

CUBA

IN THE AGE-OLD VINEYARDS OF VILA ALVA

Code: CUB PR1

Geographical location: Vila Alva, Cuba

Type: Circular walk

Main themes: Vineyards, Rurality, Reservoir

Distance: 19.7 Km

Approximate duration: 5 to 6 hours

Type of surface: Country paths and secondary roads

Ascent/descent: 329 m

Minimum altitude: 163 m

Maximum altitude: 261 m

Level of difficulty: Medium

Certifications: Approved by the FPCM (Portuguese Camping and Mountaineering Federation)

Start and finish: Vila Alva, Cuba, Civil Parish Office

Geographical coordinates: N38°14'59" W07°54'00"

Geographical coordinates: 38.249843° -7.900105°

Where to park: Parking available in the immediate vicinity, within the built-up area.

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DESCRIPTION:

A land of age-old vineyards and ancient knowledge and skills, with immense landscapes and a town that is white by name ("alva" in Portuguese means "white") and white by nature, the whitewashed houses gently tumbling down the hillside. The fields around Vila Alva are not solely devoted to vineyards. Oak groves, olive orchards and cereal fields that turn golden in summer are also features of the landscape. And there is also a vast expanse of water, the beautiful reservoir of Albergaria dos Fusos stretching for as far as the eye can see, its mirror-like surface contrasting with the hills that form its horizon.

