

120 - Pico Cuiña

The Pico Cuiña with its 1,992 metres is the highest point of the Sierra de Ancares and one of the most beautiful places of the western part of the Cantabrian Mountains. During this short hike from the Puerto de Ancares we walk through a small detour via the lake Pozo Ferreira to this flat summit, where we have a beautiful view on the more rolling mountain landscape on the side of Lugo and the rougher, more rocky mountains of the Sierra the Ancares on the side of León.

- On the Puerto de Ancares (1) we take, standing with our back towards Candín, a trail that is located on the left side of the pass. Soon we reach the refuge "Refugio Alto del Puerto" (2) where we keep left.
- This path we follow some time until we see the last stretch of the ascent to the Pico Cuiña in front of us and on the left downhill we see a small lake. Here we turn left onto a trail (3).
- Through this path we reach a bigger lake, the Pozo Ferreira (4), where we walk past on the left side. We now walk under the ridge and further on the trail is not very well visible. The path further on to the right goes uphill against the ridge (5).
- Once on the ridge on the left the trail continues on the ridge towards the Campanario, but here we go right (6), towards the Pico Cuiña.
- Through this path we eventually reach the Pico Cuiña (7). From the top we continue on the trail downhill, where eventually we end up back on the same path where we already walked on the way out (8).
- From here we follow the same route as on the way out, back to the Puerto de Ancares (1).

Fact Sheet

Duration: 3:00 hrs.
 Distance: 8.5 km.
 Route type: Circular route
 Path type: Mountain trails
 Marking: Milestones (partially)
 Total difference in altitude: 558 m.
 Highest point: 1,992 m.
 Difficulty: Easy (1/15)



How to get there?

The hike starts at the Puerto de Ancares, which lies on the LE-712, a road that starts in Vega de Espinareda and which among others passes through Candín, Pereda de Ancares and Tejedo the Ancares. From Lugo / Galicia the pass can be reached via the LU-P-3508 or P-1401, which then connect to the LE-712. On the pass there is a parking lot where we can leave the car.



GPS Coordinates:

Latitude: N 42 52.117

Longitude: W 6 49.099

