

122 - El Cornón

The Cornón is the highest peak of the Parque Natural de Somiedo, a scenic area of an unparalleled beauty in Asturias, in the Cantabrian Mountains. The hike to it is a classic ascent via a well-marked path and both during the hike and when we are at the top we have an incredibly beautiful view of the surrounding mountains, which consists of a variety of materials, such as limestone, flint and sandstone.

- If, coming from the direction of Pola de Somiedo, you park the car somewhere at the entrance to the village (1), you need to walk a short stretch further down the road until an information panel of the Ruta el Cornón on the right side of the road (2). Turn right here onto white-yellow marked path, the PR-AS-10.
- Still in the village follow the marking and keep to the left, which makes us leave the builtup area onto a wide path with a beautifully wide view on the surrounding mountains.
- Soon we turn left (3) and keep following the white-yellow marking onto a path that goes downhill a bit. A little further at the Y-junction (4) we turn right.
- We now simply follow the marking all the time. In the middle part of the route, somewhere between 1,700 and 1,800 metres of altitude, it is sometimes a bit more difficult to find the marking and multiple paths run here, but by paying some attention, nothing can go wrong.
- This way we finally reach the summit of El Cornón at 2,194 metres (5).
- The way back is via the same route.

Fact Sheet

Duration: 5:30 hrs. Distance: 16.1 km. Route type: Round trip Path type: Mountain trails Marking: White-yellow, milestones Total difference in altitude: 905 m. Highest point: 2,194 m. Difficulty: Medium (5/15)



How to get there?

The hike starts on the Puerto de Somiedo, which from Asturias can be reached via Pola de Somiedo taking the AS-227. From León this pass can be reached through Piedrafita de Babia, through the LE-495. Park your car somewhere in the village where possible along the road.



GPS Coordinates: Latitude: N 43 01.689 Longitude: W 6 13.653



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