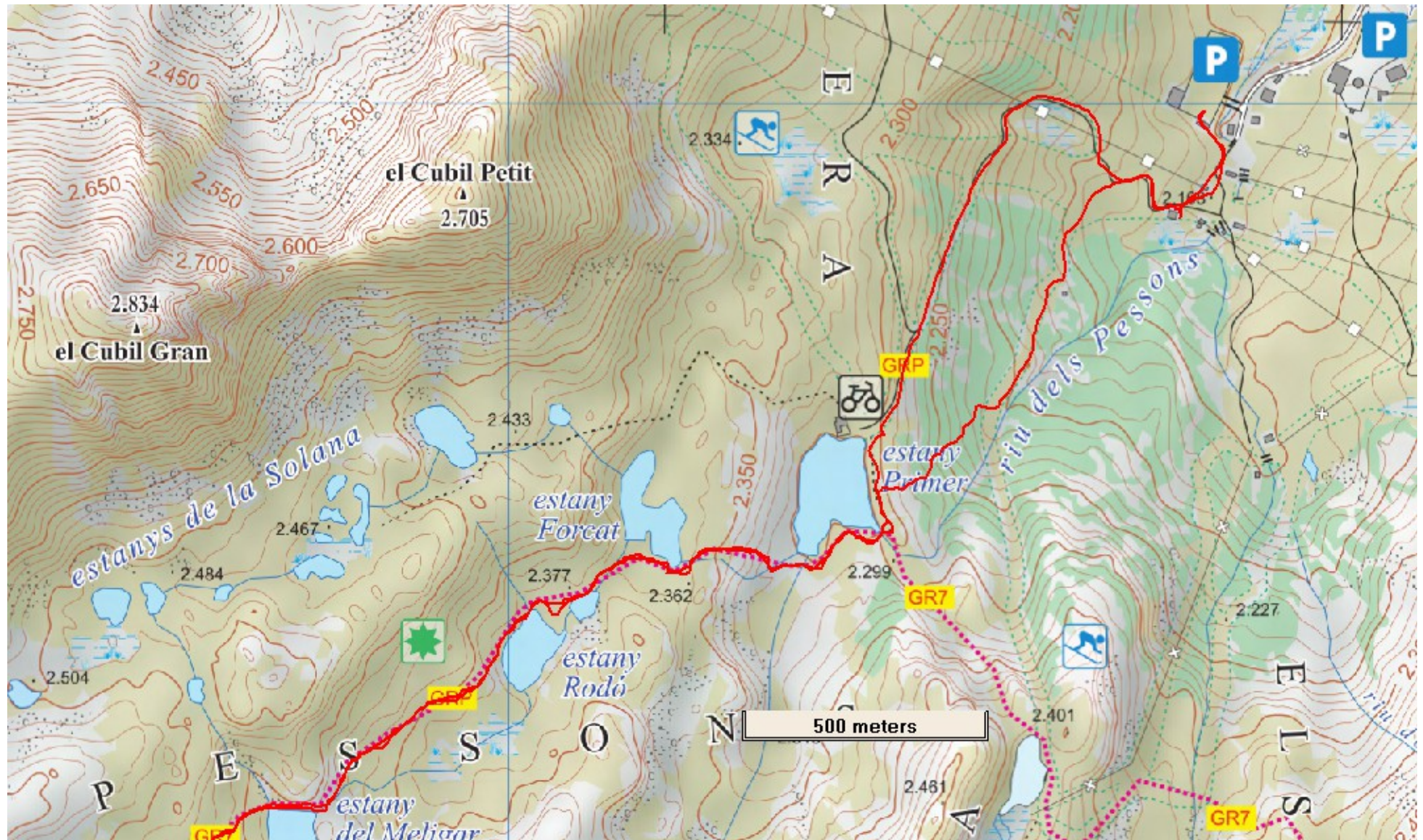
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<p>You are now following blue dots and you must look carefully for a footpath leaving on the R</p>	<p>1km, 18min</p>
<p>with blue dots to climb steeply up through rocky terrain and arrive at a small ridge overlooking the restaurant and lake. Now turn L for 100m following R/W markers to arrive at a finger post signed R towards Collado dels Pessons which we take to cross a stream and continue ahead following R/W markers.</p>	<p>1.3km, 30min</p>
<p>Now you proceed up this steadily climbing path past a series of beautiful lakes to arrive at a second finger post where you again follow towards the Collado dels Pessons and soon you may be able to pick out the zig-zag path ascending to the collado.</p>	
<p>Persevere with this to finally reach the collado and here there is a further finger post.</p>	<p>5.3km, 2hr 6min</p>
<p>Turn L to still follow R/W markers and after ascending a small rise descend to a col before finally climbing to the summit of the Pic.</p>	<p>5.9km, 2hr 22min</p>
<p>Once you have gazed around at the extensive views there is nothing else for it but to retrace your steps all the way back to your parked cars!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small><u>Andorra maps:- Source: Ministeri d'Ordenament Territorial, Govern d'Andorra</u></small></p>	
<p>Walk Recommendations or restrictions</p>	<p>Tough mountain day. There is a 4 x 4 taxi that will take you the short distance up to the restaurant by the first lake but it is expensive for the distance!</p>

see maps below.....

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