

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Parcent/Alcalali Circuit
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Alcalali La Piscina restaurant. Turn R on the access road 900m SW of the village centre and park (having obtained permission) in the restaurant car park.
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	9
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	150
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	3hr
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	E/A
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat:- 38.737991, Long: -0.074420
Directions to Start	Take the CV715 to leave the village of Alcalali. Turn R on the access road to La Piscina restaurant 900m SW of the village centre and park (having obtained permission) in the restaurant car park.
Short walk description	Easy start of season walk. Paths, forestry tracks, surfaced roads with good open views of the valley and surrounding mountains. Also good views of Parcent and Alcalali
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
Head down La Piscina access road and just before main road turn right (down a "short cut") to the main road. cross over this main road onto concrete track directly opposite. Within 50 meters you will see a concrete box on a corner to the right with a narrow path alongside it.	3mins
Take this path, which runs alongside a raised irrigation duct, duck under a fallen tree trunk, and the path soon broadens to a track passing a pylon. Continue along this track/path until you come to a T-junction with a wider track.	12 mins

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Turn right on this track and follow, bending to the left. Ignore a track to the right after 50 meters and cross the head of another wide track to the left after another 50 meters (which will be our return route). Ignore this track and continue straight on, bearing slightly right along a broad forestry track eventually reaching a T-junction with a black clinker track.	9 min
Turn right here and then after 50 meters turn left on a track with a sign-post PR-CV 158 to Coll de Rates. After 20 meters take the track to the left .	21 mins
Continue on this path passing a large house to the left in 2mins. The main track bears to the left and is chained off. Before this continue straight on onto a narrower marked path to the right of the main track.	23 mins
Continue along this path – some sections run alongside raised irrigation duct. After several minutes of intermittent rocky and smooth sections of path, a longish smooth section converts to a long rocky section heading downhill. Heading downhill look out for a narrow but obvious path to the left opposite a tree.	32 mins
Take this path and continue to a T-junction at a broad gravel track.	40 mins
Turn right and follow the gravel track which shortly becomes a surfaced road. Ignore tracks to left and right and continue gently downhill for some distance to reach slightly offset cross roads. This is shortly after the road starts to climb.	54 mins
At these cross roads and before straight ahead starts to climb more steeply turn right. Follow the road round to reach the Ermita in 3 mins.	57 mins
The Ermita provides a good place for a break. Refreshed, continue along the surfaced road towards Alcalali bearing left and downhill at a road sign to Alcalali. (1,3 km, 25 min). Continue down this road to a cross roads (sign Senia de Mosqueras) where we turn left (straight over takes you to the river).	1 hour 7mins
Follow this road which runs more or less parallel with the main road until reaching a sharp right bend to take you to cross roads with the CV 720.	1 hour 13 mins
Cross this main onto the concrete track directly opposite (slightly below a higher road opposite). This is a dangerous crossing – to watch out for fast moving cars and cycles. Continue for 100m along the concrete track to reach a house on a corner just after crossing a ford (usually dry). Ignore the gravel track straight ahead and turn left alongside a light coloured wall to the right and with reed beds to the left.	1 hour 18 mins
Keep alongside the house and wall then continue on the tarmac track to arrive at a sharp right bend where straight ahead there is a narrow gravel path (with yellow path marker).	1 hour 26 mins
Continue straight on along this narrow gravel path heading in the direction of Parcent. The path becomes narrower eventually reaching a T-junction with a broad gravel track. Yellow path marker on post by wall opposite.	1 hour 31 mins
Turn left on the track. Continue along this track to a T-junction with a surfaced road. Yellow path marker on a post by the wall opposite the junction.	1 hour 36 mins
Turn left onto this road and continue straight on for several hundred meters – good open views of hills, valley and Parcent – to reach a road junction at a bend (path marker and signs at right hand corner).	1 hour 48 mins

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Turn left – ignore steeply rising concreted track opposite, 50 meters down on right, and follow the road for a further 40 meters before taking **first right** onto a narrow steeply rising tarmac path with a red triangle marker and red and white GR path marker on the wall right. The path changes into a wider area by a basura. At the junction **turn right** and then immediately **left** (Carrer de Pou). At the **first** junction at the end of Carrer Pou turn left down the hill to the cross roads at the main Alkalali – Parcent road. Cross over the main road and onto a small lane directly opposite – take special care – dangerous road.

1hour 53 mins

Continue on this lane passing a junction to the right before reaching an interesting well on the left hand side (water for livestock/sheep).

1 hour 58 mins

After inspecting the well, retrace the short distance back to the junction (now on the left) and turn up this track/road. Continue up this road to reach a T-junction with broad track at the top. Turn right.

2 hours 7 mins

Ignore the track to left after 50 meters, continue further 50 meters to narrow path on left on a bend (2hrs 10min). Take this path (this was our initial outward path). Continue to reach a concrete track and junction with the main Parcent road to the left (2hrs 18 min) with La Piscina opposite. Cross directly over the main road – taking great care (both bikes and cars) – turning right through trees and then left up the main track to the restaurant.

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Walk Recommendations or restrictions

None

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