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1	Quatretondeta terraces south	1	4,25	130	130	1,50	A pleasant short walk comprising a tour around the valley and terraces to the south of Quatretondeta.
2	Quatretondeta river-side road north-west	1	6,25	160	160	2,25	A walk down by the river-side and, occasionally, across it. Then on road, sometimes steeply, on the other side of the valley for excellent views of Quatretondeta, the Serrella range of mountains and the surrounding countryside.
3	Quatretondeta tracks, ravine, road east	1	4,75	170	170	1,50	A walk along tracks through the terraces with good views. Go down into a ravine and return to Quatretondeta along a short section of road.
4	Quatretondeta terraces and ravine south and east	1	7,00	225	225	2,75	A pleasant walk comprising a tour around the valley and terraces to the south and the east of Quatretondeta. Enjoy extensive views and return to the village through a ravine and along a short stretch of road.
5	Quatretondeta road circuit south-west	1	8,50	280	280	3,25	A walk which is a circuit on roads to the south-west of Quatretondeta. These winding lanes offer fine views to the Mariola mountains and a close proximity to the farmed terraces, all on a good surface. There is also the opportunity to visit a ruined finca.
6	Pinnacles – Alt del Alt - Quatretondeta	3	13,00	850	850	6,75	Come and meet the Friars – in close up! A hard, demanding walk including some scrambling, steep scree path, exposed ridge, and a scree run to finish with. Circular walk from Quatretondeta taking in the peaks of Peña Creus, Serrella, and Alt del Alt; all offering extensive views. A magical place to be amongst the pinnacles, but only for those who are confident of being in steep rocky terrain.
7	Pinnacles - Alt del Alt - Quatretondeta Grade 4	4	13,00	860	860	6,75	Come and meet the Friars –close and rough! A hard, demanding day including scrambling, steep scree, rough mountain terrain, an exposed ridge, and a scree run to finish with. Circular walk from Quatretondeta taking in the peaks of Peña Creus, Serrella, and Alt del Alt; all offering extensive views. A magical place to be amongst the pinnacles, but only for those who are confident of being in steep rocky terrain.
8	Pinnacles – Serrella - Quatretondeta	3	14,50	850	850	6,50	Come and meet the Friars – in close up! A hard, demanding walk including some scrambling and steep scree path. Circular walk from Quatretondeta to the peaks of Peña Creus and Serrella with a chance to visit ‘Africa’. A magical place to be amongst the pinnacles, but only for those who are confident of being in steep rocky terrain.
9	Quatretondeta - Serrella	3	15,50	730	730	5,50	This route to the summit of one of the highest peaks in the Serrella Range, Serrella (1359m), follows the easiest way there and uses the same way to return. This walk is mostly on good paths and track, although one section is on a rough mountain path. The effort is amply rewarded by the magnificent views from high amongst the mountains.
10	Quatretondeta - Serrella - circuit	3	19,50	900	900	6,50	This route around one of the highest peaks in the Serrella Range, Serrella (1359m), follows high paths and tracks and offers an optional ascent to the summit. The walk is mostly on good paths and track, although one or two sections are on rough mountain path. The effort is amply rewarded by the magnificent views from high amongst the mountains.
11	Quatretondeta - viewpoint - Africa	2	10,00	570	570	4,50	A walk up into the mountains above Quatretondeta to see the views and to see ‘Africa’. Mostly on good tracks and paths but some sections of rough mountain path are included.
12	Quatretondeta - Pla de la Casa	3	12,50	770	770	5,00	A walk to the summit of the highest peak in the Serrella Range, Pla de la Casa (1379m). A hard day out, this walk is for experienced mountain walkers as it involves some scrambling, scree and rough mountain paths. However, the effort is amply rewarded by the magnificent terrain and views (including close views of the Friars).
13	Quatretondeta - Pla de la Casa - Facheca - valley return to Quatretondeta	3	17,50	900	900	6,75	Enjoy all the various landscapes of the area in one (longish) day. Go through terraces, across scree, enjoy the scramble to, and views from, the rocky high summit of Pla de la Casa, descend the enchanting valley of Barranc del Morro. Visit the village of Facheca and finally return to Quatretondeta on a pretty riverside path. This walk is for experienced mountain walkers as it involves some scrambling, scree and rough mountain paths. N.B. a short cut is available which misses out the scramble and some of the rough terrain.

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14	Alcolecha to Quatretondeta	2	12,00	420	510	5,00	A pleasant day starting with a tour around the valley and villages near to Alcolecha and then a high and remote way to Quatretondeta.
15	Alcolecha – Pla de la Casa - Quatretondeta	3	19,25	950	1000	6,75	Start from a village south of the Serrella in a pleasant valley. An ‘up and down’ route to ‘África’ and do a hard traverse of the summit of Pla de la Casa before descending to Quatretondeta. An easier ‘shortcut’ approach to ‘Africa’ is available.
16	Port D’Ares – Serrella - Quatretondeta	2	14,00	400	700	4,75	A walk from the car park at Port D’Ares along the south side of the Serrella range, with an optional ascent of Serrella peak and a visit to ‘Africa’. Excellent views throughout and a mountain-path descent to Quatretondeta.
17	Facheca - Pla de la Casa - Quatretondeta	3	11,00	655	800	5,50	A walk over the summit of the highest peak in the Serrella Range, Pla de la Casa (1379m). A hard day out, this walk is for experienced mountain walkers as it involves some scrambling, scree and rough mountain paths. However, the effort is amply rewarded by the approach up a lovely valley and by the magnificent terrain and views (including close views of the Friars).
18	Facheca – Pla de la Casa circuit	3	11,00	800	800	6,00	A circular walk over the summit of the highest peak in the Serrella Range, Pla de la Casa (1379m). A hard day out, this walk is for experienced mountain walkers as it involves some scrambling, scree and rough mountain paths. However, the effort is amply rewarded by the approach up a lovely valley and by the magnificent terrain and views. N.B. a short cut is available which misses out the scramble and some of the rough terrain.
19	Facheca - Malla del Llop - Famorca circuit	3	14,50	740	740	5,75	A steep rough mountain walk to two of the high peaks of the Serrella Range for wonderful views with a scramble and a descent down a wild remote valley, return on open hillside and farm tracks through terraces. A varied walk of mountains, farmland and villages.
20	Facheca - Benimassot - Tossal Blanc - Almudaina	2	14,25	510	690	5,25	See the full bulk of the Almudaina Ridge from the south, ascend its flank, climb one of its highest peaks, walk the ridge, and descend to the village after which it is named. A walk of varying landscape and terrain with good views of the ridge and from the ridge. Note that the final descent to Almudaina is steep, stony and loose, and can be very tricky to safely negotiate.
21	Famorca - Malla del Llop - Pla de la Casa - Quatretondeta	3	13,50	970	1040	5,50	Ascend to the high peak behind Famorca for wonderful views from a ridge walk. Then ascend the highest peak in the Serrella Range, Pla de la Casa (1379m) before visiting ‘Africa’ and descending to Quatretondeta. Some rough and loose mountain terrain, in a fantastic mountain environment with distant views.
22	Famorca - Malla del Llop – Famorca circuit	3	12,00	720	720	5,50	A walk to the high peak behind Famorca for wonderful views with a descent down a wild remote valley, and high hillside return to Famorca. Also include a visit to a walled cave.
23	Famorca - Malla del Llop – Castell de Castells	3	14,00	870	1030	6,00	A walk to the high peak behind Famorca for wonderful views with a descent down a wild remote valley, the opportunity to visit a Moorish castle, and descend to the village of Castell de Castells.
24	Famorca - Malla del Llop – Castell de Castells – Famorca circuit	4	23,50	1260	1260	8,00	A high peak, a scramble, a descent down a wild remote valley, the opportunity to visit a Moorish castle. Then descend to the village of Castell de Castells and walk back up to the start point at Famorca.
25	Famorca - Castle – Castell de Castells	2	11,00	510	660	5,00	A walk from the village of Famorca across a remote hillside onto a high ridge, the opportunity to visit a Moorish castle, and descend to the village of Castell de Castells.
26	Castell de Castells to Facheca	2	12,00	420	190	4,50	A walk into an intensively cultivated valley and across a wild remote hillside, but still ‘village to village’, and with the possibility of extending the walk to Benimassot.

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27	Castell de Castells – Malla del Llop - Facheca	3	13,50	890	700	6,00	From the village of Castell de Castells, a mild ascent into a rough wild valley. Climb a high mountain in the Sarrella Range and a loose descent. Finally walk down a charming valley to the village of Facheca.
28	Castell de Castells - Malla del Llop - Pla de la Casa - Quatretondeta	4	19,50	1290	1220	8,00	From the village of Castell de Castells to Quatretondeta – the hard way. On the way visit a Moorish castle and three peaks all over 1300 metres high.
29	Challenge - Castells de Castells - Malla del Llop - Pla de la Casa - Serrella - Quatretondeta	4	25,00	1520	1450	9,00	From the village of Castell de Castells to Quatretondeta – the hard way. On the way visit a Moorish castle and four peaks all over 1300 metres high.
30	Castell de Castells to Quatretondeta	2	20,00	475	460	6,50	A walk into an intensively cultivated valley and across a wild remote hillside, down a river bed but still ‘village to village’.
31	Castell de Castells - La Llacuna circuit	2	17,00	470	470	5,50	A circular walk into the hills behind the village of Castell de Castells. A delightful path up, an open high-level track which offers splendid views of the surrounding mountainous landscape, and a descent through wooded hillsides. Also the opportunity to visit old lime kilns, a large well, and spectacular rock arches. Note that the total distance includes the diversions to see these sights and can be reduced to 13½ kilometres if they are all omitted.
32	Castell de Castells and Bolulla Castle	3	16,50	720	550	6,00	Walk up from near Castell de Castells to see some spectacular scenery including rock arches, ravines, a ruined castle on top of a peak, a wild rugged valley, and a gorge – all on easily followed paths.
33	Bolulla Castle – Grade 3	3	13,00	540	540	5,50	A gentle walk with modest ascent for grade 3 – except for the scramble up to the castle – passing terraces, ravines, a gorge, and the chance to visit spectacular rock arches.
34	Bolulla Castle – Grade 2	2	12,00	400	400	5,00	Some spectacular scenery including rock arches, ravines, a ruined castle on top of a peak, a wild rugged valley, and a gorge – all on easily followed paths.
35	Bolulla Castle via Bollulla Valley	3	15,00	610	610	5,75	A gentle descent into a lush valley, a scramble up to a castle, pass terraces, ravines, a gorge, and the chance to visit spectacular rock arches.
36	Malafi Gorge to Castell de Castells	2	16,50	260	480	6,50	A long walk with fantastic scenery in a deep gorge, the chance to see ancient rock paintings, and a finish in the village of Castell de Castells.
37	Malafi Gorge and Serra d’Alfaro	4	23,00	540	540	7,50	A long day out. However, you will be rewarded with fantastic scenery in a deep gorge, have the chance to see ancient rock paintings, and, on the edge of the gorge, maybe have the possibility of seeing a Golden Eagle. Note that this walk involves a not insubstantial distance climbing on what can be hot, dry tracks and there is no opportunity en-route for replenishing water containers.
38	Barranc de Malafi – Escarpment and Alcalá	3	19,50	390	510	6,25	Walk down a steep-sided gorge, enjoy a scramble, make a visit to a Moorish ‘larder’ and ruins, and to a rock arch, view a lush valley leading to the coast, and see a Moorish village. A full day out.
39	Tossal Blanc - circuit	2	15,50	415	415	5,00	An ascent of one of the highest peaks on the Almudaina Ridge. With wonderful views to both sides of the ridge, this walk is on terrain varying from forest track, to rough rock, and to road. Includes a stroll through the picturesque village of Benimassot.

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40	Benimassot - Barranc de Encantada - Planes	3	16,00	540	820	6,25	A walk from village to village starting with a traverse of the Almudaina Ridge and then a visit to the village of Catamerruc before seeing the breathtaking scenery in the gorge of Barranc de Encantada. Finish with a visit to the hermitage of Santo Cristo. Mostly on good forest track or mountain path, but there are short sections rough underfoot. An extension is available to get closer to the scenery of the gorge, and a shortcut saves the ascent to the hermitage.
41	Tossal Blanc – Valley return to Quatretondeta	2	18,00	420	640	5,50	Look at the Almudaina Ridge from both sides now. A walk on terrain varying from forest track, to rough rock, to road and stream bed. Views from both sides of the ridge and ascend one of the highest peaks on it. Descend to a valley bottom to return to Quatretondeta.
42	Tossal Blanc – through Benimassot - Valley return to Quatretondeta	2	17,50	420	640	5,50	Look at the Almudaina Ridge from both sides now. A walk on terrain varying from forest track, to rough rock, to road and stream bed. Views from both sides of the ridge and ascend one of the highest peaks on it. Descend through the village of Benimassot to a valley bottom to return to Quatretondeta.
43	Almudaina Ridge to Millena	2	14,00	290	370	5,00	Walk the length of the Almudaina Ridge from east to west with views to both sides. Easy walking but with a steep descent to the village of Millena at the end.
44	Pla del Pedregar – Alcala circuit	3	19,00	530	530	5,50	A day spent, mainly, on easy forest tracks with two ice houses and Moorish ruins to see, and a visit to the village of Alcala de la Jovada.
45	Pla del Pedregar - Alcala - Benissiva	2	17,50	250	785	5,00	Start on easy forest tracks with two ice houses and Moorish ruins to see, and a visit to the village of Alcala de la Jovada. Then to an escarpment for view into a lush valley and to the coast, and the possibilities of visits to a rock arch and a Moorish 'larder'. Steep descent into the orange-groves in the valley of Gallinera.
46	Alcala to Quatretondeta	2	17,75	430	400	5,25	Walk from village of Alcala de la Jovada, see Moorish ruins, spacious forest, and the views from both sides of the Almudaina Ridge. Descend through the village of Benimassot a valley bottom to Quatretondeta. A walk through differing landscapes and on terrain varying from forest track to road and stream bed.
47	Alcala to Benimassot	2	17,50	505	385	5,50	Walk from village of Alcala de la Jovada, see Moorish ruins, spacious forest, and the views from both sides of the Almudaina Ridge. Ascend one of the highest peaks on the ridge, and finish in the village of Benimassot. A walk on terrain varying from forest track, to rough rock, to road. A shortcut is possible to cut 5½ kilometres from the distance and 100 metres from the ascent.
48	Alcala - escarpment circuit	2	13,50	420	420	5,00	Come and join the magical history tour - based on the village of Alcala de la Jovada taking in a visit to a Moorish village, a rock arch, a Moorish 'larder', an ice house and fantastic views down a lush valley towards the coast.
49	Alcala - Gallinera valley circuit	2	14,75	480	480	5,50	Come and join the magical history tour - based on the village of Alcala de la Jovada taking in a visit to a Moorish village, a rock arch, a Moorish 'larder', an ice house and venture down into the lush valley of Gallinera.
50	Benissili Castle - Alcala	3	16,50	690	590	6,00	Look at a castle and enjoy a long rough ridge walk with fantastic views down a lush valley towards the coast and a visit to a rock arch and a Moorish 'larder'. Finish with an ice house and the village of Alcala de la Jovada.
51	Benissili Castle - Alcala - Benissiva	3	14,50	660	890	5,50	Look at a castle and enjoy a rough ridge walk with fantastic views down a lush valley towards the coast. Visit the village of Alcala de la Jovada, a Moorish village, a rock arch and a Moorish 'larder' before descending a mule track to Benissiva. A shortcut is available which cuts the length by 1½ kilometres but also cuts out the visit to the Moorish village.
52	Benissili Castle - Alcala - Pla del Pedregar	3	16,00	730	510	6,00	Look at a castle and enjoy a long rough ridge walk with fantastic views down a lush valley towards the coast and a visit to a rock arch. Visit ruins of a Moorish village and farm and visit the village of Alcala de la Jovada.

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54	Three Gorges	3	12,50	950	950	5,50	A walk of up and down (and up and down, and up and down) going into the bottom of three gorges. If the next pace is not a step up, it must be a step down. Thrilling limestone scenery, vegetation, and old settlements, and has the 'up and down' been mentioned?
55	Benimaurell - Serra del Penyo circuit	3	10,00	340	340	3,00	A rough mountain path on a high ridge with excellent views – if you have the confidence to lift your eyes from where you are placing your feet!
56	Three Gorges and Serra del Penyo	4	19,50	1050	1050	7,50	A walk of up and down (and up and down, and up and down) going into the bottom of three gorges. If the next pace is not a step up, it must be a step down. Thrilling limestone scenery, and then along a rough mountain path on a high ridge with excellent views – if you have the confidence to lift your eyes from where you are placing your feet. Optional scramble up a peak included.
57	Fleix - Serra del Penyo – Barranc de L'Infern circuit	3	15,50	790	790	6,00	A rough mountain path on a high ridge with excellent views – if you have the confidence to lift your eyes from where you are placing your feet – followed by a descent into a dramatic gorge. Optional scramble up a peak included.
58	Fleix to Vall de Ebo	2	14,25	430	470	4,50	A walk from village to village through some magnificent scenery centred on the impressive gorge of 'Barranc De L'Inferno'. The route crosses the gorge twice and further exploration of the magnificent rock scenery deep down in the gorge can be made. Thrilling limestone scenery, vegetation, and old settlements. Note that the upper gorge can get flooded in times of wet weather and an alternative route is included to avoid these conditions.
59	Vall de Ebo to Alcala	2	15,25	470	220	5,00	A walk from village to village featuring the ridge between the Ebo and Gallinera valleys, a rock arch and a couple of historical sites near to Alcala. The views are wonderful from the top of the ridge although the way up to it involves a small path which may be difficult to follow if overgrown and a stretch in a stream bed which cannot be recommended in wet conditions (see description of an alternative if wet). The ridge itself was subject to a devastating forest fire in 2009 and may still be presenting a bleak aspect due to the lack of greenery.
60	Lorcha – Serpis Gorge – Font Olbits circuit	2	14,50	410	410	5,00	A circuit from Lorcha featuring the watery Serpis Gorge, walking on a disused railway line, a steep ascent out of the gorge to views from a balcony road, and a descent back to Lorcha by way of another smaller gorge.
61	Lorcha – Serpis Gorge– Les Majones circuit	3	17,50	430	430	6,00	A circuit from Lorcha featuring the watery Serpis Gorge, walking on a disused railway line, a steep ascent to a balcony road, and a descent by way of another smaller gorge.
62	Lorcha – Serpis Gorge– La Safor circuit	4	18,50	840	840	7,00	A long day out with an arduous, sustained ascent rewarded by varied terrain and some of the best views in the region.
63	Serra de la Albureca - Barranc de Encantada	2	13,00	250	560	4,50	A walk high up on a hillside with distant views, beside a dramatic gorge with the possibility of seeing eagles, along a ridge with further views and a finish at the mouth of the gorge. Good tracks, paths and roads throughout.
64	Barranc de Encantada - Hermitage of Santa Cristo - Circular	2	12,00	360	360	4,50	Walk beside a spectacular gorge with the possibility of spying eagles. See the far views from a ridge and, after a sustained climb, also from a hermitage. After a walk into a cultivated valley, see the gorge from another aspect as you cross high up on the hillside.

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65	Almudaina - Tossal Blanc - Benimassot - Quatretondeta	3	16,50	600	575	5,50	A walk from Almudaina to the ridge with extensive views from both sides of the ridge and ascend the highest peaks on it. Descend through the picturesque village of Benimassot to a valley bottom to return to Quatretondeta. A variety of landscapes and terrain varying from forest track, to rough mountain path and rock, to road and stream bed.
66	Gaianes - ridge - Benicadell	3	12,50	850	850	6,00	A walk to, and along, the ridge of an isolated, impressive peak with extensive views from the summit. A hard day with some ascent and descent on very steep rough terrain and a scramble to the very highest point of Benicadell (1104m).
67	Gaianes - canal - Benicadell	3	13,25	770	770	6,50	A rough steep ascent to the summit of Benicadell, an isolated, impressive peak with extensive views. Visit an ice house and enjoy those views from along the main ridge. A hard day due to the terrain and the scramble to the very highest point, 1104m.
68	Gaianes - low track - Benicadell	3	17,50	1030	1030	6,50	A walk over the summit of an isolated, impressive peak with extensive views from the summit. A hard day with over 1,000 metres of ascent (some of it on very steep rough terrain) and a scramble to the very highest point of Benicadell (1104m).
69	Gaianes - canal - Benicadell - ridge - Port d'Albaida	3	12,50	790	650	6,00	A rough steep ascent to the summit of Benicadell, an isolated, impressive peak with extensive views. Visit a couple of ice houses and enjoy those views from the walk along the full length of the high ridge. A hard day due to the terrain and the scramble to the very highest point, 1104m. The ultimate Benicadell day!
70	Port d'Albaida - ridge - Benicadell	2	16,00	550	550	5,50	A walk on good paths along the ridge of an isolated, impressive peak with extensive views from the summit. Visit a couple of ice houses and enjoy an optional short scramble to the very highest point of Benicadell (1104m).
71	Port d'Albaida - ridge - Benicadell - low track	3	19,50	675	675	6,50	A walk on good paths along the ridge of an isolated, impressive peak with extensive views from the summit. Visit a couple of ice houses and enjoy an optional short scramble to the very highest point of Benicadell (1104m). Then a long way along the side of the hill for views to the north.
72	Agres - Montcabrer - Alcoy	3	18,50	910	930	6,50	A walk from the village of Agres (reached by train) over the summit of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains, Montcabrer (1390m), and to the railway station in Alcoy. A long day out, which includes many varied landscapes, a visit to an ice house, and rough mountain walking.
73	Sant Cristofol - MontCabrer - Muro	3	15,00	960	1070	6,25	A walk to the summit of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains, Montcabrer (1392m). Visit an ice house and descend towards the town of Muro. A long ascent which is rewarded by views of many varied landscapes.
74	Sant Cristofol - Montcabrer circuit (grade 3)	3	17,00	870	870	6,25	A circular walk over the summit of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains, Montcabrer (1390m). A long day out, which includes many varied landscapes and rough mountain walking.
75	Sant Cristofol - Montcabrer circuit (grade 4)	4	20,00	1020	1020	7,00	A circular walk over the summit of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains, Montcabrer (1390m). A long day out, which includes many varied landscapes, a visit to an ice house, and rough mountain walking.
76	Barranc del Zinc - Montcabrer to Muro	3	17,00	800	1020	6,50	A walk up a steep-sided gorge and to the summit of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains. Descend a mountain path towards the town of Muro de Alcoy.
77	Barranc del Zinc - Montcabrer to Cocentaina	3	16,00	750	960	6,00	A walk up a steep-sided gorge and to the summit of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains. Descend a mountain path to the old town of Cocentaina.
78	Barranc del Zinc - Col de Sabata to Cocentaina	2	14,00	410	640	5,00	A walk up a steep-sided gorge and to a viewpoint on the south side of the third highest peak of the Alicante Mountains. Take a mountain path and descend to the old town of Cocentaina.

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79	Vultures	2	10,00	420	420	4,50	Vultures guaranteed! A walk through the spectacular gorge, Barranc de Zinc, and past the vulture colony. An airy ridge on the rim of the gorge, visit a chapel and a steep descent towards Alcoy.
80	Font Roja Park and El Menejador	2	7,00	320	320	2,50	A pleasant short-ish walk to the highest point of a nature park near to Alcoy, Parc Natural del Carrascal de la Font Roja which offers good view over a variety of landscapes.
81	Carrasqueta Ridge - Plans	2	13,50	520	520	4,75	Ramble up the ridge with fine views all the way to a high peak, and amble back again. An extension is possible to visit a well preserved ice house.
82	Carrasqueta Ridge – Plans - Torremanzanas	2	11,25	420	600	4,50	Ramble up the ridge with fine views all the way to a high peak, visit a well preserved ice house, and drop down to the village of Torremanzanas.
83	Carrasqueta Ridge – Plans - Torremanzanas (path descent)	2	12,00	420	600	4,50	Ramble up the ridge with fine views all the way to a high peak, visit a well preserved ice house, and take a mountain path descent to drop down to the village of Torremanzanas.
84	Carrasqueta Ridge – Plans- Plans north ridge	2	12,50	490	720	5,00	Ramble up one ridge with fine views all the way to a high peak, visit an ice hose and amble down another ridge with equally good views.
85	Torremanzanas - Plans - Carrasqueta Ridge	3	12,00	600	420	5,50	From the village of Torremanzanas up a track to visit a well preserved ice house, and a high peak. Then ramble down the ridge with fine views all the way.
86	Plans north ridge - Plans - Carrasqueta Ridge	3	12,50	745	500	5,25	Ascend the north ridge of a high peak, visit a well preserved ice house, then ramble down the west ridge with fine views all the way.
87	Benifallim – Plans – Plans north ridge	3	12,50	700	660	5,50	From a picturesque village with a ruined castle to visit. High up through woods, views, and remote valley, to an ice house and high summit. Long descent on a ridge with yet more views.
88	La Grana	2	13,50	340	340	4,75	Want to see the sea? A walk with wonderful views to the coast and to the highest mountains of Alicante province, along good tracks throughout but enjoying woods, open ridges, and a fair amount of ‘up and down’.
89	Puerto de Tudons to Font Forada and Benifato Castle	2	14,50	520	540	5,50	A walk offering staggering distant views, and close ups of cliffs and military installation, an interesting ‘stepped’ trough, and a visit to a ruined castle.
90	Puerto de Tudons - Font Forada - Benifato Castle Grade 3	3	15,00	565	610	5,50	A walk offering staggering distant views, and close ups of cliffs and military installation, an interesting ‘stepped’ trough, and a visit to a ruined castle. Some rough terrain underfoot.
91	Benifato Castle - Aitana circuit	3	18,00	820	820	6,25	A walk (steep in places) from a Moorish Castle to the highest of the Alicante Mountains. Spectacular mountain scenery and a long ridge walk with views to the coast.
92	Benifato Castle - Aitana circuit grade 4	4	22,50	1085	1085	7,00	A walk (with a bit of a scramble) from a Moorish Castle to the highest of the Alicante Mountains. Spectacular mountain scenery and a long ridge walk with views to the coast.
93	Partagas - Aitana circuit	3	13,50	670	670	5,50	A walk (and a bit of a scramble) to the highest of the Alicante Mountains. Spectacular mountain scenery and a long ridge walk with views to the coast.
94	Partagas - Barranc de la Arc	2	12,75	330	880	5,00	A walk through cultivated terraces, over a high mountain ridge and into a valley with stunning views not only of distant mountains and valleys, but also of close up dramatic rock scenery. Also marvel at close views of Puig Campana and ‘The Shark’s Teeth’. Although use is made of some good tracks, the route also includes stretches on mountain paths.

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95	Partagas - Panya Roc - circuit	3	14,75	580	580	5,25	A walk up to the high Aitana ridge and then stiffly up to an impressive peak with excellent views. Return is made, sometimes on rough mountain terrain, on the north-east side of the hills high above Guadalest.
96	Beniarda - Guadalest Reservoir circuit	1	11,25	190	190	3,25	A walk all the way round the reservoir at Guadalest starting from the village of Beniarda. This short-ish walk on good terrain can easily be combined with a visit to the castle and village of Guadalest.
97	Barranc de la Arc - Penya Roc - Partagas	3	14,25	900	340	5,50	A walk up a pleasant valley through stunning rock scenery and then stiffly up to an impressive peak with excellent views. After a ridge walk, descend from the high Aitana ridge to a spring and picnic area on the north side.
98	Barranc de La Arc	2	11,50	410	410	4,50	A walk of stunning views not only of distant mountains and valleys, but also of close up dramatic rock scenery. Also marvel at close views of Puig Campana and 'The Shark's Teeth'. Although mostly on good tracks, the route also includes a couple of awkward moments on mountain paths.
99	Monte Ponoch	3	13,25	730	730	5,25	Look down on the beach-holidaymakers! Climb through spectacular mountain scenery to the summit of an isolated peak with views to the coastal resorts. Enjoy close views of the eminence, Puig Campana, and marvel at the 'shark's teeth' ridge.
100	Puig Campana	4	10,50	1020	1020	6,25	A steep direct ascent to the second highest peak of the Alicante Mountains, Puig Campana recognised from afar by the distinct notch in its skyline. Wonderful views from the summit followed by a rocky descent and pleasant stroll around the mountain. N.B. some of the terrain involved is really only for hardened mountain walkers.
101	Bernia	3	11,00	630	630	6,00	Come and do Bernia – circle it, climb it, even go through it! A circuit of Bernia offering wonderful views, especially of the coast, a ruined fort, scramble up one of the most impressive peaks in the region, and crawl through a rock tunnel.
102	Tarbena to Castell de Castells	2	14,75	380	390	5,00	A walk from village to village on roads and track with occasional bits of path. Good views of coast and mountains without going too high. The chance to extend the walk to see some spectacular rock arches or the chance to shorten the walk if the weather is too bad.
103	Coll de Rates to Castell de Castells	3	17,00	600	670	6,50	A walk along the ridge of the Sierra del Carrascal de Parcent and the Cordilleras to descend into the village of Castell de Castells. Splendid views of the surrounding mountainous landscape and of the coast although the way underfoot is sometimes rough and on awkward-to-find sheep trods. N.B. Due to the indistinct paths and rolling landscape this route should be attempted only in good weather with good visibility.