

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk Val de Laguart - Barranco Del Infierno

Location of Start Benimaurell

Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km 21km.

Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m 895mtrs.

Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops 5.5 hrs.
6.5 hrs.

Key Statistics for walk - Grade VS/Scr/C

Grid reference of start point 38.769827N 0.150307W

Directions to Start The start is at Benimaurell and the simplest way is to drive 1 km north of Orba on the CV715 and turn off **W** along the CV721 to Campbell- Fleix and Benimaurell. Do not enter the narrow streets of Benimaurell but at the entrance to the village turn **R** and then up **L** to the walk sign. Turn **L** then **R** and follow this road to summit and park near restaurant.

Short walk description A walk with a bit of everything. Nice leg stretcher start on scenic track, 2 hour barranco walk, into Vall d'Ebo (for break before final push if needed), and pleasant ridge walk to end lovely walk.

Full Walk Description

A walk with a bit of everything. The walk begins gently with a nice long leg stretcher on scenic track, followed by a decent to the bottom of the barranco on an old mule path. The two hour barranco walk into the valley of Ebo offers a lot of fun scrambles. A short track walk passes a picturesque font, an ideal resting place if needed before final push up ridge. The long ridge traverse back to the cars requires some path finding skills but the direction is obvious and the getting lost factor is small.

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THE START.

Note that times quoted are walking time only. - no breaks.

Underlined letters are map references.

Elapsed Walking Time/
Distance so far

From the Restaurant 'Vente el Cotas' take path **R** PRCV 181 to 'Font de la Mata'. Keep to the main track ignoring track off **L**. After about 4 kilometers pass a ruin on **RHS** and a covered well on **LHS**. Continue a little further and just before another well and farm house find a path going off **L** PRCV 47 to 'Juvees D'Inmig' **A**. (1h 4.4km) 1h 4.4km

Take this old mule path that winds down to reach the river bed **B**. (23m 1.1km) 1h 23min 5.5km

Turn **L (NE)**. Walk/scramble along the river bed. After about 45 minutes a ruin up on the **RHS** will come into view. Now look for a path going off **L** marked by a vague red dot **C**. (53min 2.3km) 2h 16min 7.8km

Take this path which will take you up out of the river bed for a spell before returning again to the barranco bottom. Continue along the river bed and where it bears **R** look for a badly eroded forestry track going off up **L D**. (13m .6km) 2h 29min 8.4km

Exit the Barranco via this track. Follow this forestry track to arrive at Font De X1L1(A good spot for Lunch) **E**. (10min 0.8km) 2h 39min 9.2km

Continue along track to arrive at a water treatment plant **F**. (10min 0.7km) 2h 49min 9.9km

Immediately after the water treatment plant turn **L** up a little concrete ramp and pass a horse stable. Follow the concrete road to its' end. (2min 0.1km) 2h 51min 10.0km

Head up several bancales and on last bancale find a poor path off **L**. Keep **L** and at hydro pole turn up, climb several bancales to arrive at unpaved track **G**. (9min 0.3km) 3h 10.3km

Turn **R**. Follow track which overlooks the village of Ebo to reach a new road **H**. (2min 0.3km) 3h 2min 10.6km

Turn **L**. Follow this new road and after passing an Electricity pilon leave the road and take a shortcut over some rough ground to rejoin the road a little higher up. Continue to follow the road up to its' end. (10min .6km) 3h 12min 11.2km

Next to a small building find a wire rope **J** crossing the entrance to a track. Take this track through Bencales, then bear **R** and up. Now watch for a path going up **L** which is marked by two cairns and a blue dot **K**. (7min 0.5km) 3h 19min 11.7km

Follow this path going up and across the mountain side. The path levels out a little to cross a small gully before climbing steeply again to reach the top of ridge at a large cairn **M**. (24min 1.7km) 3h 43min 13.4km

Turn **R (SW)** and walk along ridge. Path finding skills are required but keep heading **SW**. After about ½ hour start looking for yellow dots to lead you back to outward track. (Not serious if you miss them – your outward track will soon come into view). (1h 5min 3.6km) 4h 48min 17.0km

Turn **R** to return to car. (10min .7km) 4h 58min 17.7km

Route followed is outlined in Blue

