## COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION Visit www.walksinspain.org for more walks descriptions in Spain Walk description originally prepared by:-Ralph Phipps 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 **Last Updated Title of Walk** Chovar circuit Location of Start (include name of nearest Chovar Top end of Chovar village village/town at start of description) 7 **Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km** Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m 350 Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and 2.5hr total completion time including any stops 3hr **Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW** M/A system) **Grid reference of start point (if known)** Lat: 39.85039, Long: -0.318015 **Directions to Start** From junction 283 of the A7 (only accessed from the S) follow the CV230 around the town of Vall d'Uixo and then generally E before turning R onto the CV219 and then R again into the village itself. **Short walk description** A pleasant stroll around the head of a valley above Chovar ending with a ridge walk down to the castle above the town. **Full Walk Description Elapsed Walking** Time/Distance so far From your car walk ahead to the NE and uphill along a track which changes from tarmac to concrete and finally gravel and then which soon levels. When you reach the reservoir (empty?) drop down to the dam on steps and walk across to the far side. 120m, 3min At the far side follow the finger post towards Pista Hembrar which actually zig-zags up the slope of red sandstone (ignore the steeper direct approach used by cyclists) Join a broad vehicle track and continue ahead. 1km, 31min Ignore a cairn for a descending footpath and almost immediately after this a track also descending to the L and keep ahead and uphill. 2.7km, 1hr 16min When the track eventually reaches the head of a barranco which rises up from your L zig

back to the L still ascending gently to reach a large water deposito. (Just before this

## there is a mine entry on the R) Curve around to the R level for a few metres before starting to descend and ignore the rising track on your R. Ignore a further rising track on your RHS and keep descending in zig-zags. When you reach a finger post with a hill in front of you follow the footpath signed to Chovar. Follow this path now steeply and overgrown in places passing the ruins of mine workers huts until you eventually descend to the castle mound of Chovar Walk up the castle mound and pass it on either side to find a descending track which you follow to reach Plaza Molino Viento and here double back to the L and descend to your car.

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Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None

See map below.....

## **Route followed is outlined in Red**

