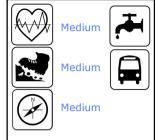
Ruta Medieval: Busquístar - Juviles

Encompassing the spectacular River Trevélez valley, steeply terraced farmland and the quaint village of Nieles, the Ruta Medieval is the Alpujarras in a nutshell. Wherever possible it follows stone paths that have been used by local

Key Facts	
Length	13.5 km
Time	5 hours
Min/Max Altitude	965 m /1384 m
Accumulated height difference	829 m
Season	Spring, Autumn, Winter



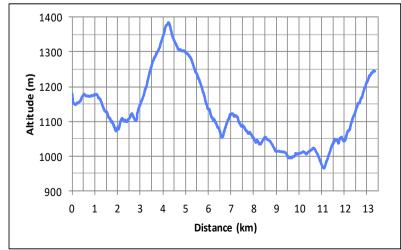
people since the Middle Ages. The climb up from the river is quite tough, but there are great views of the high mountains for you to enjoy when you need a rest.



Getting There

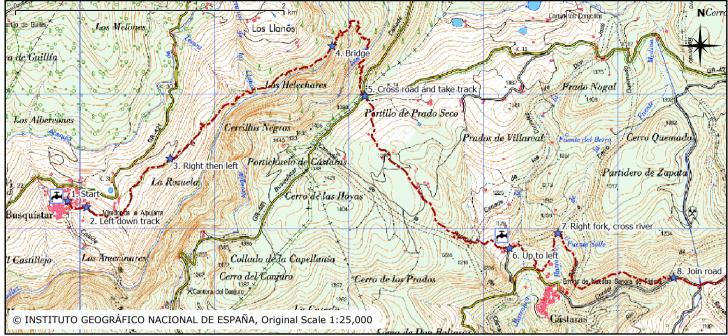
By Car: From Granada, take the E-902/A-44 towards Motril. Take exit 164 and take the A-348 towards Lanjarón. Carry on past Lanjarón and after about a further 8km turn left onto the A-4132, marked towards Trevélez (the turning is just after you enter Órgiva). Follow this road until you get to Busquístar.

By Bus: Busquístar and Juviles are served by Alsa services from Granada bus station (2 per day). You can use the same buses to return to your starting point at the end of the walk. As the buses are infrequent, you need to plan your walk carefully in advance - see *www.alsa.es* for timetables.



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1. Start by the fountain in Busquistar on the opposite side of the main road to the *Caja Granada*. Take



the side road steeply downhill to the left of the fountain. At the bottom you'll see an information panel about the *Ruta Medieval*. The route is quite well marked in most places with wooden posts.



- **2.** 50 m past the sign, take the dirt track to the left and follow it for about 1 km, keeping left.
- **3.** When you reach a signposted junction, turn right and then immediately take a small path on the left of the track. After 100 m, follow the path down to the right, and after another 100 m, turn left onto a bigger path. Follow the path upriver along the side of the valley for about 1.5 km. At one point you cross a small side-river.
- **4.** Cross the stone bridge and take the path steeply uphill on the other side of the river, climbing for about 1.25 km.
- **5.** When you reach a road, cross the side road by the information panel for the next section of the route and continue down a track. After 50 m, when the main track turns left, continue straight on. The track soon turns into a path.

- **6.** Around 2 km from the road, you enter a small cluster of houses. Follow the arrow up to the left.
- 7. When you reach a river after 800 m take the right fork to cross it. About 150 m after the river there has been a small landslip. Scramble up to the left and then continue 100 m until you meet a path again. Turn right onto the path and follow it for about 1 km until you reach a road.
- **8.** Join the road and follow it for 1.25 km until you get to Nieles and continue straight through the village.
- In Nieles, the marked Ruta Medieval takes a big detour off to the right, with a descent into the valley and steep climb up the other side. Our route continues straight ahead. It rejoins the Ruta after a few km.
- **9.** On the other side of Nieles, where the main road turns to the left, take a smaller road to the right and follow it for about
 - 1.5 km.
 - 10. After a steep climb, take a small track to the left by a building. Then keep left, taking a signposted path.
 - **11.** After about 800 m you cross another path. Continue up the hill.
 - **12.** After about another 800m you will arrive in Juviles.

