

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	Bollula Circuit to North West
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Ample parking beside Bollula village. Take 1 st right after Bollula village sign on the CV715 across small bridge over a stream and then left with parking on either side of the road. Avoid Bar L'Era Plaza as it is now often very busy.
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	10.3
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	609
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	4.25hr 5hrs
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	S/A
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 38.67743, Long: -0.11100
Directions to Start	From Callosa d'En Sarria take the CV715 to Bolulla. Just past Bollula Village sign turn right across a small bridge over a stream and then left with parking on either side of the road. Avoid driving into the village.
Short walk description	A circular walk including an old mule track up to a spectacular 360 degree panoramic view at the top of Penyà de l'Or for a banana break then onto a lunch break at an equally spectacular stop on the Foia Selles and ending at the Bar L'Era in Bollula.
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
From the cars, cross the stream via stepping stones then cross the CV715 and walk up into the village bearing R to enter the Bar L'Era plaza.	200 mts, 5mins
Walk a short way down the road leading S from the plaza then take the 1 st R to the T-jnc of C. Calvari. Turn L (W) up C. Calvari and follow the tarmac road past Casa Crisha and Casa Capelettes. Continue up passing mesh fences on your LHS to reach a Y-jnc and a metal post marked with red and blue arrows.	1.3km, 25mins
Walk up LH concrete road a few metres to find a fingerpost on RHS marking the start of the old mule path and signed to Penyà de l'Or. The path is waymarked and makes its	

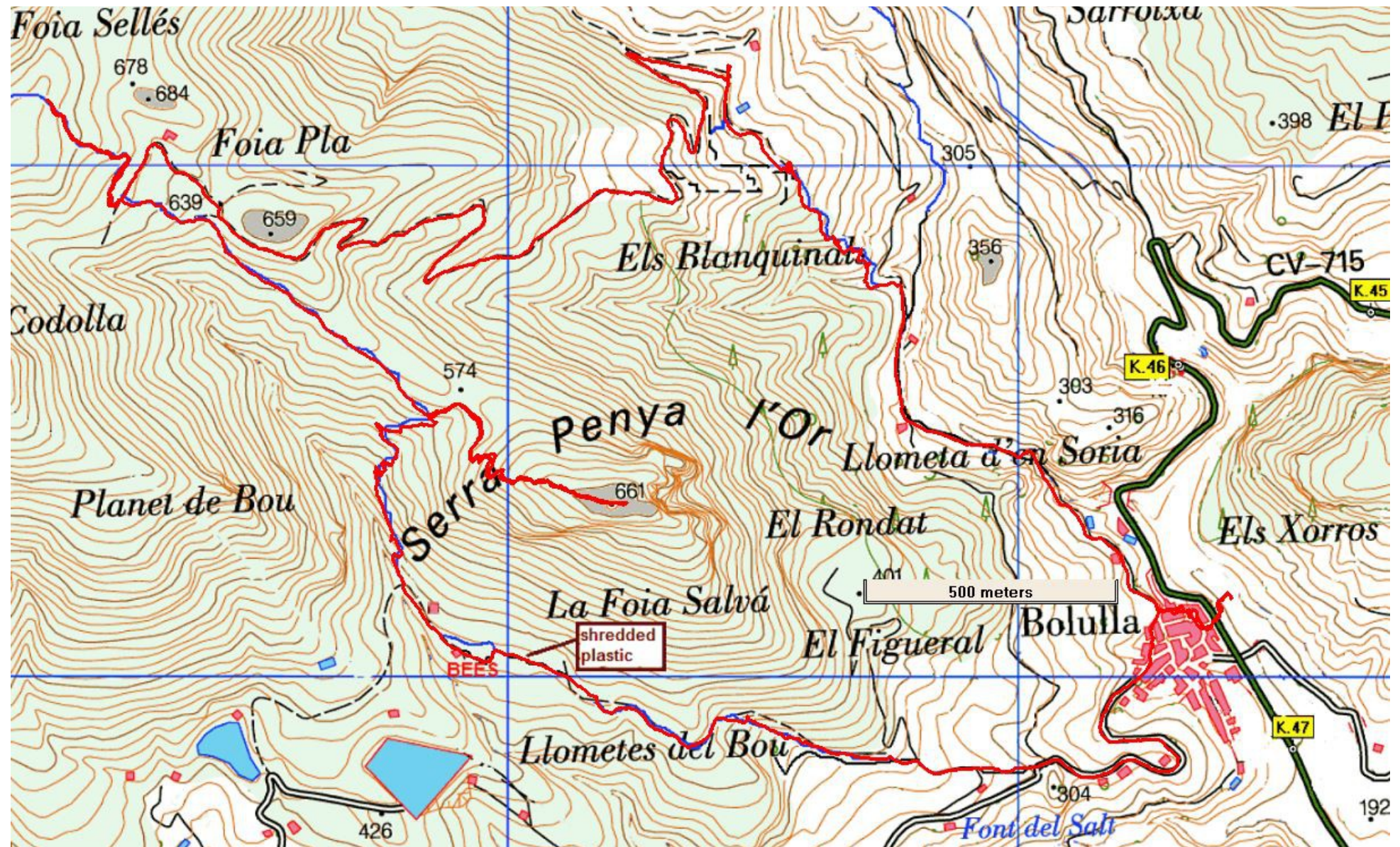
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way up the N side of a small valley to arrive at a shady track marked by a cairn.	1.7km, 35mins
Turn L (W) along the track for some 400metres through old plastics (shredded fruit tree covers) then bearing L and slightly downwards before bearing R past a ruined casita on the LHS . The path now flattens and widens onward to another fingerpost ahead.	2.6km, 45mins
Take the RHS path (NNW) winding up the E side of the barranco and in 5mins passing by the Friar's Robe pinnacle on the LHS of the path. Continue up the zig-zagging path to eventually reach a fingerpost on the RHS of the path marking the uphill linear detour to the Peña de l'Or summit.	3.2km, 1hr 15min
The zig-zagging path to the summit (661mts) is rewarded by a stunning 360 degree panoramic view and a well-deserved banana break.	3.9km, 1hr 35min
Retrace your path back to the original track and continue R along it as you continue up the barranco overlooking Altea/Albir in the distance with the Sierra Helada behind them and Sierra Aitana to the right eventually reaching a cross-track.	5.3km, 2hr 15min
Turn L on the cross-track then, almost immediately, R onto a small upwards path passing an inhabited casita on the LHS and then onward up to the lunch stop on the Foia Selles at 720mts with the same forward views over Altea/Albir and the Helada.	5.3km, 2hr 30min
Retrace your path back down to the cross-track now turning L to follow the track towards a ruined stone coral on your LHS . Follow this track downwards to a T-jnc where you turn R to follow a wide gravel track winding back down the barranco.	6.4km, 2hr 50min
Halfway down a stone shelter on your LHS provides a break in the trees to view Garx Castillo on the promontory above. Continue downward ignoring several tracks off to the R until you reach a sharp hairpin almost doubling back on the path. Walk to the end of this and turn R then follow the path, dropping down a bank, and leading forward to the start of another mule path leading down.	8.6km, 3hr 30min
Follow this mule path down initially through trees to emerge onto a concrete road leading back into Bollula.	9.2km, 3hr 50min
Turn R , following the concrete road downward, bearing L to take you past a plaque marking the start of an historic mule path towards Callosa on your LHS . Ignore this continuing forward into Bollula and the Bar l'Era plaza. After refreshments retrace your path downwards through the village to the CV715 and the parked cars opposite across the stream.	10.3km, 4hrs 15mins
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Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None

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