

Torremanzannes / Rellu Circuit - Cycling Guide by Abdet.com

Abdet - Penaguila - Benifallim - Torremanzanas - Rellu - Puerto Tudons - Alcoleja - Benasau - Abdet

80 kms. 2,000 metres ascent.

This hilly ride takes in varied scenery to the South East of Abdet, including forests, deep valleys, steep hillsides and historic villages and towns. You could shorten this route by starting at Alcoleja (30 mins drive)

The suggested start of this route is via the minor road leading out above Abdet, which then drops back down to Confrides. Turn onto the CV-70 and follow this for just under a kilometer until you can turn left onto a minor road which climbs steeply to a col at just over 1000 metres. A steep descent leads to a left turn, a short climb via some tight hairpins to a relatively flat section to Penaguila and then onto Benifallim, with just one dip to cross a deep ravine. Immediately beyond Benifallim a left turn leads onto a long 300 metre climb and then a great descent to Torremanzanas at about 30kms. A short climb precedes a 5kms downhill to the routes low point just short of Rellu, at the bottom of a deep valley. Look high up to your left for the return road a few km's before you reach this junction. You can make a detour to Rellu for a cafe stop or turn left onto the spectacular CV-778. This climbs along a steep hillside, reaches a vague col, and then traverses another hillside before reaching the CV-770 junction. More climbing and a last couple of hairpins brings you to the Puerto Tudons, another col that is just over 1,000 metres in altitude. Note the gated Army road on the right - this leads to the summit of Sierra Aitana as used in the Tour of Spain.

A rapid descent on great tarmac to Alcoleja, then to Benasau where a right turn leads to the final climb of this hilly ride over the Port de Confrides, and return to Abdet.

