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### **Traverse of Nevados de Famatina**

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**In August, Argentines Griselda Moreno (leader), Ramiro García, Paula Miranda, and Lelo Saldaña made the first traverse of all the summits of Nevados de Famatina.** This traverse was attempted unsuccessfully five times in the 1990s, and it was particularly interesting this time because it was done in the austral winter.

The climbers started the traverse at Puesto de las Tres Piedras and finished at the ancient gold and silver mine of La Mejicana on August 28 after climbing seven summits in nine days. The summits ascended were: Cerro Negro Overo (5,778m), Cerro Pradbhupada (5,842m), Cerro Nevado de Famatina (5,821m), Cerro Overo (5,930m), Cerro La Mejicana (6,094m), Cerro El Gran Riojano (6,090m) and Cerro General Belgrano (6,122m). They had high winds that destroyed a tent and passed by ancient Incan ruins near Cerro Negro Overo, a sacred mountain where deer horn offerings were found decades before.

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## Images



Se visualiza el camino transitado. Al final el co Overo.jpg Looking back at the route traveled over Nevados de Famatina in August. Cerro Overo is the distant, final peak in the chain.



Traversing a low area near Cerro Overo during the Famatina traverse.



The foot of Cerro Overo.

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