

## **SIMA LA LLANA DEL TEJES. POZO NEGRO P340**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Twenty years ago, some sailors crossed the ocean by sail, without any maps, only with the help of the stars and their tenacity. Twenty years later, another small group did so with a tiny map that those explorers left behind. On this occasion, they located stopovers along the way to make the trip more bearable. Only time will tell if the adventure ends there or is repeated in posterity. We place great value on the achievement of those SEII sailors, because thanks to them, we are here today, above Pozo Negro, in the Llana del Tejes.

Pozo Negro has been completely re-equipped, as well as the handrail over El Señor del Anillo and Pozo Pedrito. Chemical tensioners and stainless steel pins of various lengths have been used for the castings in the handrail at the head of Pozo Pedrito. A fixed rope has been installed to cross Ring and Pedrito, so in principle no material is necessary to install these points.

### **NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE SEMI-DETACHED PIT**

- 48 Karabiners.
- 20 metres of rope for the handrail and head.
- A little over 400 metres of rope for the semitage (\*).
- 30 metres of rope for the overhang of the meander of the Murciélagos (\*\*)

(\*) We used 2 200-meter coils

in the vertical and the rope reached just to the base, obviously taking into account the jump ropes and the double Y-knots in the sections. If shorter ropes are used, it will be essential to take something more than 400m as the ends of the rope we have may not coincide with the sections, and we will have to waste the excess.

(\*\*) If you want to get to the Cellagua Canyon, there are two small ledges at the base of Pozo Negro equipped, but without rope. There is a third ledge at the end of Murciélagos with a fixed rope on natural ropes.

You can access the head of Pozo Negro only with personal equipment.

### **DESCRIPCION POZO NEGRO -P340-**

We mounted handrails from the back to the ceiling, and from the ceiling to the head. From the head to the first section, which cannot be seen from above, there is a deviator (cord with carabiner) in the middle of the black wash. From the first section there is a guide cord to the two following, which are key to not jumping over them. Here the cord ends (third section), but the sections marked with reflectors continue.

**Attention;** not all sections have reflectors. Watch the meters between each section according to the pitch diagram.

## Access to Sima La Llana Del Tejes

The access is the same as for Garma Ciega, but without detouring towards its mouth. We continue ascending parallel to the large karst. After having climbed a large slope, the ground flattens out and between some beech trees we cross the karst for a moment on the other side of the slope. It is important to cross it in the correct place since it is the narrowest part of this large karst.

On the other side we begin to comfortably descend the slope, now with the karst on our left. Until the characteristic sinkhole where the mouth of the cave is located.

What has made this adventure special has been the human aspect that has been behind all this. We wanted to give Pozo Negro the value it deserves with the reequipment, since it would possibly have been forgotten again, who knows, maybe another 20 years. Really the reequipment has been what has been the most work, but the most motivating thing has been the reciprocal human connection with the SEII.

Legends of caving and great people full of values, humility and closeness. And we want to insist that all this has been thanks to them: Paco, Jesus, Fernando, Josefo, Xuan, Blanca and a long etcetera that we have not had the pleasure of meeting but who also worked in La Llana 20 years ago.



Paco en cabecera de Pozo Negro.  
Año 2003. Foto: Blanca (SEII)



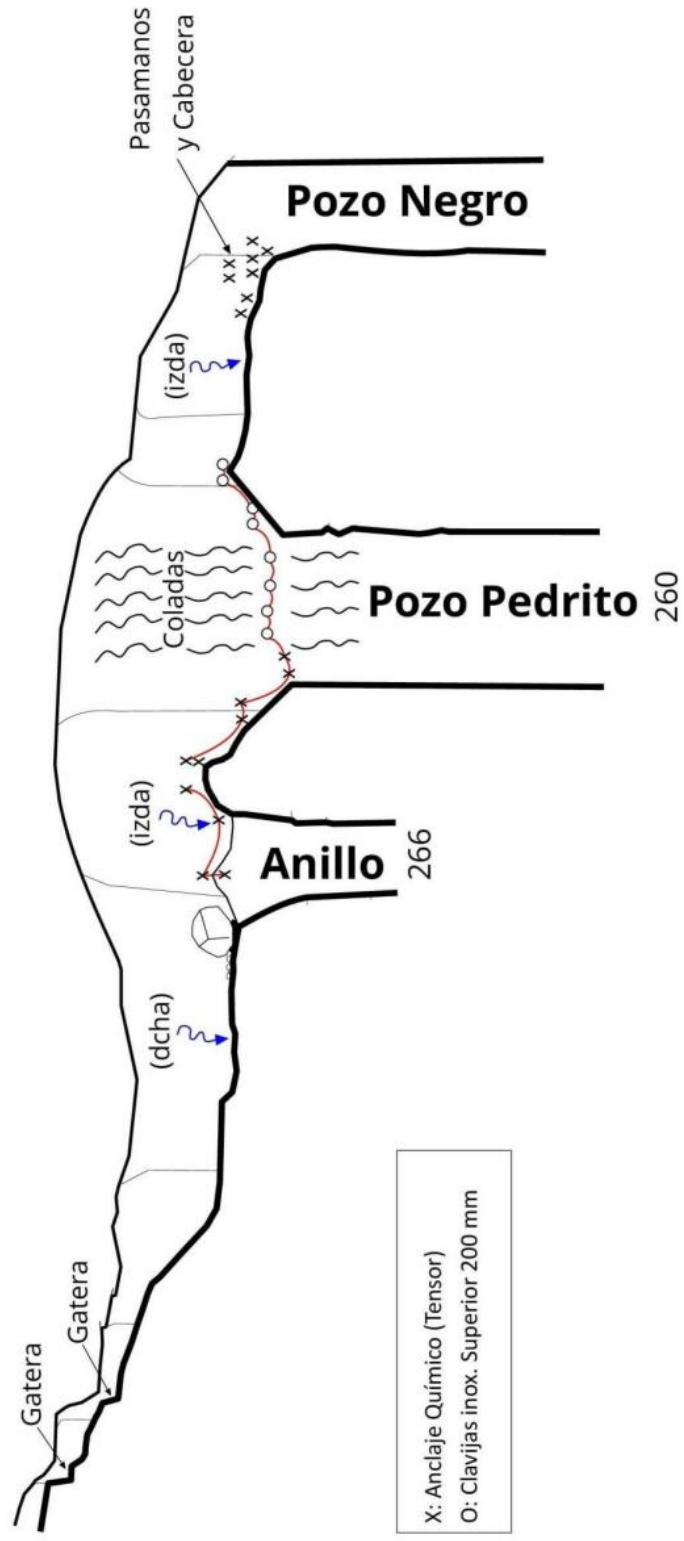
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POZO NEGRO 340  
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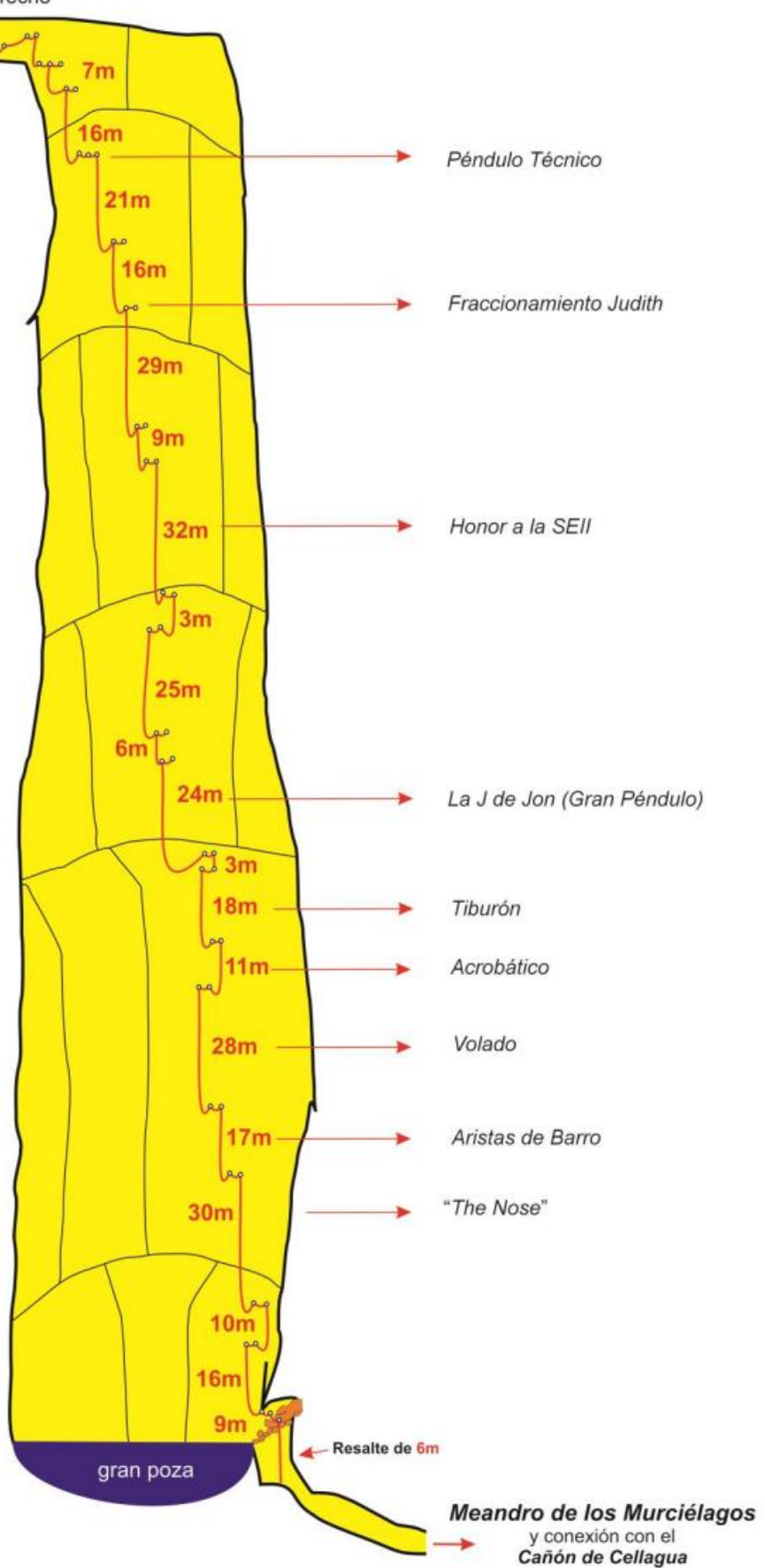
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**Video of bolting the P340**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R5phX-lvD3c>