

Waveney Ramblers Paphos 8 Avakas Gorge

OS Map: Track: [GPX for SatNav](#) 10 Miles Updated: 2019-02-05

To get to Avakas Gorge, use the 615 and 616 buses. For example catch the 08:00 bus (615) from Kato Paphos Harbour to Coral Bay. In theory, this bus connects with the 616 but you can greatly improve the chances of meeting the 616 by getting off the first bus earlier in Coral Bay. The best bus stop is the first after the roundabout where the bus turns left to enter the village. Cross the road to catch the 616 soon after 08:30.

From Agios Georgios head to the gorge. The inland route is better in the cool of the morning and the coastal route better in the heat of the day. Soon after setting out, the track on the map heads north. This is a field perimeter next to a restaurant where the original path has been blocked off. At the end of the field, rejoin the historic path and head NE.

The return path, up from the beach, crosses a building site. Hopefully the path will be restored after the building is complete.

The gorge is deep and can be water filled. After wet weather or with rain in the forecast, do not attempt this walk! How far you get depends on the water level and the erosion left by the last major rainfall. The first part of the walk is easy, with a nature trail and trees and shrubs with identifying labels.

Then the path drops into the river bed. In summer this might be completely dry and quite easy to follow although there are some quite big boulders to scramble up. Today, there was quite a lot of water and less than half the route was accessible. After quite a lot of paddling, occasionally thigh deep, there was a much deeper pool and a huge boulder at the top end to climb. Lacking swimming gear and waterproof bags for my stuff this was as far as I got. The pale blue track shows what might be possible in ideal conditions. The return path is a regular 4x4 mountain track/road and is quite easy. The walk down from Kathikas uses this path.

Today, including some wandering around the beach, the walk was 6.6 miles. The full route is about 10 miles.

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