



Jimera de Libar - Molino del Santo

Summary: The most popular walk for Molino guests. A relatively gentle 8km following the river valley back from the next station along a well-worn trail. Impossible to get lost as long as you keep the river on your left. Shade in the mornings on hotter days.

Check Renfe.com for Benaojan-Montejaque to Jimera de Libar, or ask at reception.

Distance: 8 km

Walking Time: Allow 2.5 hours

Difficulty: Low to Medium

Starting Point: Jimera de Libar train station

Description

You will arrive at one of two platforms. The first step is to distinguish the platform you're on.

1. If you arrive on the platform furthest away from the station building, face the station building, follow the platform right and cross over both lines. Continue the instructions from the other platform.
2. If you arrive on the platform nearest the train station building, take the exit out of the train station and walk downhill to the river.

At the old railway carriage, now a cafe bar, head right and walk past the houses on your left for 75 metres. Turn right alongside the river, cross the railway over the big green bridge.

With the river to your left, there is a path. Follow this path for 7.5km with the river always on your left.

Half way is after you have crossed a stream bed and headed inland for fourty metres or so. There are some sturdy wooden posts on your left protecting a drop to the railway line. After this you pass two railway tunnels and then descended a hill. Between these two features is the half way point so you can gauge how long you have left.

You will arrive at an abandoned farm house, stay right and cross a small stream with a large incline after.

Keep walking, and you will arrive at two abandoned houses, one on the right with palm trees.

Keep walking until you pass the stepping stones and arrive at a house on your right just before the bridge above you that crosses the river. There is a small path upwards to the road. Walk up this track, join the road and turn left, walking across the bridge, over the river and the train track.

At the junction into Benaoján station, turn left down the hill, walking past the Cerdito Andaluz on your right and an urbanisation to your left. Walk past Ankanita on your right, with the railway track on your left, then turn right at the house with the potted flowers on the outside, then left over the small bridge. Finally, turn right up the hill back to Molino del Santo.