

Tenerife Sur: Short Walks Under 10 km

La Quinta Circular (Adeje)

Route Summary

This delightful short walk ascends gently through open pine forest before dropping to the spectacular Boca del Paso viewpoint high above the main southern holiday resorts.

See possible access issues below



Route Overview

Duration: About 2 hours.

Transport/Parking: No bus service. Car or taxi, parking beside the church.

Length: 5.170 km / 3.23 mi

Height gain: 256 meter

Height loss: 256 meter

Max Height: 1079 meter

Min Height: 913 meter

Surface: Moderate

Child Friendly: Yes

Difficulty: Easy

Dog Friendly: Yes

Refreshments: None in La Quinta. Nearest at Bar Restaurante Taucho.



Description

It has been reported to us that a local farmer is challenging walkers in this area, indicating that the rough roads on his land are private. Please be aware of this and be prepared to deal with it. Try to keep to any "white/yellow" marked paths designated for walkers where at all possible.

This delightful short circular walk starts and finishes in the tiny hamlet of La Quinta, close to Taucho in the Adeje Ayuntamiento, and ascends gently through open pine forest before dropping to the spectacular Boca del Paso viewpoint high above the main southern holiday resorts. It then returns to the starting point at the Ermita de Santa Margarita in La Quinta. A delightful array of wild flowers lined the route in early January. Much of the pine forest shows signs of forest fire but has fully recovered.



Waypoints

(1) La Quinta - start

(28.14975; -16.72703)

The walk starts and finishes at the Ermita de Santa Margarita in La Quinta, a hamlet close to Taucho in the Adeje ayuntamineto area. There is a hiking information board there and good parking. Looking at the information board, turn to your right and walk towards the walks signpost beside the old Era (threshing circle).



(2) Signpost for Aserradero

(28.14982; -16.72683)

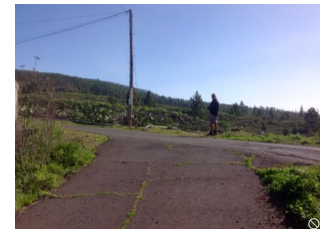
At 21m you will encounter the signpost for Aserradero, beside the threshing circle (Era), follow the path as it gently ascends towards some houses, with the Barranco de la Quinta on your left. (21m)



(3) Cross tarred road

(28.15136; -16.72323)

After 431m ascending on the rough path, and having now turned away from the Barranco, you will meet a narrow tarred road. Cross over the road and re-join the rough path as it descends past a utility post. (452m)



(4) Enter pine forest

(28.14941; -16.72020)

After a further 391m on the rocky path you will start to enter the open pine forest. Continue on the path as it twists and turns, climbing gradually up the hillside, veering right. (843m)



(5) Aserradero signposts

(28.14680; -16.71088)

After 1,157m, walking through the pine forest, on an area of smooth rock, near to the abandoned El Aserradero finca, you will arrive at a walks signpost. You turn off the Ifonche path here, heading downhill in the direction marked for Adeje. Follow the path, often on smooth rock, with an irrigation channel hewn out of the rock by your side. (2km)



(6) Viewpoint for southern resorts

(28.14242; -16.71899)

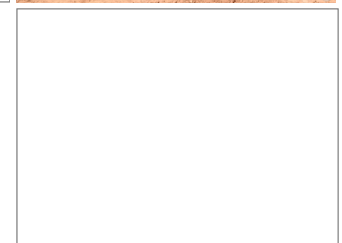
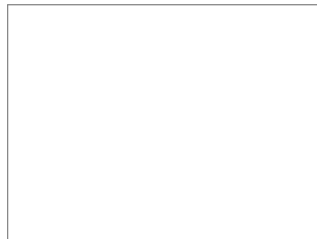
At a further 1km, continuing to walk downhill, you may wish to depart from the track on your left for a short distance to take in the view of Roque del Condo to your left and the main southern holiday resorts of Los Cristianos and Playa de las Americas ahead of you. (3km)



(7) Boca del Paso signposts

(28.14231; -16.72142)

After a further 200m, you will arrive at the Boca del Paso signposts. You will deviate briefly here to your left on the rocky path to Adeje in order to take in the spectacular views at the viewpoint of the mouth of the Barranco itself, and down to Adeje and Costa Adeje. You will then return to the signposts and take the path at first descending into the Barranco de las Torres, signposted for La Quinta. After a short while you will ascend out of the Barranco as the path joins a rough un-tarred road to La Quinta. (3.2km)



(8) Gate on Camino de los Picos

(28.14723; -16.72594)

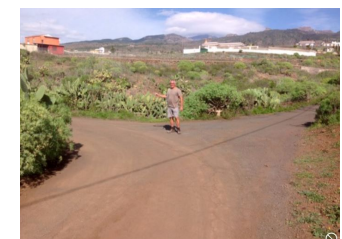
After a further 1.6km, walking through agricultural areas, some abandoned, you will arrive at a set of large green gates. Pass round the end of these gates as you descend to the outskirts of La Quinta. Along the way, before the gates, you may find a rocky path that takes you off the road, arriving at the outskirts of La Quinta by a slightly different route. (4.8km)



(9) Outskirts of La Quinta

(28.14941; -16.72665)

After 300m, the road having become tarred by this point, you will reach a junction on the outskirts of La Quinta. Veer left here, in the direction of the church, down Calle del la Serreria. (5.1km)



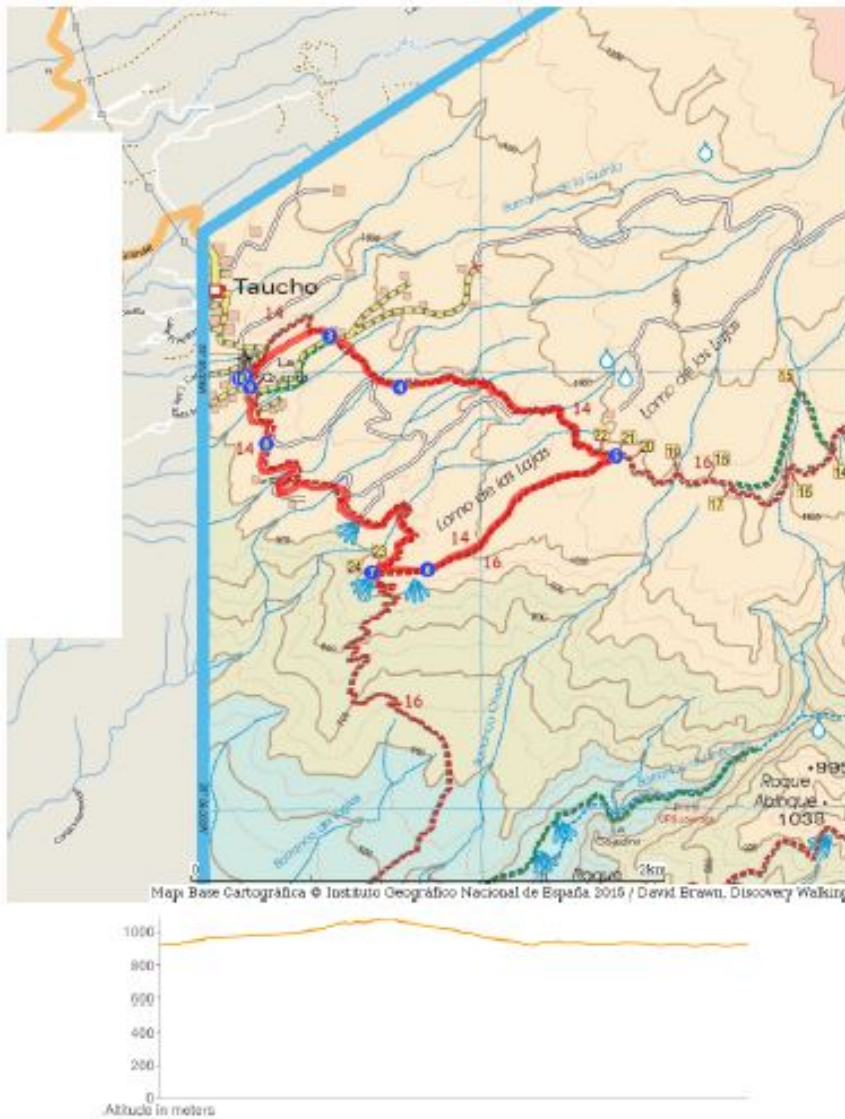
(10) End of walk at La Quinta

(28.14975; -16.72713)

After a further 100m, you will return to your start point outside the Ermita de Santa Margarita. (5.2km)



Route Map



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