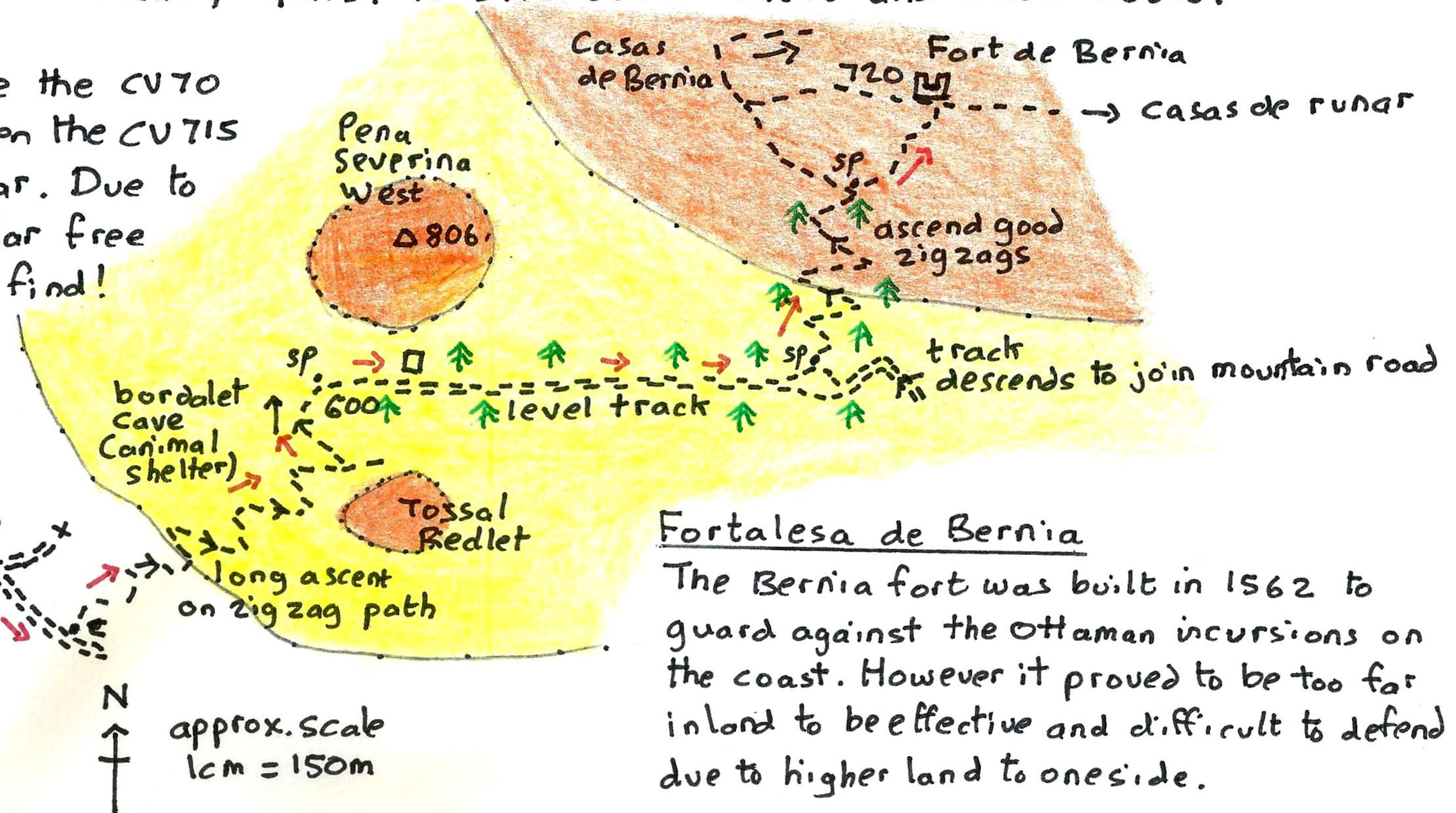
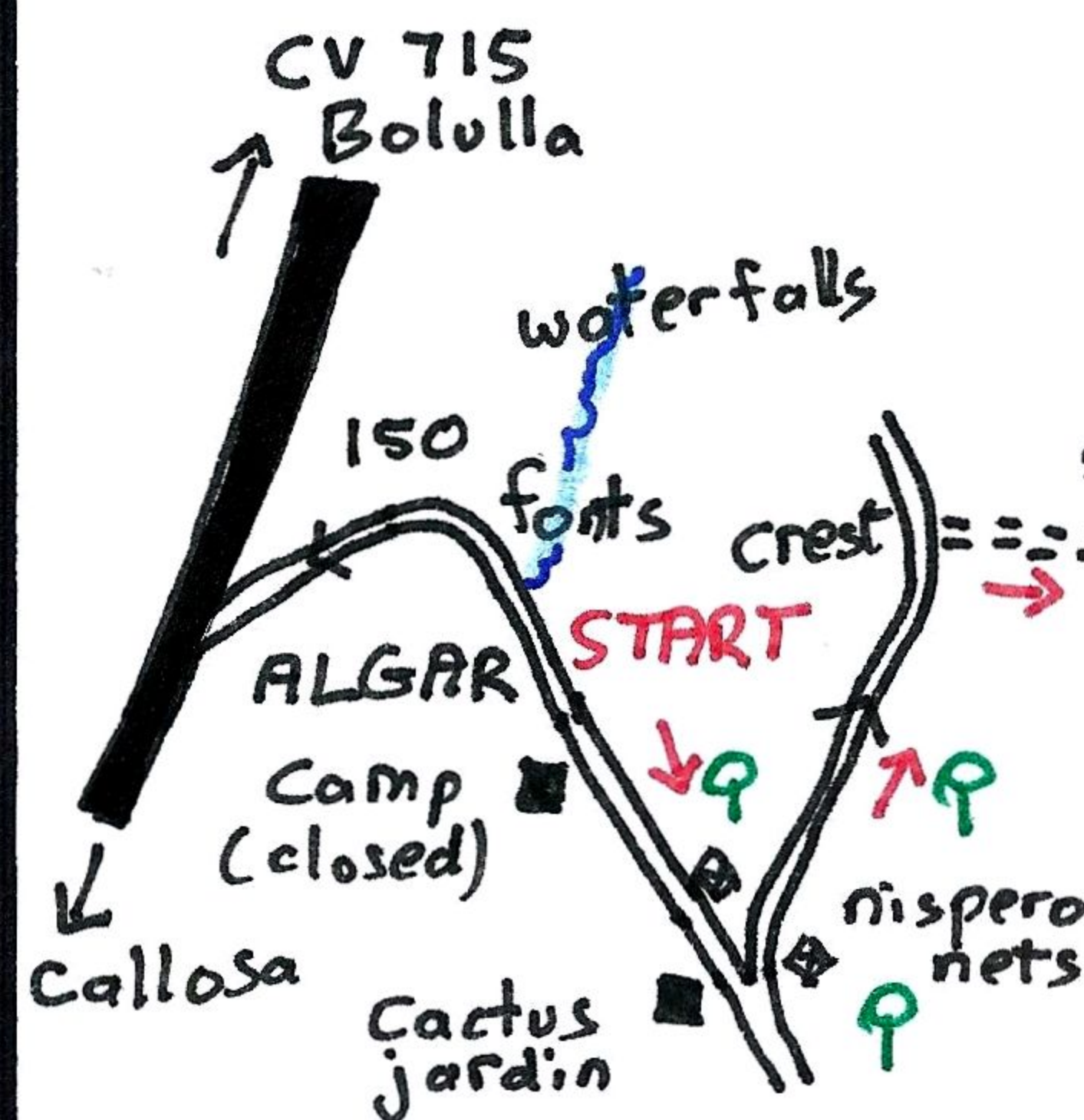


# BERNIA FORT - from l'Algar (Collosa)

approx. 8km, 600m ascent, 4hrs. A strenuous 'there and back' route.

From Benidorm take the CV70 to La Nucia and then the CV715 to Collosa and Algar. Due to the fonts being popular free parking is hard to find!



## Fortalesa de Bernia

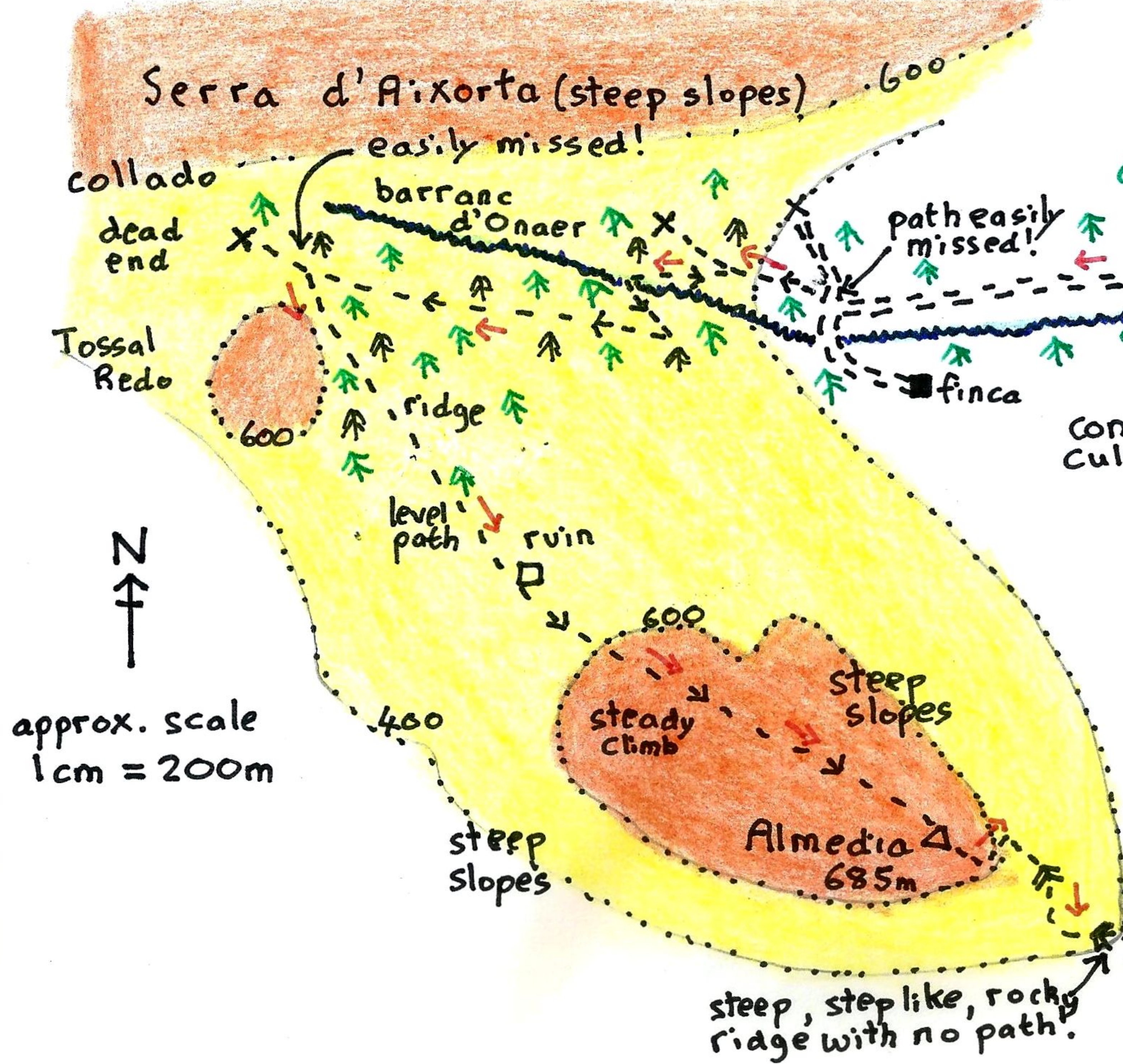
The Bernia fort was built in 1562 to guard against the Ottoman incursions on the coast. However it proved to be too far inland to be effective and difficult to defend due to higher land to one side.

The route is all on good paths, but is hard due to the considerable height gain. Best to take it steady on a day that is not too hot. The views as you rise are extensive and the fort is a worthy objective, a famous ruin set at the foot of the summit of the Bernia. Best to go back the same way.

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# ALMEDIA (Callosa)



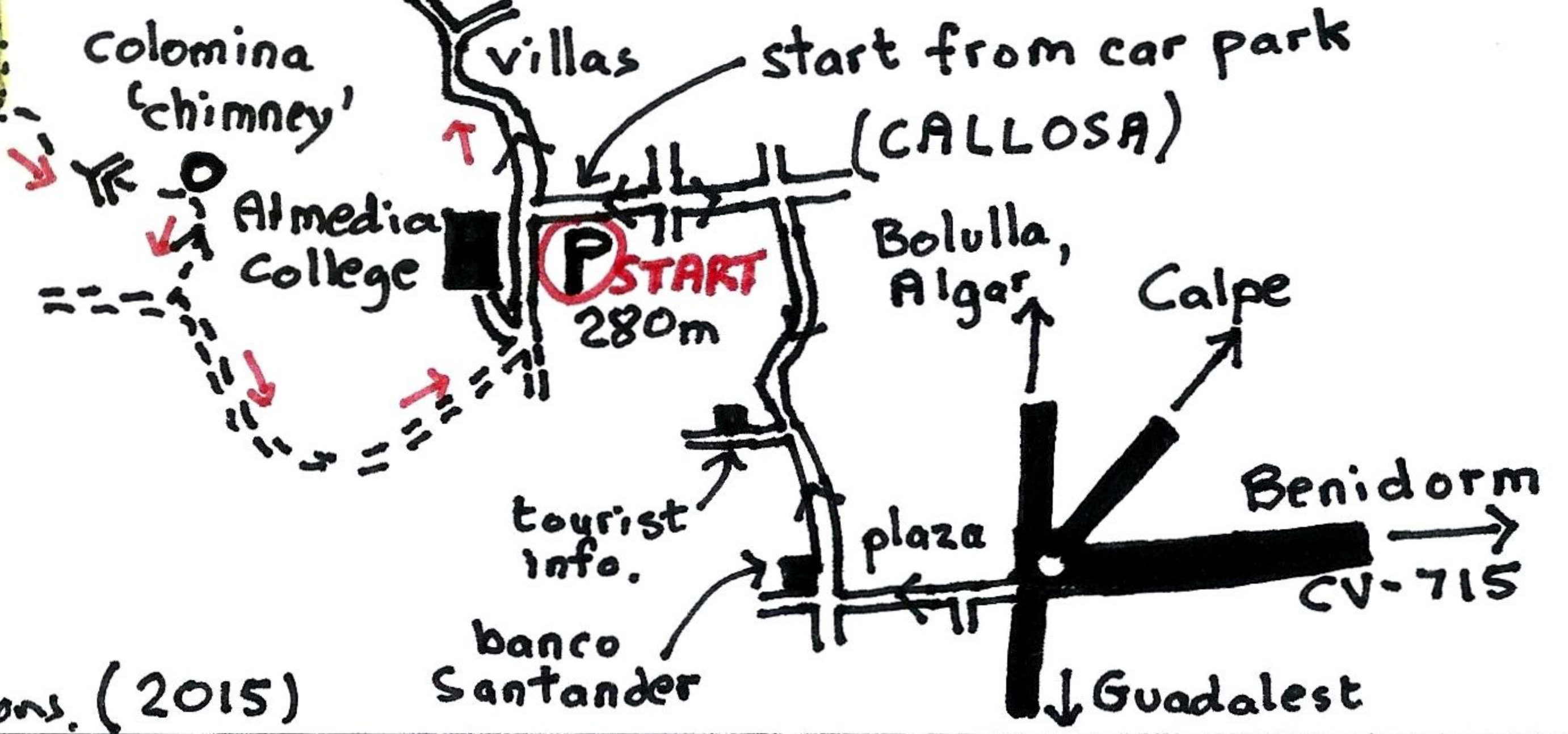
approx. scale  
1cm = 200m



about 8km, 400m ascent, 4hrs.  
 mostly on good paths, except for  
 the rocky ridge between the  
 Summit and 'chimney'. This means  
 either a tiring ascent (clock-  
 wise) or a scrambly descent  
 (anticlockwise). Hence, despite  
 its low altitude, it is generally  
 considered a hard mountain.

The cairn at the top is one I  
 initiated; please add a stone  
 and help it to grow!

'The chimney' is actually a tower  
 to regulate the flow of water in  
 an underground pipe between  
 Algar and Guadalest.



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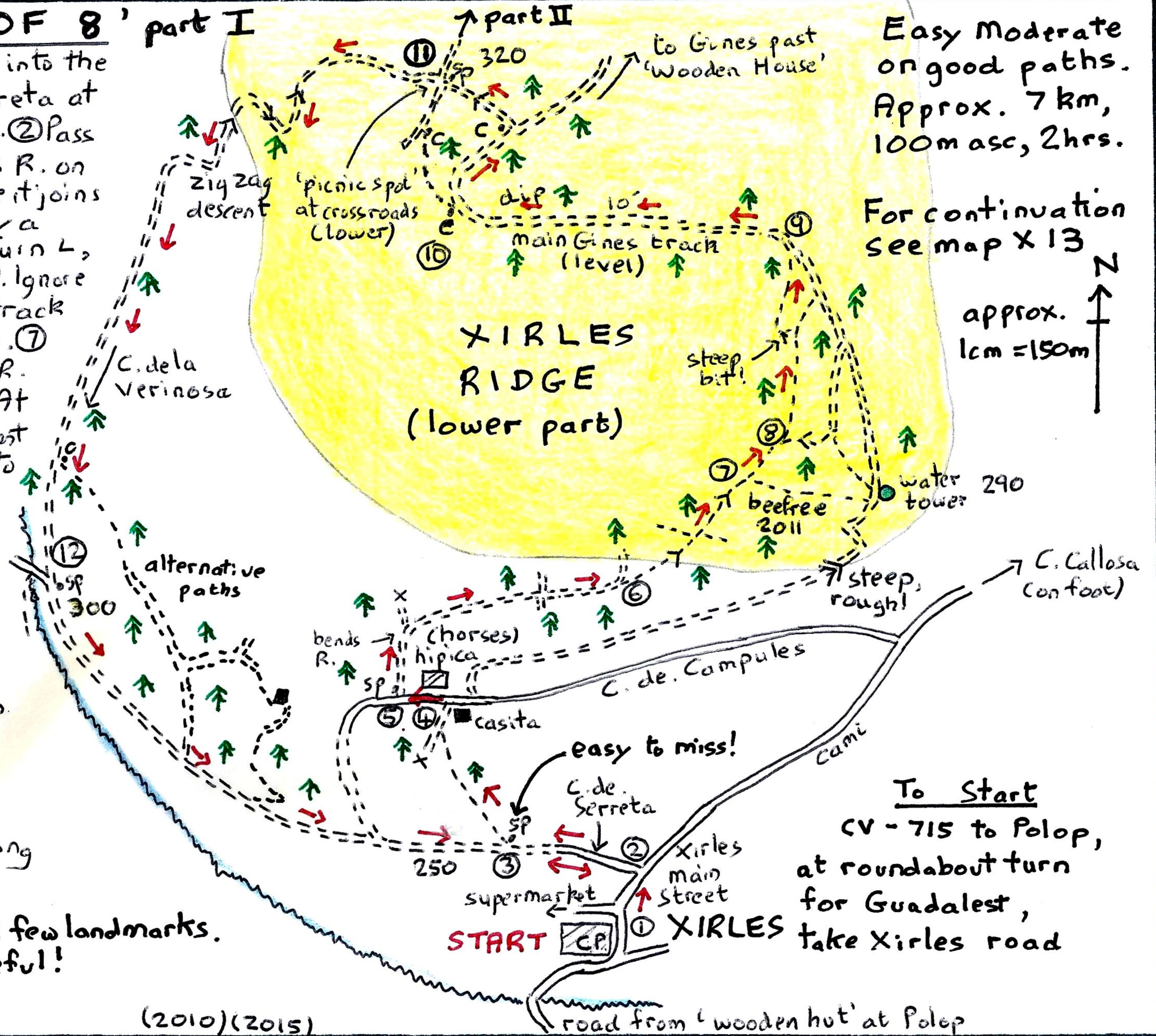
# XIRLES 'FIGURE OF 8' part I

① From Xirles CP. turn L. into the village, then L. into C. de Serreta at the house with a 'cage' front. ② Pass the colorful flats then fork R. on a footpath, turning R. where it joins a track. ④ meet a camino by a casita opposite the hipica. Turn L., then first R. on a track ⑤. Ignore all junctions ⑥ to follow the track continuing straight on a path. ⑦ At an old bees sign ignore the R. turning (to the water tower). At ⑧ marked by cairns and a descent either go straight ahead down to a track then L. or instead go L. on bancales. Either way join the main track to Gines at ⑨. Follow it for 10 mins. then at a cairn ⑩ go L. up a footpath, then R. down a track to a crossroads. ⑪ which is a picnic spot. To return to Xirles go L. down the C. de la Verinosa to the barranco ⑫ and along a big track back.

There are many paths and few landmarks. A compass may be useful!

(readish paintmarks added)

(2010)(2015)



Easy Moderate on good paths. Approx. 7 km, 100m asc, 2 hrs.

For continuation see map X13

approx. 1cm = 150m

To Start  
CV - 715 to Polop, at roundabout turn for Guadalest, take Xirles road



X 13 ^ ^

# XIRLES 'FIGURE OF 8' part II

from the crossroads (11) of part I) continue slight uphill and ahead on a track then path going L. (12) along a terrace to emerge on a track above the wooden house (13). Turn R. and descend to rejoin the main Gines track. (14) Go L, past the finca turning (fences visible) then L. at a cairn on a path (15) up a wooded spur. If uncertain just go L. and uphill until you come out at a track (16) Turn R. and descend to rejoin the main Gines track (17). Turn L. for Gines passing Casa Musa, down a dip, then fork L. at a cairn (18) on a path which climbs into the open (views) and passes L. of a red casita (19). At a track turn L. on a path which contours then (20) turns sharp R. up terraces, becomes wider and emerges at a crossroads (21). Turn L. past trees (22) (picnic), descend the rough track to the bottom, pass a track R. then at a cairn (23) take a path down R, hairpin bend, then straight on above a brushwood barrier along a terrace (24) forking (25) R. onto a lower terrace to meet a track. Turn R. to return to crossroads (11)

