

Drecera dels Tres Quarts (Three Quarters shortcut)

00' *Plaça de la Font Gran* in Monistrol de Montserrat. From the square, take *Carrer de la Font* (Font street) to the Montserrat road.

02' Montserrat Road, 175 m. Crossing the road, we take the wide path going up towards the east.

Signpost: GR 5/96, Monestir de Montserrat (Monastery). Follow the GR 5 signs.

22' Drecera dels Tres Quarts path (Three Quarters Shortcut), 270 m. Signpost:

Camí dels Tres Quarts, Monestir (Monastery). Leave this path and take the stony path on the right (southwest). White and red signs indicate GR 96.

- 37' Torrent de la Font del Boix mountain stream, 400 m.
- 46' Torrent de la Maçanera mountain stream, 460 m.
- **64'** *Torrent del Soldat* mountain stream, 485 m. Crossing the stream, continue up the steep path, crossing a small scree and going up some stone steps up to a small flat area.
- **74'** *Torrent de l'Erola* mountain stream, *510 m*. Crossing the gully, we find a drainage pipe. Emerging into a large clearing, we cross a water channel and find a path, which we take.
- **78'** Crossroads, **530 m.** Take the path from Monistrol to Montserrat along the Camí de les Canals (Canal Path, GR 5). Taking the path to the right towards the northwest, we descend to another track on the left, which soon leads us to the *Camí de la Santa Cova* (Holy Grotto Path), taking a tight bend.
- **95' Camí de la Santa Cova**, 630 m. Signpost: *Monestir de Montserrat* GR 5/96 (Monastery, right, west), *Santa Cova* (left, southwest). Take the concrete path with broad steps up to the right, following the steep track of the rack railway on the right. Pass the cable car station on the left, steps skirting the rack railway station lead into *Plaça de la Creu*.
- **103' Sanctuary of Montserrat , 705 m.** *Plaça de la Creu,* where we find the Tourist Information Office, rack railway station, etc.