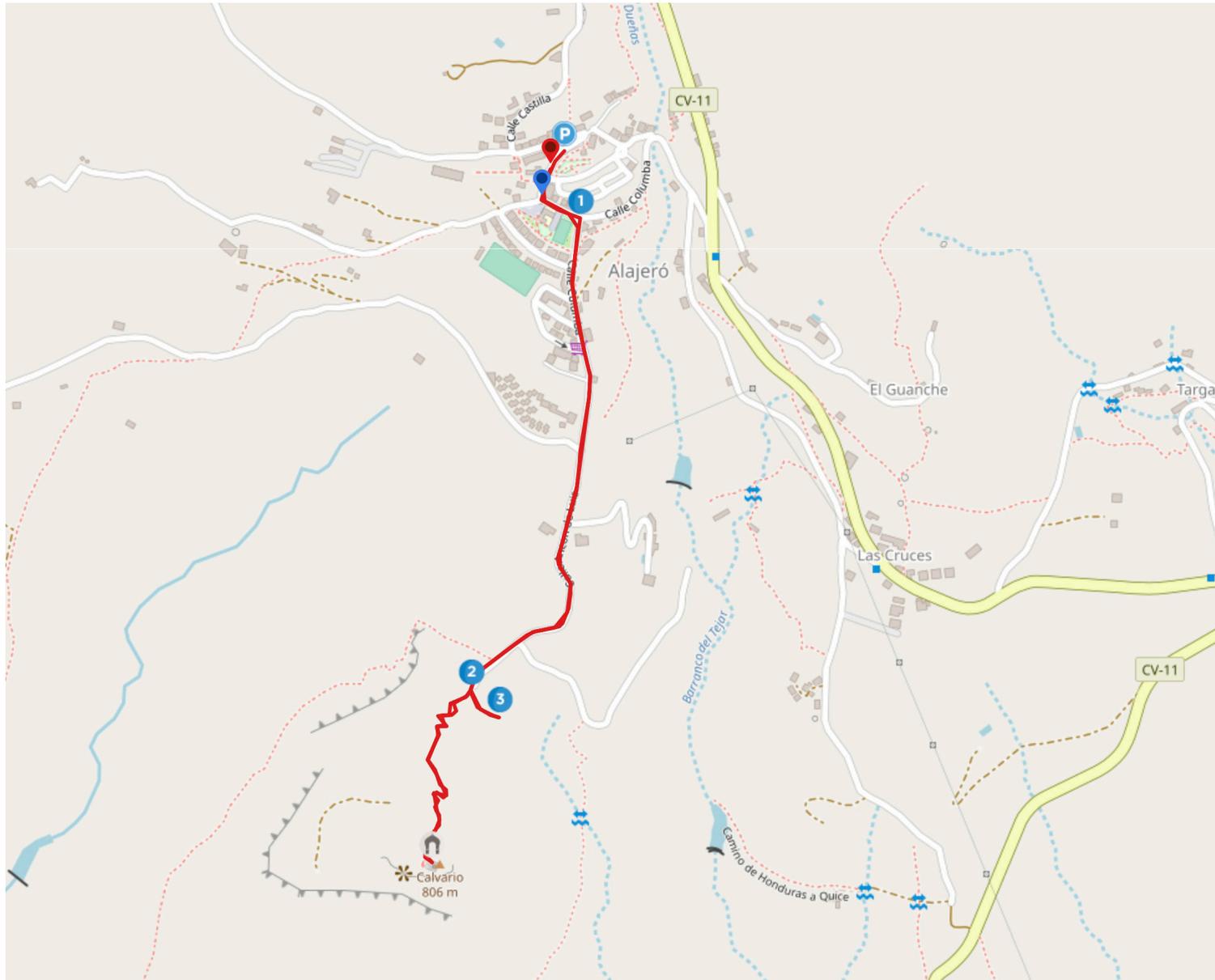


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 - Walk

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## Walk 4

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A short out and back walk from one of La Gomera's larger villages to a distinctive hill capped by a little chapel. The top of the hill is at an altitude of 2652ft (808m), providing a superb viewpoint over a great swathe of countryside and the apparently not far distant sea.

Walking surfaces comprise minor roads, a broad, easy, earth/stone roadway and a well-engineered footpath up the hill. No route finding skills are required. Alajero is a pleasant village, with its buildings straddling the upper part of the Barranco de Ereses.

### Start:

If travelling to Alajero by car, park in the area directly in front of the Town Hall (Ayuntamiento). If using the bus, get off at the stop by the middle of the three roads which descend from the bypass into the village. Walk down that road and continue to the road junction just after the Bar Columba. Turn left there to join the route set out from the Town Hall.

### Refreshments:

Three bars in the village centre.

**Note:** It would be a great help to future walkers if you could record any inaccuracies you come across during this walk and report them to reception so that appropriate amendments can be made.

*Thank you for your help and happy walking.*

### WALK

From the Town Hall walk down the village street, passing the end of the church and the Bar de Venezuela. Keep left at a road junction, passing the school on the right and the Bar de Alegria on the left.

**1.** Turn right at the next road junction, just before the Bar Columba, and continue along a minor road descending gently past modern housing, building plots and a supermarket. The Calvario hill is very prominent ahead. After passing the El Paso Hotel, the roadway soon becomes a tarmac track, descending to a rudimentary turning circle at the bottom.

**2.** From here a well constructed stone path climbs steadily to the summit, a rise of about 400ft. The chapel of San Isidor has a 1957 date stone and is surrounded by shrubs growing among the shattered rock surface. An adjacent stone wall crowns the abrupt cliffs of the south side of the hill; the views are magnificent. For those inclined to bring a picnic, there are drinking water points, a stone-built BBQ and a table.

**3.** The return is by the same route. However, about 60 yards above the turning circle a diversion to the right along a tarmacked roadway for 200 yards or so gives views down the Barranco de Ereses, heading steeply for the sea, and also of the weathered rock face of the north-east side of the hill.

**\*This is a beautiful little chapel and well worth a visit. For those who find walking a problem then it is possible to take the car (following the instructions and route above) to the base of the hill, leaving a walk of about 300m up the stone path to the chapel.**