

33 PIC NEGRE D'ENVALIRA

DON'T MISS...

a return trip in winter to enjoy skiing and other winter activities.

DID YOU KNOW...

Pas de la Casa is a very important tourist and commercial centre?

BEHIND THE NAME

Coll dels Isards: Descriptive name formed from the common name chamois (isard) in the plural and motivated by the frequent passage of these animals.

WALKING IN ANDORRA



Via ferrata routes



Estany de les Abelletes



View: Pas de la Casa



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The Pics d'Envalira are a ridge of four peaks that form the border between Andorra and France. Not far from Portella Blanca is the meeting point between France, Andorra and Spain.

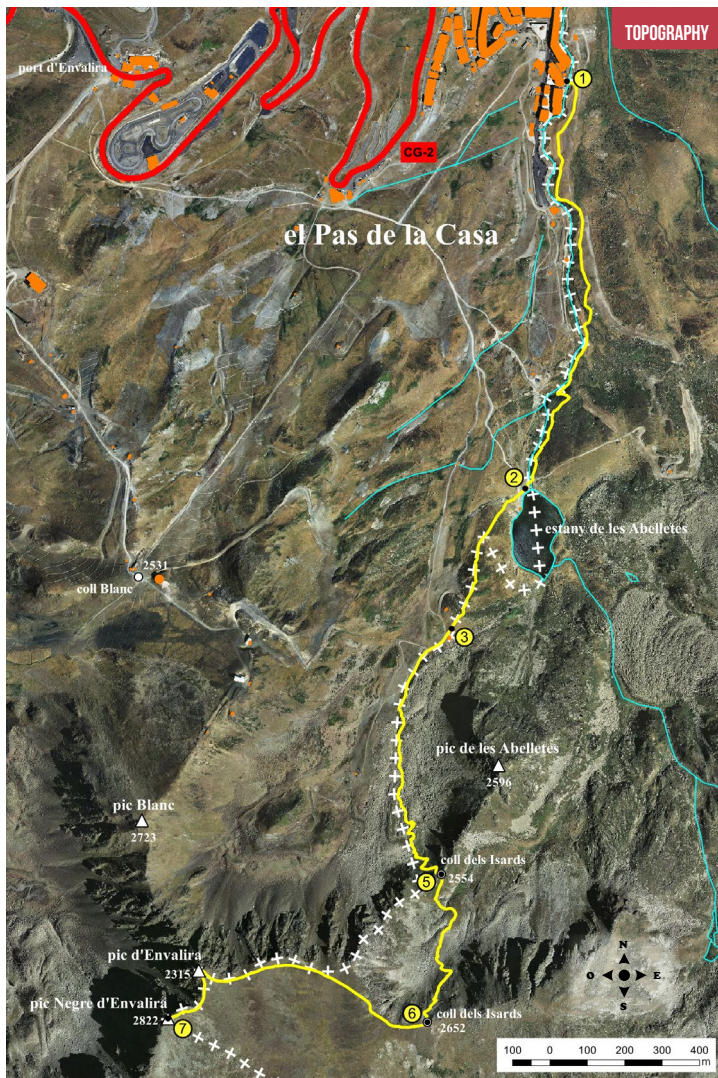
The north face seen from Pas de la Casa is vertical and steep, while the south side has softer slopes and grass.

Pic d'Envalira (2,827 metres) is the highest, at just a few metres higher than the star of this route, Pic Negre d'Envalira (2,816 metres). On a lot of maps, the heights have been confused due to their proximity and the small difference between them.

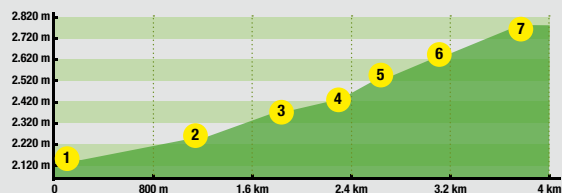
The Ruta del Pic Negre d'Envalira is a high-mountain hike in the parish of Encamp, in the north-east of the Principality of Andorra. The route is average difficulty, starting at a considerable altitude (2120 metres), in the last Andorran village before you get to France.

Although the hike goes through high-mountain terrain, it doesn't present any technical difficulties. Once on the Coll dels Isards and up to the summit, you'll be able to enjoy spectacular 360° panoramic views.

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ROUTE PROFILE



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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- 2H 30 MIN
- 1H 45 MIN
- +696 M
- APPROXIMATE TIME

ROUTE SIGNAGE

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- WRONG DIRECTION



PLACE ALTITUDE	DISTANCE ASCENT/DESCENT	TIME	COORDINATES	DESCRIPTION	
1 PONT 2.120 m	-- (--)	--	N42 32.399 E1 44.052	Take the CG-2 in the France-Encamp direction. Arriving at the border town of Pas de la Casa, at the end of Avinguda d'Encamp you'll find a small bridge that crosses the River Pas de la Casa, the starting point of the route.	
2 ESTANY DE LES ABELLETES 2.264 m	1.300 m (+144 m)	35'	N42 31.682 E1 37.063	Cross the River Pas de la Casa and turn right. The path gently follows the course of the river along the left bank. Follow the yellow dots until shortly after arriving at Estany de les Abelles.	
3 ISARDS SKI SLOPE 2.364 m	1.747 m (+100 m)	1h	N42 31.605 E1 43.836	At the lake, you'll find an information panel showing Coll dels Isards pass. Take the path that heads in a south-westerly direction. Gain altitude up a grassy slope until you get to the flattest area, where you'll cross the Isards ski slope.	
4 SIGNPOST 2.416 m	2.017 m (+52 m)	1h 10'	N42 31.491 E1 43.737	Follow a section of slope that skirts a scree slope. Continue in the same direction as the Isards ski lift line. Shortly afterwards, leave the track and climb a path until you reach a signpost.	
5 FALS COLL DELS ISARDS 2.550 m	2.628 m (+134 m)	1h 40'	N42 31.247 E1 43.820	From this point, the path enters a scree area known as the Clot de les Abelles. This well-beaten section of the path climbs gradually. Next is a short but demanding ascent to what's known as the Fals Coll dels Isards, or the 'false pass'.	
6 COLL DELS ISARDS 2.652 m	3.135 m (+102 m)	2h	N42 31.036 E1 43.794	After the pass, the path is flat, passing through alpine terrain. Shortly afterwards, you'll start to climb in zigzags to get to the Coll dels Isards pass. At the pass, you'll be greeted with views of the small Estany de les Passaderes and Portella Blanca.	
7 PIC NEGRE D'ENVALIRA 2.816 m	3.830 m (+164 m)	2h 30'	N42 31.112 E1 43.350	From the pass, continue ascending to the right along a path that climbs slightly until you get to Pic Negre d'Envalira, a few metres below Pic d'Envalira. At this point, you'll be treated to spectacular 360° panoramic views.	