

Ingeniero Maury — to — San Lorenzo Trek

Región del Norte Grande Argentino

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Appero: Jour -1 (10th March 2018)

- *Let's test the skills while climbing a single hill in the massive of Corbes, Cerro Negro 5060m, around 10km from San Antonio de los Corbes...*



Valuable advices from the locals, very nice people





Still with me my friends... Are we going to try the sommet together? Be reasonable and wait down here for me...



Quinoa plants :-)



White Salinas Grandes in the background...



Cerro Tuzgle, volcano on the other side of the Corbes massif

The other side of the massif de los Corbes

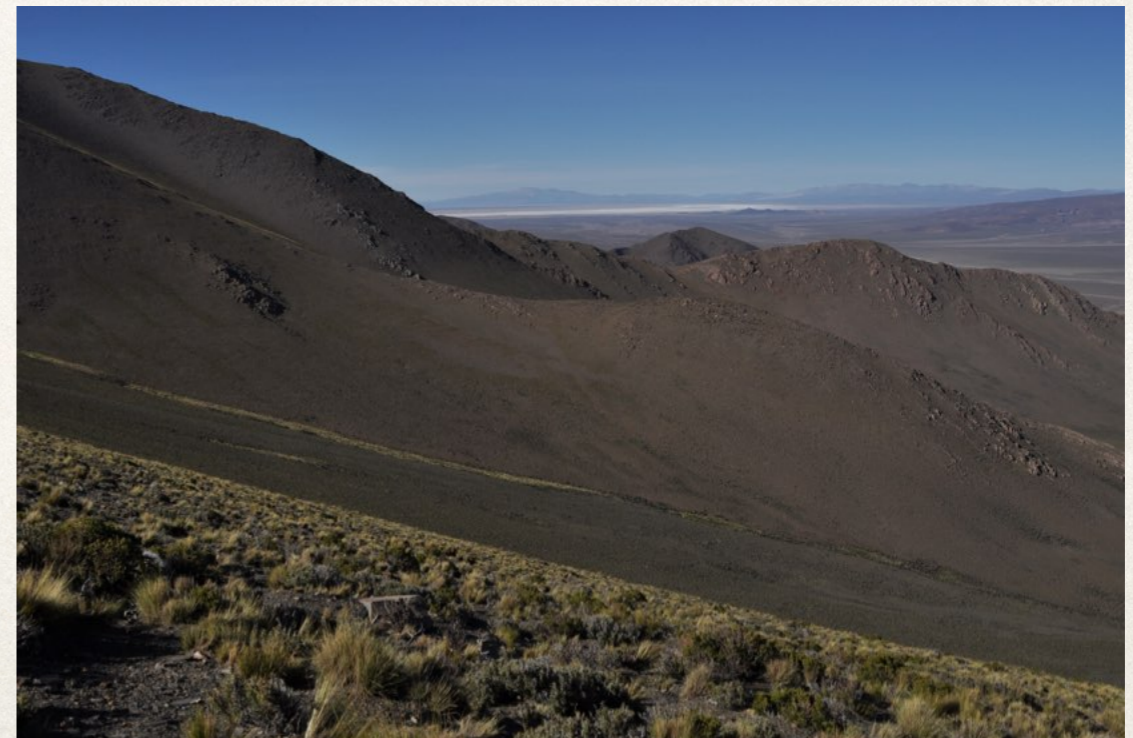
- *So cool, I can see the Cerro Tuzgle volcano, but I'm still around 150 altitude metres bellow the sommet*
- *Shall I continue and reach the sommet in next 30minutes or so?*
- *You know the old truth in the mountains: "You may go up and it's only your choice. But you always have to go down, there's no question about this..."*



- *For fuck's sake 5k... There will surely be other chances...*
- *Not having time to go all the way up drives the decision for an immediate descend...*
- *Nevertheless, how lucky am I to see in all the directions even from bellow the sommet ;-)*



Volcanoes



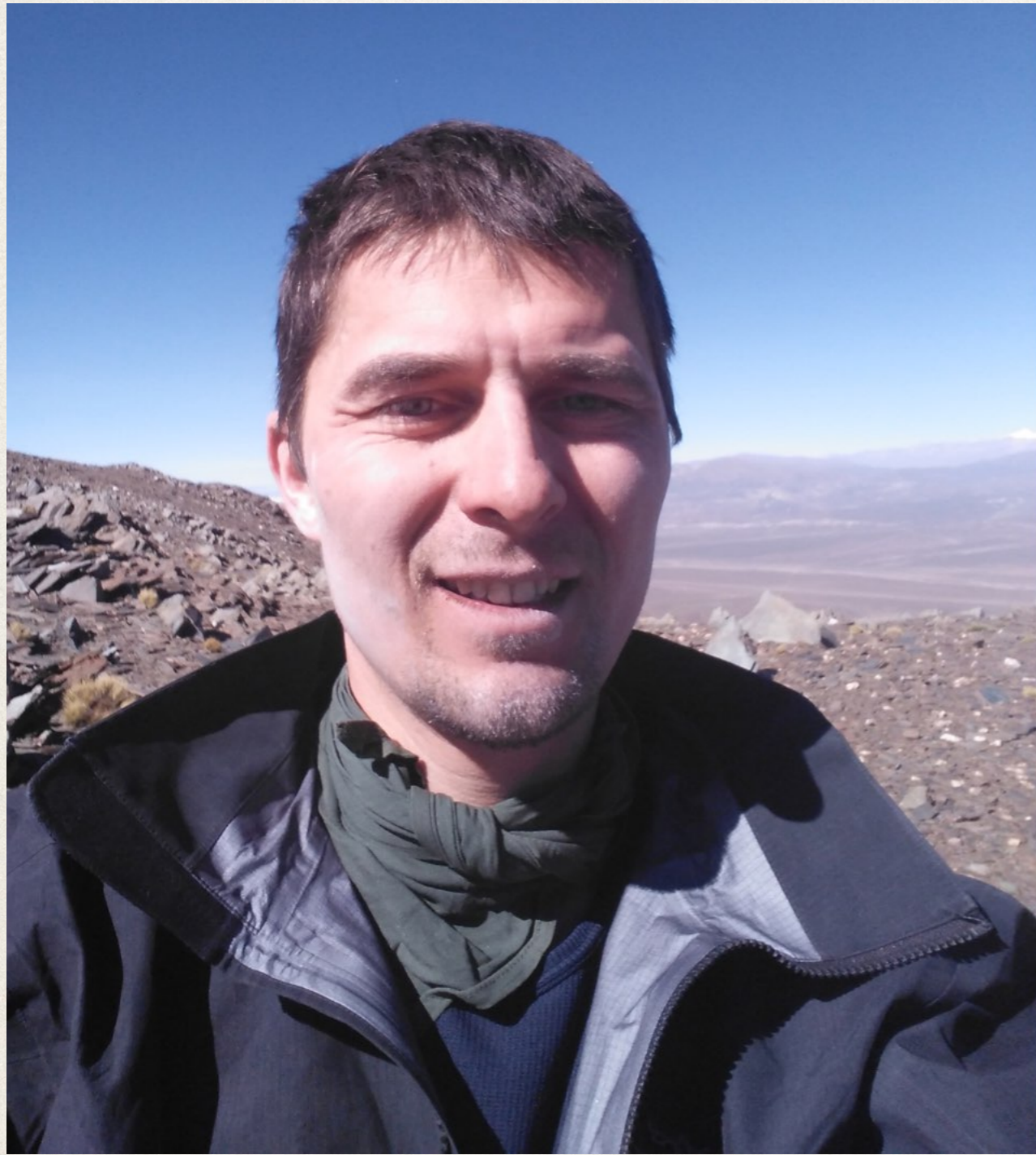
Salinas grandes...

Mis amigos perros are happy to return..



...and we made it down just before sunset. A lucky hitchhike of a small scooter made the way 10km back to San Antonio in just some 20minutes...

Returning back and preparing for the 4-day Ingeniero Maury to San Lorenzo trek heading for tomorrow...

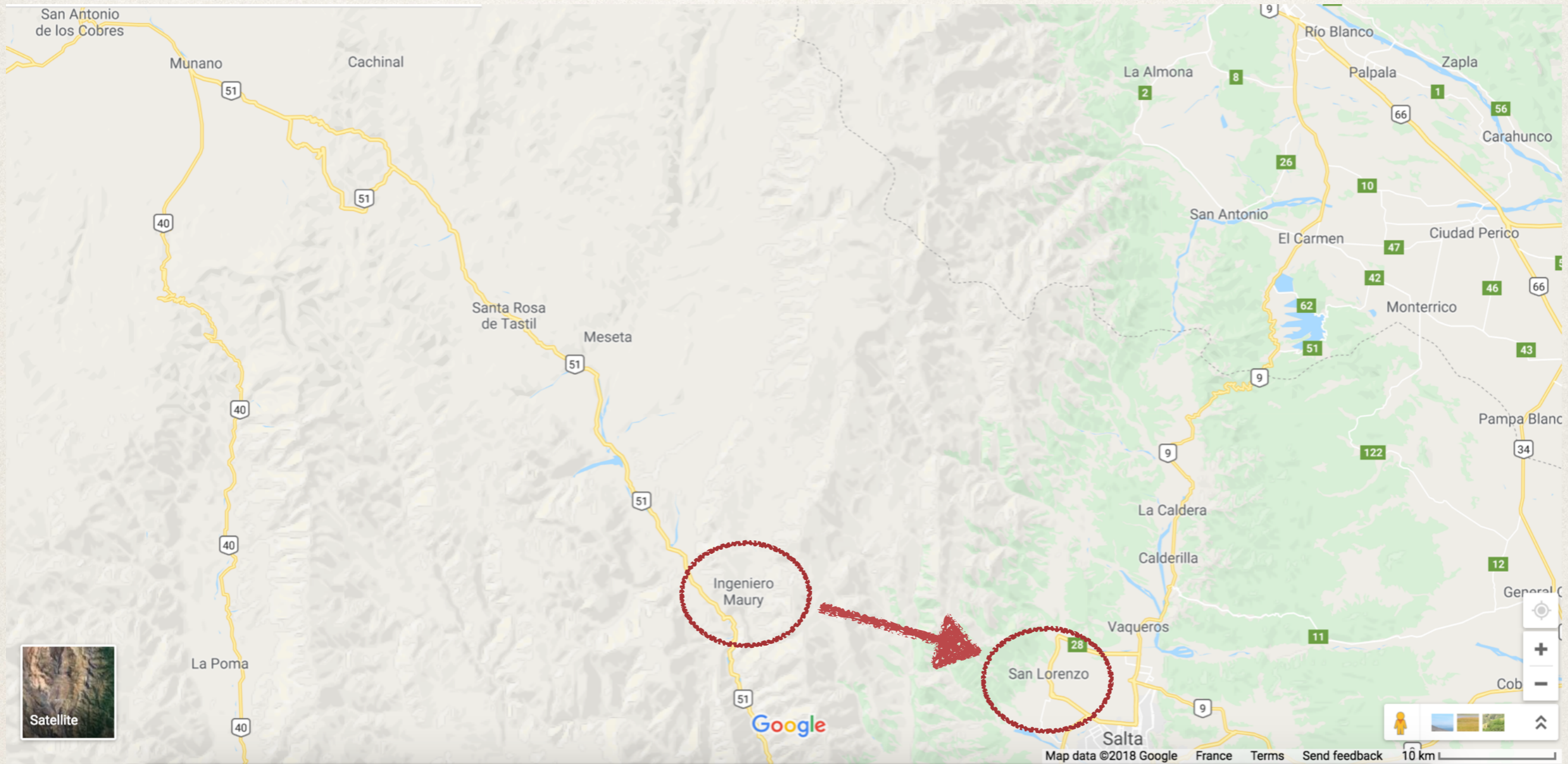


Slightly bellow Cerro Negro at ~4900m



- *Mental test of the skills: passed, ca roule ma pull. Let's see tomorrow, hasta manana a Ingeniero Maury...*

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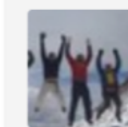
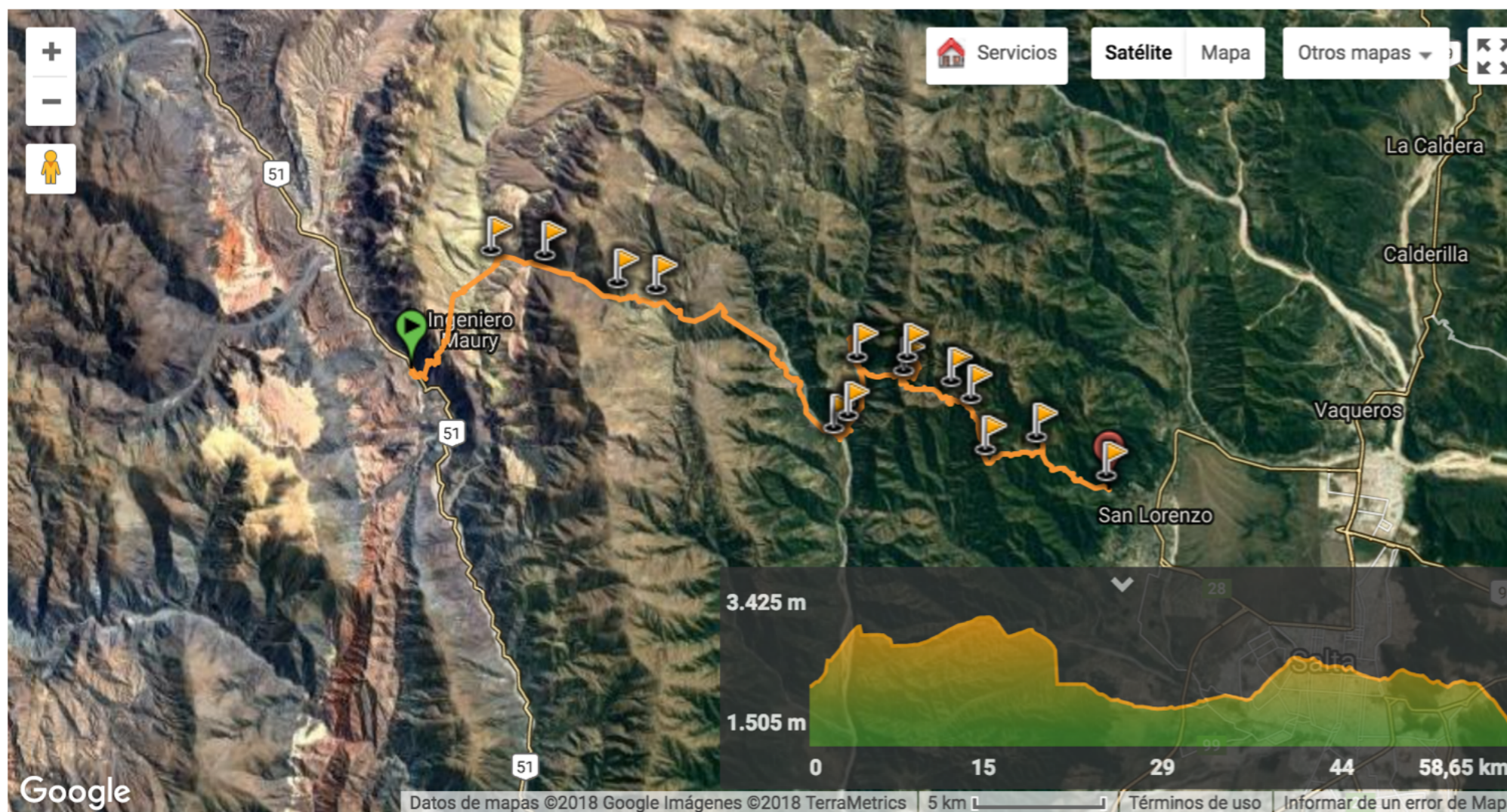
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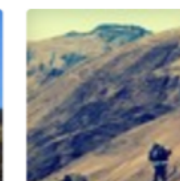


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He realizado esta ruta

→ 58,65 km ↻ No
↗ 2.560 m ↑ 3.425 m
↘ 2.703 m ↓ 1.505 m



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Coordenadas

493

Fecha de subida

27 de Julio de 2014

Google

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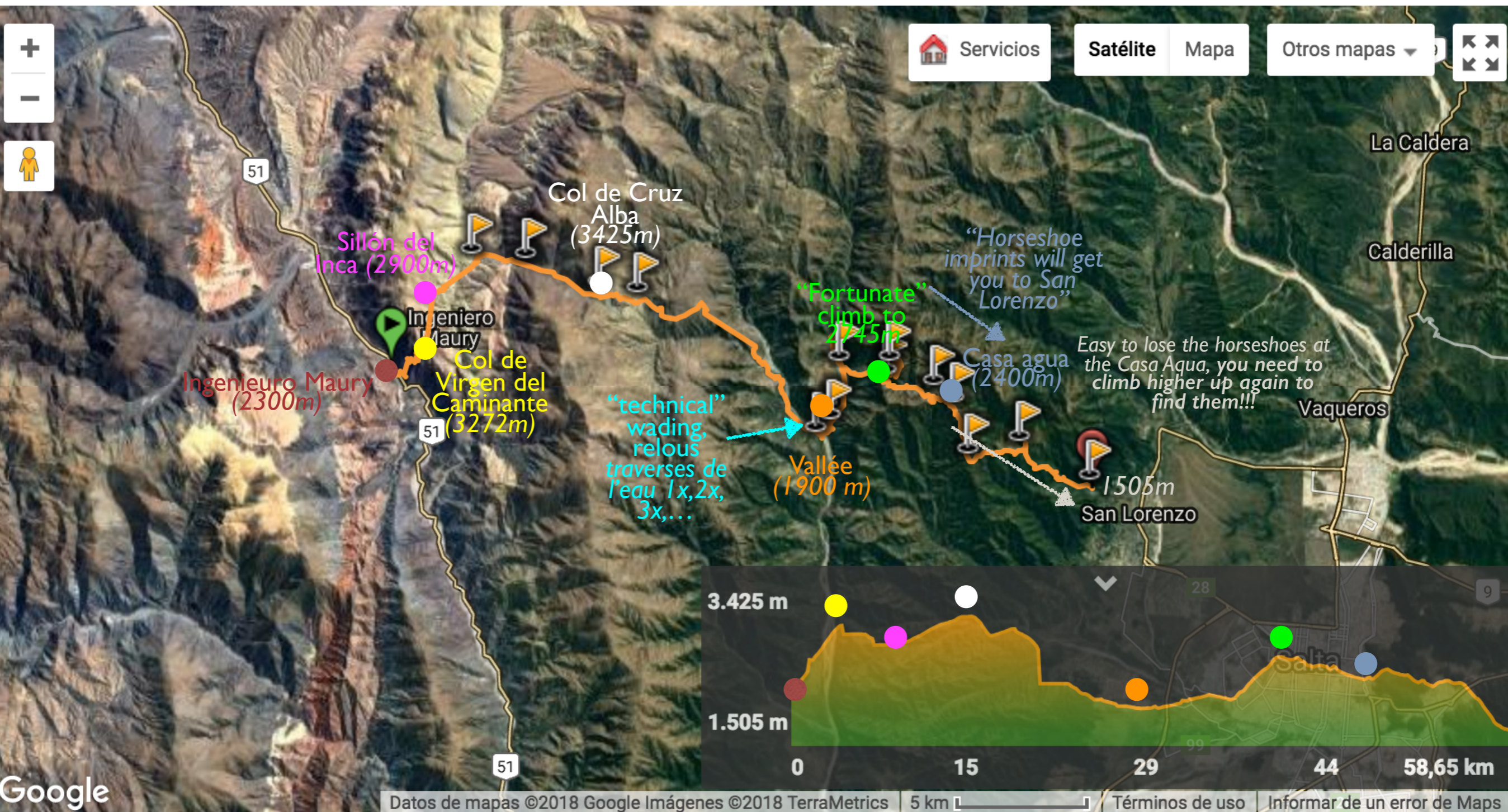
cerca de Ingeniero Maury, Salta (Argentina)

Better to be ready than surprised...



Backup orientation notes

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En voiture, Simone!



Ingeniero Maury



Montée tranquille

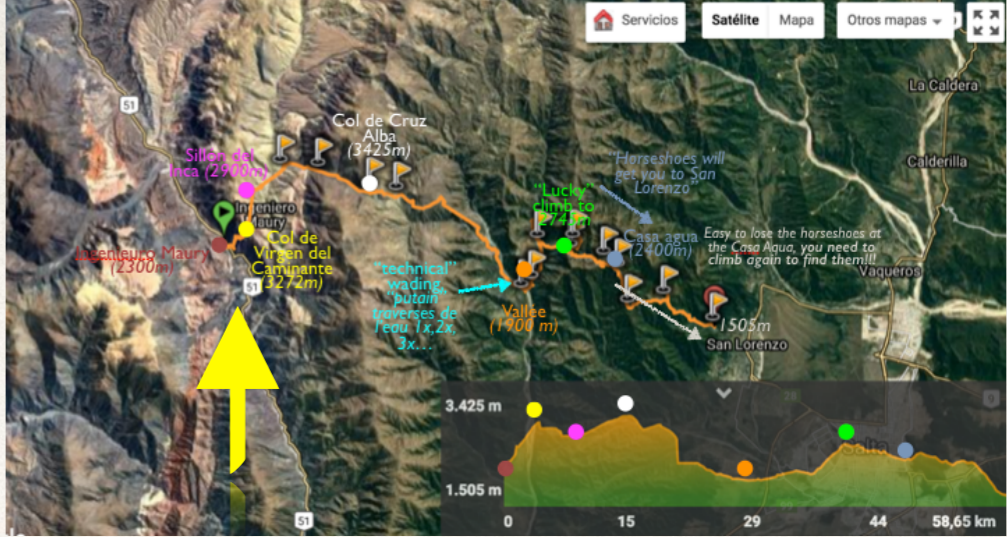
Horses were the only vehicle I met there



Nearly in the first mountain pass



Col de Virgen del caminante (3272m)



Shall I stay...



Or shall I go?



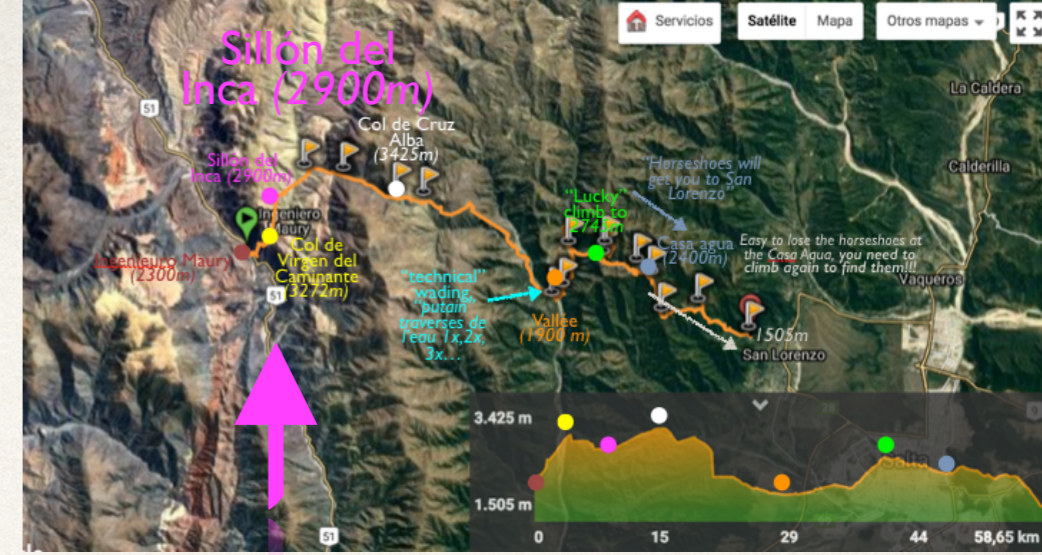
“Keep a good portion of respect and the mountains might let you in and lead you through...”

And the decision of the day is:

C'est parti mon kiki!



Sillón del Inca



First super helpful meeting



No, I don't need coca leaves but will check out the accommodation option you suggested on the way...



Cheers Man!





Look backwards...



Look forward...



One of the last big cactus...



And first Argentinian cows... Such a change in a single day...

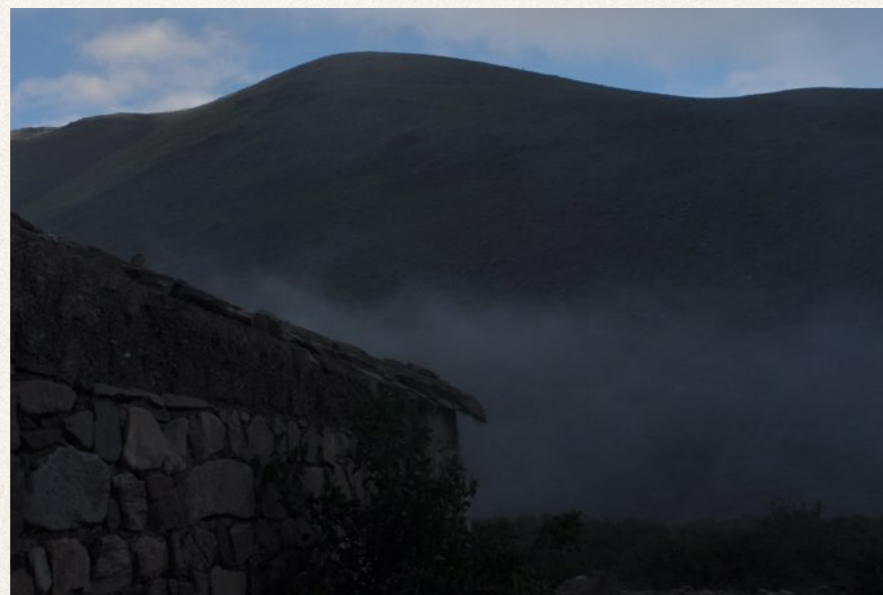
Logement recommandée par Routard



On dit pas non a l'hotel de 5 etoiles in such an endroit, n'est-ce pas?



A la belle étoile ou l'hotel de 5 étoiles?

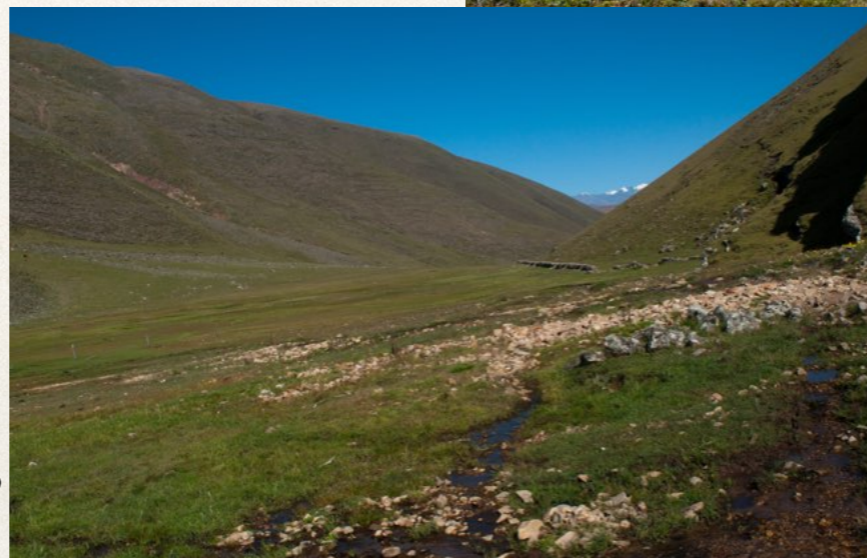
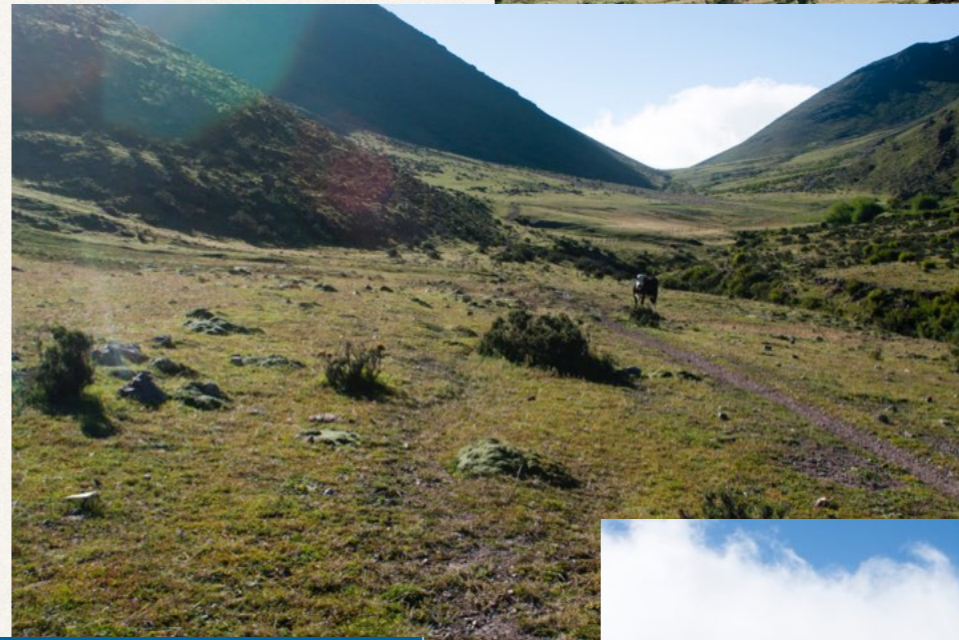


... just below majestic Cerro Pacuy (4170m). No solo climbs up there, though, agree?



President's apartment

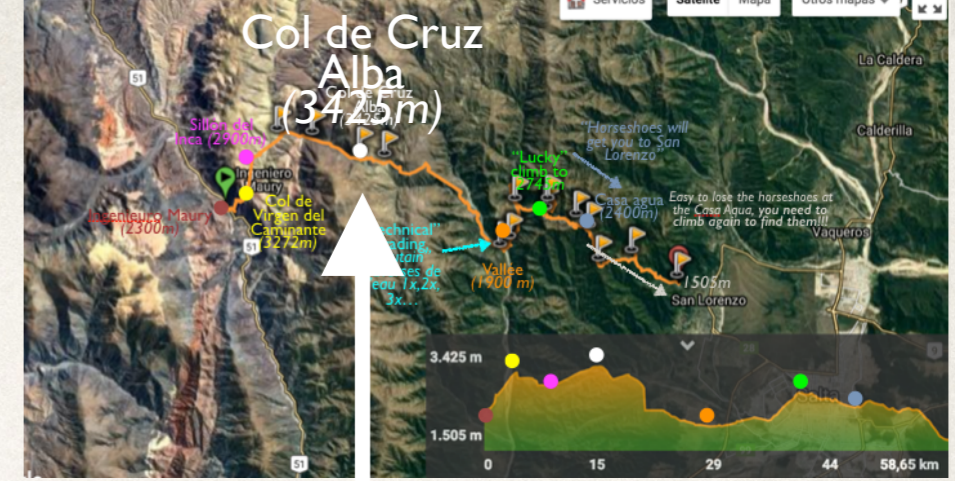
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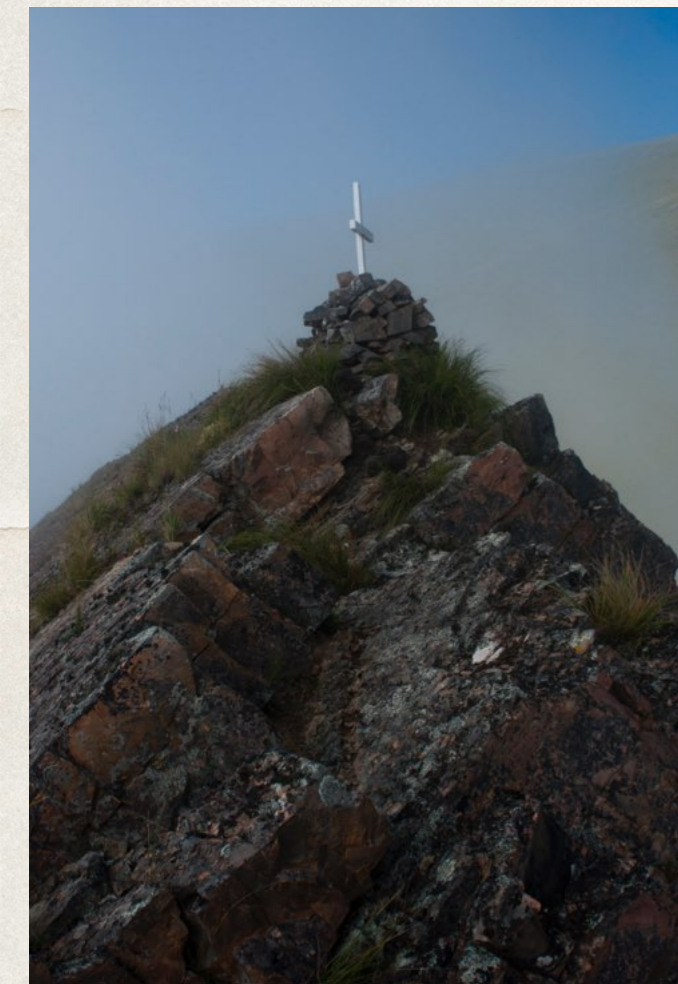
Where are you coming from?

Where are you heading to?

Col de Cruz Alba (3425m)



We know this side pretty well...



Not much can be seen on the other side of the mountain pass at the moment though. This is the beauty of "trekking a las nubes" (trekking in the skies), enjoy!!!

Trekking a las nubes on the other side of Col de Cruz Alba



Now, an isolated ranch was uncovered!

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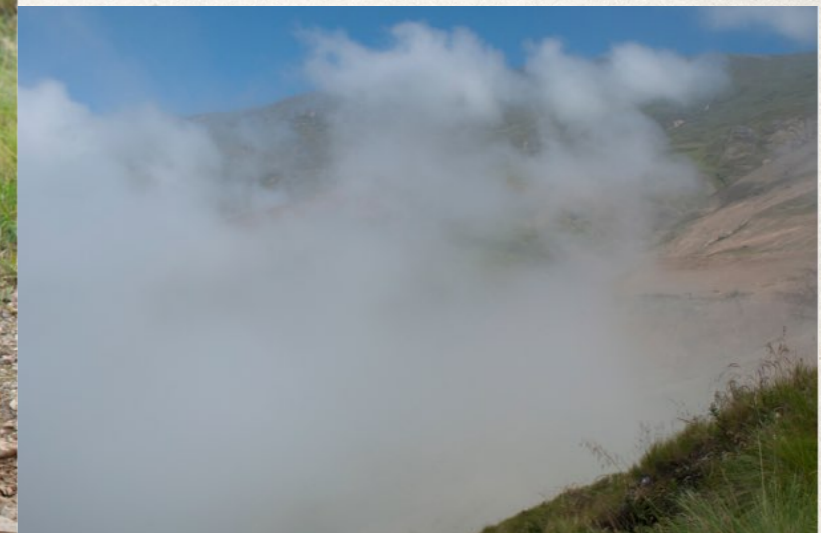
Wild horses



Amazing landscape



A bit of rest, so far so good, ca marche



And back to the clouds

Buenas tardes



—Just descend down, down, all the way to the valley... Can you hear the water? Just follow the sound..

—Muchas grazias para usted. This was super helpful, once more.

... Weren't I in a desert yesterday?



Sometimes, it's getting difficult to get through the vegetation. But the flowers are beautiful...

This must have been a pueblo in the past, there's a cemetery
but currently only a few houses mostly empty...



Not all the advices are good, bien évidemment... Il faut bien voir que certains ce sont s'en BALEK meme a toi Radek.



Some advices are surely very good et il faut mieux les suivre.

Comment decider si suivre une conseille ou plutot pas? Well, comme dans la vie: "C'est le jeux, ma pauvre Lucette"!

A calm night after quite a few *relou* river crossings...



It seems it was raining a bit during the night...



Drying wet stuff in a rain forest is a bit chelou, pero es la vida



Would you rather have bath in the morning instead of taking shower?



Better to be organized... How would you check out from the hotel room without your passport, right?



Wonderful, however it's not clear how to get up and climb over another 2700m-mountain pass...



Luckily, sometimes, all things connect and help to find a tiny path going up...

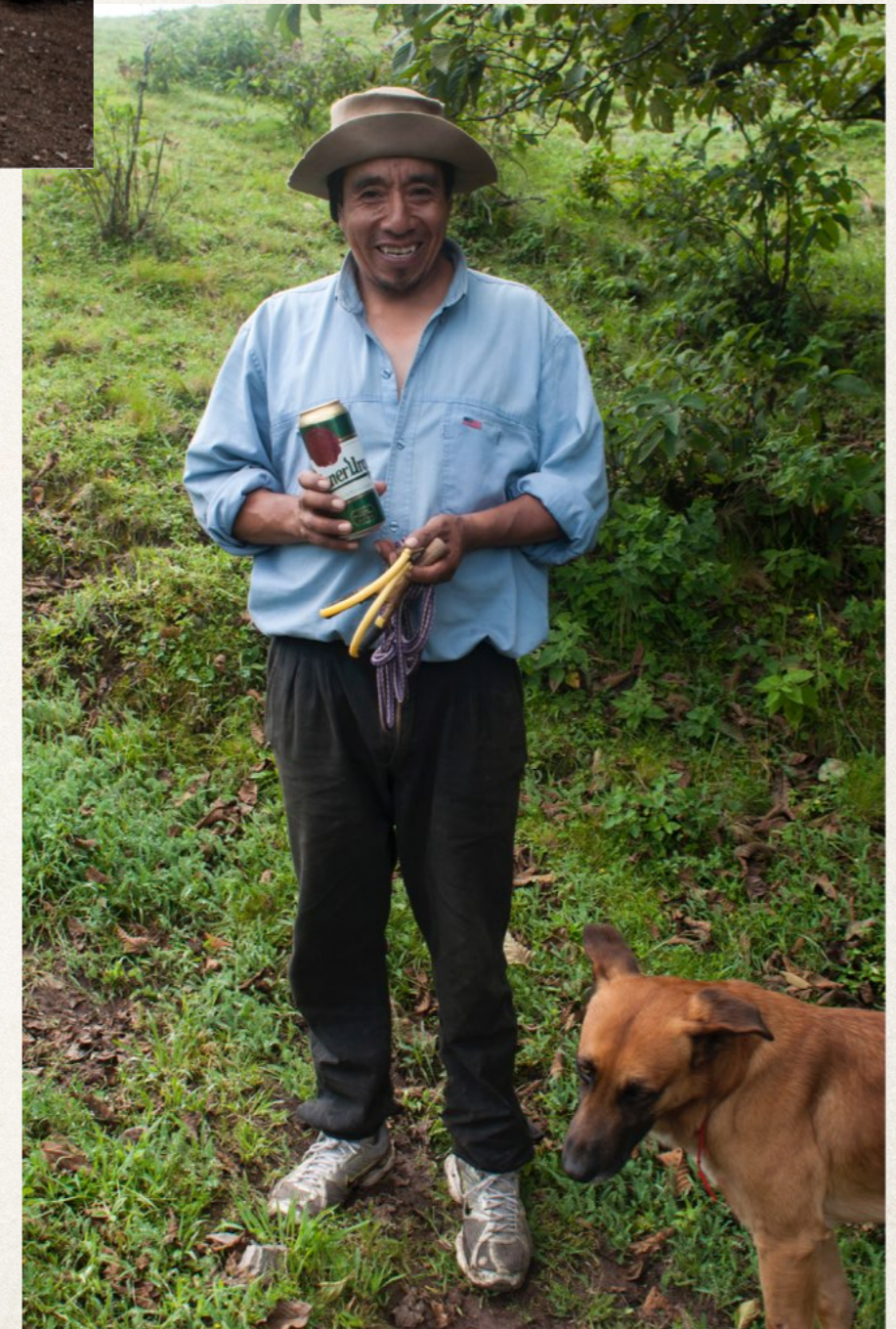
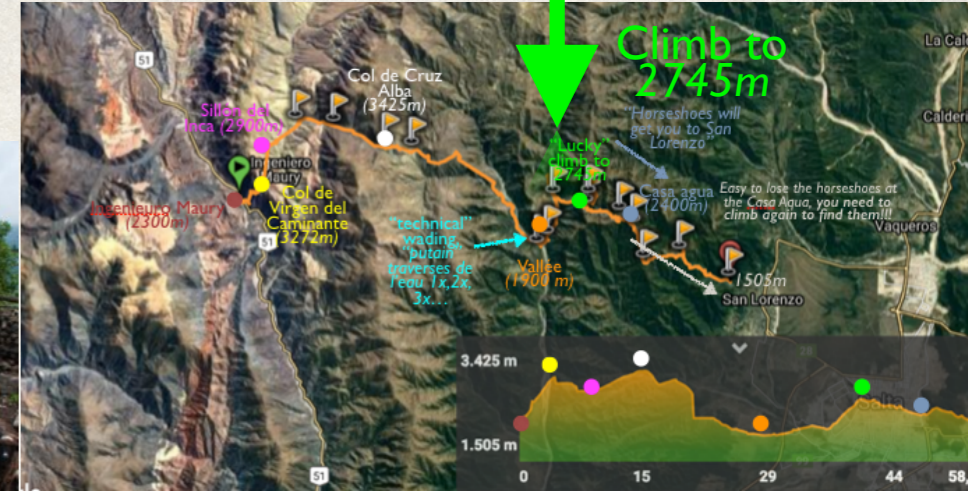


E la vita e bella!



Ca roule ma poule!!! Le col est fait!

Imagine, these people are independent of any city... Luckily for me, they do know how to get to San Lorenzo (my second piece of luck today)...



Follow the horseshoe imprints... As long as you see them, you will be following the path to San Lorenzo....

Amigo, this was an incredible help. Thank you and enjoy the greetings from Plzeň!

Following a little river, a bit like hiking chez moi!



And what about taking an excuse to dry the tent from the last night rain, and relax in this jacuzzi?

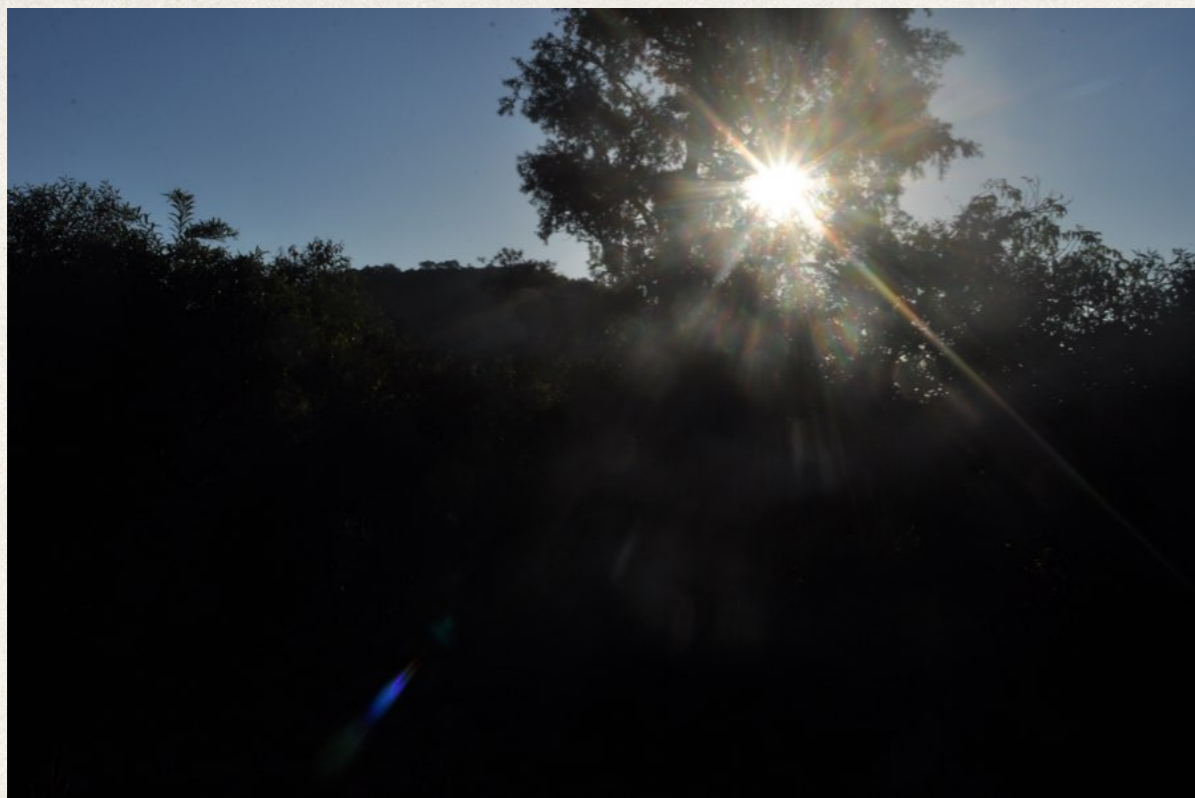
Casa de agua: Here, the paths is disappearing. A bit tricky but finally OK.

Back following the horseshoe imprints...



And a few more changes of the landscape... A peat lake followed by rocks, and stones, after being in a desert a couple of days ago. How funny. Those may be just dreams in the end of another amazing day...

And a new beautiful day is coming...



Stop for a moment and observe the daily theatre of cloud forming... Just for 10 minutes, 1 hour, 2 hours... That's pretty impressive. OK, two more minutes...



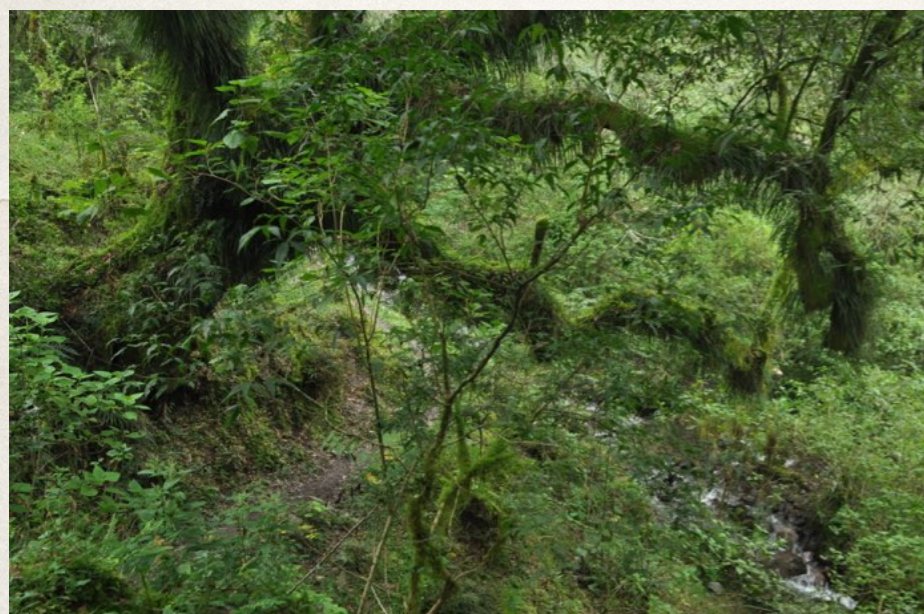
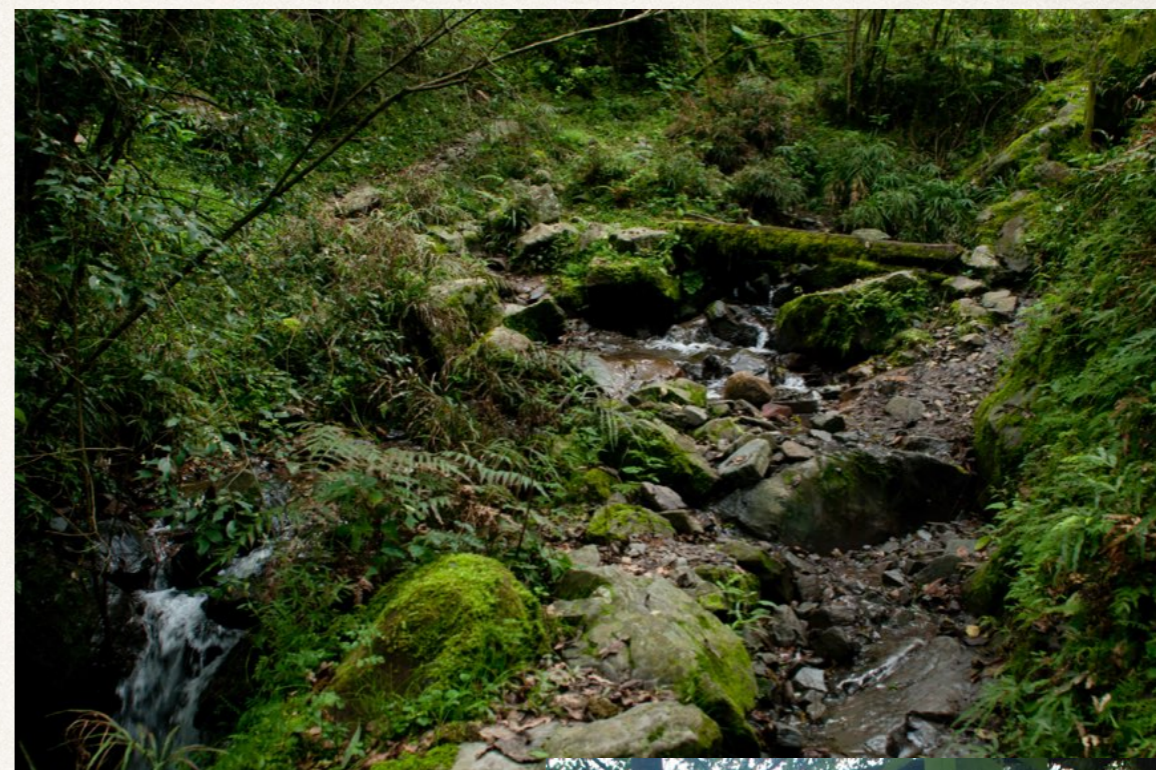
Repos au Cruz Bajada...



GoreTex is struggling, laces need some improvised fixing... If it's only this, ca sont les petits choses. Ca ira...



San Lorenzo and Salta below me... Heading down to civilization after 4 days inoubliables...



And one more swim...

Welcome in San Lorenzo...



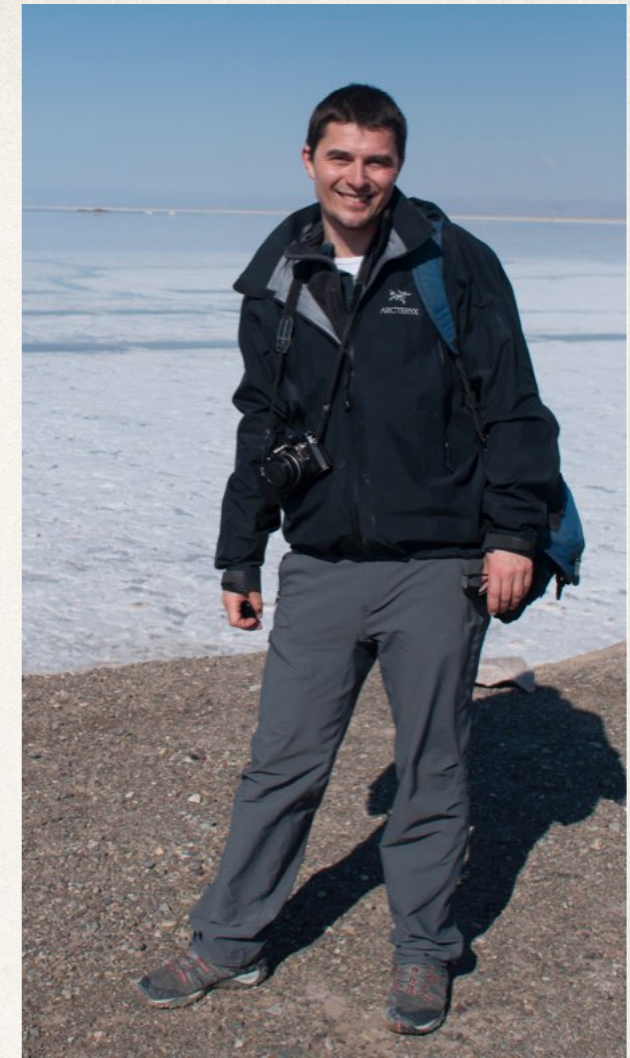
I fortunately came from the other direction, where there's a lack of official tourist guides ;-)

Rencontre in Salta

*The beautiful part of a lonely trek is re-meeting old friends... Salut les Moches, Salut les Nazes :-)
How is balek doing? So, happy to see you!*



And here we are the whole band





Hasta Luego Amigos



Coupe de Pouce humanitaire mission in San Antonio de los Cobres, Norte Grande, Argentina

Would you like to see what were we had been doing during 2 weeks before the actual trek?

http://rchabiniok.free.fr/ARG2018/CoupDePouce_Argentina2018.pdf