

Tenerife Sur: Short Walks Under 10 km

La Higuera Ramble (Granadilla)

Route Summary

This is a short walk around the La Higuera area with a moderately strenuous overall ascent of just under 300m. From a pleasant rural landscape, characterised by ochre-coloured dry-stone walls, there are great views of Granadilla and down to the coast.

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Transport/Parking: There is no Titsa bus service to La Higuera. Parking off road at start-point.

Length: 4.390 km / 2.74 mi

Height Gain: 270 meter

Height Loss: 270 meter

Max Height: 874 meter

Min Height: 686 meter

Surface: Rough. However, many parts of the route are on quiet minor tarred roads.

Child Friendly: Yes, but only if children are used to hikes of this distance and overall ascent on rough paths.

Difficulty: Moderate.

Dog Friendly: Yes. On lead in La Higuera and on public roads.

Refreshments: A number of cafe/bar options in Granadilla.



Description

This short walk explores the hamlet of La Higuera and some of the surrounding area, characterised by productive rural terraces and open pines. The ochre coloured dry-stone walls, so familiar in this area, are pleasingly set against a green landscape. There are marvellous views of the town of Granadilla, to the west, and down to the coast, where Montaña Roja and the new Port of Granadilla, with its oil rigs, particularly stand out. The route at first climbs out of the village, soon joining an old camino, and reaching vantage point at the edge of the pine forest. Returning to the settlement, a route is taken to explore the lower area of the village, finally joining an old path that connects with Las Vegas. Here, there is good view to be enjoyed of Barranco la Fuente before returning to the start-point.



Waypoints

(1) Start walk at walks information board

(28.13898; -16.56656)

The walks information board is at the top of the village of La Higuera, where the tarred road ends and a concrete road begins. From the info board, walk up the concrete road.



(2) Sharp left and up old camino

(28.14026; -16.56715)

In about 200 m, look out for a rocky path going sharp left and up. It is indicated by a yellow/white painted marker on a rock a little up the path. Carry on up the path as it crosses the concrete road a couple of times. (194 m)



(3) Left and up concrete road

(28.14265; -16.56701)

In another 450 m, or so, the old camino ends. Go left and up the concrete road. (635 m)



(4) Veer slightly right to take old camino again

(28.14610; -16.56765)

In 365 m, the concrete surface of the road ends as it proceeds uphill. Take the old camino uphill, marked by yellow/white painted strips. The old camino runs parallel to the road at this point. (1.0 km)



(5) Left over low wall and down road

(28.14719; -16.56841)

In just under 150 m, go left and over a low wall and onto the rough road. Go down the road at a bend for a short distance towards an access road with chained access between two posts. (1.2 km)



(6) Right and along access road

(28.14691; -16.56859)

In about 40 m, at an access road on your right with chained access between two posts, go right and along the access road. (1.2 km)



(7) Left and down at wooden house

(28.14662; -16.56933)

In 100 m, or so, as you pass a wooden house (unfinished and apparently abandoned at the time of writing), go left and downhill. (1.3 km)



(8) Over low wall and left down tarred drive

(28.14546; -16.56921)

In another 100 m, or so, go over a low wall and left down a tarred drive by a building (also unfinished and apparently abandoned at the time of writing). (1.4 km)



(9) Left and uphill towards road

(28.14544; -16.56809)

In about 100 m, go left and uphill towards the concrete road you left at Waypoint 4. (1.5 km)



(10) Around barrier and right down road

(28.14604; -16.56772)

In 100 m, go around the access barrier and then right down the concrete road. Now follow the concrete road back to the village of La Higuera, passing your start-point at Waypoint 1 by the walks information board. Continue on down through the village looking for a sharp turn to your left with walks signs. (1.6 km)



(11) Left and downhill at walk signs

(28.13816; -16.56485)

In 1.4 km go sharp left and downhill at walk signs. (3.0 km)



(12) Right and downhill again

(28.13912; -16.56444)

In about 200 m you arrive at a fork in the road. Go right and slightly downhill here. Soon the narrow tarred road starts to ascend up the hillside. (3.2 km)



(13) Veer right to join old camino

(28.14006; -16.56233)

In another 250 m, or so, you will pass the last house on your right as the road turns uphill again. There is a chained barrier on the road at this point. Veer right to join the old camino that runs alongside the large garden of the house which has a high fence with green posts. The old path is once again marked by yellow/white painted strips. (3.45 km)



(14) Turn around and re-trace steps here

(28.14106; -16.56191)

In 150 m, or so, the old camino path reaches a large boulder overlooking the Barranco La Fuente. This is your turn-around point. After taking in the view, re-trace your steps back to the start-point of the walk at the walks information board at the top of the village. (3.2 km)



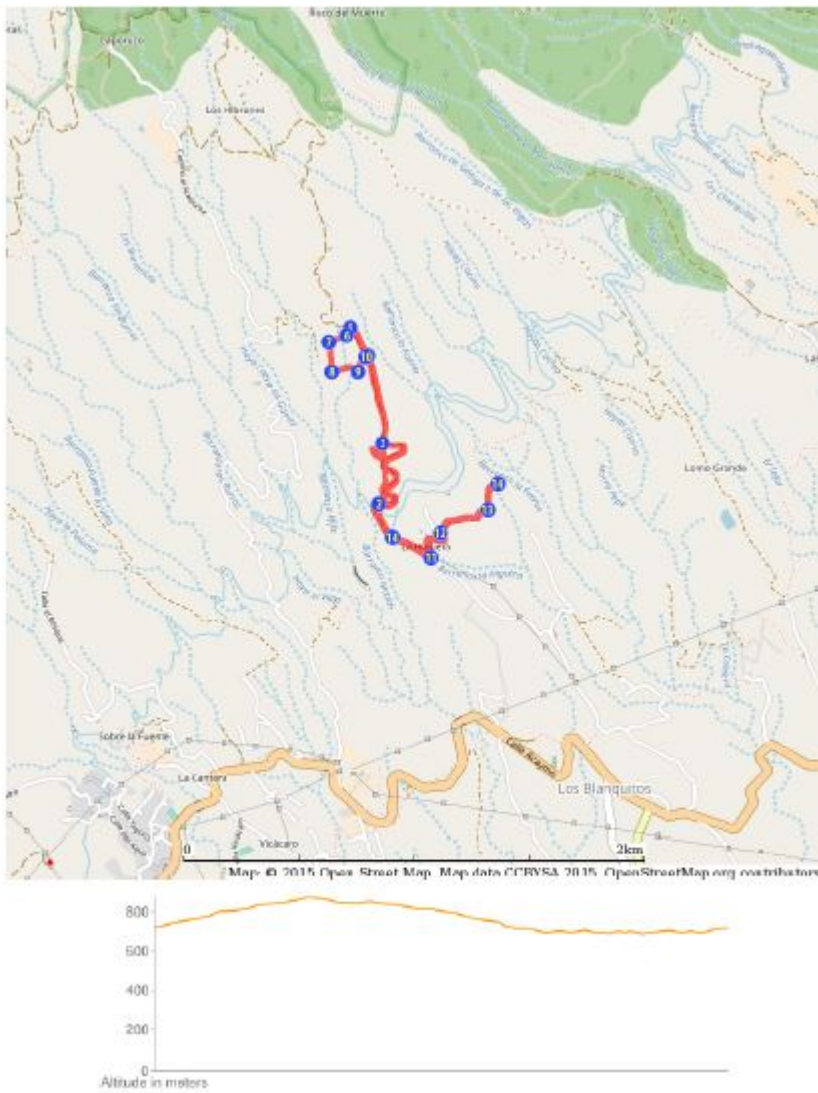
(15) Finish walk at walks information board

(28.13893; -16.56654)

In 800 m, or so, having climbed back up the hill to the start-point of the walk at the walks information board at the top of the village, your ramble around La Higuera is complete. (4.4 km)



Route Map



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