

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Rio Serpis to Hydro Station, return by Camino Real	
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Villalonga, Quarry near to Pedramala	
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	10.1 km	
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	328m	
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	Walking time 3 hrs Total time 4 hrs	
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	M/B	
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 38.87611, Long: -0.24326	
Directions to Start	Enter Villalonga from Gandia (cv680). At roundabout next to Mercadona turn right. At next roundabout turn left and at next roundabout go straight ahead passing school on your left. Follow this road for 3.6km passing the Font de Reprimala and then an old Quarry to park near an information board	
Short walk description	A riverside walk along an old railway track with tunnels before returning by a steep climb and a fairly gentle descent back to the cars	
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far	
From the car park walk downhill down a narrow concreted road passing signboard "Raco de Duc"	0m, 0 min	
At road fork keep left	675m, 10 min	
At junction with old railway line turn left.	1.7km, 26min	
Stay on old railway railway line for 2.7km passing through the tunnels (torch useful!) Keep left where track leaves railway line at site of ruined bridge across the River	4.4km 1hr 20 min	
Follow track to bridge over the river next to disused hydro power station. There are tables here for a comfortable refreshment stop.	4.9km, 1hr 25 m	

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From here we return in the direction from which we came, passing through one railway tunnel until reaching a junction with yellow and white marked path CV-PR 042. This junction is just before the next railway tunnel.	6.3km, 1hr 43 m
The path climbs steeply up some rocks. Do not take the well defined narrow path in the valley bottom which leads to the "Font de la Mata"	
Follow this marked path steeply up the valley side. The path is steep and stony with some exposure in places.	
After climbing approx 170m the path opens into a broad track where there are some houses.	6.9km 2 hr.
Follow this broad track which turns sharply left passing a big iron gate up to where it joins the asphalted road from Villalonga to Lorca.	7.9km, 2hr 15m
Turn left and follow the road.	
Turn left off the road onto a broad track. There is a sign on a tree "Camino Real"	8.6 km, 2hr 24m
After 100m turn right next to a fence and the narrow path (Camino real) starts to descend.	
Follow this path down through the trees until it meets a tee Junction with a concreted road.	9.9km, 2hr 52m
Turn right and follow this road the short distance uphill to the car park	10.1 km, 3hr

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Walk Recommendations or restrictions

Walk is busy at weekends and fiestas. Many bikes on the railway line.
Torch useful for tunnels
Option to return following the outward route to avoid the moderate climb.
There is no drinking water on the route

see map below.....

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Route followed is outlined in Red

