

# Thrill-seekers want to walk on the high side

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Tourists walk the El Caminito del Rey high above the Gaitanes Gorge in southern Spain  
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Once known as one of the world's most dangerous footpaths, a narrow walkway that clings to rockface hundreds of feet above a river has become one of the most popular tourist attractions in Spain after it was made safer.

Thrill-seekers are expected to snap up tickets for El Caminito del Rey, the precarious cliff-side path that runs for



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nearly five miles through the Gaitanes Gorge in southern Spain, when 100,000 go on sale for the summer season today.

Five people fell to their deaths from the path in 1999 and

2000, when it was in a state of disrepair. Authorities closed the entire route and spent €5.5 million on a restoration project that lasted 15

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