

Cherry Blossom Walking Festival

Wednesday 29th March 2017

All walks start from *Hotel Alahuar. , Benimaurell*

GPS co-ordinates: 38.772949 Lat. -0.126328 Long



The village of Benimaurell is located in the mountains in the heart the Vall de Laguar. To get there, drive to Orba then take the CV721 to Benimaurell, at the end of this road. On entering the village keep right and drive along Calle de Olbis past Restaurant Rogetes, then turn right to the Hotel. If there is not enough parking you can park in the village and walk up to the hotel. Please arrive at least 20 minutes before the walk starts. For those on the Easy, Moderate and shorter Moderately Strenuous walks there is an optional pre-booked lunch after the walk at the Hotel. All other walkers are welcome to join us for after walk drinks.

Easy Walk. 11am start. Benimaurell Meander, Leader John Price.

The walk will be around the quaint village of Benimaurell, taken at a gentle pace with time to enjoy the excellent display of cherry blossom. Optional lunch. 2.5hrs, 150m ascent, 7Km, on good paths.

Moderate Walk. 10am start. Benimaurell triangle, leader Martin Connolly

We ascend to the ridge and enjoy beautiful views walking along the ridge and return to hotel for optional lunch. 3.5 hrs, 400m ascent, 7km. Some rough terrain.

Short Moderately Strenuous Walk. 10am start. Val Laguart loop. leaders John Mail and Clodagh Brown

A circular walk to the top end of Val Laguart on some rough tracks, then a steep climb, returning by the head of the valley and tracks at the base of Cabello Verde ridge. Back in time for the optional lunch at the hotel. 3.5hrs, 500m ascent, 9km.

Moderately Strenuous Walk. 9.45am start. Caballo Verde Ridge, leaders Ann Price and Angie Elliot.

Circular route to the ridge before descending under Penyo Roig toward Fleix and back to hotel. 4.5hrs, 500m ascent, 12km . Mostly on rough terrain. Picnic lunch

Strenuous Walk. 9.30am start. Carrasca ridge, Leader Gordon Gleason

A bit of everything, splendid mozarabic path, some "off piste", along and down from the ridge. 5.5hrs. ascent 680m, 12km. A more difficult walk on rough terrain taken at a brisk pace suitable for experienced walkers. Picnic lunch

Very Strenuous walk. 9.30am start. Dos Fuentes Extended, leader Mary Gough

We ascend to Cavall Verde Ridge , an old ' off piste ' path round to the ' fuentes ' a newly reopened valley path ,a stiff climb with spectacular views of the surrounding ridges and barrancos. This is a more strenuous walk on rough terrain so only suitable for experienced walkers use to this terrain. 5.5hrs, ascent 850m,15 Km, mainly on rough terrain. Picnic lunch.

Optional lunch: At Hotel Alahaur,1.30 for 2pm, you can relax and enjoy the 360 views. The cost is 14€ for three courses, 1/2 bottle wine or other drink, plus water and tip. Coffee extra.

Starter

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| 1) Endive salad with Roquefort. | 2) Cream of Vegetable Soup |
| 3) Pepper stuffed with chicken and rice. | 4) Cod fish cake |

Main

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| 1) Paella Mixed or Vegetarian. | 2) Pork cheek in red wine |
| 3) Lamb cutlets. | 3) Grilled tuna |

Dessert

- 1) Natillas. 2) Flan. 3) Tarta de Chocolate. 4) Pan de Calatrava. 5). Fruta

Your menu choices must be sent by 18/3 to Dave & Theresa at social@cbmwalkers.org If you don't receive a reply confirming your booking, contact us again. Anyone wanting an overnight stay at this lovely hotel, MUST BOOK DIRECT WITH THE HOTEL, NOT US! . - <http://www.hotelalahuar.es>.