

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Title of Walk	The Eye of Montgo via Mont Putxol
Location of Start (include name of nearest village/town at start of description)	Javea. Public parking behind Restaurant Amenacer, just off the Carretera Del Cap De Sant Antoni.
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	8.8
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	420
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	3hr 4hr
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	MS/B
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat: 38.80302, Long: 0.16372
Directions to Start	From the CV-736 at the top of the pass between Javea & Denia. Turn east towards the lighthouse onto C' del Cap de Sant Antoni. In 400 metres turn R onto Cami Curt immediately beside the Restaurant Amenacer (It looks like their car park). Drive behind it and park at the side of the road.
Short walk description	Taking in various points of interest. The route though a little convoluted is a nice way to approach the eye. Taking in some Molins, a Civil War memorial, sections of woodland. Access into the interior of the cave requires scrambling but is optional. Mainly good level paths, but some are steep, with exposed views and great scenery. Plus, a very convenient cafe at the end.
Full Walk Description	Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
<p>From the car park behind the restaurant and with your back to it, facing south east. Turn R and bear L around a bend, go along the red painted concrete cami. Where it ends take a narrow footpath which passes a finca on its L ('Senda' written in the green concrete). Follow the path as it turns L then R then L and R again to reach a cami. Go straight across, the path continues between fences to a left turn. Here go straight ahead onto a footpath. This weaves through woodland, at a fence turn R, then L to pass between finca's to emerge onto a surfaced cami. Go straight ahead and bear R along it. Ignore footpaths on the left at a sign to 'Moli's'. Continue, until in about 30 metres a lay-by on</p>	

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the left is reached, which has a 'Generalitat Valencia' Sign. From its RH end turn L onto a path through trees to reach three Molins.	897m, 14min
Turn L between the first and second Molin (towards Javea). Go down steps and descend the steep but well formed path (ignore a path going off to the left) and pass a well before reaching a cross junction (you are now just above the district of Mont Putxol).	1.3km, 30min
Turn R beside a 'Generalitat Valencia' Sign up a broad stoney track. Follow it as it rises and eventually passes a metal post before reaching a surfaced cami beside a villa.	2km, 42min
Turn L along the part surfaced cami, at a 'Y' junction go L (straight on). At a 'T' junction turn L. Continue for 200 metres and look for a small unmarked footpath on the L (easy to miss) It is just before the fence on the right ends.	2.5km, 48min
Turn L onto the footpath which leads across rough ground past a feeding station, soon it descends slightly to the R down into a shallow barranco. Now on the opposite side you can see a memorial cross. Go down then up the other side to reach the cross. It has the names of thirteen men from Denia inscribed upon it. They are buried (thrown into) the abyss below the concrete slab.	2.7km, 52min
With your back to the cross, go up the steps and straight ahead (towards Montgo) following a trail of white painted stones. Just before reaching the main road there is a 'Y' junction. Take the RH branch to emerge onto a lay-by beside the Cap Sant Antoni road.	2.9km, 55min
Cross the road to a Y/W marker post. A short section of Y/W marked path leads in a few metres to the main CV-736 road. Cross it with care to reach a marked footpath in the woodland opposite. Follow it to a junction with a cross track. Cross this onto another footpath (Y/W cross on tree) and continue, ignore a fork off to the right and bear L to pass a water depositary and reach a large green building.	3.6km, 1hr 05min
Turn L, soon you reach a cross track. Ignore a footpath straight ahead and turn R. At a junction beside a fire hazard warning sign turn L and continue for 500 metres and as the track rises slightly look out for an unmarked path on the left (cairn). Care is needed not to miss it.	4.7km, 1hr 19min
Turn L along this rough path past a cairn and ignore a path on the R and then another a few meters further along. Bare L (occasional very faded green paint marks), to reach a path which branches R uphill (cairn).	5km, 1hr 25min
Turn R. Follow this path steeply uphill (more faded green marks), it leads onto a rocky rake, which is mildly exposed and has stunning views over the countryside below. Continue up it, then go up a ramp of rock to reach a resting place directly below the cave.	5.5km, 1hr 49min
Option, not to be missed. Scramble up rock above to a low arch in the RH corner, pass through it and descend across to the R to look through the eye. Return, then ascend towards the centre to access the main cave. A number of alternative lines are possible, just remember you have to get back down! Allow at least 15min to explore.	
Descend your upward route back to the cross junction .	6.1km, 2hr 16min
Turn L back along the path. In a short distance the path starts to bend to the R (the way you came up). However, just before the cairn look for a vague unmarked path and turn L. Follow it as it traverses and weaves across to emerge onto a track. Continue to a signpost at a 'T' junction, at the foot of the path which leads up Montgo.	6.3km, 2hr 21min

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<p>Turn R away from the mountain and follow the broad track (ignore a path on the left) to reach a junction of tracks. Go L (straight ahead) at a junction with a fingerpost, ignore the path on the left and go straight ahead to a second junction. Turn L and continue, ignoring a track on the right (Y/WX) until you reach a walk information board on the left. Opposite this there is a path which leads to a ruin.</p>	7.5km, 2hr 35min
<p>Turn R towards the ruin (Y/WX) and pass its LH side. At a junction behind it turn L and continue to a junction with a track. Ahead there is a barrier and the main road, ignore it and turn R along the broad track. In 200 metres just after a Y/W marker post look for a Y/W footpath on the L (this is the path you used on the outward journey and is opposite the path which has a Y/W cross on a tree).</p>	8.1km, 2hr 43min
<p>Turn L. Go along this path and cross the road with care. Continue onto and along the Cap Sant Antoni road, ignore side roads until you reach the Restaurant Amenacer, walk around its LH side to reach the car park.</p>	8.8km, 2hr 53min
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Walk Recommendations or restrictions	There is some mild exposure on the final approach to the eye.

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Route followed is outlined in Red

