

**Approx walking time 1 hr 10 mins : Altitude approx 650m**  
**GPS 4 N 27.52.530 W 15.33.485**

**4:- When refreshed head back down towards the canes.**  
A minute or so after the canes bear right, marked with a stone cairn, to take a path that runs on top of an old concrete water pipe. You will follow this fairly flat but narrow path which heads **North** for approx 10 minutes until you reach an open area near a large water tank. **(GPS 4a N 27.52.785 W 15.33.605)** Bear left downhill towards a large flat area, this is supposed to be the Fataga sports area, including a public swimming pool. As you soon notice it was never finished, and I doubt it ever will be. Head **North** towards the “changing rooms” turn left, to walk on some pink asphalt, to then leave the “sports arena”. Turn right through the unfinished entrance to face a rocky outcrop. For the best views turn left to walk around the rocky outcrop, to then continue on a seldom used tarmac road past a large house (No.9) and large field on your left. The next house on your left is No.16, this road is Paseo de los Ovejeros, you will follow it past a few more houses and fields, then descend down to a T junction. Turn right at this junction to soon pass under the large laurel trees at Los Llanos, you have rejoined the **S 54**, then continue to a junction. Fataga petrol station is on your right, you pass bar/restaurant El Albaricoque on your left to get back to the Fataga Church and Plaza.

**Altitude Approx 600m GPS 1 North 27.53.250 West 15.33.840**  
**Walking Time Approx 1 hour 45 mins Length Approx 5 Km**  
**Ascent and Descent 150m**

From near the Church Plaza there is an option of turning left on Calle El Rio to enjoy viewing the village of Fataga from a different angle, before returning the same way. This path is also the start of the Fataga North Circle, and part of the **S 54**



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## The Fataga South Circle

**Your route on the map is in blue**, even though this is basically an easy family type walk, care must be taken as the path quality in this area is not as good as in other parts of Gran Canaria. **Fataga is on the GC 60 approx. a 30 minute drive North from Maspalomas.**



**This is an interesting 1 hour 45 min (Grade 2.5) walk around one of the most attractive villages in the south of Gran Canaria.** You will walk in the low mountains around Fataga, and see a variety of crops and fruit orchards. There is a lot of interesting scenery along the route.  
**An option is to combine the North and South circles to produce a good walk of just under 4 hours, a figure of 8 hiking route.**

**All walks are undertaken at your own risk**

**Fataga is approx 600 metres above sea level**  
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**1:- This walk starts in front of Fataga Church; head North on Calle San Jose past a gift shop on your left, and the Church on your right.** At a junction turn left downhill on Calle Marie del Pilar to soon pass the village “Laundrette” on your right. Turn left opposite house number 12 onto Calle Los Reyes, follow this street around a couple of bends to walk past the village bakery, “Panaderia”, which is on your right. You continue downhill, ignoring a turn on your left to pass a few more houses then some small fields behind chain link fences on your right. After approx 5 minutes turn right at a junction with a water channel to soon descend down a steep concrete path. When next to a white bungalow bear right onto a flat path across a disused field. Bear left downhill just before a scruffy wall/fence to descend down a rocky path, which will lead you to the barranco floor. This path is skiddy in places so take care with your descent. You reach the barranco floor, just over 10 minutes from the start (**GPS 1a N 27.53.170 W 15.33.980**) you could turn right to investigate the barranco further, but the main route bears left up to a concrete track, opposite the entrance to a farm. **Continue straight on heading South**, the concrete track then descends between canes to cross the barranco again, there is often some running water here. You continue on this track which starts to ascend, the track varies between a dirt track and concrete track, ignore all minor turn offs which just go to fields and houses. Most of fields contain fruit trees or grow potatoes. About 20 minutes from the start you pass a covered garden on your left, this is the village garden centre, then you pass a metal electricity pylon to reach a main road, the **GC 60**.

**Approx walking time 20 minutes : Altitude approx 560m**  
**GPS 2 N 27.52.850 W 15.33.940**

**2:- Cross straight over the road with care, and head for an uphill dirt track that starts between 2 chevrons heading South East.** This narrow track has cacti on your left and canes on your right and goes under several palm trees. As the quality of the track deteriorates, ignore a private track on your right, wind your way uphill to reach a few houses. The first house with a number is No. 30 on your left, the road is now tarmac, continue to the top of the hill, where you come to a junction with a wider tarmac road.

Turn right at a sign for “Finca Paco Libo” a few metres later turn right to walk on concrete heading **South West**, by the side of some green metal gates to a field. (**GPS 2a N 27.52.795 W 15.33.770**) You are walking on a concrete footpath with a water channel on your left, you soon pass house No.31 on your right. After passing a couple more houses your path widens out and you come to a junction of concrete tracks, bear right downhill passing Finca Los Bermejitos No.35 on your right. You pass a couple more “farms” on your right and then come to a junction of tracks by a large brown water tank at the junction. **Turn left here, to head South East** slightly downhill on a dirt road, passing more farms on both sides of this dirt road. You pass by a metal electricity pylon with Los Lentiscos written on the side of it. You then pass a white building with a terracotta metal roof, this is a water pumping house, you then ascend slightly to come to a junction near some large black gates to a farm, which is on your right.

**Approx walking time 50 minutes : Altitude approx 500m**  
**GPS 3 N 27.52.490 W 15.33.640**

**3:- Turn left here, as signposted S 54 to Fataga and Tunte** onto a wide rocky Camino Real with a stone built entrance. You are now walking uphill, heading **North**, this path had been un-walk able for over 20 years until recently when it was restored. You continue uphill for just over 5 minutes when you then reach an orchard on your right. When the path ends, by the side of some white gates and a yellow finger post, you bear left to continue uphill steeply on a dirt track for a couple of minutes. When the track bends left you take a narrow footpath on your right, marked by a stone cairn, heading towards some canes (**GPS 3a N 27.52.660 W 15.33.665**) heading **North East**. This is where you leave the **S 54**, in under 10 minutes from the **S 54** signpost at **GPS point 3**. This narrow path bears right through some canes then ascends with ever improving views to the south. After just over 5 minutes of ascending your path flattens out and heads towards another corner with canes, again bear right and head uphill to a rocky out crop with tremendous views, this is an excellent spot to take a break, before returning to the village.