

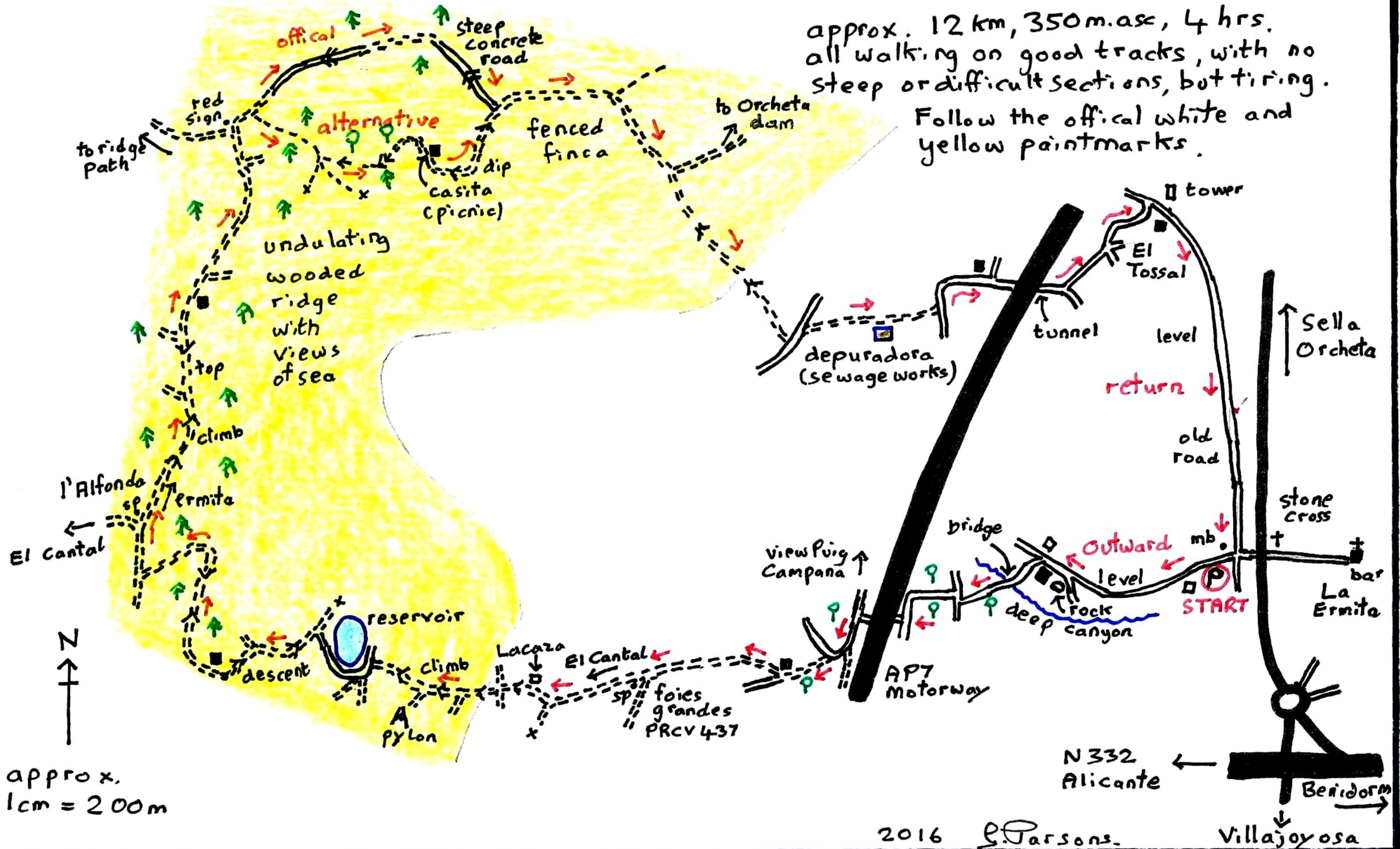
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LA ERMITA (VILLAJOYOSA)

hard moderate circuit

approx. 12 km, 350m.asc, 4 hrs.
all walking on good tracks, with no
steep or difficult sections, but tiring.

Follow the official white and
yellow paintmarks.

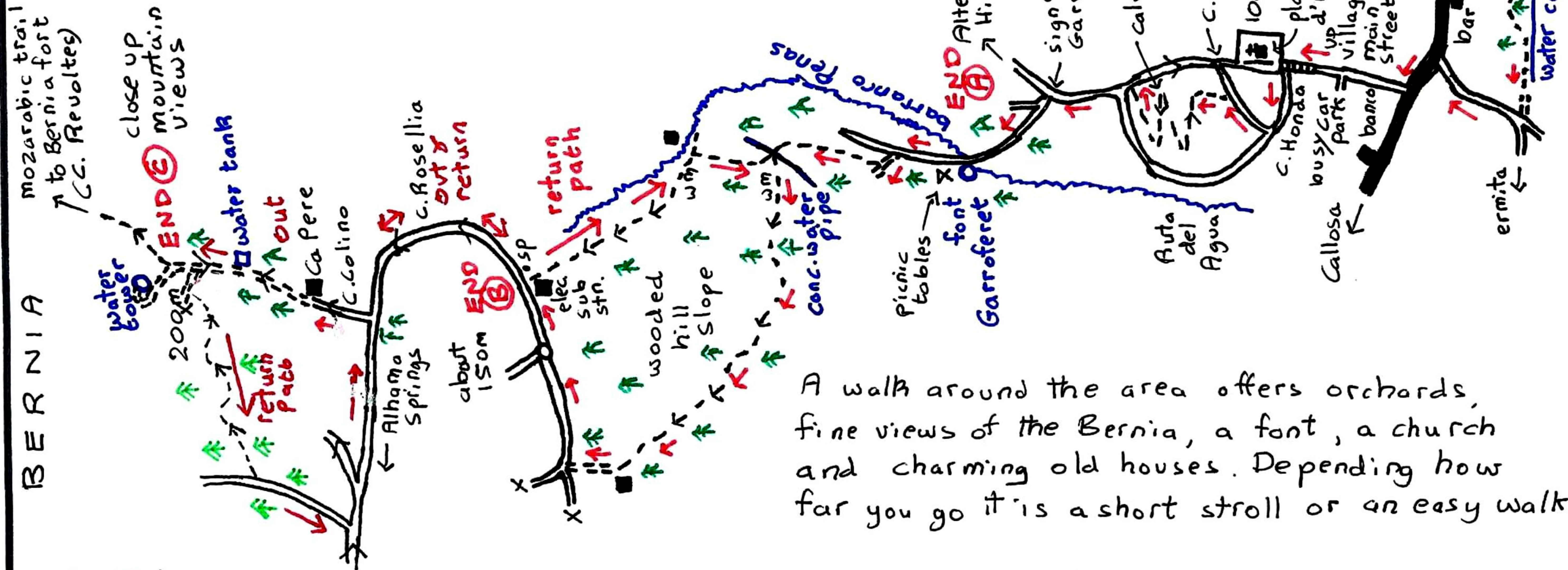


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ALTEA LA VELLA STROLLS

Old Altea was sited due to its reliable water supply. It grew in the 14th C when, being inland, it was safer from Pirate attacks but declined in peaceful times later when New Altea grew into the larger town.



A walk around the area offers orchards, fine views of the Bernia, a font, a church and charming old houses. Depending how far you go it is a short stroll or an easy walk.

- to **(A)** ^ stroll of about an hour, little height gain, shoes adequate.
- to **(B)** ^ easy walk of about 1 1/2 hrs, only 100m to climb but boots needed.
- to **(C)** ^^ longer walk of about 2 hrs, 150 m height gain, boots required.

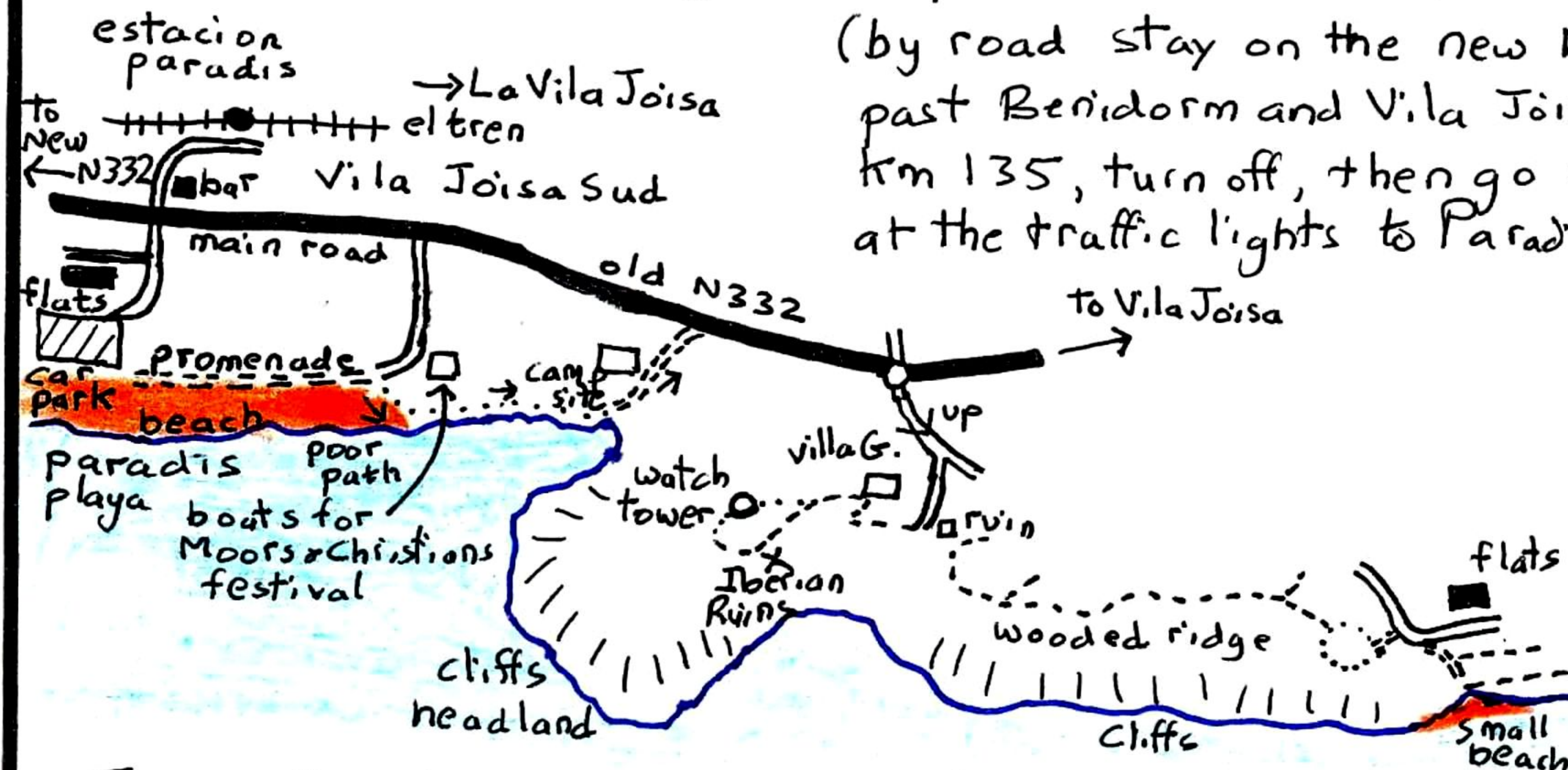


LA VILA JOISA

Easy, about 5km one way (return by el tren), 50masc, 2hrs.

This coastal stroll offers sea views from Benidorm to Alicante, plus mountain views of the eye-catching Puig Campana inland. It is packed with historic interest, so be sure to allow extra time to explore the old centre of Vila Joisa, which is connected by a coastpath to Vila Joisa Sud.

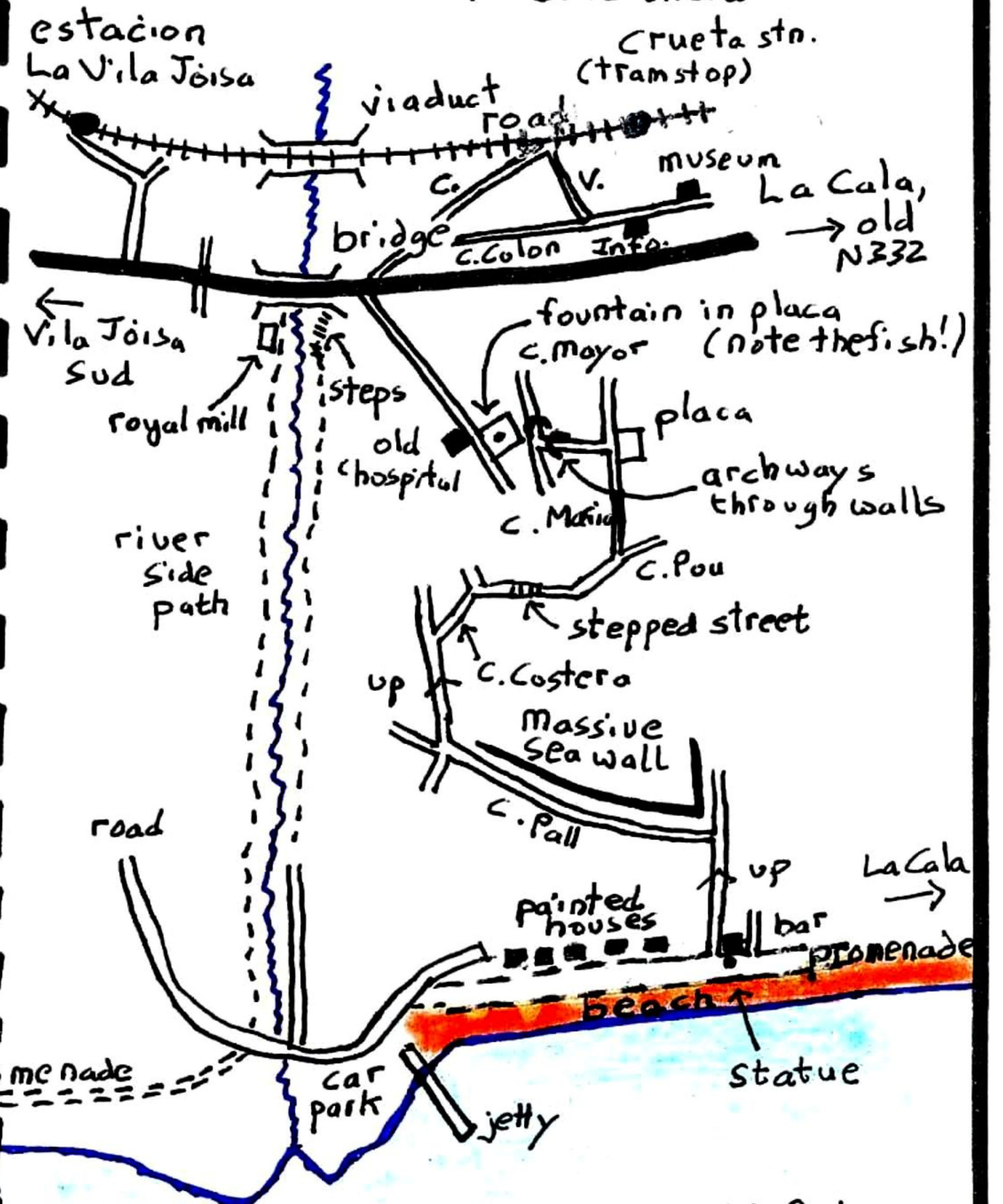
(by road stay on the new N332, past Benidorm and Vila Joisa, to km 135, turn off, then go right at the traffic lights to Paradis Ploya.



The Villa Giacomina, with its Arabian facade, was built in 1910 by Dr Alfonso Esquerdo, a famous psychiatrist and leader of the Republican Party. His statue is just below the old town of Vila Joisa. The Iberian ruins date from the 4th century B.C.

LA VILA JOISA - LARGE SCALE

C = C. Canalejes
V = C. Valencia



Do explore the centre of this old fishing village, protected from raids by the Corsairs (Moroccan pirates) by a huge 'seawall'. In the 13th C pilgrims came by sea and stayed at the 'hospital' prior to walking the 1,128km Camino de Santiago.