

COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAINWALKERS - WALK DESCRIPTION

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Walk description originally prepared by:-	David Harbach, CBMW, Jan 2014	
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Title of Walk	Soldetes Ridge	
Location of Start	Gata de Gorgos	
Key Statistics for walk - Distance in km	13	
Key Statistics for walk - Ascent in m	500	
Key Statistics for walk - Walking time and total completion time including any stops	3.25hrs 5hrs	
Key Statistics for walk - Grade (using CBMW system)	MS/B	
Grid reference of start point (if known)	Lat:- 38.777021 Long:- 0.082741	
Directions to Start	<p>Approaching from the south on the N332 turn L into Calle Trossets 200m north from main intersection in Gata and park in street or in rough car park on the R</p> <p>Approaching from the north on the N332 take the first R signed Xalo/Jalon into Calle Trossets.</p> <p>Walk starts outside Trossets Restaurante.</p>	
Short walk description	An excellent walk on well-defined tracks and paths with spectacular views from the summit and back down the ridge to Gata.	
Full Walk Description		Elapsed Walking Time/Distance so far
With Trossets Restaurante on your LHS walk down Calle Trossets to its end. Ignore Xalo LLiber sign on your RHS and go straight on down Carrer Roquetes then a slight L & R into Carrer de Sant Antoni. Go R at end then immediate L down Carre de Baix. Go down the steps at the end to a "band-stand" looking structure (without the stand!) onto the "Rio Gorgos promenade" (name made up by me) (8mins, 0.65km)		8mins, 0.65km
Turn R onto the promenade. (The whole walk back to this position is marked Y/W.) Continue parallel with the Rio on your LHS; up some steps then continue above the cliffs to a road. (5mins, 0.42km)		13mins, 1.07km
Turn L onto this road then after approx. 50m, ignore the R/W marker ahead, and turn R. After 40m ignore the road on the RHS. After a while the road becomes a track which we continue to follow. At end of track go straight onto a path that goes down to a concrete covered track/drive. (4mins, 0.34km)		17min, 1.41km

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<p>Turn L onto this track, continue for about 60m to a road (give way sign) that comes from the RHS. Join this road by going straight onto it and continue to where the road turns sharp R. Here you leave the road by going straight on onto a track.(6mins, 0.59km)</p>	23mins, 2.00km
<p>Proceed down into the Rio, over and up path on the other side. Keep going, then straight onto a track at the top of the hill where it joins from the LHS. (9mins, 0.55km)</p>	32mins, 2.55km
<p>Continue down, ignoring a track on L, to a track junction and go L. (3mins, 0.23km)</p>	35mins, 2.78km
<p>Continue up, ignore several tracks leading off and continue up. (track become part track and part path) up to a concrete covered junction with a sign post. (14mins, 0.92km)</p>	49mins, 3.70km
<p>Turn L signed "Dels Serrellars" etc. then after 10m go R immediately after a ruin, past an interesting barrel vaulted roofed storage building on your LHS and down this path for 80m to a concrete surfaced track where you turn R. Proceed down this track to a folk and go L (Y/W cross on R) (6mins, 0.47km)</p>	55mins, 4.17km
<p>This track narrows to a path that goes up to another path. (15mins, 1.12km)</p>	1hr10min,5.29km
<p>Turn L here signed "Des Serrellars" etc. and up to the summit. (16mins, 0.76km)</p>	1hr26min,6.05km
<p>Leave on the RHS and down to a ruin on your RHS (good spot for lunch this) (21mins, 0.97km)</p>	1hr47min,7.02km
<p>Go round this ruin and follow the path to another path. (2mins, 0.12km)</p>	1hr49min,7.14km
<p>Turn L onto this path signed "Gata de Gorgos" and you're on your way back with some wonderful views all around. Press on, past an enclosed well (km8.44) and on down this lovely ridge walk to a road (49mins, 2.81km)</p>	2hr38min,9.95km
<p>Road immediately goes L but you continue straight onto a path/track. Proceed on down (past a chain linked fenced off area on your RHS (km10.53) to a road that runs parallel with a railway line. (12mins, 0.80km)</p>	2hr50min,10.75k
<p>Turn L onto this road then L again after 100m signed "Parque del Arrabal". After another 100m turn R and continue to where a track joins on your RHS. (4mins, 0.41km)</p>	2hr54min,11.16k
<p>Turn R down this track signed "Parc del Arrabal" under a road bridge, down into the Rio bear L on the other side up a track, go L at the fork and continue parallel with the Rio on your LHS. Track then becomes concrete surfaced go up then swings to the right at the top and after 10m go L onto a road. Go along this road to where it swings R up to another road (10mins, 0.92km)</p>	3hr4min,12.08km
<p>Go over this road then L and R and down to where some steps leave on the LHS. Go down these steps back down to the Rio Follow the "Rio Gorgos promenade" which runs parallel to the Rio up to the "band-stand" looking structure we saw earlier. (4mins, 0.24km)</p>	3hr8min,12.32km
<p>Turn R, go up the steps along the road you came along earlier shimy R then L then straight on back to Trossets Restaurant. (6mins, 0.59km)</p>	3hr14min,12.91k m
Walk Recommendations or restrictions	None

Route followed is outlined in Red

