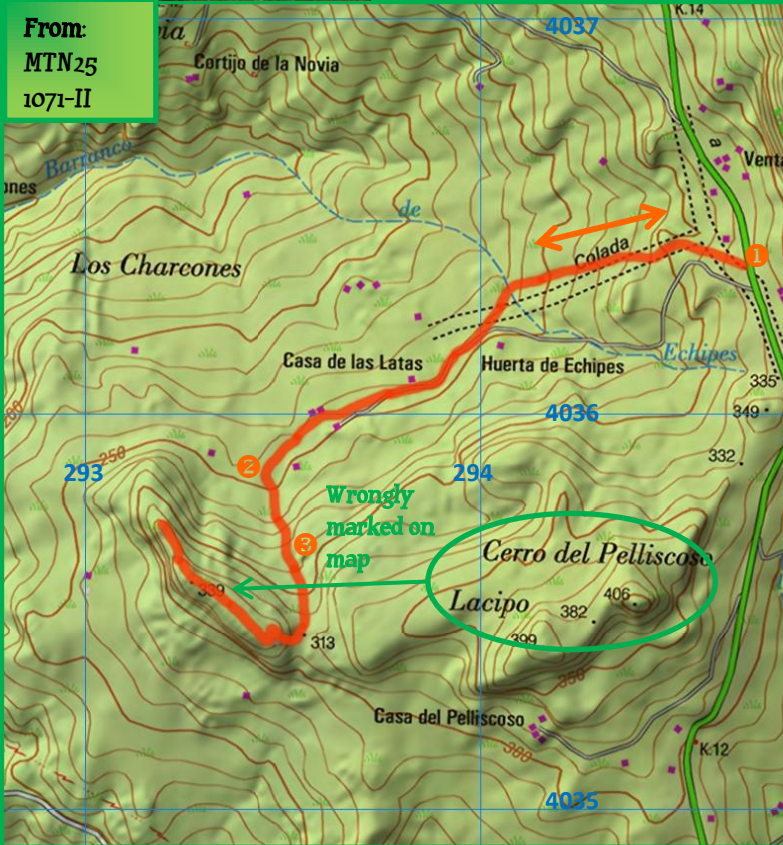




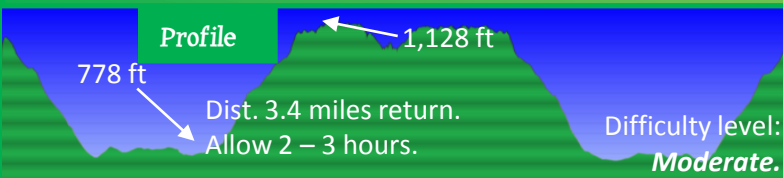
Lacipo

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- ① Take the road at 30 S 294658 4036392.
- ② Turn left at 30 S 293473 4035874 by a pond.
- ③ A 280 ft climb up the valley with a steep last stage to the top of the hill.



Conditions: short distance, some uneven surfaces, one steep slope.

LINKS

GPS
trail



Video



Getting
there



Larger
map



General



This return trip takes us to the site of the **Roman city of Lacipo** on the **Cerro del Pelliscoso** (the site and the hill are wrongly marked on the map). The route to the start point can be found in the Links section below.

Lacipo, on a private estate, is one of the best preserved Roman cities in Spain. The walls still survive and although most are in ruins, the limits of the city can clearly be traced. Within the town there are two altars dedicated to **Youth** and **Fortuna Augusta**. On the north side of the city are two small turrets, eight metres in diameter. There are four observation posts in the north wall, two at the sides, and two facing south.

Lacipo enjoyed great importance during the Roman period because of its strategic position in the Peninsula and its proximity to Africa, while commanding to the south the valley of the Genal and Guadiaro and to the west the mountains of Ronda. The city was particularly well sited for its purpose, on a long and flat hill which overlooks long distances in every direction. The city minted its own money. With the passing of time the site came to be used as a burial ground by the **Visigoths**, evidenced by remains recently found.

At 30S 294612 4036633, 250 m north along the A-377 from the junction with the path, is the prize-winning cheese maker, [Quesos Sierra Crestellina](#).

The route is one of those covered in the [Birding Map](#) of the area, by BioGea.

