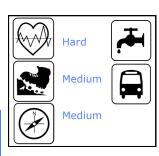
## **Sulayr Capileira - Trevélez**

This is the most accessible leg of the Sulayr long-distance walking route, running between two of the most popular villages in the

Alpujarras. As you walk up from Capileira you get some great views of the high mountains. The trail takes you up into the open landscape of the high Sierra Nevada, before eventually bringing you back down to Trevélez, taking in a number of beautiful waterfalls along the way.

Key Facts	
Length	19 km
Time	6 hours
Min/Max Altitude	1440 m /2215 m
Accumulated height difference	1094 m asc / 999 m desc
Season	Spring, Summer, Autumn



NB: Distances and timings are one-way.

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- **1.** Follow the main road uphill out of Capileira for just over 1km.
- **2.** Turn left onto a path (signposted to Trevélez).
- 3. Follow the main path, going steadily uphill. After about 400m you will cross a dirt road. After a further 250m you meet the road again this time turn right onto it. This is marked with red and white Sulayr posts.
- **4.** On this section there are some great views back to the Sierra Nevada, and after walking along the road for about 700m you'll get to a viewpoint where you can see down to Capileira and Bubión. After this, continue a very short way on the

- main road going uphill and then take the path to the right (marked).
- **5.** Follow the path through a forested area for about 1km. When you emerge into a field, follow the ditch up for about 200m until you get to a Sulayr post. Bear sharp left after this and then follow the path round to the right. Cross a bridge and keep going up until you meet the dirt road again. Turn right onto the dirt road, following the sign to Trevélez.
- 6. After following the road for about 200m, take the path to the right (marked). Follow this uphill for about 1km.7. When you get to a junction with a dirt track, turn left onto the track. After a further 350m, take the path to the right
- 8. Follow the path up alongside a stream for 150m then cross the bridge and turn left straight afterwards. At the time of writing, the path here was a little difficult to follow because of forestry work, but keep going, gradually bearing round to the right, looking out for Sulayr posts.
- **9.** About 400m after the bridge, you will emerge onto the road at *Hoya del Portillo*. This is a car park used by walkers the road is closed to unauthorised vehicles beyond this point. Turn right onto the road.
- **10.** Follow the road for 1.4km and then turn right onto a path (marked). Just before this turn there is a spring where you can refill

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- 11. Follow the path for about 2km, passing two beautiful waterfalls, until you get to a Parque Nacional sign. Take the path downhill here, turning quite sharply to the left (marked).
- 12. After about 1.3km the path makes a sharp bend to the right, and about 150m after this, take the path to the left (marked).
- 13. Follow the path for another 1.3km until you get down to a dirt road. Turn left onto the road. Here the Sulayr route merges with the GR-7 path between Trevélez and Busquístar. Follow the road for 300m. At this point the Sulayr theoretically diverges from the GR-7, carrying on along the road rather than turning off to the right. However, at the time of writing a landslide meant that the Sulayr route was impassable, so

## **turn right onto the path, following the** about another 700m, then when you reach GR-7 signs.

14. The path takes you quite steeply downhill, then crosses a river. About 250m after the river crossing, bear down to the right, then keep right at another fork shortly afterwards. Just after this there is a section where the path has fallen in, so you need to turn up to the left and then cross a field. You will rejoin the main path by a derelict Cortijo (farm).

15. Over the next section, the path is a little indistinct, so look out for red marks on rocks and cairns to guide you, always

heading steeply uphill. About 400m after the derelict farm the path bears left and then does a sharp turn to the right.

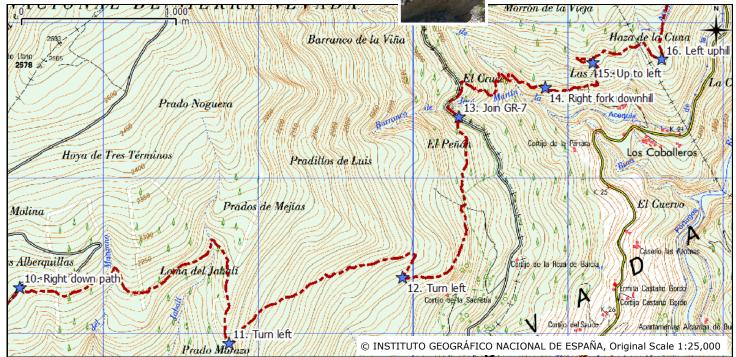
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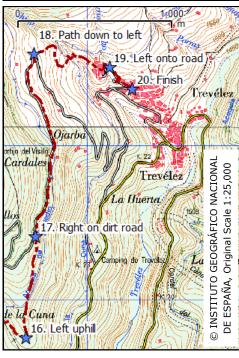
an open area with views down the valley, turn up to the left.

17. After about 700m you emerge again onto the dirt road. Turn right onto the road. After a further 600m you'll see the GR-7 turn off again to the right, but the Sulayr carries on along the road.

18. After another 600m, on a hairpin bend in the road, take the path down to the left (marked).

19. Follow the path winding down towards Trevélez for 300m, until you again meet the GR-7 path. Turn left here towards Trevélez, following the path downhill and across a bridge by a waterfall. When you arrive at the village you'll go through a first group of houses. After this, turn left onto the road and continue down into the main village.







## **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 past Pampaneira, then turn up to the left following signs for Bubión and Capileira.

**By Bus:** Capileira and Trevélez are served by Alsa services from Granada bus station (3 per day), which also stop at other Alpujarran towns, including Órgiva, Lanjarón and Busquistar. You can use the same buses to return to your starting point at the end of the walk.