## **COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAIN WALKS**

### **VAL DE LAGUART. Dos Fuentes**

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BENIMAURELL-CAVELL VERDE RIDGE-COLLADO DE GARGA-VENTA COLLAO-BENIMAURELL WALK SPECS: DISTANCE 13.2km.- WALKING TIME 4hrs.- ASCENT 569mtrs. - GRADE MS

(Walking time only add time for breaks and lunch)

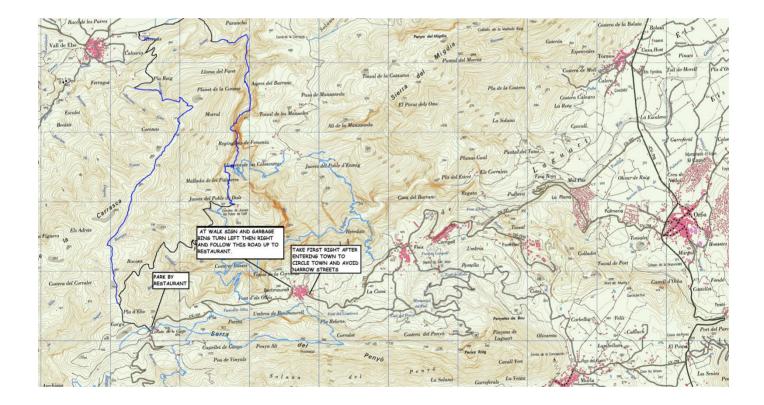
ORIGINAL WRITE-UP BY: Jean & Bob Hall <a href="mailto:hallbobandjean@aol.com">hallbobandjean@aol.com</a> VERIFIED Jan 2015 LEGAL NOTICE: Although we strive to make descriptions as correct as possible, use at your own risk.

#### **WALK DESCRIPTION**

Caballo Verde Ridge: often referred to as the "Caball Vert" ridge. According to the map the real name is the **Sierra del Penyo Roig** (Range of the red rock) The Caballo Verde is actually the eastern most part of this 6km long ridge); also called the "Serra del Penyal de Laguart". This walk takes you over 3.2Km. of the ridge, then along <u>Mozarabic</u> paths, through cherry tree plantations (beautiful whenin flower in early to mid April), passing interesting hilltop restaurant and back to Benimaurell. A strenuous walk which can be shortened by skipping summit of Vaballo Verde.

### TO THE START.

The start is at Benimaurell and the simplest way is to drive 1 km north of Orba on the CV715 and turn off **W** along the CV721 to Campbell- Fleix and Benimaurell. Do not enter the narrow streets of Benimaurell but at the entrance to the village turn **R** and then up **L** to the walk sign. Park here.(Or *in new parking lot before arriving at sign*)



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Turn L and retrace your steps back to car(s).

THE WALK. Total distance and Note that times quoted are walking time only - no breaks. %of walk completed Underlined letters are map references. based on total time. NOTE: Ridge walk can be avoided by going directly to N from P (see map). From signpost follow sign to CAVALL VERDE. Follow Y/W marks through village and on to top of (27min 1.4km) 1.4km 12% ridge A. Turn R at sign direction COLLADO DE GARGA to next signpost at crosspath B. (51min 2.5km) 3.9km 34% Turn L direction FONT DE LA CARRACA. Arrive at crosstrack C. (7min .3km) 4.2km 37% Turn R along track to rock with Y/W flash at end of fence D. (3min .2km) 4.4km 38% Turn L on path. Follow around two sides of fence and continue down to track. Go L on track to almost immediately find path off R just before ruin E. (4min .2km) 4.6km 40% Follow path to cement track. Go L on track and arrive at road F. (25min 1.6km) 6.2km 51% Turn R direction FONT DE LA MATA. Follow road to path signposted FONT DE LA CARRASCA going up L. (12min .9km) 7.1km 56% Pass 2<sup>nd</sup> font bearing **R**, ignore track **R**, follow **Y/W** flashes to finca with impressive large fig tree G.(Nice place for lunch if unoccupied) (16min .9km) 8.0km 63% Go up **R** at Finca and almost immediately find path off **L** to track **H**. Go R on track to path up L K. (will see "X" on rock if you miss path) (21min 1.5km) 9.5km 72% Follow Y/W marked path (new 2012) to restaurant VENTA COLLAO M. (14min .6km) 10.1km 78% Turn L on road, find path on R to arrive at col with signpost and crosspath **B**.(8min .7km) 10.8km 82% Turn L and follow sign to Benimaurell. Follow path to road N. Turn R and find continuation of path straight ahead to signpost. (37min 2.1km) 12.9km 98%

(5min .3km)

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13.2km 100%

