Waveney Ramblers Guia de Isora 24 Galeria Machado

Track: GPX for SatNav 7 Miles Updated: 2020-05-05

7 Miles. 604 metres (1982 ft) ascent and descent.

From Guia de Isora Calle Campo bus stop, head SE along Calle Campo.
Turn left, uphill, NE, along Calle Martin Placeres.
Head NE across the wasteland and continue uphill, NE, along Calle la Era.
Continue NE on the road up to Chirche and pass the waterworks.
Bear left off the tarmac and head NE, uphill, along the paved and concrete road.
This soon dwindles to a footpath heading uphill, NE.
At the next tarmac road, turn right, east, for a few metres.
Turn sharp left, NW, and jump over the chain blocking vehicles.
Head up this farm access road, NW. Veer left onto the footpath parallel with the water pipes.
This section is a little overgrown but passable.
Merge with the path from Arguayo and continue NE.
Soon after the paths merge, turn right, SE, and soon east. Take the first left, north.
Back at the water pipes, turn right, NE, no longer following the pipes.
At the cross-roads in the footpaths, turn right, SE, and follow this all the way to Chirche.
Drop down to the main road and turn left, passing the church.
Continue uphill, steeply, ignoring dead end side turnings.
Head NE up a way-marked steep path of stones and smooth concrete.
This bends left, north, and reverts to a rocky path.
Cross the tarmac lane and continue uphill on the footpath, NE, after a few zigzags.
The footpath comes close to the TF-38 but does not touch. Continue east into the valley.
Don't take the way-marked path left. Continue roughly east and later NE.
This track passes fields and vines and becomes more enclosed by the steep sides of the barranco.
The road has been washed away and bulldozed back into use.
Huge rocks have been washed down indicating severe but very rare flash floods.
The road ends and the path continues in the stream bed.
Eventually the galeria is on the left. The access road had been washed away and not reinstated.
It was possible to scramble up an improvised path to take a closer look.
It was not clear whether this was still in use. The water could still be flowing.
Retrace your steps back to the TF-38 and turn right to get onto the main road.
Head west along the TF-38 for a short distance.
Turn left down the lane signed to Chirche and Aripe.
Follow this back to the village.
At the footpath signpost, turn left, south, and drop down into the barranco.
Cross the stream bed and veer right, west, on the footpath to Guia de Isora.
Follow this all the way down, SW, ignoring a few zigzags.
Back on a vehicular road, turn right, west, along the path signed to Guia de Isora.
Back in town, head SW along Calle las Britas.
Turn right, north, into Manuel Gorillo.
Turn left, SW, at the police station and head down Los Chorros.
At the church square, turn right, NW, along Calle Arriba.
This leads NW into Calle Campo and back to the bus stop.

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