

Guadiana - The Great River of the South

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Start: Poço dos Dois Irmãos, GPS: N 37° 38' 2"; W 7° 40' 30"

Approach: From Mertola on the EN112 towards the Algarve. Just a little outside Mertola turn left on the Sign "Poço dos Dois Irmãos".

Zufahrt: Von Mertola aus auf der EN112 Richtung Algarve. Etwas außerhalb Mertola beim Schild "Poço dos Dois Irmãos" links abbiegen.

Length/Länge: 10 km

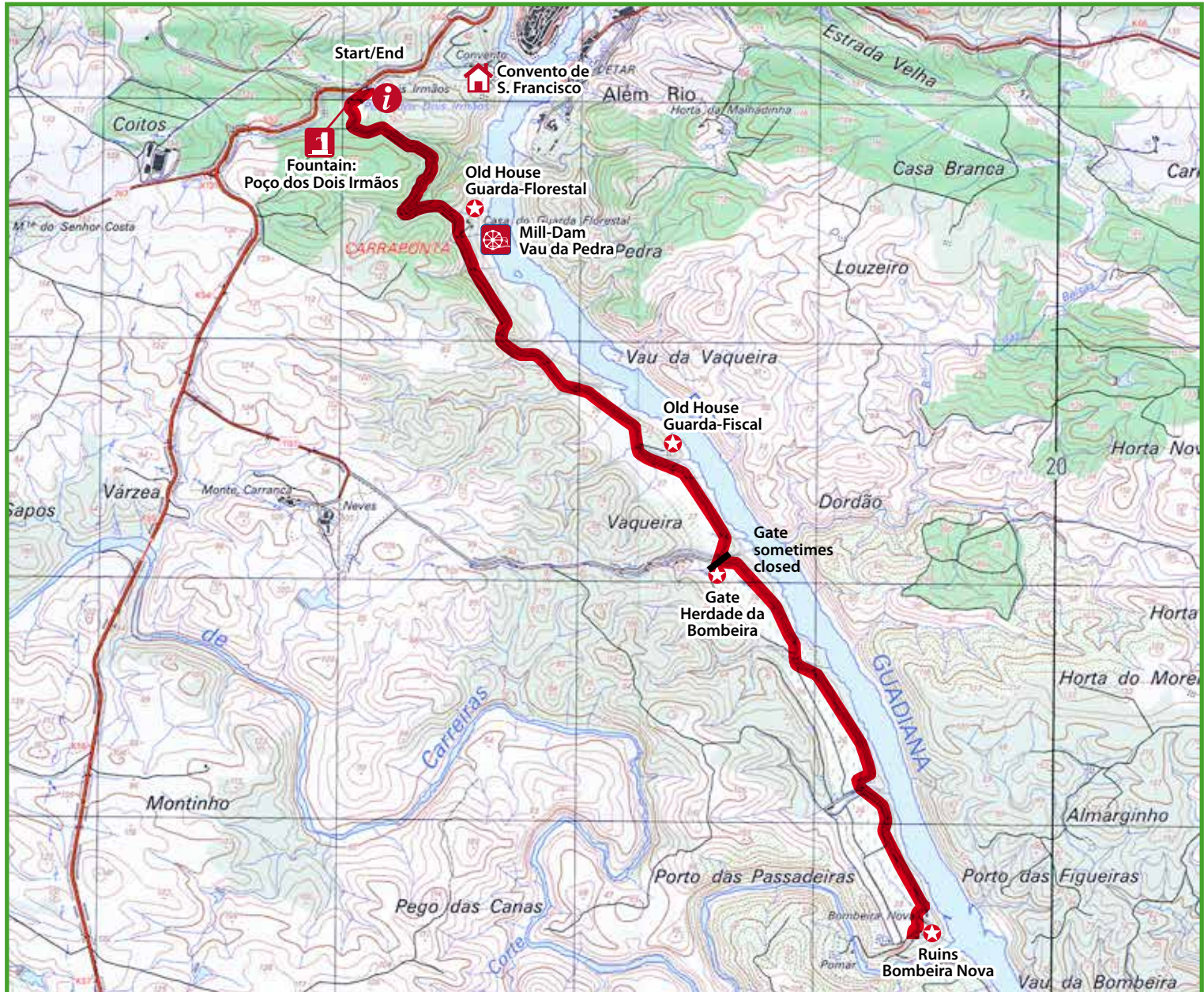
Time/Zeit: 2h 30min

Difficulty/Schwierigkeit: easy/einfach

Highlights:

Mill-Dam Vau da Pedra: Ruins of two ancient watermills / Ruinen zweier alter Wassermühlen

Bombeira Nova: Ruins of an old village / Ruinen eines alten Dorfes



Plants:

Fernleaf Lavender (*Lavandula multifida*)
 Poplar (*Populus* sp.)
 Rockrose (*Halimium umbellatum*)
 Black Hawthorn (*Rhamnus oleoides*)
 Gum Rockrose (*Cistus ladanifer*)
 Ash (*Fraxinus angustifolia*)
Ophrys tenthrenifera
 Yellow Iris (*Iris pseudacorus*)
 Dense-Flowered Orchid (*Neotinea maculata*)
 Olive Tree (*Olea europea* var. *europea*)
 Stone Pine (*Pinus pinea*)
 Willow (*Salix* sp.)
 Small-Flowered Serapias (*Serapia parviflora*)
 Gree-Winged Orchid (*Orchys morio* ssp. *champagneuxii*)
 Broom (*Genista* sp.)
 Wil Olive Tree (*Olea europea* var. *sylvestris*)
 Phoenician Juniper (*Juniperus turbinata* subsp. *turbinata*)

Birds:

Grey Heron (*Ardea cinerea*)
 White Stork (*Ciconia ciconia*)
 Montagu's Harrier (*Circus pygargus*)

Bonelli's Eagle (*Hieraetus fasciatus*)
 Lesser Kestrel (*Falco naumanni*)
 Little Plover (*Charadrius dubius*)
 Barn Owl (*Tyto alba*)
 Tawny Owl (*Strix aluco*)
 Kingfisher (*Alcedo atthis*)
 Bee-eater (*Merops apiaster*)
 Thekla Lark (*Galefida theklae*)
 Crag Martin (*Ptyonoprogne rupestris*)
 House Martin (*Defichon urbicum*)
 Winter Wren (*Troglodytes troglodytes*)
 Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin (*Cercotrichas galactotes*)
 Robin (*Erithacus rubecula*)
 Blue Rock-Thrush (*Monticola solitarius*)
 Cetti's Warbler (*Cettia cetti*)
 Reed Warbler (*Acrocephalus scirpaceus*)
 Dartford Warbler (*Sylvia undata*)
 Sardinian Warbler (*Sylvia melanocephala*)
 Golden Oriole (*Oriolus oriolus*)
 Azure-winged Magpie (*Cyanopica cyanus*)
 Jackdaw (*Corvus monedula*)
 Hawfinch (*Coccothraustes coccothraustes*)
 Bullfinch (*Pyrrhula pyrrhula*)
 Rock Bunting (*Emberiza cia*)

Mammals:

European Otter (*Lutra lutra*)
 European Polecat (*Mustela putorius*)
 Garden Dormouse (*Eliomys quercinus*)
 Rabbit (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*)

Reptiles:

Bedriaga's Skink (*Chalcides bedriagai*)
 Western Three-Toed Skink (*Chalcides striatus*)
 Southern Smooth Snake (*Coronella girondica*)
 Iberian Wall Lizard (*Podarcis hispanica*)
 Spanish Psammomorphus (*Psammomorphus hispanicus*)
 Mediterranean House Gecko (*Hemidactylus turcicus*)

Amphibians:

Iberian Painted Frog (*Discoglossus galganoi*)
 Sharp-ribbed Salamander (*Pleurodeles waltli*)
 Fire Salamander (*Salamandra salamandra*)
 Iberian parsley frog (*Pelodytes ibericus*)
 Iberian Midwife Toad (*Alytes cisternasii*)
 Marbled Newt (*Triturus marmoratus*)