

## VULTOURIS ROUTES:



# Lumbier Gorge – Arbayún Gorge (Navarra)



The route is marked starting from the Foz de Lumbier parking area, although it can be picked up directly from the town of Lumbier by crossing one of the bridges over to the left hand bank of the Salazar River. Continuing on after passing the swimming pools, take a dirt road that turns off to the right. From here, one can already make out the Foz de Arbayún up ahead. The road rambles along the flanks of the Sierra de Leire (Leire Mountains) until arriving to Usún. (Be aware that there may be vehicles on the road).

The Salazar River, an SCI or Site of Community Importance, runs along to the left of the route flanked by riparian vegetation. Amidst a variety of trees and shrubs it's common to encounter willow, alder, and the ubiquitous poplar and boxwood. European black pine can also be found, often employed for reforestation around Navarra on account of its ease in propagating. Other species present include holm oak, juniper, almond trees, kermes oak, downy oak, hawthorn and dog rose.



### ROUTE FILE



Distance: 9.66km.  
Minimum elevation: 416m.  
Maximum elevation: 498m.  
Total ascent: 82m.

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Along the path throughout the year, it's possible to see red kite, griffon vultures, common buzzard and common kestrel among others. Nearer to the river, one can observe mallards, common kingfisher and white-throated dipper.

Approaching Usún, one may choose either to enter the Nature Reserve taking the path that leads to the Ermita de San Pedro de Usún, or to cross the river ford and ascend directly to the town. Note that the second option is impossible in winter and springtime due to the high volume of water flowing in the river.

The route can also be done in the opposite direction, leaving the car at the Usún parking lot.