



# MURLA PENYÓ ROIG

## ROUTE DETAILS:

**Starting point:** Calvario.

**Destination:** Penyó Roig summit.

## RECOMMENDATIONS:



Keep dogs on a leash



Respect the fauna



Respect the flora



Follow paths



Bring plenty of water



Travel in company

## PROHIBITED:



No fires



No motor vehicles



No littering

## SIGNS:



Route continues



Sharp change of direction



Change of direction



Wrong direction

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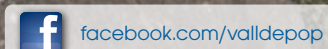
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This route climbs up to **Penyó Roig** along a well-defined track. Classed as a moderate-difficult climb given the steep gradient, this route is an excellent choice if you appreciate stunning views. The spectacular sights from the summit stretch out over river Xaló, Segullí mountain, the Montgó, the Segaria mountain range, the Sierra del Carrascar mountain range and the sea.

Don't pass up the opportunity to visit **Murla**, the starting point for this route. The 11<sup>th</sup> century fortress church is well worth a visit. If you're here on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon, don't miss the *pilota valenciana* match. A spectacular sight that takes place on *Carrer de Dalt*.

## TECHNICAL INFO

Type of route: Linear

Total estimated duration: 2hrs. 45mins.

Distance (one way): 2,557 m.

Gradient: 500 m.

Difficulty: Moderate-Difficult

**Province:** Alicante

**Region:** Marina Alta

**Area:** La Vall de Pop

**Villages along the route:**

Murla



The route departs from the Plaza del Ayuntamiento square, along Calle San José, passing opposite an old *lavoir*, located by the church tower. Carry on until you reach the façade of the tower, a fortress built on the ruins of an Arabic castle from Al-Azraq's reign when the Moors were expelled. The street continues past *Font de Murla* and on to the cypresses that indicate the climb up to the **Calvario**, whose name refers to the Stations of the Cross.

After the thirteen stations, take the track that appears on the right.

Lush scrubland lines the path, with an abundance of aromatic species including rosemary and thyme, alongside heather, steppe, aulaga and Kermes oaks, as well as other tree specimens such as olive trees and carob trees.

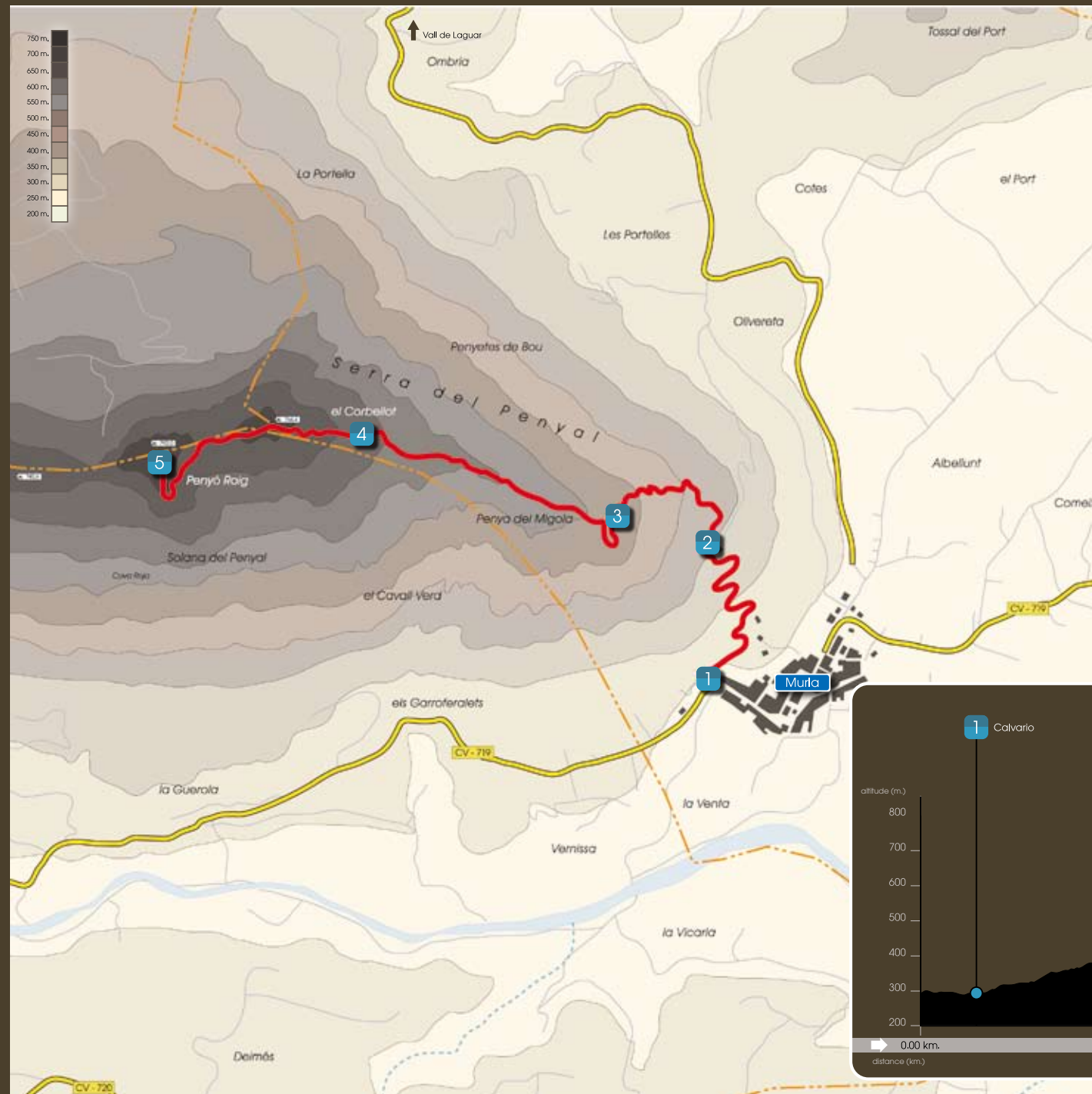
Be sure to stop for a rest under the shady pine trees by **San Sebastià Chapel**. This construction dates back to the 14<sup>th</sup> century and is the oldest chapel in the Region of Valencia. One of Murla's most important celebrations takes place on 20<sup>th</sup> January, when the villagers take part in a procession up to the chapel.

Continue up, crossing a pine grove that gives way to more thickets, abundant in juniper and European fan palms. The latter was often used in ancient times, traditionally braiding the leaves into baskets.

The **cross** or **Penya del Migdia** will greet you with stunning views over the village. From this point on, the trail disappears and you will be walking on rock. Be careful, the rock may be damp and slippery during the winter season.

The climb gets steeper as it heads up to **Corbellot**. Stop and take in the sight at this viewpoint as you get your breath back before heading on towards your next destination: **Penyó Roig**.

This spot is an excellent natural viewpoint, commanding views over river Xaló, Segullí mountain, the ruins of Castell de Murla and Castell Awraba, an Islamic castle, Orba, the silhouette of the Montgó (to the east), Segaríá mountain range (to the west), Sierra del Carrascar mountain range (to the south) and the sea.



MAIN POINTS	Distance	Duration
1 Calvario	0 m.	0
2 San Sebastià Chapel	587 m.	29 mins.
3 Cross-Penya del Migdia	1.087 m.	1hr. 13
4 El Corbellot	2.090 m.	2hrs. 23
5 Penyó Roig	2.557 m.	2hrs. 45

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OUTLINE OF THE ROUTE

