

Tenerife Sur: Short Walks Under 10 km

Granadilla-Sobre La Fuente-Cruz de Tea Circular (Granadilla)

Route Summary

This is a varied walk in rural countryside and pine forest on the outskirts of Granadilla, but also taking in buildings of historical interest in the town, the hamlet of Sobre La Fuente, and Cruz de Tea area. The walk involves moderate effort, with an overall ascent of over 400 m.

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Transport/Parking: Titsa 416 from Los Cristianos. Parking just beyond church at side of main road.

Length: 7.440 km / 4.65 mi

Height Gain: 407 meter

Height Loss: 407 meter

Max Height: 973 meter

Min Height: 654 meter

Surface: The surfaces encountered include a rough cobbled camino, and a rough forest road. However, large sections are on quiet, narrow paved rural roads.

Child Friendly: Yes, but only if children are used to strenuous uphill hikes on rough surfaces..

Difficulty: Moderate.

Dog Friendly: Yes.

Refreshments: There is a selection of cafes, restaurants and bars in Granadilla.



Description

This is a moderately strenuous walk that offers an interesting and satisfying variety of environments: the historical centres of Granadilla and Cruz de Tea; an old stone paved camino leading to an ancient spring tied to the origins of Granadilla itself; the little hamlet of Sobre La Fuente – now mostly abandoned; ascending layers of terraced farmland; and, open pine forest. There are, of course, fine views up to mountains at the rim of the Teide Caldera and good views over much of the Granadilla municipality down to the coast and the new Port of Granadilla, now filling up with oil drilling rigs. There are a number of interesting information boards along the route. Although there is an overall ascent of over 400 m, this is an enjoyable walk that will suit hikers of all abilities.



Waypoints

(1) Start at church

(28.12586; -16.57667)

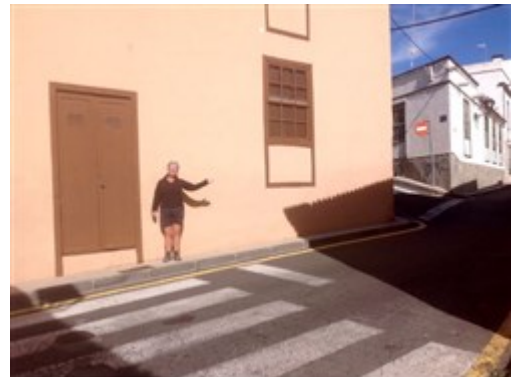
Start the walk at the Iglesia de San Antonio de Padua just off Calle Isaac de Vega in Granadilla. With your back to the main door of the church, facing the Rural Hotel Senderos de Abona, turn right and take the short street uphill.



(2) Right onto Calle de Carmona

(28.12615; -16.57725)

In about 65 m, at the t-junction, turn right onto Calle de Carmona. (66 m)



(3) Pass Molino de Gofio then veer right down Calle La Fuente

(28.12715; -16.57725)

In a further 120, pass the Molino de Gofio (where there is some interesting information about gofio meal) then veer right down Calle La Fuente at the left side of the little Plaza San Pedro. (182 m)



(4) Continue straight on here

(28.12854; -16.57670)

In about 275 m, ignore the turn to your right and continue straight on. The street then bends around to your left a little before ending at the entrance to an old cobble path (camino). Take the cobbled path downhill then follow the path uphill after reaching the lowest point. (358 m)



(5) Pass La Fuente de Lugar

(28.12983; -16.57789)

In about 240 m, now following the path uphill, pass the old spring and stone water tank at La Fuente de Lugar. Continue uphill in a zig-zag fashion, ignoring the path that drops back down into the little barranco. (599 m)



(6) Continue up old camino

(28.13005; -16.57724)

In another 110 m, or so, again ignore a path going downhill and keep going uphill. (712 m)



(7) Turn right and continue up to Sobre la Fuente hamlet

(28.13068; -16.57840)

In another 150 m, having read an information board about the little hamlet of Sobre la Fuente you will see the old buildings above you on your right. Veer right and up towards the buildings where there is another information board. Carry on through the largely abandoned buildings of the hamlet. (860 m)



(8) Veer left on leaving Sobre la Fuente

(28.13131; -16.57776)

In about 100 m, veer left on leaving Sobre la Fuente (there may be a wooden sign painted with the word "Camino") and follow the path/road downhill towards a narrow tarred road. (967 m)



(9) Left and uphill at tarred road

(28.13167; -16.57633)

In 130 m, upon meeting the narrow public tarred road, turn left and follow it uphill, ignoring any turn-offs right or left. Note that the next waypoint is in about 900 m. (1.1 km)



(10) Carry straight on here

(28.13399; -16.58063)

In 900 m, where there is a wide junction to the right on the now concreted road, carry on straight ahead and gently uphill ignoring the turn to the right. (2 km)



(11) Continue up when concrete road ends

(28.13793; -16.58161)

In 500 m, as you begin to enter the pine forest, continue uphill when the concrete road ends, ignoring the turn-off to your left. Continue walking uphill on this rough road through the pine trees, generally veering a little towards your left as you climb. (2.5 km)



(12) Veer left and onwards

(28.14252; -16.58686)

In 800 m, at an angled t-junction veer left and onwards in a roughly westerly direction. (3.3 km)



(13) Straight on towards tarred road

(28.14202; -16.58737)

In just another 100 m, ignore the rough road ascending into the forest and carry straight on towards the narrow tarred road that you can now see a little ahead of you and downhill. Carry on walking on this tarred road as it passes through the area of Las Canales Altas and, with various little ups and downs, gradually descends to the area of Cruz de Tea, heading back in the direction of Granadilla. (3.4 km)



(14) Pass church of Buen Viaje

(28.13672; -16.59307)

In 1.2 km you will arrive at the little church of Nuestra Señora de Buen Viaje. There is a bench there to take a break, if you wish. When ready, carry on downhill on the narrow tarred road. (4.6 km)



(15) Pass old tile oven

(28.13544; -16.59262)

In 200 m, or so, you will pass the old tile kiln, with information board, on your right just after a house. (4.8 km)



(16) Right down Calle Agua by plaza de Santa Lucia

(28.12806; -16.57943)

In 1.9 km, passing through the area of Cruz de Tea with houses and terraces, you will arrive at the Plaza de Santa Lucia on your right side. After checking out the little church and information board, go right and downhill on Calle Agua. (6.7 km)



(17) Right onto Calle San Francisco

(28.12633; -16.57728)

In 400 m, go right onto Calle San Francisco at the t-junction. Pass the back of the Hotel Rural Senderos de Abona and carry on around the bend in the road to the t-junction. (7.1 km)



(18) Left and up Calle Isaac de Vega

(28.12476; -16.57752)

In about 200 m, at the t-junction, go left and up Calle Isaac de Vega (the main street in this part of Granadilla). (7.3 km)



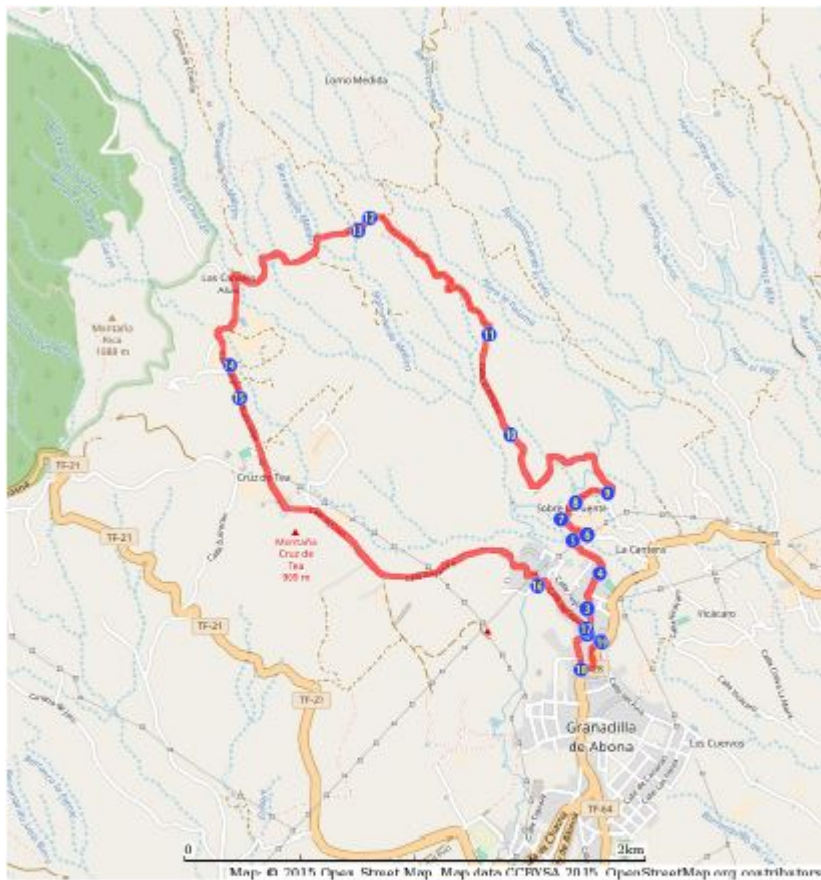
(19) Back at church to finish walk

(28.12583; -16.57661)

Soon, in just over 100 m, you will have arrived back at the church where you started the walk. (7.4 km)



Route Map



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