

## SAN BARTOLOMÉ DE TIRAJANA AYAGAURES ALTO



You need to make sure that you take enough water with you, especially if you are doing the route during the summer, when the heat can be dangerous.

This route is an alternative to the Camino de los Muertos from San Bartolomé de Tirajana to Ayagaures, but it is no less interesting. The stretch of the Camino de Soplarrabos and crossing Ayagaures Alto are two areas that are worth knowing.

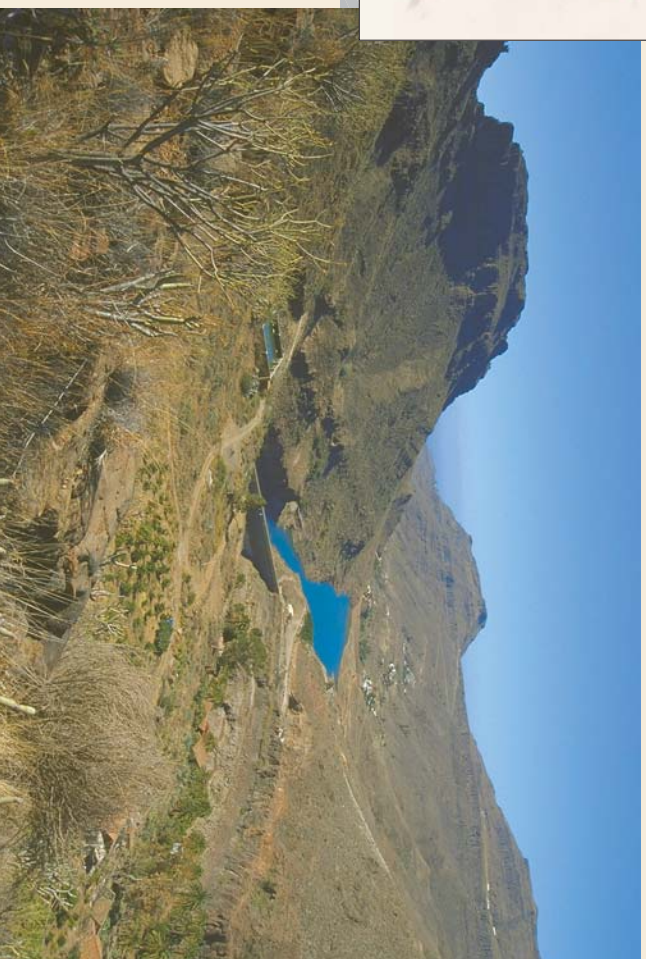


### SAGE (*salvia canariensis*)

This is a strong plant, with pink flowers, which is found throughout the Canary Islands, although it is extremely common in some areas and rare in others. It is a species that stretches from the coast to the mountains. It is very variable, in particular with respect to the hues of its leaves, which range from white to green and it is nearly glabrous. It is a plant that is loved by gardeners, even though it grows in an irregular and untidy way. It has a wide range of medical and culinary properties.

### TREE LUCERNE (*chamaecytisus proliferus*)

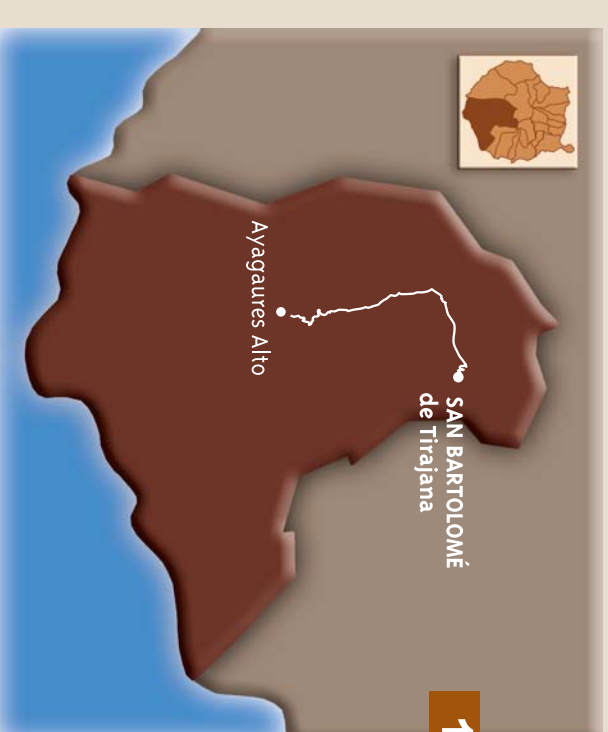
It is a shrub, with branches from the base, which grows up to 4 metres high. The trunk is covered in dark grey bark. The leaves are greyish-green in colour, clover-shaped and whose petiole is as long as the leaves. The flowers are white and are in the upper parts of the branches. The fruits are pods that are up to 7 centimetres in length. There are many types of this species and some varieties have been identified, whose different features do not appear to depend on ecological factors. The tree lucerne is an excellent melliferous plant, i.e. a plant that is favoured by bees for producing honey.



View over the Ayagaures Reservoir

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From San Bartolomé to Ayagaures Alto through Manzanilla and El Ventoso.

A quiet route, that is not too difficult. It will take you to the delightful village of Ayagaures de Arriba, surrounded by crops and palm trees and with its own special charm.

Length: **10 km**

Estimated time: **3 h 30 min**

Difficulty: **2 (easy)**

How to get there: Global bus no. 18 from Playa del Inglés (near Viuda de Franco) at eight o'clock to San Bartolomé de Tirajana, or by car along the GC60 to the start of the Camino del Pinar.

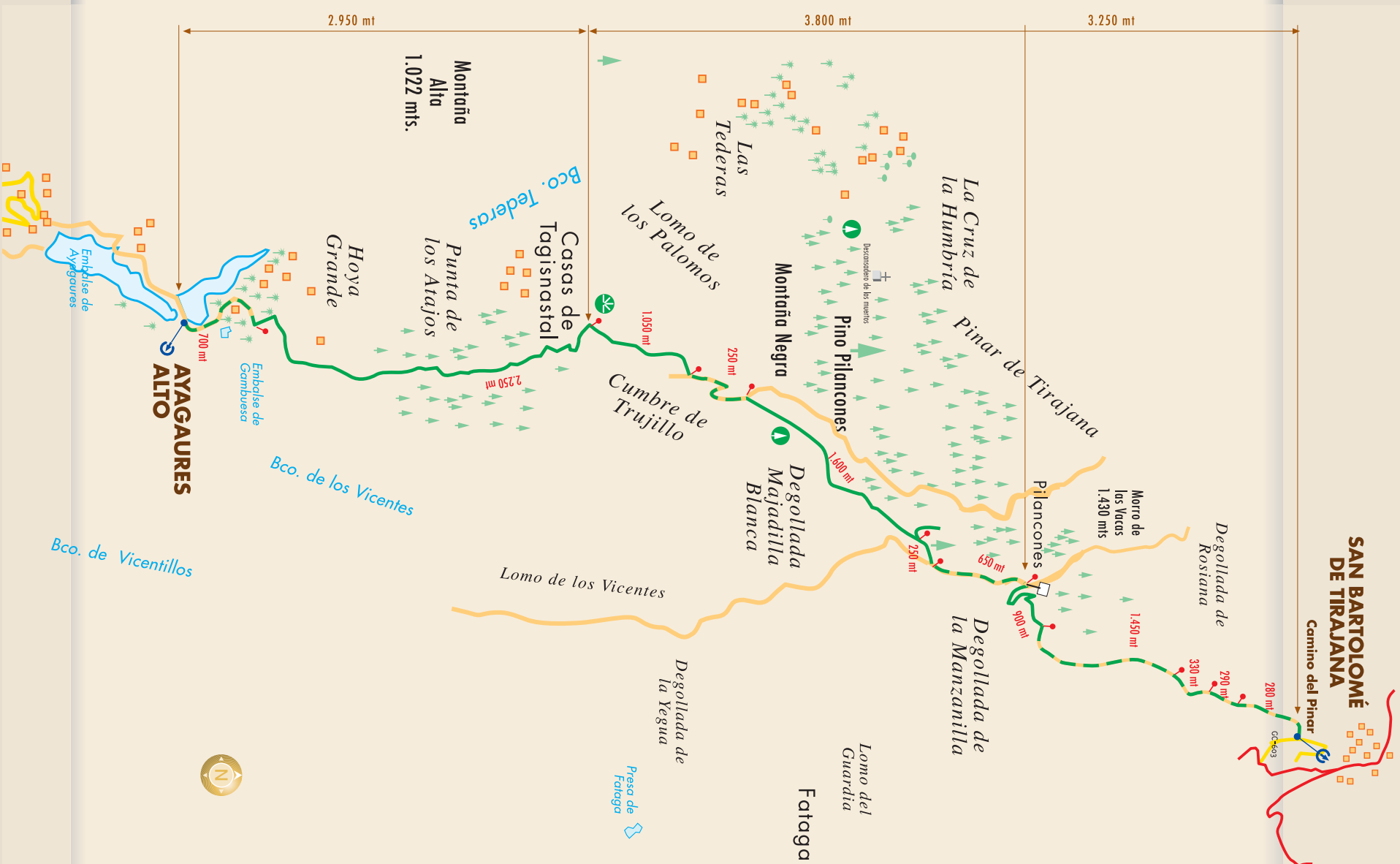
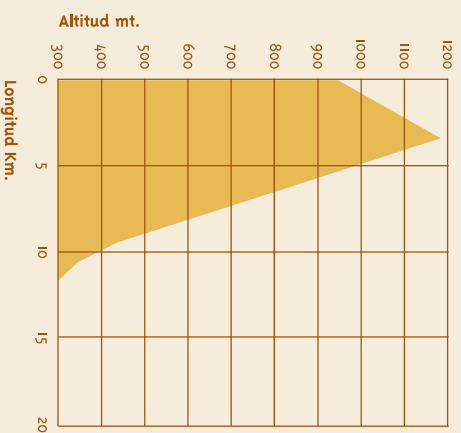




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The route leaves San Bartolomé along the Camino del Pinar to the Degollada de Manzanilla 3,250 m (See route no. 22, San Bartolomé - Arteara). Once you have reached the Degollada de Manzanilla, continue along the dirt track to your left. Carry on for 650 metres and then take the path on the right that zigzags down to the Pino Manzanilla or Pino de la Lajilla. About 110 metres further on and on a bend, you will be able to see where the track known as the Camino de Soplarabos starts, which is the one you should take. There are magnificent views along this stretch of the route over the western part of the Park (Morro de la Hierba Huerto, Santidad). The route continues far a further 1600 metres among tree lucerne, heather, sow thistle, etc. to the lower track. This part of the route is through one of the prettiest sections of the Park. Once you have reached the dirt track, carry on to the left. After you have gone down a section with a couple of bends (250 metres), you will come to a path that leads off to your right and which will gradually lead you away from the

Barranquillo de Montaña Negra, that you will leave to your left. Carry on along this road and past the ruins of the Casa de Montaña Negra on a small plateau to your right, until you reach one of the most impressive views in the whole park, at 1,050 m. Standing on its eastern slope, there is a magnificent view over the Ravine or Barranco de Ayagaures, the south of the island, and you will even be able to see the Dunes of Maspalomas. Continue along the path, which crosses small ravines between the pine trees towards Ayagaures Alto. The path ends after 2,180 metres, at a point where there is a farm with orchards of orange trees behind wire fences. Turn right and continue along the track that takes you to the hamlet of Ayagaures Alto, set between palm trees, small vegetable plots and houses. Cross the hamlet along the track, parts of which are cemented, until the start of the dam (700 metres). Walk across the dam and continue until you reach the other track coming from Las Tederas (260 metres). Carry on along the path around the edge of the reservoir until you reach Ayagaures (1,000 metres).



### MAPKEY

- (Canarian Vegetation)
- Cardonal/ Tababai
- Palm Grove
- Fruit Trees
- Canes
- Pine Grove
- Bar
- Restaurant
- Crafts
- Provisions
- Recreational Area
- Camping Area
- Medical Care Services

### PLACES OF INTEREST

- LANDSCAPE
- BOTANICAL
- GEOLOGICAL
- ARCHAEOLOGICAL
- FAUNA
- TOURIST

### ITINERARY

- Main Road
- Secondary Road
- Track
- Itinerary
- Alternative itinerary
- Direction of itinerary
- Partial Distance
- Total Distance
- Caution
- Danger