

45 - Puerto de la Hiruela

This hike connects two passes, the Puerto de la Hiruela and the Puerto de El Cardoso. The hike largely runs via wide and very comfortable trails from which we have almost all of the time a very wide view on the mountains of the Sierra Norte de Madrid that surround us.

- From the Puerto de la Hiruela (1) we walk a bit back in the direction that we came from by car. Next we turn right onto the wide path (2).
- We keep following this path, which further on turns to the right with a bend and from which we have a wide view over the Sierra Norte, during quite some time. After 4 kilometres the wide path turns to the right with a sharp bend (3). We continue straight on here though, onto a narrow trail.
- This trail quickly becomes wider and leads us to the Puerto del Cardoso (4). Here we turn right, onto a wide trail (Senda de la Maleza).
- We now follow this path until its end, during about 5 kilometres until we reach the asphalt road M-137 (6). Here we turn right and via this road we walk back the last stretch to the Puerto de la Hiruela (1).

Fact Sheet

Duration: 2:30 hrs.
 Distance: 10.5 km.
 Route type: Circular route
 Path type: Forest trails
 Marking: None
 Total difference in altitude: 302 m.
 Highest point: 1,492 m.
 Difficulty: Easy (0/15)



How to get there?

Take on the A1 Madrid-Burgos exit 76 and then follow the M-137, first towards Gandullas and then towards Montejo de la Sierra. From Montejo further follow the M-137 in the direction La Hiruela. After kilometre 20 at the crossing we further follow the M-137 to the left until we arrive at the Puerto de la Hiruela, where we park the car.



GPS Coordinates:
 Latitude: N 41 04.081
 Longitude: W 3 28.421

