

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Puerto Blanquillo from Fabrica de la Luz, Canillas	
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Canillas de Alabida Fabrica de la Luz recreation area at the end of a road to the NE of the village	
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	16.5	
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	650	
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	5hr 6hr	
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)S/A	S/A	
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat:- 36.86405, Long: -3.97059	
Directions to Start	Arriving on the A7207 at the SE outskirts of the village Fabrica de la Luz is signposted up a road on the RHS. Follow the signs all the way to the end of the road and park near the Recreation Area.	
Short walk description	A high level traverse along forest tracks to the Puerto Blanquillo with extensive views down the valley and out towards the sea followed by a delightful descent down an interesting barranco.	
Full Walk Description	<div> <div>Start by walking ahead (N) and crossing the stream that runs across the road. Keep ahead up the concreted track to find a set of zig-zags that lead L and ever upwards.</div> <div>Eventually reach a ridge and track junction where you turn R and up along the ridge.</div> <div>Soon keep R at a junction on a rougher track rising on the R flank of the hill.</div> <div>Keep ahead where a track joins you from the L and now walk level to work your way around several barrancos until you reach a lonely farm up on a knoll on the LHS. Keep ahead now starting to rise again.</div> <div>Now ignore any side turnings either up or down (there aren't many!) and keep ahead</div> </div>	
	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far	<div>1.7km, 35min</div> <div>3.9km, 1hr 23min</div>

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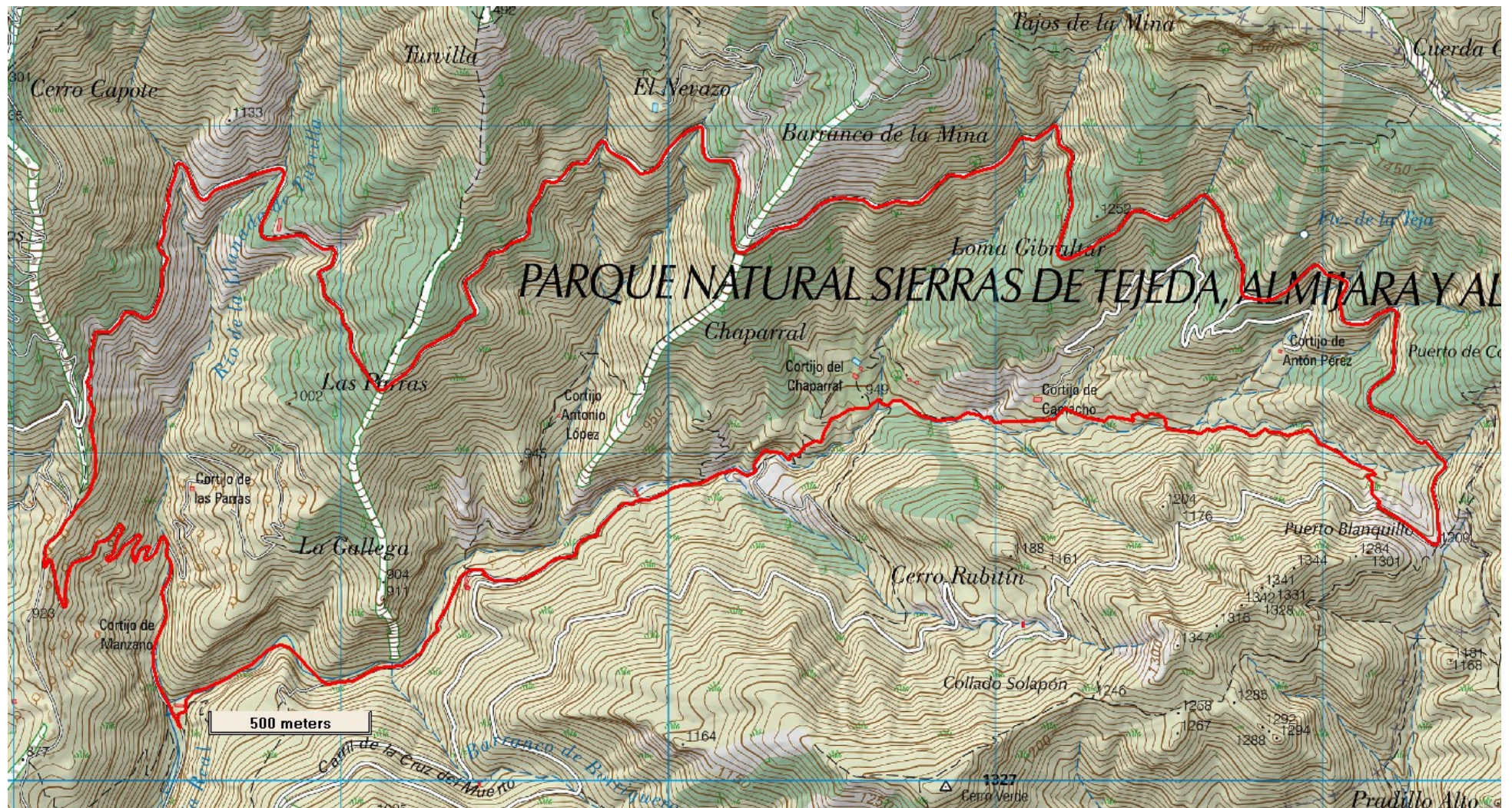
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<p>generally level before starting to descend towards the obvious Puerto Blanquillo – a distinct col – ahead of you.</p> <p>Once you reach this turn R on a now broad descending track.</p> <p>As you have approached the col you will have seen across the valley a steeply descending path dropping into the barranco and you must now watch out for this on the RHS of the descending track after only 200m</p> <p>Take this and drop down awkwardly to begin with soon levelling out and working down the L side of the barranco before crossing to the RHS and climbing briefly to avoid difficulties in the barranco bed.</p>	10.7km, 3hr 52min
<p>Soon resume your descent and pass below a ruined Cortijo (farm house) on your RHS then crossing a subsidiary barranco and working along outside the fencing of a vegetable and fruit tree plot.</p>	12.1km, 4hr 41min
<p>Eventually join a track coming own from the RHS and work down steep concrete to reach the barranco bed where you turn R into the barranco on a footpath continuing downhill.</p>	13.1km, 5hr 13min
<p>Arrive at a track which you follow rising slightly.</p>	13.6km, 5hr 24min
<p>When you reach a track junction just beyond a water deposito (now with views across to some extensive walled caves) on your RHS keep R descending to reach farmhouse gates where our footpath drops in zig-zags on the RHS.</p>	14.3km, 5hr 41min
<p>Cross from side to side of the stream using stepping stones if necessary and arrive at the track you took earlier in the day at the Fabrica de la Luz.</p> <p><small>Spanish maps included within these descriptions are provided courtesy of the Spanish IGN and remain © Instituto Geográfico Nacional</small></p>	
Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None. <u>Times in this description include stops</u>

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Route followed is outlined in Red



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