

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Puerto de la Glera
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Benasque Road head of A139 to the NE of Benasque The road ends here and an intended tunnel remains to be started.
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	7
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	540
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	2.5hr 4.25hr
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	MS/B
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 42.684671, Long: 0.604464
Directions to Start	The N260 runs E-W along the central part of N Spain. From this find the A139 heading N to Benasque. Follow this road past Benasque for several kilometers to reach its unexpected end. Park here.
Short walk description	An arduous day exploring the slopes leading up to the French border. Harder than the stats suggest!
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
<p>The whole route is marked with light and dark green stripes and needs little commentary.</p> <p>Worthy of note are:-</p> <p>Once you start walking up beside a stream on your R keep going until you reach a wooden bridge (your second of the day) and do not be tempted to try and cross elsewhere.</p> <p>Once across this take the "lower" exit and memorise the position of this for your return as you cannot see it from above and the going across the pasture above the bridge is indistinct.</p>	

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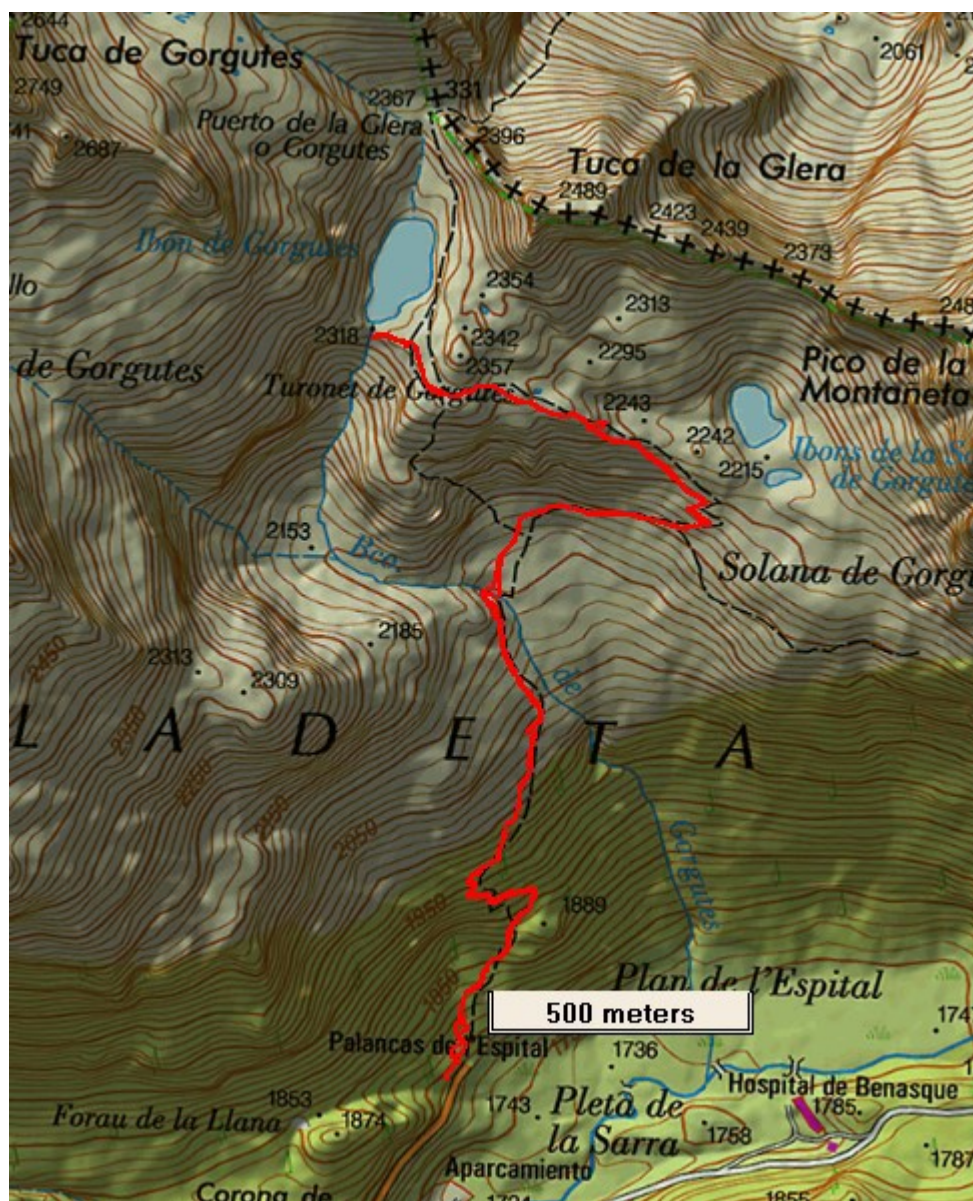
The author never made it to the col – but only because the lake was frozen solid (in mid June) and the slopes leading down to it were snow bound. It is only a short walk up beyond the lake to reach this destination with views into France.

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Walk Recommendations or restrictions

The start (and finish) is very steep and involves mixed tree roots and boulders.

Route followed is outlined in Red



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