

9 trail of The Pienzu

EL FITU VIEWPOINT- MAJADA DEL BUSTACU - MAJADA DE MERGULLINES - PICU PIENZU

This mountain route will allow us to crown the Picu Pienzu in only 5 km. This peak is 1161 metres high and it is the highest point of the Sierra del Sueve Protected Landscape. In the clear days, it will offer to the hiker the most spectacular views of the coast and the Cantabrian Range.

Route

The trail starts at the Alto de la Cruz de Llamas, better known as El Fitu, famous for its lookout, one of the most popular in Asturias.

From the main road, on the opposite side of the viewpoint, a well-defined track starts and ascends amongst the pine trees to an old mountain refuge. From that point onwards, the track becomes a trail that goes through a scrubland area until we reach, after a light ascension, the meadows known as La Majada El Bustacu.

On this meadow there are several shepherds' huts in ruins, and some restored ones. It's not uncommon to see cattle in this area, as there is a drinking trough on the right hand side of the path.

From here on, the route continues on a steeper path through a talweg, until the Mergullines meadow. This is a nice spot to take a break and refresh in the fountain, so we can get ready for the last part of the trail, the hardest one.

There is only one last stretch to the Pienzu summit. We will need to overcome a 200 m height difference, walking in a zigzag through the mountain slope, without any defined path, until we reach the cross that crowns the Picu Pienzu.



11 km

740 m

4:00 h

medium

If we are lucky and the day is clear, the view from this spot will be spectacular. From there we can see the coastal plain, from Gijón to Llanes, to the Torrecerredo, the highest peak of the Cantabrian Range.

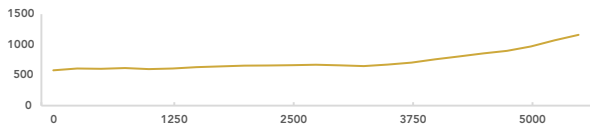
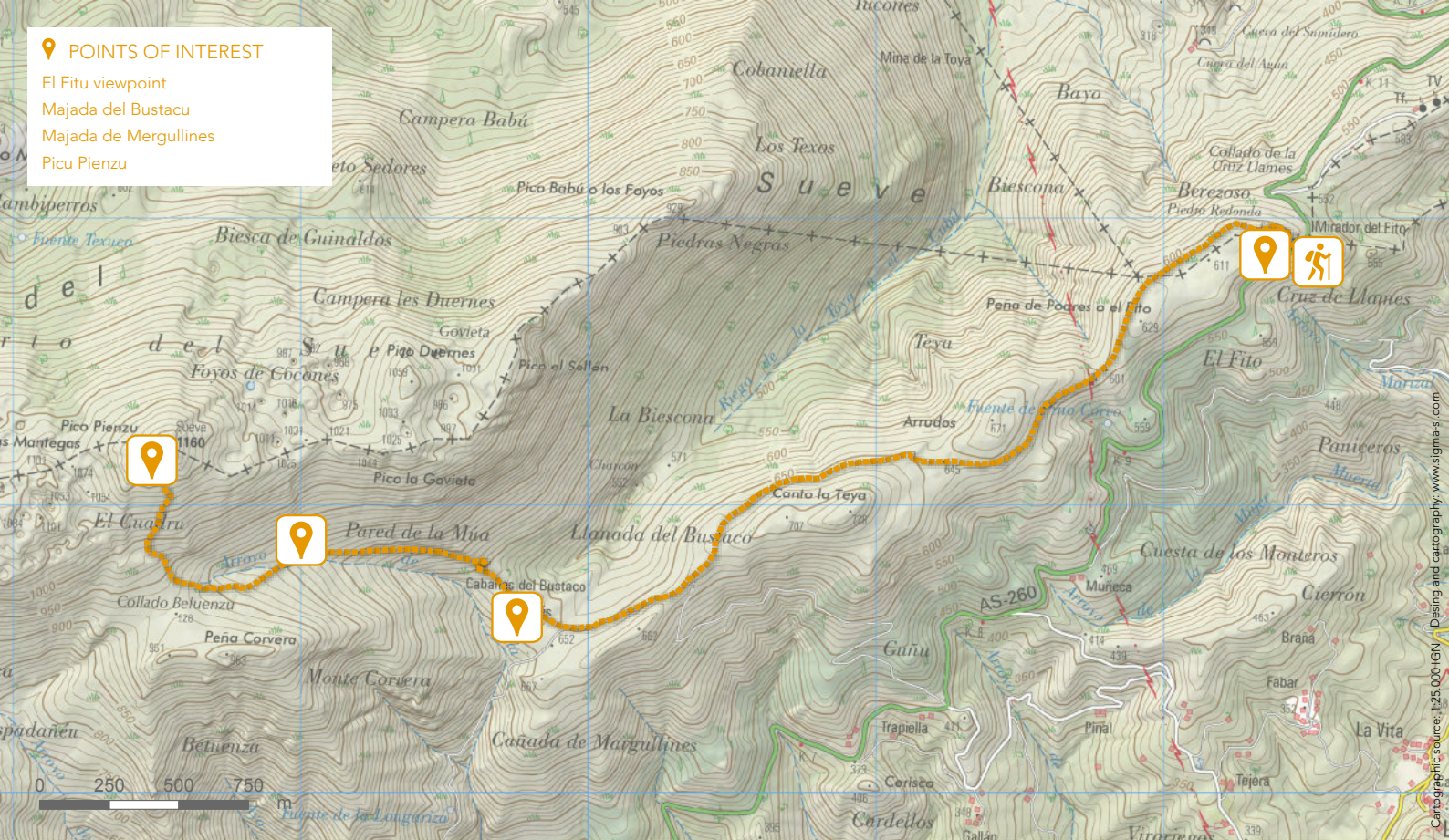
If we are not very loud, it might be easy to sight some fallow deer grazing and resting on the higher and clearer area of the Sierra. During the hottest time of day is harder to see them, as they tend to seek shelter in the small holly, hawthorn and ash copses, which are abundant in this area.



3D model of the route (J.F. Sánchez Díaz)

POINTS OF INTEREST

- El Fitu viewpoint
- Majada del Bustaco
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- Picu Pienzu



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