The 6th of February 2010



This is the local store where we do our shopping.



The view from the store over The Mediterranean.



Here we have a beer together with most of the Norwegians staying in the area.







Kjell is working with the travelog.

The 7th of February 2010

The 8th and the 9th of February 2010 – No pictures. The 10th of February 2010



Here we are about to have a bicycle ride.

The 11th - 19th of February 2010 – No pictures. The 20th of February 2010



Anne Berit is looking at the view.



Today we went to the highest summit nearby.



Here we have zoomed in on the lighthouse in the background.



Looking downwards to the southern parts of Cumbre del Sol.



Here we look still further south to Calpe





This is the nearest small town, Benitachell.

The 21th of February 2010 – No pictures The 22th of February 2010



Today the electricity was gone. Here the electricians came late in the afternoon and fixed it.

On the top



The cat is checking that they do the job properly.





Today we went for a walk in the nature trail again. Here we look back in the direction of where we are staying.



Here we are at a crossroad.



Here we can see the lighthouse again. Granadella lies inmost in the bay to the left. Our goal for today is behind the top to the right.



Here we have come so fare down that we can see the goal of the day, Castell Granadella.



On the way we «have to» take pictures of the flowering.



Stones with lichen





The plants are even growing in the lava stones.



Here we look down to Granadella.



Here we have reached the ruins of the fort.



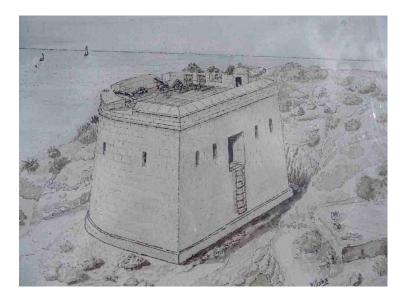
Kjell is checking the ruins







The fort was built in 1739 as a protection against North African pirates. There were always at least 3 men on duty here. The fort was destroyed by the English during the Napoleon wars.





Once it has looked like this

Aerial photo





It is much longer to walk up than down. At least it seems so.

It is much steeper than it looks like on the picture and it is very stony and difficult to walk.



There are a lot of flowering almond trees in the area.



Today we walked in another part of the nature trail.



There are a lot of valleys



There are built benches of bricks at various viewpoints The 26th of February 2010

There is concrete covering in the steepest hills.



Another walk in the same area as the day before. New trail.



Here we look down to Granadella again.

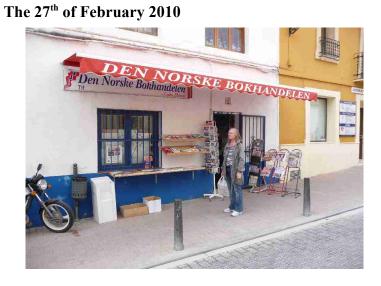




There is some vegetation here.



Today we are walking on narrow paths.



We went to the Norwegian Bookshop in Alfaz del Pi and bought some crossword magazines.

The 28th of February 2010



Today we had a visit from the neighbor cat who absolutely wanted to get in.



Later we walked the northern parts of the nature trails.

Here is a nice outlook towards Javea.



In the evening we took some moon pictures



The 2nd of March 2010



Today we also walk the northern trails.



More flower pictures

Here we are about to go «home» again.



Cumbre del Sol is shown on the map to the right



The 4th of March 2010



Today we went to Calpe to climb this rock

Here is a map of the trail up to the top.



Here we are at the entrance

View over Calpe and the boat harbor



View of the boat harbor with Albir in the background



There were a lot of gulls here.



There were good and paved paths in the start



Here we look up to the top



There were a lot of vegetation in the mountain side

Here we look down on the eastern part of Calpe



We move steadily higher and higher. View westwards.



View eastwards.



Now we are soon at the cliff wall



To get further we have to pass through this tunnel.



On the way up.

Ready!



Go!

It is useful to have a rope on each side.

Peñon de Ifach or Penyal d'Ifac is Spain's smallest National Park. It has an area of only 35 Ha and is 332 m high. It was made a National Park in 1987 because of the big variety in vegetation. There are over 300 types of plants, which are growing here. In addition there are a lot of bird types.

The tunnel was made in 1918 to make it easier to get to the top.



Here we are through the tunnel. It is far down. Anne Berit had slippery shoes and she waited here until Kjell was back



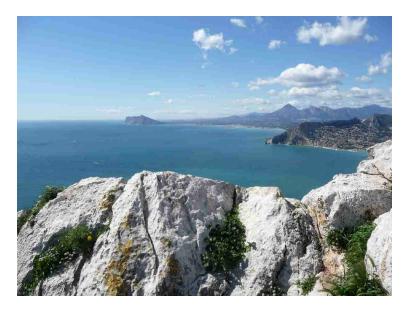
Quite a birds mountain.

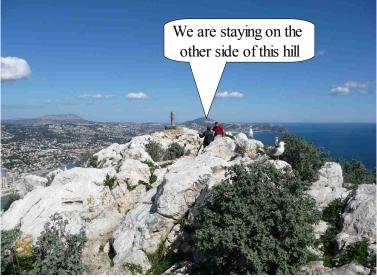


View down on to the eastern beach in Calpe.



View to the top. It was necessary with some climbing.





Here is the summit.



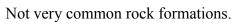
Nice view of Calpe.



View west to Albir.



Way down again.





Out of the tunnel again.



Puhh! It was strenuous walk.