

This route combines technically demanding mid-mountain trails with compact or paved paths that run either along flat surfaces or descents. It leads all the way to Valencia, and it includes other routes, as for example Ojos Negros Green Route and Vía Augusta. Embark on the conquest of the city dreamt by El Cid, but save time to go for a swim in any of the coast's beaches!

The conquest of the dreamt city

The literary route starts in **Cella**, the town chosen by El Cid to call a meeting for all those who wished to follow him in the conquest of Valencia. It then continues alongside the river Palancia, in whose valley is **Jérica**, which was conquered by El Cid. The next town in the route is **Segorbe**, where 3,000 Muslim knights slept after travelling to Alcocer to combat him. The route comes out to the Mediterranean Sea: first at **Sagunto**, where, according to El Cantar, El Cid established his military base for a period of three years; and, second, at **El Puig**, a strategic point, 15km away from Valencia. Available historical sources point out that El Cid conquered the city in the year 1094, after months of harsh siege. He is said to have climbed the tower of the fortress after the conquest so as to look at his belongings. Complete the route climbing to the top of Miquelet and recall these lines from El Cantar: "Sheer happiness covered the place, / when mio Cid won Valencia and he came into the city".

What there is to see?

There are many charming towns with an intense medieval touch. Along the highest points of the route, you will see **fascinating landscapes as well as mixed Mediterranean groves**, natural pools (apt for swimming), rivers and straits. Along the lowest parts of the route, there are impressive **fruit fields, marshes and the warm Mediterranean beaches**. There are three **World Heritage Sites** along the route: Mudéjar Aragónés, Lonja gótica de Valencia and Tribunal de las Aguas. There are seven **towns which have been declared Historic and/or Artistic Sites**: Teruel, Mora de Rubielos, Rubielos de Mora, Jérica, Segorbe, the millennial town of Sagunto, and, of course, Valencia. There are **Natural Spaces** made of juniper trees at Puerto de Escandón (in between Teruel and Puebla de Valverde), amazing straits at Estrechos del Mijares (in between Olba and Montán) and at Curso Medio del Palancia (in between Caudiel and Algar de Palancia), and Marjal dels Moros, a wetland placed in between Sagunto and Puçol. This marsh is a reminder of just how close the Mediterranean Sea is. That is to say, you may take a refreshing bath in any of the warm beaches along the Mediterranean coast.

▼ Puebla de Arenoso

Fact Sheet



Distance 221 km



Estimated time 4 días



Cumulative ascent 2.075 m



Cumulative descent 3.115 m



Physical difficulty Medium



Technical difficulty Low

Information for bicycle tourists

The route is divided into several well-defined parts: until reaching Puebla de Valverde, it runs along Ojos Negros Green Route; it then runs along the road leading to Caudiel, which has challenging slopes. The roads alongside the river Mijares are great, but they are curvy and some of them have no hard shoulder, which is why we recommend that you take care while pedalling. From Caudiel onwards, the route runs again along a Green Route, descending until reaching Algimia de Alfará. Finally, the last stage of the route runs mainly along rural paved paths and cycle lanes.

Roads with symbolic significance

The term "Road with Symbolic Significance" along The Way of El Cid refers to stretches of road of high symbolic value in terms of their cycling, landscape, historic or artistic significance. The stretch of road CV 20 that runs in between Puebla de Arenoso and Montanejos (10 km) is a road with symbolic significance.

Road surface condition and traffic

This section contains information about hard shoulders, road surfaces, traffic lanes and traffic volume. Note that the condition of hard shoulders and road surfaces can vary depending on

maintenance work, which means that there may be some improvements that are not recorded here. Traffic alerts are subjective for they are based on the authors' experience and may vary depending on the period of the year and the days of the week (for example, weekends and bank holidays).

Weather

You will encounter important weather changes along the route. In the stretch that runs along the province of Teruel and the mountain sections in Castellón, the weather is influenced by height levels and the insulation ensured by the Mediterranean Sea. The temperature in the summer is mild, though there are huge temperature fluctuations. As for winters, they are very cold, dry and sunny. Rainfalls occur mainly in spring and autumn, though summers are not particularly dry because of storms. From Caudiel onwards, the fields of citrus trees that grow alongside the meadow at Alto Palancia indicate that we have reached a region characterised by Mediterranean climate: winters are mild and summers are dry and hot. Pay special attention to storms, especially at the beginning of the autumn, when rain falls heavily, to the point that water flows along riverbeds that remain dry throughout the year.

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Average temperature Máx/Min	12° 2°	13° 2°	15° 4°	17° 6°	21° 9°	26° 13°	30° 16°	29° 16°	26° 13°	21° 9°	15° 5°	13° 3°
Total daylight time for any day	09:38	10:40	11:56	13:17	14:24	15:01	14:45	13:45	12:28	11:09	09:58	09:20
Average rainfall	15	14	17	40	48	39	20	33	40	36	36	30

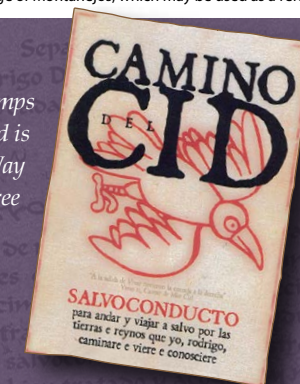
Monthly weather average for the village of Montanejos, which may be used as a reference

The Passport

The Passport is an identification card used by travellers to collect stamps from the towns and villages along their way. If this identification card is shown at any of the 200 accommodation facilities belonging to The Way of El Cid route, you can get a minimum of 10% off. The Passport is free and you can get it either at a Tourist Office or at our office:



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MORA DE RUBIELOS

■ OFICINA DE TURISMO: C/ Diputación, 2 - 978806132
 ■ O.T. CASTILLO: Ronda Martín Almagro, 1 - 978800395
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 COMPLEJO LA TRUFA NEGRA: Av. Ibañez Martín, 10-14 - 978807144
 H LA RUEDA: Ctra. de Alcalá, km. 1 - 978800350
 H JAIME I: Pl. de la Villa, s/n - 978800184

OLBA

MULTISERVICIO MIJARES: C/ Cantón, 9 - 978781420
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CAUDIEL

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JÉRICA

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 INF. TURÍSTICA: "Casilla Santa Bárbara" PK 154 Vía Verde - 659290715

MONTÁN

AYUNTAMIENTO: Pl. del Ayuntamiento, 1 - 964131002

MONTANEJOS

■ OFICINA DE TURISMO: Av. Fuente de Baños, 10 - 964131153
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 APART. CAMPUEBLA: Ctra. Tales, 51 - 964131074 / 629673522

H REST. CASA PALACIO: C/ San Vicente, 40 - 964131293
 H XAUEN: Avda. Fuente Baños, 26 - 964131151

NAVAJAS

■ OFICINA DE TURISMO: Pl. del Olmo, 1 - 964713913
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PUEBLA DE ARENOSO

AYUNTAMIENTO: Pl. de la Iglesia, 1 - 964112601
 HR L'ABADÍA: Pl. de la Iglesia, 4 - 964708342 / 617760839

VALENCIA

ALGAR DE PALANCIA

AYUNTAMIENTO: Pl. Castellón, 2 - 962625055
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ALGIMIA DE ALFARA

CR EL SECANET: C/ TORRES TORRES, 27 - 962626527 / 661828245
 AYUNTAMIENTO: Pl. San Vicente, 1 - 962626053

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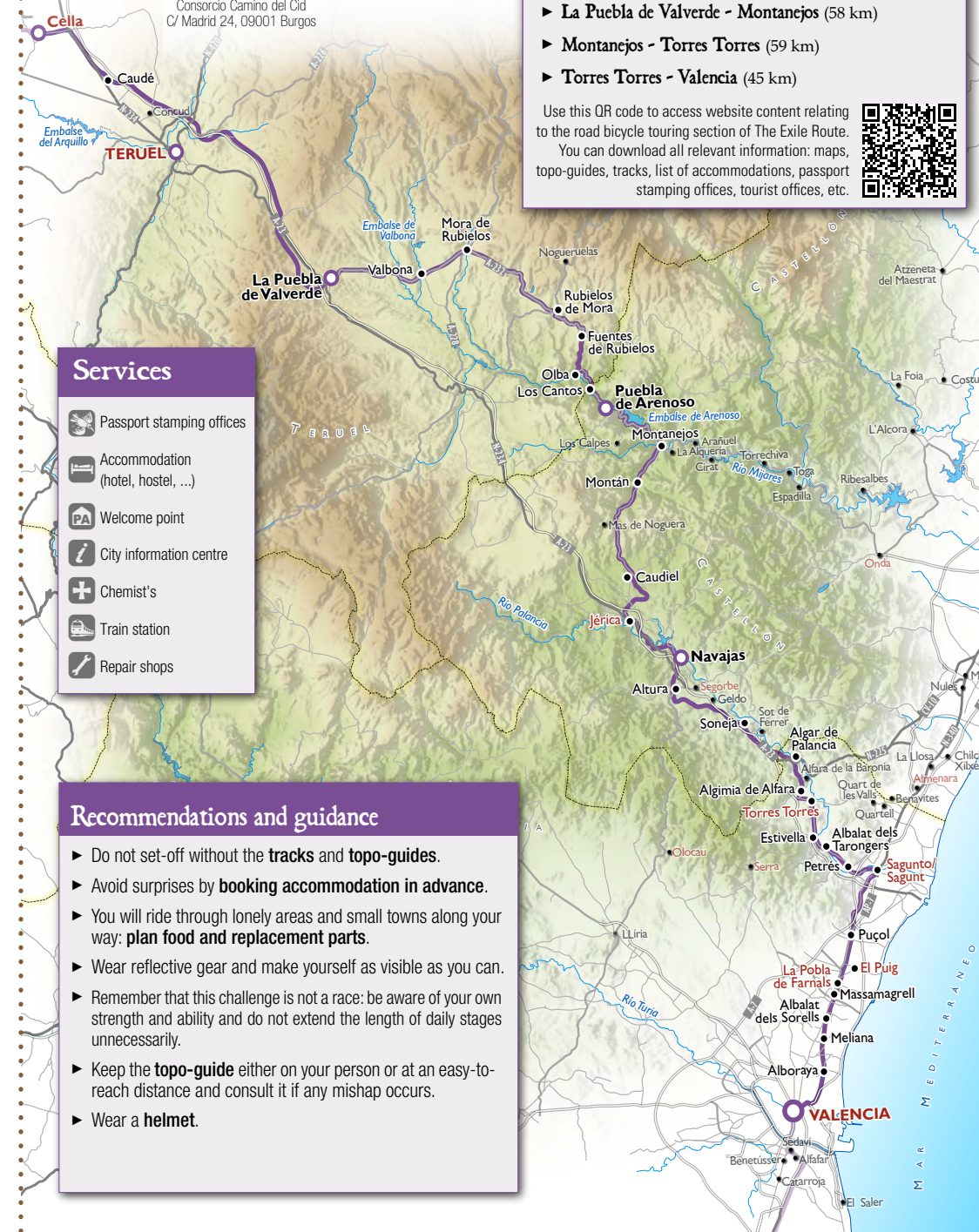
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 H MEDIUM VALENCIA: General Urrutia, 48 - 963347800
 H PATILLA: C/ Pinares, 10 - 961830382
 CAMPING DEVESA GARDENS: El Saler, km. 13 - 961611136
 H CASUALVALENCIA DE LA MÚSICA: Padilla, 4 - 963511284
 HS EL CID: C/ Cerrajeros (Manyans), 13 - 963922323
 ACCOM HOSTEL PALACIOS: C/ Daoiz y Velarde, 6 - 963629689/616352548



Services

- Passport stamping offices
- Accommodation (hotel, hostel, ...)
- Welcome point
- City information centre
- Chemist's
- Train station
- Repair shops

Recommendations and guidance

- Do not set-off without the **tracks and topo-guides**.
- Avoid surprises by **booking accommodation in advance**.
- You will ride through lonely areas and small towns along your way: **plan food and replacement parts**.
- Wear reflective gear and make yourself as visible as you can.
- Remember that this challenge is not a race: be aware of your own strength and ability and do not extend the length of daily stages unnecessarily.
- Keep the **topo-guide** either on your person or at an easy-to-reach distance and consult it if any mishap occurs.
- Wear a **helmet**.

Stages (221,4 km)

- **Cella - La Puebla de Valverde** (59 km)
- **La Puebla de Valverde - Montanejos** (58 km)
- **Montanejos - Torres Torres** (59 km)
- **Torres Torres - Valencia** (45 km)

Use this QR code to access website content relating to the road bicycle touring section of The Exile Route. You can download all relevant information: maps, topo-guides, tracks, list of accommodations, passport stamping offices, tourist offices, etc.



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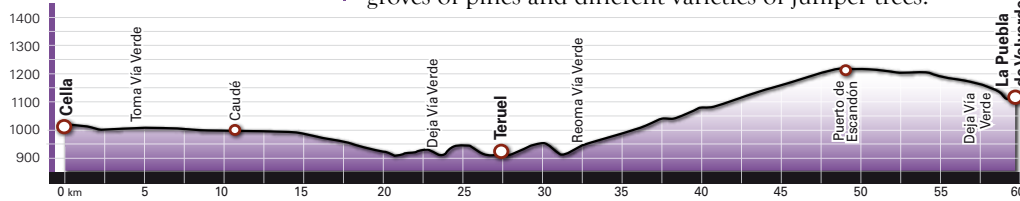
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Cella / Teruel - La Puebla de Valverde

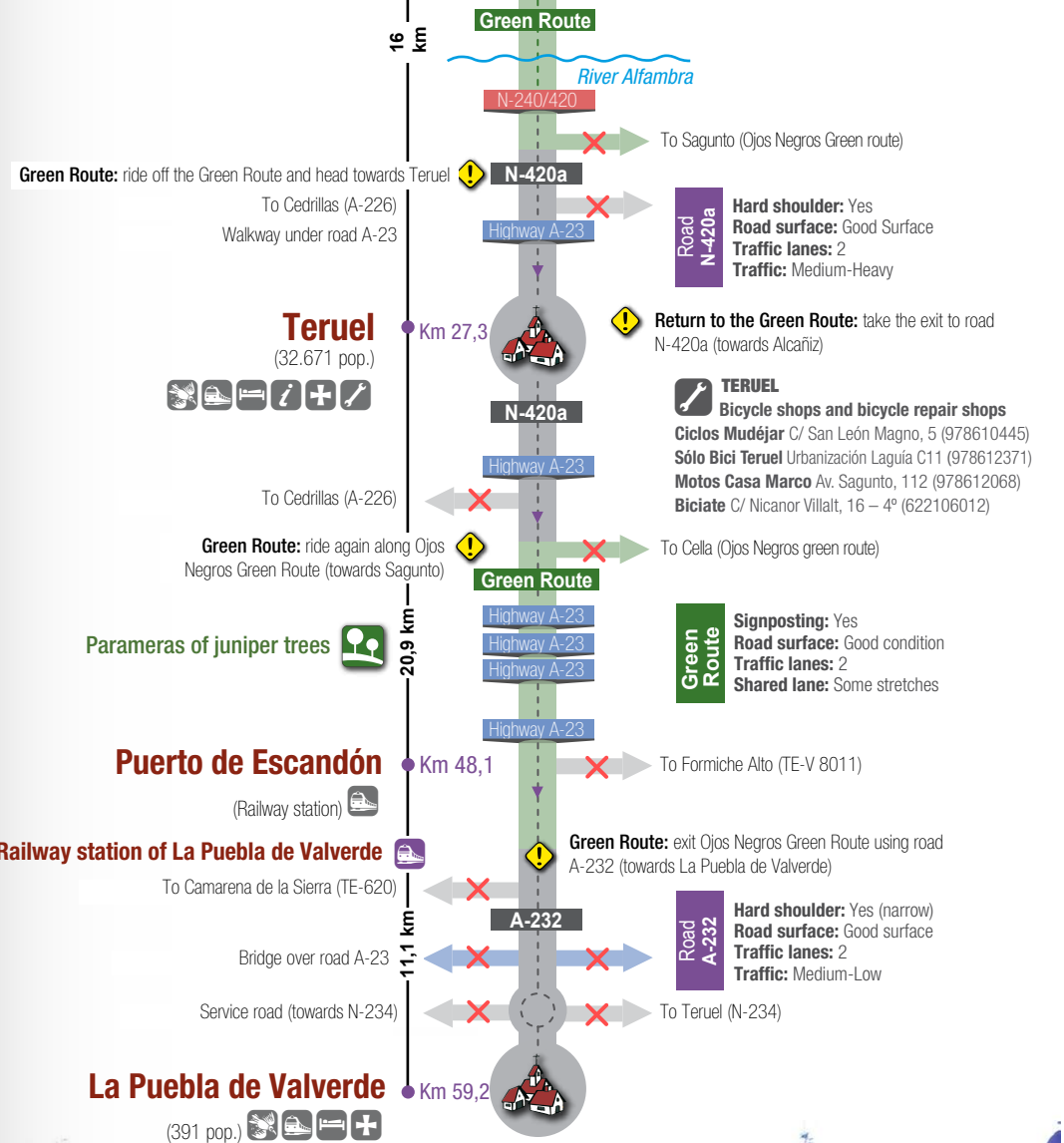
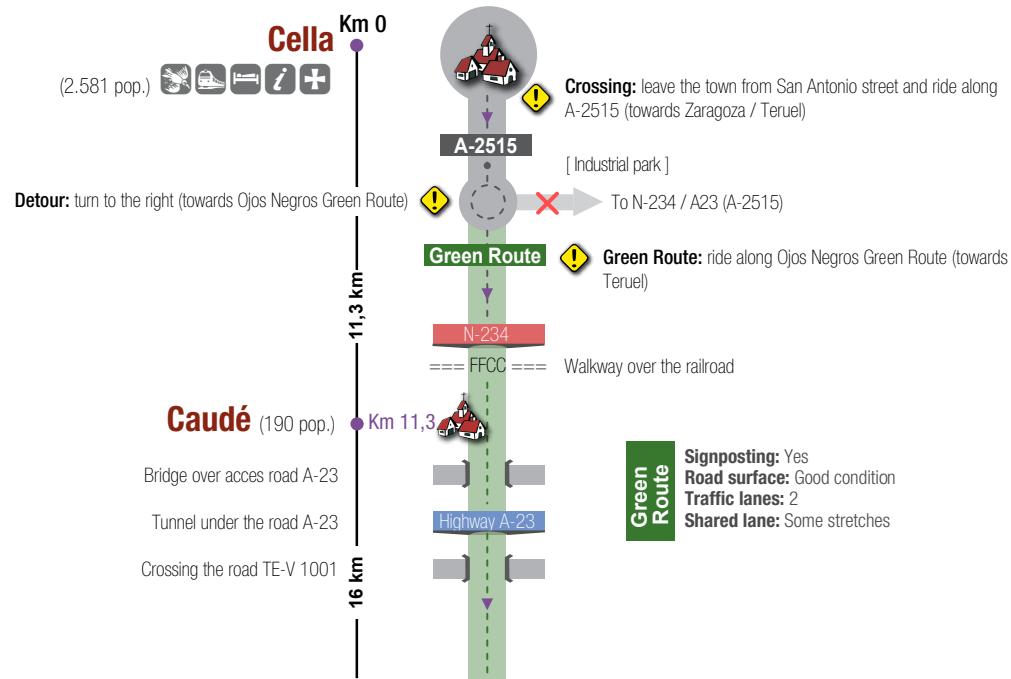
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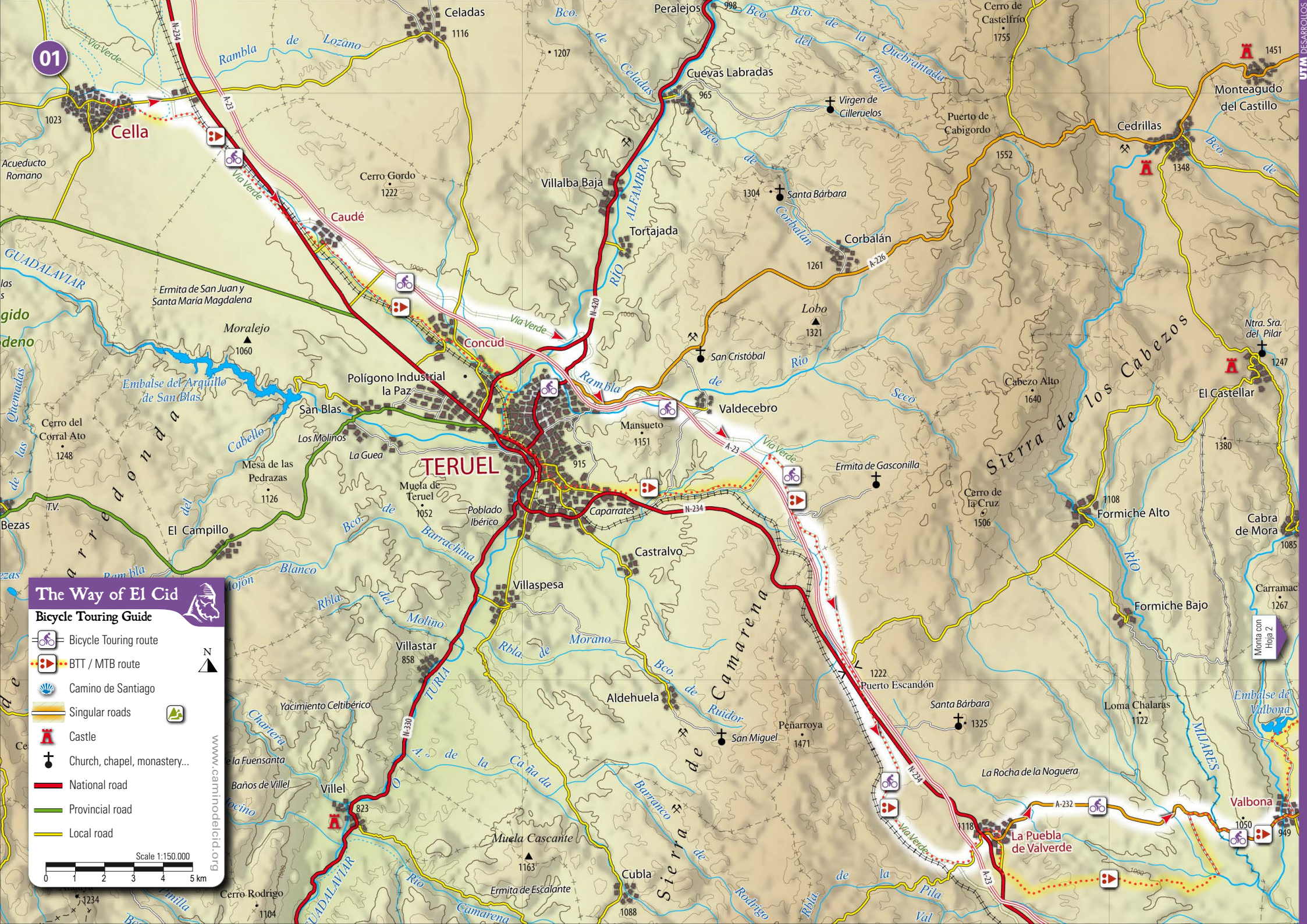
Adventure starts in Cella, which is located in the valley of Teruel, at the foothill of Sierra de Albarracín. Throughout this stage you will pedal along the Ojos Negros Green Route. This is a comfortable and very safe route; in addition, it runs along landscapes that are very different to the ones you get to see from ordinary roads. Until reaching Teruel, the landscape is a large non-irrigated valley. As the route runs along higher parts, you will start to see large groves of pines and different varieties of juniper trees.



Fact Sheet	Distance 59,7 km	Cumulative ascent 660 m	Estimated time 5 h 15 m
	Difficulty Medium	Cumulative descent 580 m	Type of route Linear
	Signposting Yes	IBP Difficulty index 60 RDB	Road surface Asphalt and Green Route



The fountain in Cella is an impressive artesian well constructed in the 12th century



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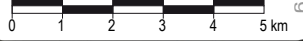
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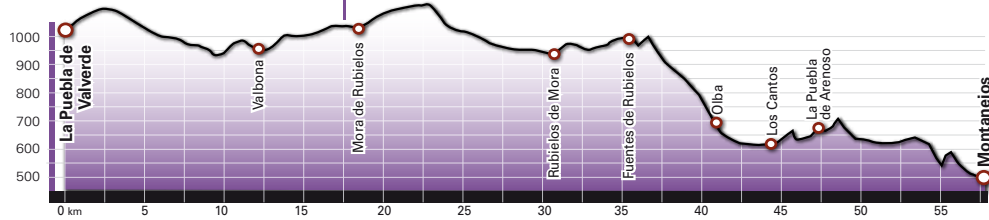
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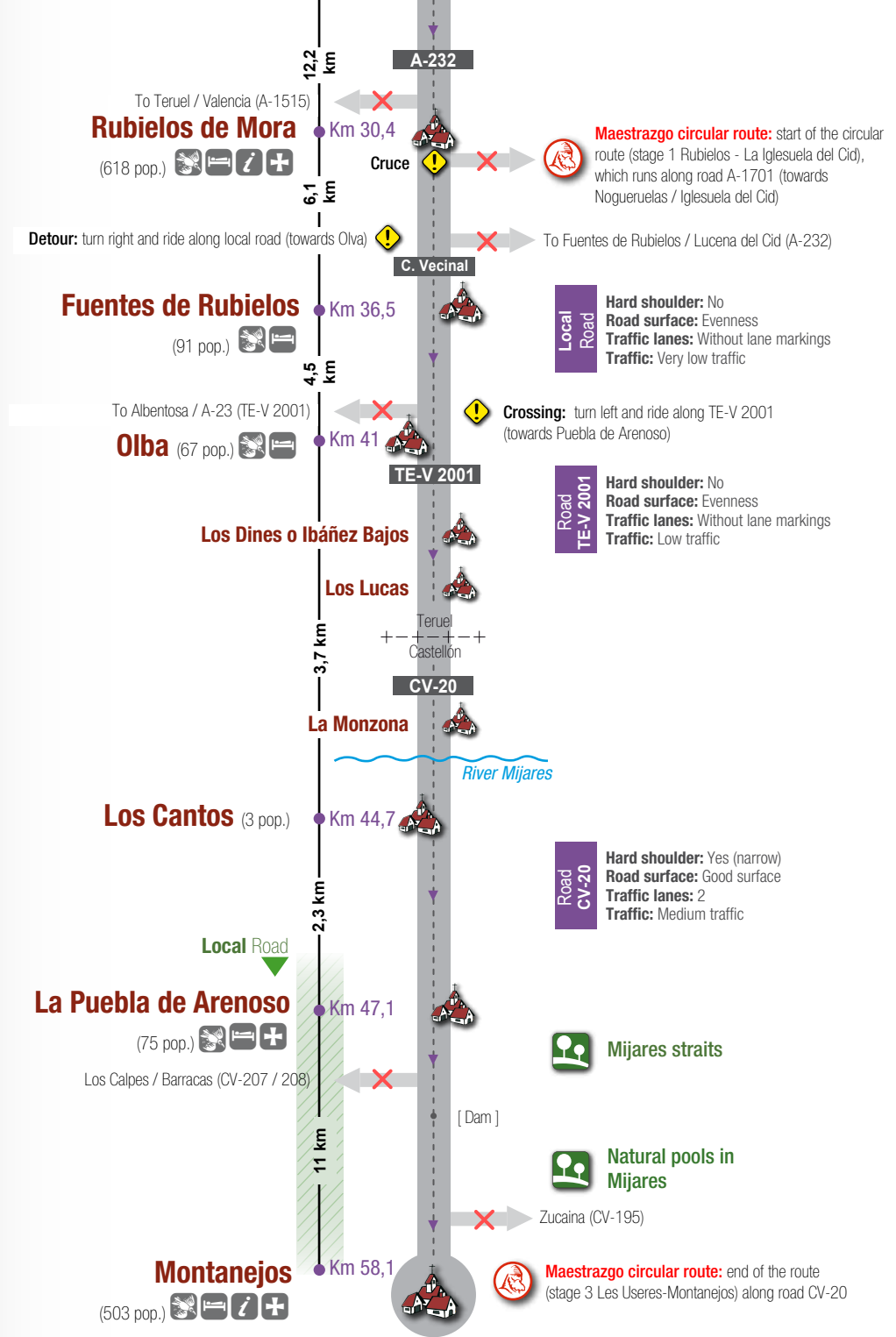
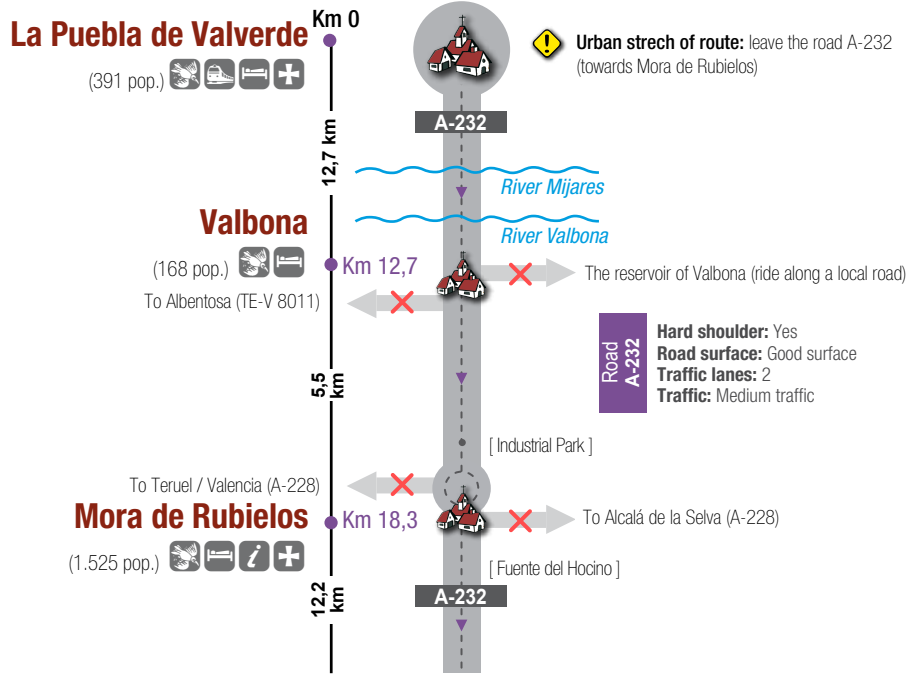
La Puebla de Valverde - Montanejos

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- 2. La P. de Valverde - Montanejos**
3. Montanejos - Torres Torres
4. Torres Torres - Valencia

This is an intermediate stage that runs along some of the most interesting landscapes of the upper course of the river Mijares. It runs along towns with an interesting history and cultural heritage, which are worth a stop. Juniper and oak groves are scattered along the route and you will also see a lot of truffle fields. After a dizzying descent towards Olba, you will reach the river Mijares, which is located in the area surrounding the reservoir of Arenós. This reservoir is surrounded by pines, hill climbing areas and natural ponds.



Fact Sheet	Distance 58 km	Cumulative ascent 1.150 m	Estimated time 5 h 45 m
	Difficulty Medium-High	Cumulative descent 1.800 m	Type of route Lineal
	Signposting No	IBP Difficulty index 112 RDB	Road surface Asphalt pavement





Singular road

La carretera, en pleno espacio natural de los Estrechos del Río Mijares, acompaña en su descenso al río Mijares, que se ensancha en el embalse del Arenós y vuelve a estrecharse cerca de Montanejos, en un atractivo paraje propicio a la escalada libre y al baño al aire libre en aguas termales. Aunque es una ruta frecuentada por cicloturistas es importante extremar la precaución en época estival ya que aumenta considerablemente el tráfico.

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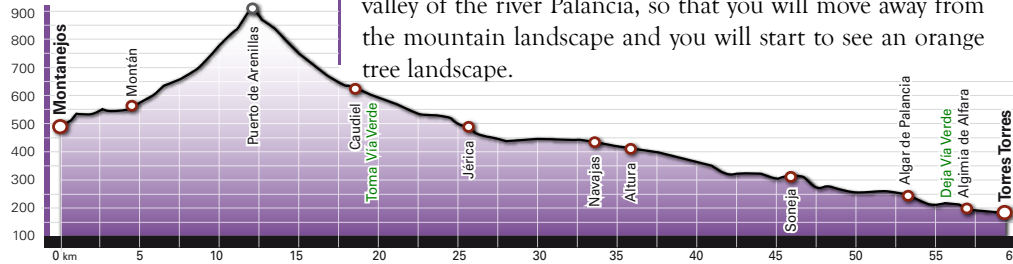
Montanejos - Torres Torres

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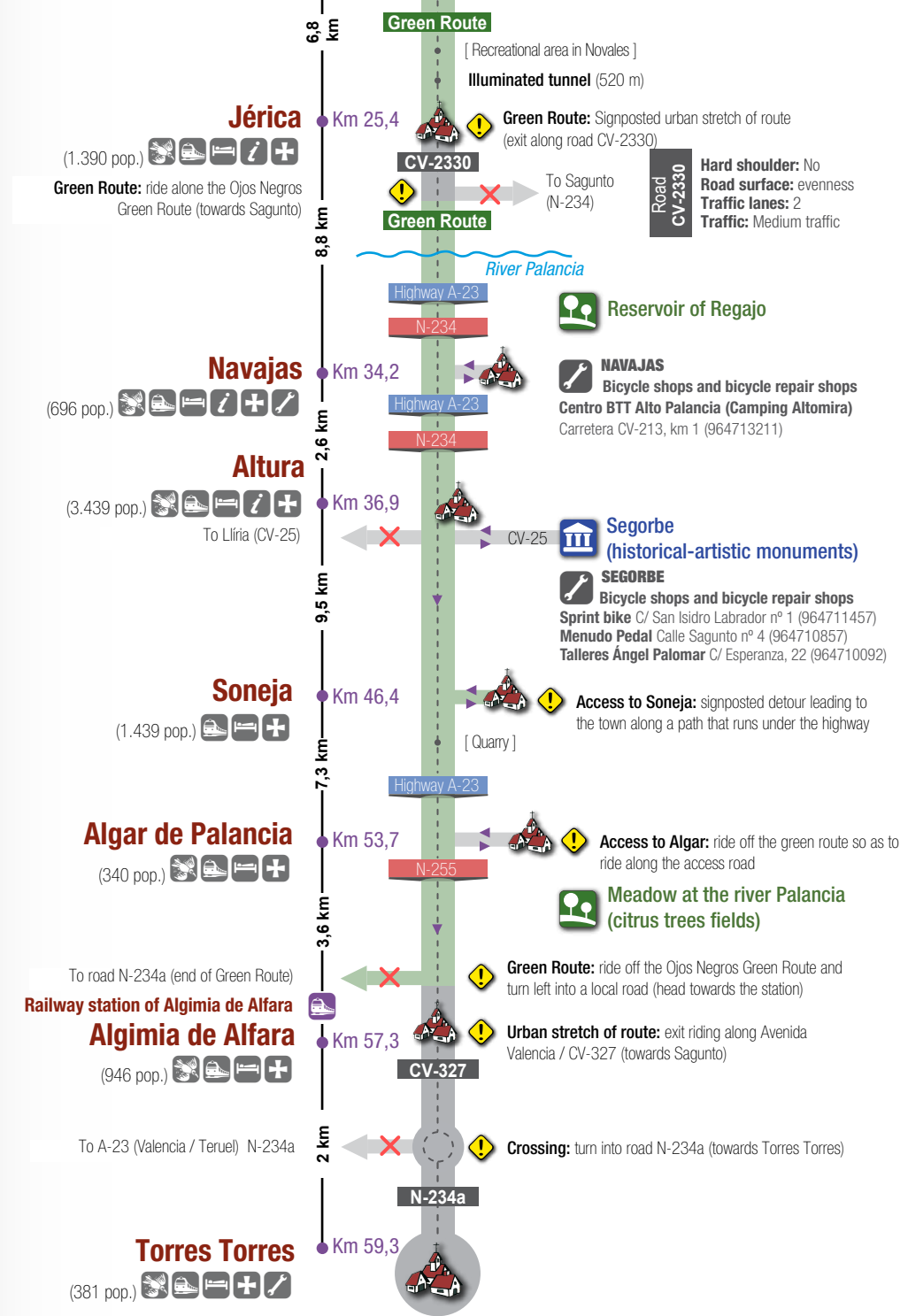
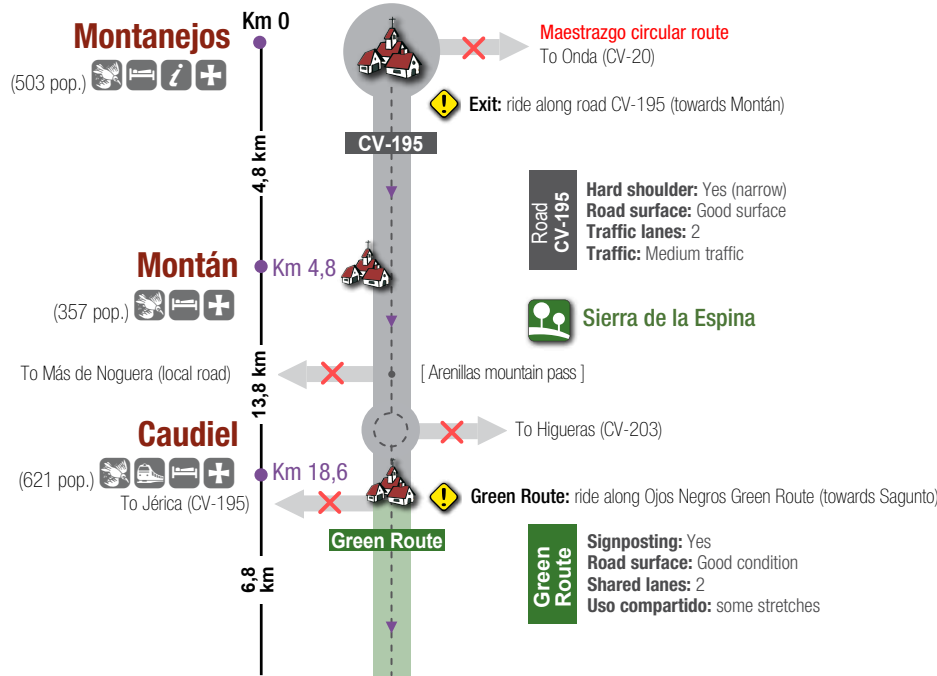
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4. Torres Torres - Valencia

The route moves away from the area surrounding the valley of the river Mijares and climbs towards the higher part of Sierra de la Espina. You will discover surprising landscapes; in particular, the area of the Mediterranean high mountain, which seems to stretch forever. From Caudiel onwards, you will ride again along Ojos Negros Green Route, which is a perfect route for cyclists. Little by little, you will ride into the valley of the river Palancia, so that you will move away from the mountain landscape and you will start to see an orange tree landscape.



Fact Sheet	Distance 59,3 km	Cumulative ascent 860 m	Estimated time 5 h 30 m
	Difficulty Medium	Cumulative descent 1.175 m	Type of route Linear
	Signposting No	IBP Difficulty index 87 RDB	Road surface Asphalt and Green Route





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Torres Torres - Valencia

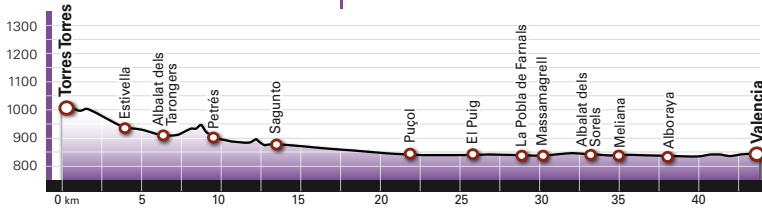
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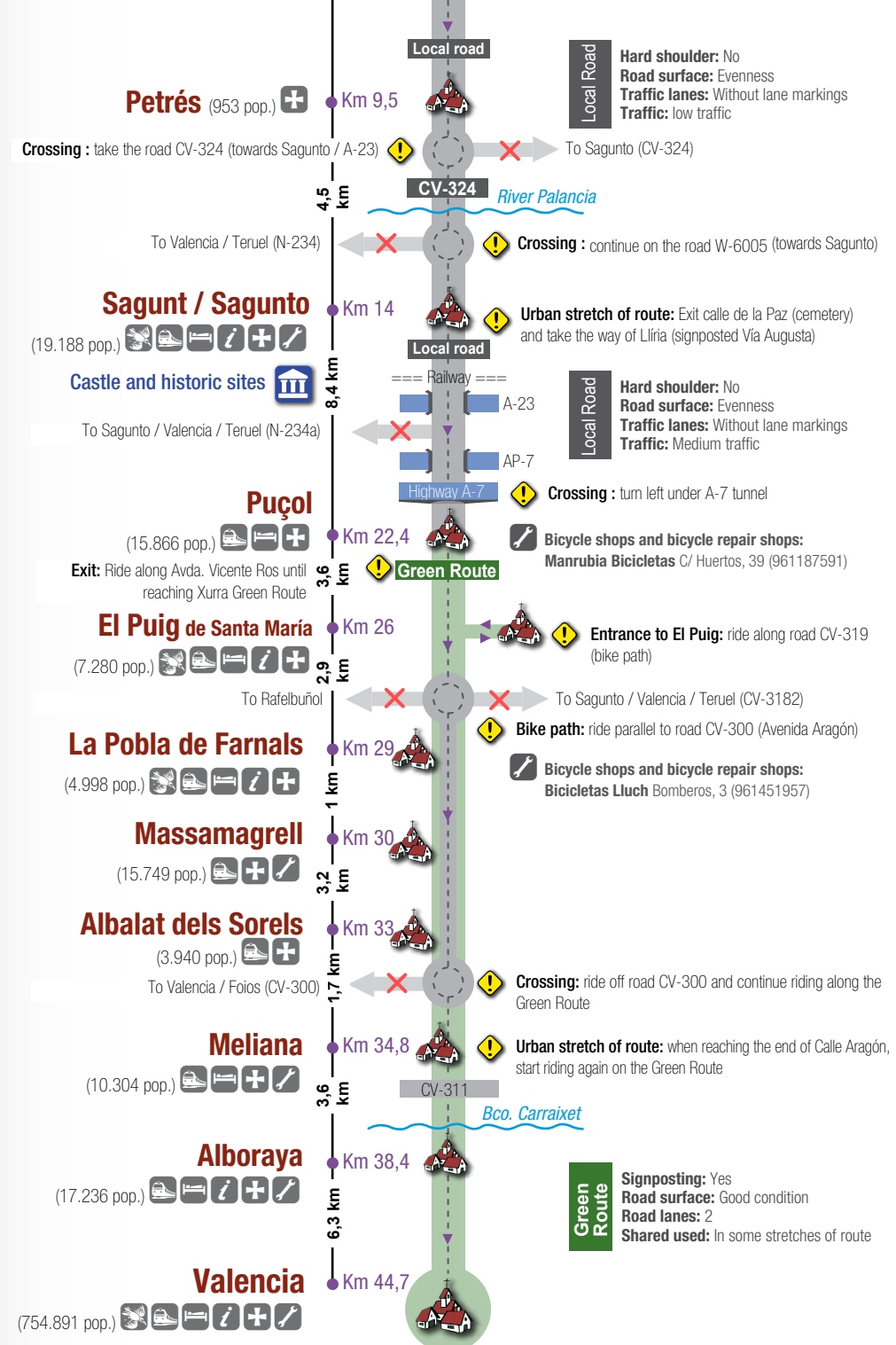
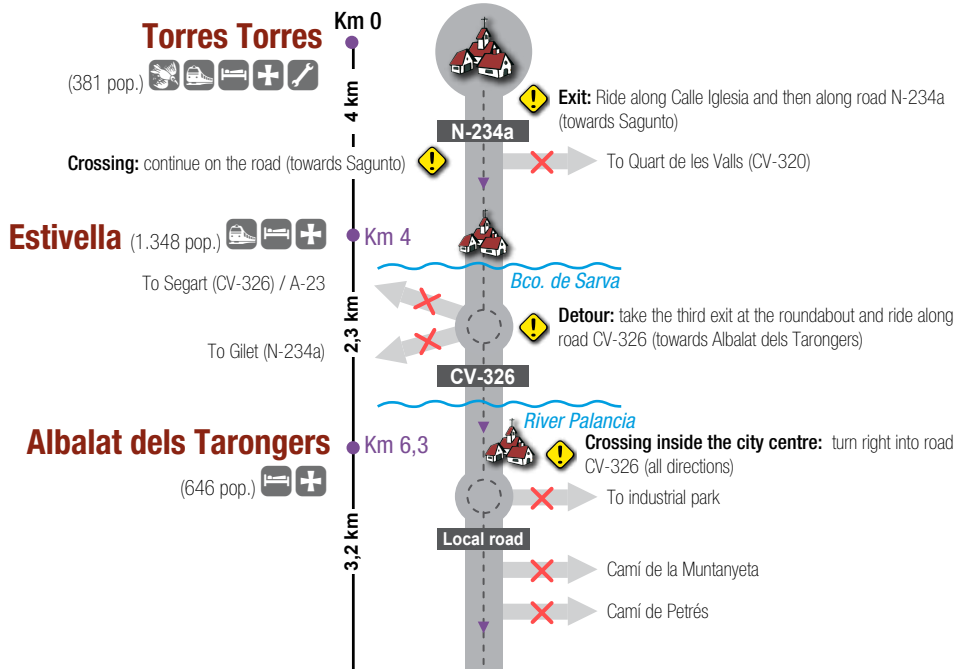
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4. **Torres Torres - Valencia**

This is a flat stage. The sea is the reward for the effort made in the previous stages. The initial stretch of the cycling stage runs along secondary roads with high traffic volumes because this is a densely populated area. In Puçol ride into Xurra Green Route, which runs along Valencia's northern orchards. Continue on this green route until reaching the outskirts of Valencia. When approaching Valencia, ride along the bike path until reaching the end of the stage: Plaza de España, where there is a statue of El Cid. This is a milestone point along the city's Cid thematic cycling route.

Uso de GPS recomendado
(recorrido complejo)



Fact Sheet	Distance 44 km	Cumulative ascent 90 m	Estimated time 4 h
	Difficulty Low	Cumulative descent 260 m	Type of route Linear
	Signposting No	IBP Difficulty index 24 RDB	Road surface Asphalt and Bike Lane





- Bicycle shops and bicycle repair shops:**
- Doyoubike: Avda. del Puerto, 141 - 963 374 024
 - Doyoubike: C. Puebla Larga, 13 - 963 387 008
 - Doyoubike: C/ del Mar 14 - 963155 551
 - Orangebikes: C/ Guillem sorolla, 1 - 963917551
 - Crazu Biker: Gran Via Fdo el Católico, 66 - 963921138
 - Bicicletas a Piñón: C/ de las Tres Cruces, 88 - 963588168
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