

Chorro

Barranco del Chorro, El Chorro, Desfiladero des Gaitanes, Rio Guadalhorce, Garganta del Chorro, Desfiladero de los Gaitanes (Engpass der Gangmänner), Valle del Hoyo

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Country: España / Spain Region: Andalucía / Andalusia Subregion: Málaga Town: El Chorro		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v3 a4 IV	Total time: 3h52
Approachtime: 15min	Tourtime: 3h30	Returntime: 7min
Altitude entry: 295m	Altitude exit: 205m	Delta Altitude: 90m
Canyon length: 2100m	Highest rapell: 15m	Amount rapells: 3
Transport: Car required	Rock type:	Drainage area: km²
Season:	Orientation: Southeast	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 2.8 (2)	Info: ★ 0 ()	Belay: ★ 0 ()
Specialities: § Proscription, Dam (autom. flushing),		
Gear: Ropes: 1x30m		
Summary: (machine translated) Aquatic great canyon under the "Caminito del Rey". Currently - 2023 - prohibited!		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) From Malaga, take the initially 4-lane A 357 - past Cartama - in the direction of Ardales. Approx. 30 km from Malaga, we turn right onto the A 7077 and head north towards Alora (approx. 7 km from the junction). We take the new access road directly up to Alora, cross the village and continue northwards to El Chorro. Shortly before reaching the village of El Chorro, we do not take the road turning right at the barrage over the Guadalhorce, but continue for a few hundred meters to the restaurant on the left of the road. Park one car in the parking lot on the right and continue with the second car along the winding road until you reach the MA 444 coming from Ardales after about 4 km. Turn right here onto the MA 9006 and continue in a north-easterly direction for 2 km along the reservoir, drive through a short tunnel and park the second car about 100 m further on (see: http://www.wikiloc.com/wikiloc/view.do?id=6983141). Here a pedestrian tunnel leads through the mountain. Once the "Caminito del Rey" has been completed and reopened, access via this tunnel would be recommended. This would make the shuttle superfluous and enrich the tour. However, this option is likely to be lost due to the fact that the Caminito is only accessible in the direction from top to bottom (price 2016: 10 euros, available contingent fully booked for the long term).		
Approach: (machine translated) We walk through the tunnel - head torch useful - and come to the track descending from the 'Bar Mirador' and follow this downhill to the old Embalse de Gaitanejo power station. Passing this on the left, we come downstream to the northern exit of the canyon. Entry below the small dam. There may be problems with the passage here due to the fencing of the Camenito del Rey.		

Tour: (machine translated)

The Caminito del Rey, a path 'glued' to the vertical gorge walls at a height of up to 120 m above the gorge floor in 1920, is now accessible again (2015). It used to be used as an access or return route to the dams (Sanchez op. cit.), but access through the relatively wide railroad tunnels (see internet site) has been prohibited since 2003. The ban is also monitored by the police - as we found out in Nov. 2006 at lunchtime (you could be fined 3000 euros and temporarily arrested). If you do want to walk through the tunnels from the village of El Chorro, access is through a small tunnel 'window' in the (4th) long tunnel, through which you can reach the river bed directly above the entrance to the gorge (access time here 1 hour).

Warning: above the reservoir!

Exit at the end of Oct. 2006 and beginning of Nov. 2009

Return: (machine translated)

After the final rappel (depending on the water level in the reservoir below between 4 and 11 meters. Jump possible from the top or from the middle) and the following narrow section, we climb out to the right to the vehicle parked first.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [36.9319 -4.7874](#)

Canyon End [36.9153 -4.7720](#)

Parking at Entry [36.9299 -4.8007](#)

Parking at Exit [36.9124 -4.7659](#)

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