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Peraleda de San Román - Higuera de Albalat



Stage 02

39,3
km



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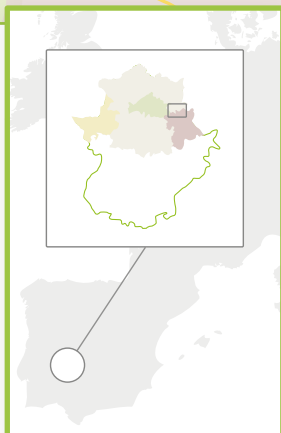


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 Estimated time: 4h	Route type: Linear
 Minimum altitude: 275 m	 Maximum altitude: 531 m
 Elevation gain: 1022 m	 Elevation loss: -1029 m
 Average gradient: 4,7 %	Difficulty: Difficult



This section of the *Ciclosenda del Tajo* (Tajo Cycle Route) runs through the Comarca de los Ibores (Ibores Region), following the River Tajo Nature Trail, which combines trails and road. After leaving Peraleda de San Román, the fields abound with olive groves as a prelude to some of the most beautiful views of the Valdecañas Reservoir. Among the essential stops of the stage is the Los Mármoles Roman Temple, but neither should we cease to be amazed by the stony landscapes that the Villuercas-Ibores-Jara Geopark will show us.

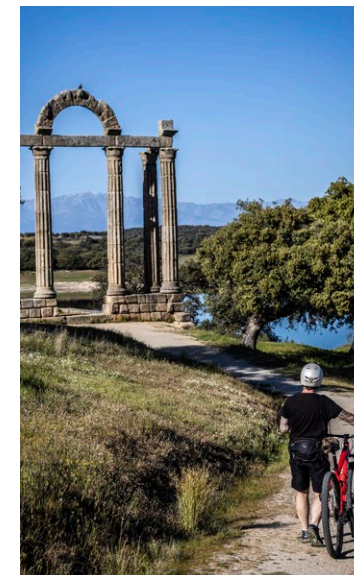
What will you find on this route?

Leaving Peraleda de San Román behind, following the River Tajo Nature Trail surrounded by olive groves that will accompany us during the first stretch of this stage. The trail is enclosed by old stone walls that welcome the Gualija River, which we will cross via an old bridge. Continuing along narrow roads surrounded by crops which end with the breathtaking panoramic views of the Valdecañas Reservoir.

Before reaching Bohonal de Ibor, we can take a slight detour and stop at the extraordinary ruins of the Roman city of Augustobriga, built on the banks of the Tagus and engulfed by the Valdecañas Reservoir. The most remarkable thing about this archaeological site is the Los Mármoles Temple, moved stone by stone a few metres to the west to ensure its safety.

Skirting Bohonal de Ibor to the south, we will continue the route combining parallel roads and byways, such as the one that crosses the Ibor River, which gives the region its name. There we will find the medieval Las Veredas Bridge. Further on we will arrive at Mesas de Ibor. The austere church of San Benito Abad and the Plaza de la Constitución (Constitution Square) are its highlights.

The bell tower of the church of San Sebastián Church will guide us to Higuera de Albalat.



Geoparque Villuercas Ibores Jara



This stage of the *Ciclosenda del Tajo* (Tajo Cycle Route) runs through the Villuercas-Ibores-Jara Geopark. Located between the basins of the Tagus and Guadiana Rivers, having a 2,544 km² area which covers an important geological heritage, silhouetting its landscape together with the rest of the natural and cultural heritage. Its highest point Risco de la Villuerca (1,601 metres), magnificent views of the Geopark can be seen.



In 2011 it became part of the European Geoparks Network and in 2015 it was declared a UNESCO Global Geopark.