

psCOSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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| Title of Walk | Beniali circuit to La Carrotxa |
| Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description) | Beniali Car park to N side and below village |
| Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km | 9.5 |
| Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m | 400 |
| Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops | 3.25hr 4hr |
| Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system) | M/B |
| Grid reference of start point (if known) | Lat: 38.82376, Long: -0.22109 |
| Directions to Start | Follow the CV700 W from Pego and through Adsubia until you reach the KM45 marker (on LHS). Turn R (signed Parquing!) here down a small lane and curve around to the R at the bottom to find a large village car park (signed). |
| Short walk description | A scenic route on both flanks of the valley with a stiff early ascent and good quiet tracks and paths after this. Could possibly be followed by a late lunch in a restaurant in the village. |
| Full Walk Description | Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far |
| Leave the car park and walk up the main road and through the village. | |
| When you reach the sign indicating the end of the village turn L steeply up a concrete track. | 250m, 4min |
| Reach the col and at a junction turn R descending slightly. | |
| Pass a large house on the RHS and just after this turn L immediately BELOW a concrete track on a terrace just below the first bancal (wall). | 650m, 10min |
| Continue level on this to the end of the terrace and then follow a partly concreted path ascending in zig-zags with occasional evidence of the old mozarabic path. | |

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| Reach a small casita and here cross a track to continue up zig-zags on a stone path for a few metres before turning off R on the clear line. | |
| Reach a vague "junction" and here continue up a few metres on a disappearing path before crossing a terrace to the L and then doubling back to the R to keep ascending soon with sections of concrete. | |
| Follow this up in zig-zags to reach a bigger track where you turn R now more gently uphill. | 1.5km, 27min |
| Continue along the main line to reach a concreted section where you drop a little to a junction and here turn L on a more poorly defined track. | 1.9km, 34min |
| Continue ahead on this (ignoring a steep ascent in front of you up a bank) zig-zagging steadily uphill before crossing a section with manhole covers in the ground to reach a junction of paths where you turn R and continue downhill and almost immediately R again now on degraded tarmac. | 2.6km, 47min |
| At a sign board at a cross roads we continue ahead and slightly L still descending. | |
| Follow down several bends until you see a track on your L with gates across it. Continue ahead until you can drop down onto a track on the LHS which will double back under the locked gates and rejoin the road. | 3.5km, 1hr |
| A few metres down here you turn R before a large house and then L onto a track which crosses terraces and then rises up briefly before turning sharply L and continuing now level across a terrace to reach a road after passing below a stone built water deposito. | 4.1km, 1hr 11min |
| Descend down the tarmac to reach a junction where you turn L and soon join the main road where you continue L to reach the village edge in a few metres. Just beyond it turn R down steps with a signboard opposite and then continue ahead through the delightful village street. | |
| At the far end of the village continue ahead on a descending track and at a finger post..... | 5.5km, 1hr 31min |
| keep R and descend to the river below. | |
| As you reach this turn L for 10/15 m before finding the continuing footpath climbing up to the R. (watch out for artworks!) | |
| Pass the abandoned corrals and continue to cross a deep barranco and quickly spot some stone built artworks above you. | |
| At a poorly defined junction with cairns turn R steeply down to pass by a further stone artwork and leave this to the L before descending to the road below. | 6.7km, 1hr 56min |
| Walk past a ruin on your L and a few metres beyond it turn L up the G/W marked path to reach a water pipeline. Cross this and turn immediately R following a clear path. | |
| This keeps relatively close to the pipeline although it drops and climbs again to avoid obstacles but eventually a clear path line continues below a terrace wall to reach a path junction where you turn R and descend to the road. | |
| Here turn L and follow this back to cross a bridge just below the village. | |

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As the road swings L continue ahead now steeply uphill on a narrow village street. Climb some steps and continue ahead to reach a second flight of steps on your L which you climb to reach the main road. Turn L to walk back to your car park.

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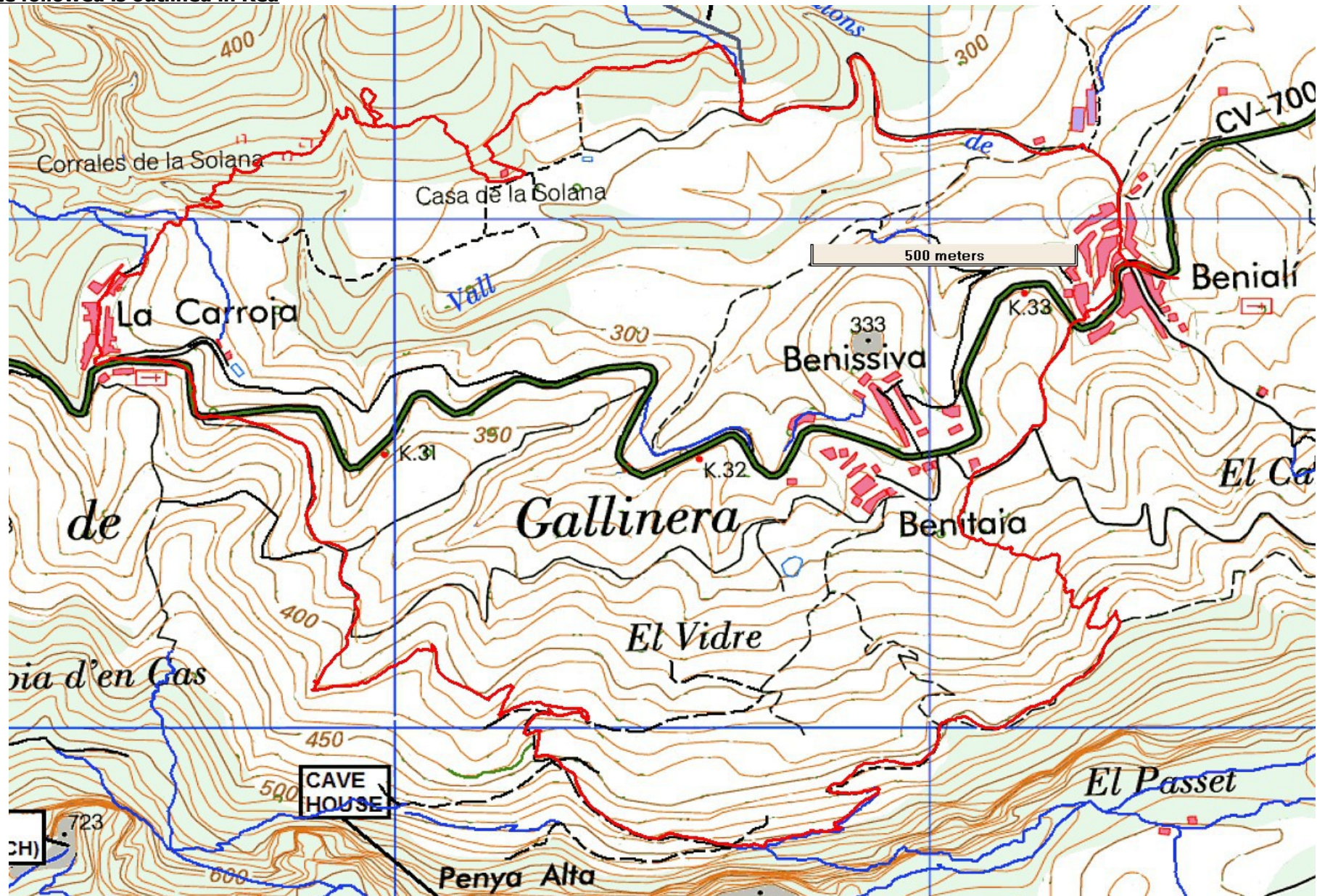
Walk Recommendations or restrictions

None

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Route followed is outlined in Red



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