

9 MTB ROUTES AROUND zamora



DISCOVER
THE RURAL
SURROUNDINGS
OF ZAMORA
BY BIKE



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Find below nine circular routes around the municipality of Zamora. Routes to enjoy mountain biking or even walking. **All begin and end in the Plaza Mayor de Zamora.** Soft gradients and distances between eight and thirty kilometers. With natural, scenic, historical and cultural points of interest. These routes can be done at any season. Because of the difficulty can be made by beginners and due to their interest and beauty also experts will enjoy.










This guide is made in homage to José Antonio Portales, in gratitude for his 30 years of dedication to the bicycle and the trails. José Antonio, with these routes, wanted to offer to all the locals and tourists "a approximate vision" of Zamora and its beautiful rural surroundings.

Rules of the Trail

- 1 Plan ahead your route, clothing, equipment and food; and **always wear a helmet.**
- 2 **Control your speed and ride within your limits** to avoid accidents.
- 3 Leave no trace, neither **skids nor dirt.**
- 4 Yield appropriately and anticipate, **let your fellow trail users know you're coming.**
- 5 **Respect Flora & Fauna**, avoid noisy behaviour and close gates you open.

Legend

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|  | Tree |  | Intersection |
|  | Fountain |  | Waypoint |
|  | Picnic |  | Risk |
|  | Tunnel |  | Flora & fauna |
|  | Bridge |  | Birdwatching |
|  | River |  | Building of interest |
|  | Panorama |  | Sacred architecture |
|  | Photo |  | Ruins |
|  | Jetty |  | Archaeological site |
| | |  | Sports facility |

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|  | Route of the Pilgrimages | 18,18 km |
|  | Route of the Watermills | 16,25 km |
|  | Route Duero Downstream | 17 km |
|  | Route through the Vía de la Plata | 16,22 km |
|  | Route across the Land of Wine | 25,56 km |
|  | Route Duero Upstream | 31,07 km |
|  | Route of the Banks | 36,44 km |
|  | Route across the Land of Bread | 20,65 km |
|  | Around the Municipality | 26,85 km |



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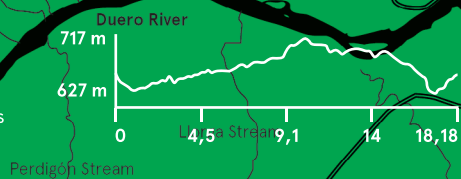
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Route of the Pilgrimages

Cristo Valderrey, la Hiniesta & San Isidro and Espíritu Santo Neighbourhoods

Easy 123
18,18 km Yes

- 1 The forest of Valorio
- 2 The hermitage of the Christ of Valderrey: church, brotherhood and pilgrimage.
- 3 The Hiniesta village: church, brotherhood, procession, pilgrimage and legend
- 4 Panoramic view of the west of the city, in the way to Valorio, from the higher track
- 5 San Isidro Neighbourhood
- 6 Espíritu Santo Neighbourhoods with its Romanesque church.



Leave the Town Hall **on your left** and go down **calle Costanilla** towards the roundabout. Take the third exit and follow the **N-122 road**. After 450 m turn right on **calle Doctor Fleming**, and head up until the entrance to the **forest of Valorio (1)**. Km 1.

Follow the signpost of the **Portuguese Camino de Santiago** to cross **Valorio** and reach the **hermitage of Cristo de Valderrey (2)**. Km 4.

Return to the Camino and continue until the local road, **turn left** and after a few meters on the tarmac, turn left under the highway. Then, continue along the dirt **road of the Valderrey stream**, first **on the left side** of the road and then **on the right**, which leads to the village of



La Hiniesta (3), accessing the village church from our right. Km 9.

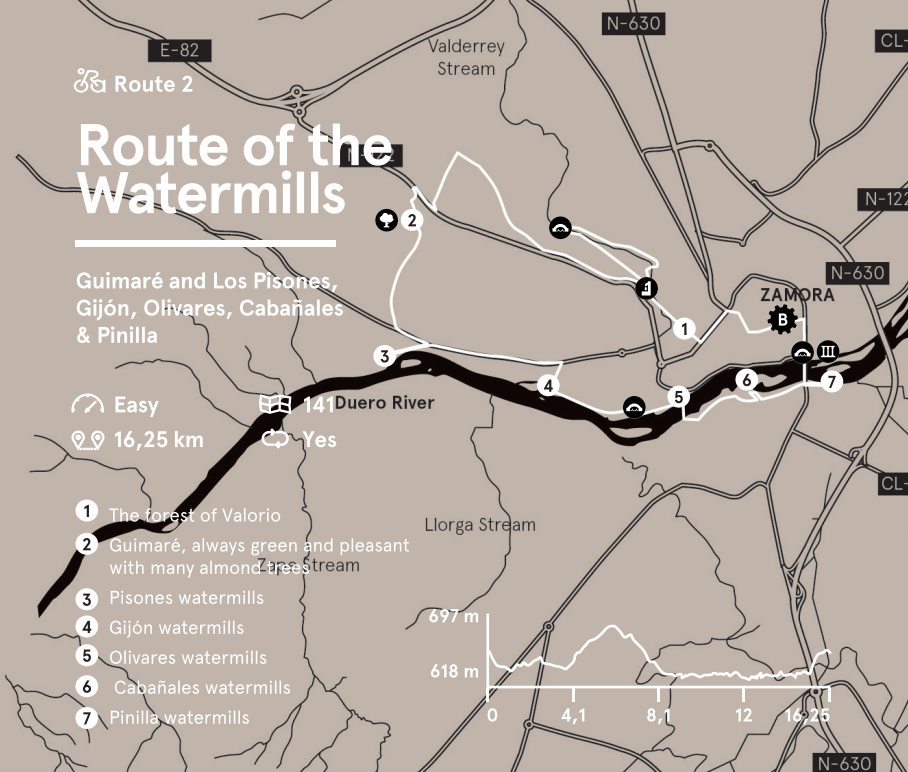
On the way back, abandon the village through **calle Villar**, cross the train lines to reach the **Camino del Monte (4)** (we can take it higher up or further down), turn left and follow until you hit the **top of Valorio**, right to cross the **N-122**. Km 15.5.

Cross the road and **on the left** and between the fences, take and follow the **road-street of Guimaré**, reach and cross the **San Isidro neighbourhood (5)**, through the contrast of the old neighbourhood on the left and the new villas on the right.

Continue along **calle del Espíritu Santo (6)** and go down to the **Almaraz Road** at the confluence with a milk factory (GAZA), where you can take the bike lane back into Zamora. Km 17.5.

NOTE: This tour can be shortened 10 km by accessing the **Camino del Monte** directly from the **hermitage of Cristo de Valderrey**. Then, continue towards **Valorio** as if coming from **La Hiniesta**.





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Then, **turn right** and continue along the bike lane to the small roundabout, **cross the stream** and at about 150 m on the left from the bars, by the Lions fountain, turn 90° and head up the track from the **left to the top of Valorio**.



Cross the entire esplanade by any of the trails, with the objective of taking the **Camino del Monte**, at the end, next to the road. Stick to it for 1000 m until **a path on the left** appears, take it and descend towards the **N-122 road**. Once you see the panels of **Guimaré (2)** and the **Valcabadino cellars** on the left, take the **right tarmac lane** to be able to cross the road safely. On the other side, leave the Valcabadino wineries in front and **turn left towards Guimaré**; dive the entire valley to the **Almaraz road (ZA-P-2223)**. Km 8.8.

Take the road to Almaraz **to the left** for 400 m, turn right to the **"Camino de la Aldea"** and go to the end and back. At 500 m, on the riverside, to enjoy **Pisones watermills (3)**. Km 15.

Back on the road and **towards Zamora**, pass a **penitentiary** in abandoned state on the left, and at 500 m, before arriving at the brownish school buildings of **Corazón de María**, take a path, on the right, that leads up to **Gijón watermills (4)**, hidden behind a chain, on the right. Then, stick to the Duero river and go upstream up to **Olivares watermills (5)**. Cross the river by boat or by the **bridge of the Poets** to pass by the **Pelambres beach** until **Cabañales watermills (6)**. Go ahead until **Aceñas watermills (7)**, close to the **iron bridge**. Then, cross it and **the second road onto the left** heads to Plaza Mayor.

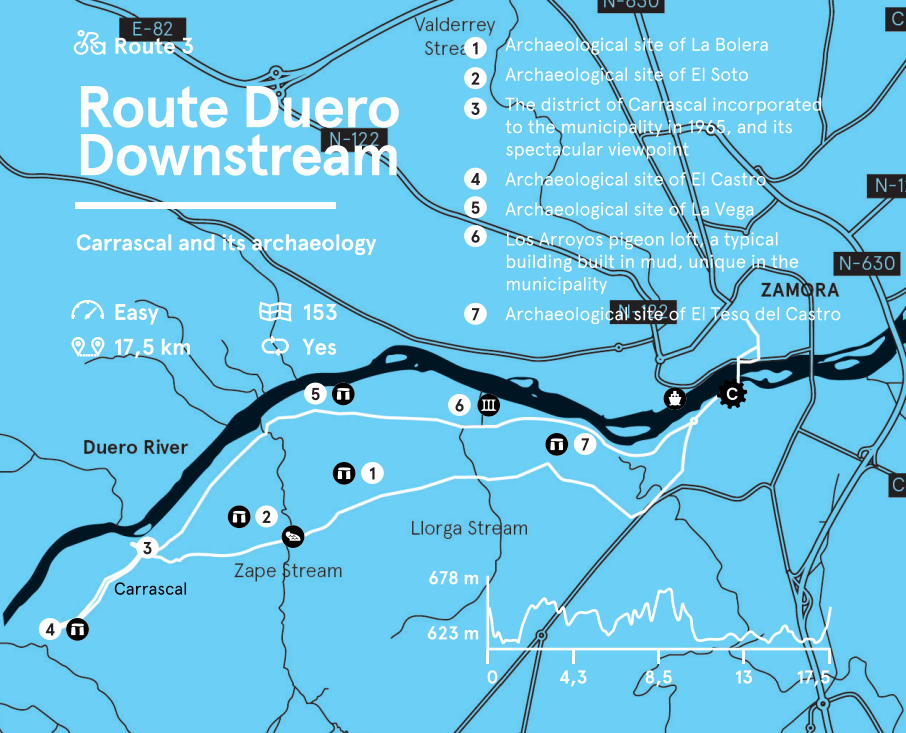


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Route 5

Route Duero Downstream

Carrascal and its archaeology

Easy
17,5 km
Yes



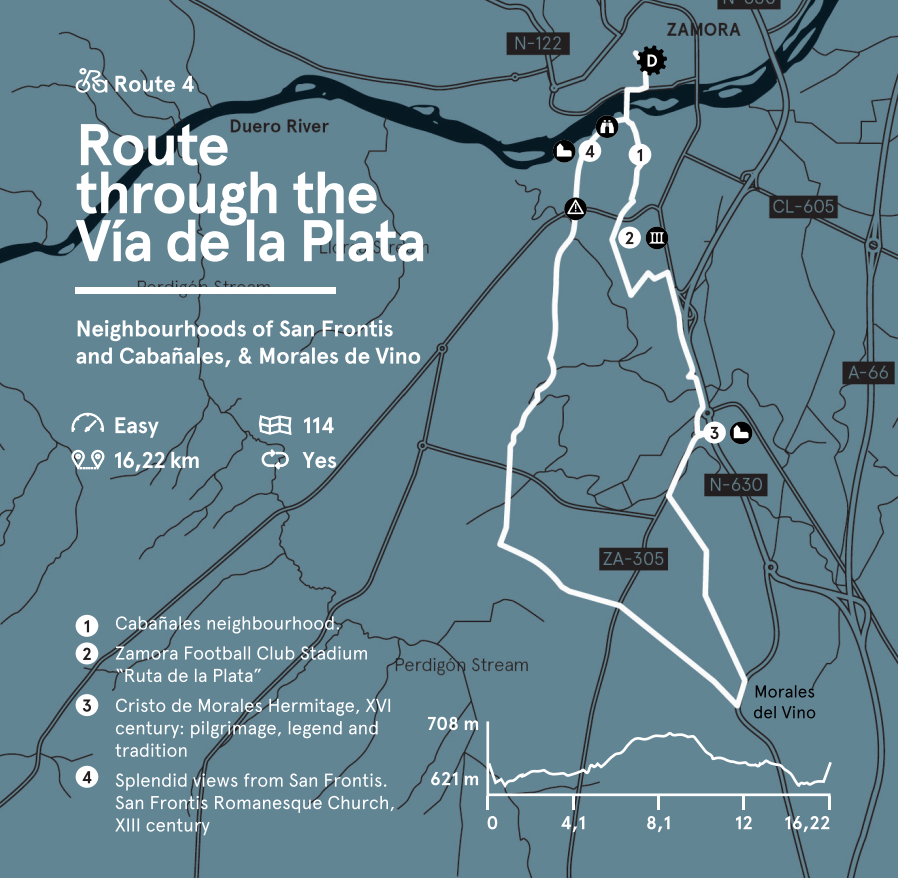
Leave the Plaza Mayor down the **calle Balborraz** until you reach the **Duero river**. Then, **turn right** and look for the **stone bridge** and cross it. Continue to the right until you reach a roundabout. For the **second exit, calle Fermoselle**, continue until next roundabout, continue straight and at 200 m follow **the detour to the right**, still on Calle Fermoselle, follow for about 1 km until a warehouse. Either before or after the warehouse **turn left** and do not leave the path. At about 2500 m and **to the right**, find in some unploughed land **La Bolera archaeological site (1)**. Then go further 500 m, find and cross the **Zape stream**, a little ahead and on the right at about 200m, find **El Soto archaeological site (2)** on the slope of the col. 6.5 km.

Back on the path, **continue to Carrascal (3)** and throughout the streets seek and enjoy **its spectacular viewpoint**. On leaving the viewpoint, **a little on the right** you will find a path between houses that leaves the viewpoint behind and leads to a **sports court** which will be on your left. Continue to the end. Between the villas fenced with hedges and the cultivated lands, along with the **stream of Castro**, enjoy the **archaeological site of El Castro (4)**. 8.8 km

Return and go to **Zamora by the road from Carrascal**. A few meters later, see a property in colors, blue, red and yellow. Opposite and occupying part of two farms, is the **archaeological site of La Vega (5)**. At about 700 m there is a significant grove **to the left**, where the **Palomar de Arroyos (6)** is located. Continue to enter Zamora and when the road descends, **on the right** a wide **concrete road** comes out. To the right of the road, on the top, is the **archaeological site of El Teso del Castro (7)**. Then, enter the city either **by the bridge of Los Poetas**, by the emblematic **Puente de Piedra** or even further by the **Puente de Hierro**, which starts from the **Aceñas de Pinilla**. Km 15.

Route 3 – Route Duero Downstream





Leave the Plaza Mayor down **calle Balborraz** until reaching the Duero river. Then, **turn right** and cross the **stone bridge**. Continue straight along **calle Cabañales (1)**. (The trip to **Morales** is through the "signalized path of Morales"). On your left there is a stone wall of the **Convent of Santa María la Real**, and at the end there is a crossroads.

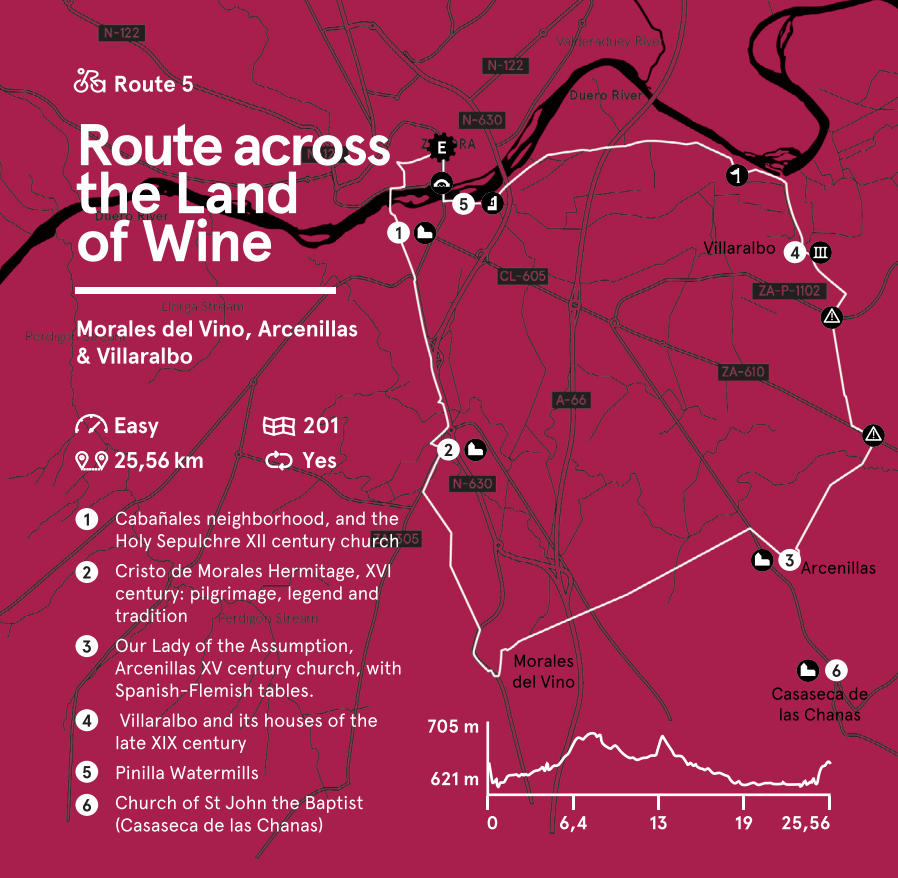
Continue along **the second road on the left, calle San Jerónimo**, also with a stone wall, but on its right side. Once at the roundabout, cross it and **continue straight**, leaving the installations of the "**Ruta de la Plata**" football field (2) on our left. At the junction at about 200 m **turn hard to the left**. Then at about 500 m **on the right** turn along the path to **Cristo de Morales (3)**. Km 5.

At the exit of Cristo de Morales, in the small roundabout go **to the left, road ZA-305**. After a stretch of 500 m take **the left the path, Cuesta Blanca**, towards Morales. Km 9.0.

About 400 meters down the signposted sidewalk, accompanying the **N-630**, find and follow **calle Trancal** on your right, cross the **ZA-305 road**, keep straight along the street, cross the train track and **turn right** to follow the **Camino de Santiago of the "Vía de la Plata - Cicle Route"**, to Zamora. Km 18.

NOTE: This route can be shortened 6 km. At the exit of Cristo de Morales, in the small roundabout go **to the left** and continue 650 m instead, towards another roundabout. Then, **turn right**, change the tarmac for the near by trail and follow the "**Camino de Santiago-Cycling Route**" to Zamora.





Go round the town by the signposted side-walk and the service road, **accompanying the N-630**. When reaching **calle San Salvador**, with a supermarket at the entrance, cross the road **on the left** and continue as before, along a few meters, to finally enter the town. At 300 m on the right, find **Plaza Diputación**, leave it for the **Carretera de Arcenillas** and continue until the end. Cross the **CL-605** road to go towards the **Our Lady of the Assumption church (3)** that is seen in the background, in the **town of Arcenillas**. Km 14.5 (See Note)

Lead up **calle El Pozo** and at the **town hall square** take **calle Villaralbo on the left**. Pass the pharmacy and **turn left** and after 100 m take **calle de la Cabañales**, which emerges **on the right**. Continue until reaching the **ZA-610** road, go left and soon take the asphalted road that comes **on the right**, straight to **Villaralbo (4)**. Km 19.

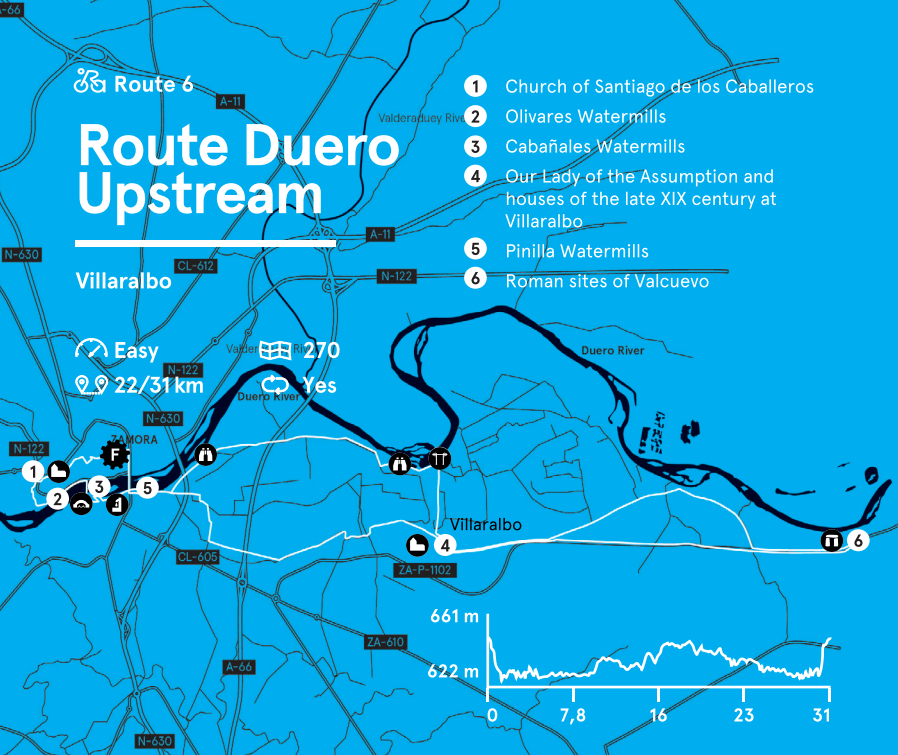
Cross the road **ZA-P-1102**, continue for 300 m and **turn left to calle Julio Luelmo**. Enjoy the village, architecture and church. Then, either find **calle del Río until the Duero**, then **turn left** and just before the water channel **turn onto the dirt road on the right** and never abandon it, or by the **GR14** (Beware, in summer is full of thorns), to reach the **Pinilla watermills (5)** and enter Zamora through the **Iron Bridge**. Km 25.

NOTE: From Arcenillas go to **Casaseca de las Chanas** and return, along the road, to visit its **Church of St John the Baptist (6)**, Gothic - Renaissance from the 16th century.

Leave the Plaza Mayor down **calle Balborraz** until you reach the Duero river. Then, **turn right** and cross the stone bridge. Continue straight along **calle Cabañales (1)**. (The trip to **Morales** is through the "signalized path of Morales"). Continue and once the cemetery roundabout is on your back, leave the asphalt and take the aside dirt road, follow it towards **Cristo de Morales (2)**. Km 5.

At the exit of Cristo de Morales, in the small roundabout go **to the left, ZA-305** road. After a stretch of 500 m take **on the left** the path, **Camino Cuesta Blanca**, towards **Morales**. Km 9.





Exit the Plaza Mayor, along **calle Sacramento**, turn right onto **calle Barandales** and turn left again onto the narrow **calle de Carniceros** until **San Martín Park**. Go down to the road that circles the wall of Zamora, in the direction of the Duero. After a large crossing, and just after the first houses in the neighbourhood of Olivares, turn right into **calle Santiago el Viejo**, towards the **Church of Santiago de los Caballeros (1)**. Border Olivares towards its water mills (2). Further upstream, cross over the stone bridge. Continue on the left towards the watermills of Cabañales (3) to enter the Duero trail, 200 m later. Continue upstream to the Pinilla watermills, circle them to get back down to the river. Km 7.0

Pass the wooden walkway and the **Compadres fountain** to hit the road. Continue a few meters to take the **asphalted road of San Miguel**, on your left. Follow it, sometimes by asphalt others by dirt road always close to the water channel, until an obvious junction. Then, turn left towards the river and keep for about 1500 m. When finding the small housing and wooden pier of the rowing club, turn right to go to the town of Villaralbo (4). Cross the first asphalted road, on the second one go to the right towards the church of Villaralbo (4). Km 14,5

To return to Zamora go to **Casa Aurelia Hotel**. Then, either follow, slightly left, the **calle del Río to the Duero**, turn left and before the water channel turn onto the dirt road on the right and stick to it; or follow the **GR14 on your left** (Beware, in summer is full of thorns), to reach the **Pinilla watermills (5)** and enter Zamora through the **Iron Bridge**. Km 24.



NOTE: From Villaralbo, at about 6 km, on the road to Villalazán, find and visit the Roman archaeological sites of 'Valcuevo-Los Castros' (6) and 'El Alba'. Leave Villaralbo towards Villalazán and 200 m from the crossroads, slightly to the left, take the dirt road that accompanies the water channel, **San José**, until you get back to the road. A kilometer ahead is the Roman site. Return to Villaralbo on the road or by the water channel way.



Route of the Banks

Flora and fauna by the Duero & Valderaduey

Easy 266
36,44 km Yes

- 1 The riverside of Valderaduey, its mouth in the Duero.
- 2 Los Tres Arboles forest and the path between the New and Stone bridges.
- 3 The Church of San Martín de Tours, of Levantine Baroque style (Well of Cultural Interest)
- 4 The Roman cisterns in the Teso de la Mora (Well of Cultural Interest)
- 5 Romanesque bridge with the coat of arms of Andrés Mayoral.



Exit the Plaza Mayor for **calle San Torcuato**, the **Tres Cruces avenue** and go past the bus station to continue **on the right for calle Antón Centenera**, until the end. Continue along **calle de Las Llamas** to the bridge that crosses the railway line. Cross and **turn right** and at 300 m **for the second option**, still calle de las Llamas, **towards the highway**. Before, **turn right to the Valderaduey river**. Km 6.5.

Go under the highway **to the left** and follow the path next to the river, without leaving it, **until the small bridge**. Km 9.5 (See **Note**)

Cross to return **on the other side of the river**, either by the path next to the river or by the parallel trail that goes to Zamora, about 500 m from the bridge. Pass again **under the highway**, now on the other side, and continue along the main trail, go **through two bridges**, until you reach the **N-122 road**. 200 m **on the right** find the cross and **the bike path next to the gas station**. Join the bike path **on the left** to continue along the Valderaduey **to its mouth in the Duero (1)**. Km 13.5.

Continue **along the Duero (2)** to the **stone bridge**. When crossing the bridge, leave the path and enter the city by the little street of **calle del Puente**, in front of it. At about 250 m and on the left go up, along the beautiful **calle Balborraz, to the Plaza Mayor**. Km 18.

NOTE: By the dirt road **on the left** just after crossing and always as close to the river as possible, you will reach **Molacillos village** to visit its **genuine church (3)**, the **bridge (5)**, and the **Roman site at Teso de la Mora (4)**. To return, follow the same route (Total 17 km).

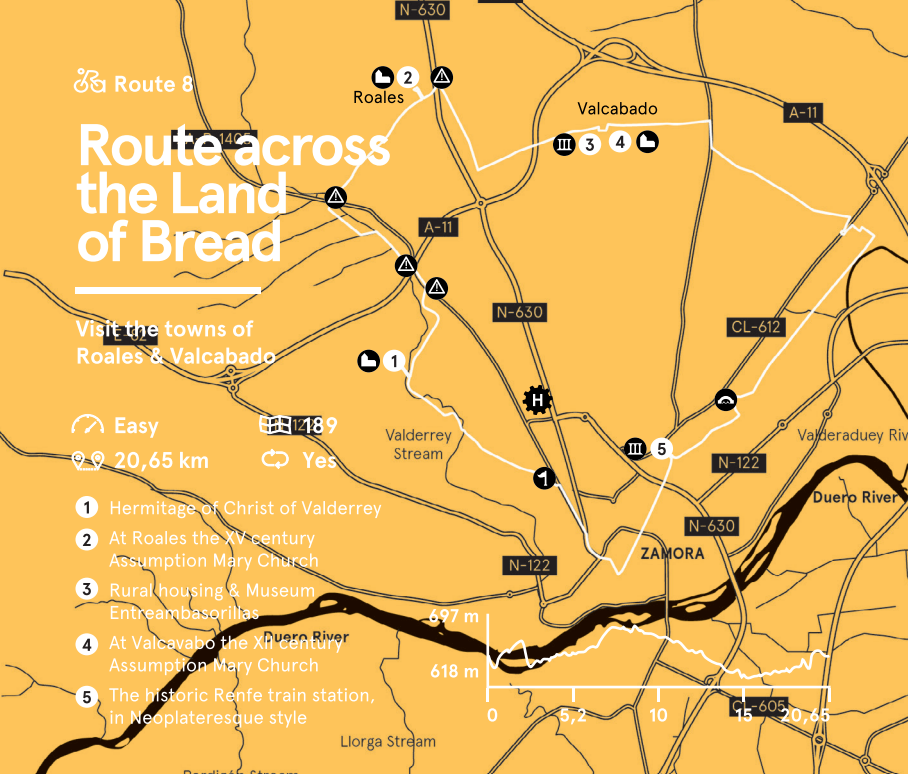


Route across the Land of Bread

Visit the towns of Roales & Valcabado

Easy
20,65 km
Yes

- 1 Hermitage of Christ of Valderrey
- 2 At Roales the XV century Assumption Mary Church
- 3 Rural housing & Museum Entreambasorillas
- 4 At Valcabado the XII century Assumption Mary Church
- 5 The historic Renfe train station, in Neoplatresque style



Leave the Town Hall **on our left** and go down **calle Costanilla** to the roundabout. **By the second exit** of the roundabout, continue straight and head up **Cuesta de la Morana**. At the second traffic light, half way up, go **slightly left** onto **calle de la Hiniesta**. At 500 m, there is a double option on the left, continue **on the second, El Camino de la Lobata**. Follow to **Hermitage of Christ of Valderrey (1)** and continue winding until the road **ZA -P-1405**. Km 5.

Find the highway **on the left** and, to **go under**, take the dirt road next to the stream. Follow it until the end. Then, **turn right** towards the village of **Roales del Pan**. Km 8.5

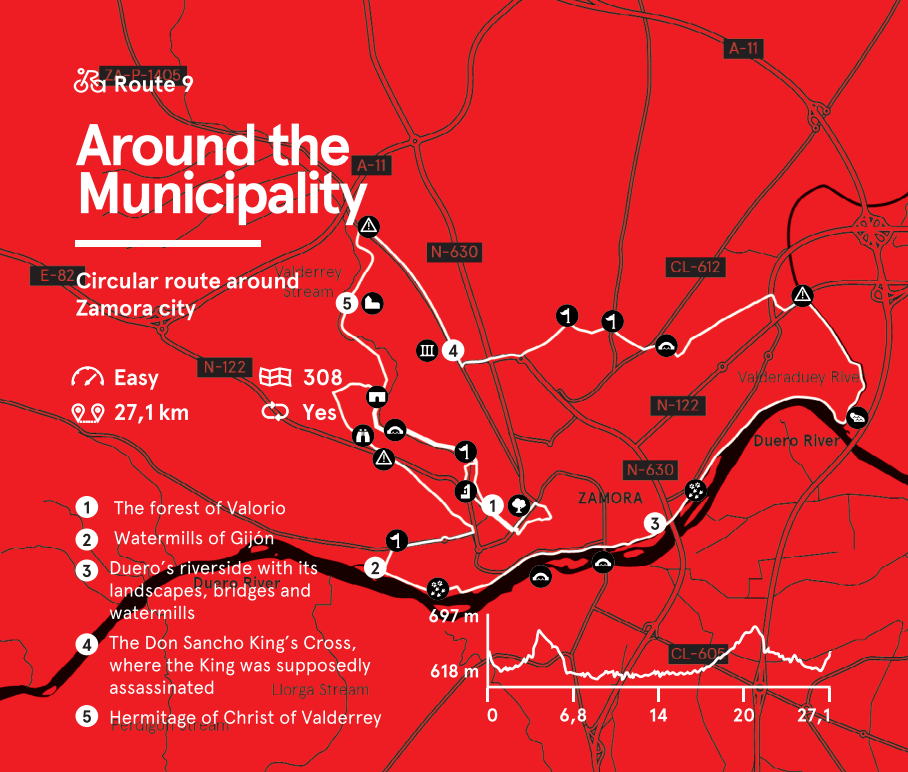


From the **church of Roales (2)** cross towards the pool, but before the pool **turn right to calle Avedillo** and bike until it ends. After, **turn left** and follow the road to **Valcabado, (3) & (4)**. Km 11.2.

Stick to the road, to leave the village, until the end. Then, **turn right** onto the road from **Zamora to Moreuela**. At 200 m **turn left on the second dirt road**, next to the green fence of a house, and continue until the end. Km 14.5.

100 m **on the right turn 340°** at the roundabout, to make about 80 m on the road before **going right onto the first dirt road**. Continue towards the **Valderaduey river** and a few meters after the bend in the grove **turn right** and at the next junction again. With the highway on the back and parallel to the river return **to Zamora**. Cross the bridge and always next to the railway, continue **to the Renfe station (5)**, to the bus station and return to the Plaza Mayor. Km 20.5.





Leave the City Hall **on the left** and go down **calle Costanilla** to the roundabout. **By the third exit** of the roundabout, follow the **N-122** and at about 450 m turn right on **calle Doctor Fleming** and go straight until the **central walk of Valorio (1)**. Go through the **Fountain of the Lions**, then, towards the area of the bars and at the roundabout continue up the bike path. Then, pass by the **Croix bridge** and stay until the end of the lane, to continue **on the left dirt road** until you come to the **Camino del Monte**. It is the only climb of the route, about 750 m. with a landing in the middle. Km 2.2.

Then, take the track **on the left** and follow it, while you see all the west of the city, until crossing the **N-122 road**. Then, take the dirt road on the left, **Guimaré road**, a few meters parallel to the road and then between some fences. Cross the **San Isidro neighbourhood**, passing in front of the church until you reach the **ZA-P-2223 road**. Km 6.2.

Turn right and once passed the green hedges of the **Corazón de María School** which is on your right, take **the path on the left** towards the **watermills of Gijón (2)**. After contemplating its ruins on the river, continue the path, gazing the whole of the cathedral, with the castle and its walls, until the **bridge of the Poets**. Go under and follow as close as possible to the river.

Start a complete crossing of the city from west to east, **along the Duero (3)**. From the park, the **neighbourhood and the olive grove of Olivares**; on the other side, **Los Pelambres beach**, the **San Frontis district** and the **San Francisco convent-Rey Alfonso Enriques Foundation**; pass under the stone, iron and



railway bridges, see in the middle the **island of "los Pájaros"**; Cross the **"Tres Árboles" promenade**, next to the canoing canal, leaving in the middle the islands of **"the Antropófagos"**, the **"Club Náutico"** and **"Las Pallas"**, until the **mouth of the Valderaduey**. Km 13.5.

Then, continue upstream through the bike lane to the **N-525 road**. Cross the road very carefully and follow the track **to the left**, which soon turns parallel to the railway line, **to the new bridge**. Cross it and take the dirt road on the left, go along the **Camino del Torrao**, and take **calle de Villarina**. After crossing the **CL-612 road**, take the **first option on the left**, and at the next crossroads, **again on the left** to reach the roundabout on the **N-630 road**. Km 19.

Then, continue **to the left**, next to the road, pass another roundabout and go until a third one, **turn right (4)**, road of the **Hiniesta**, and make about 2500 m. Then, **turn left** onto the first paved road that goes **down to Zamora**, pass by the **Cristo de Valderrey (5)**. Follow the route until the bike lane of **Valorio** to return to the starting point at **La Plaza Mayor**. Km 26.



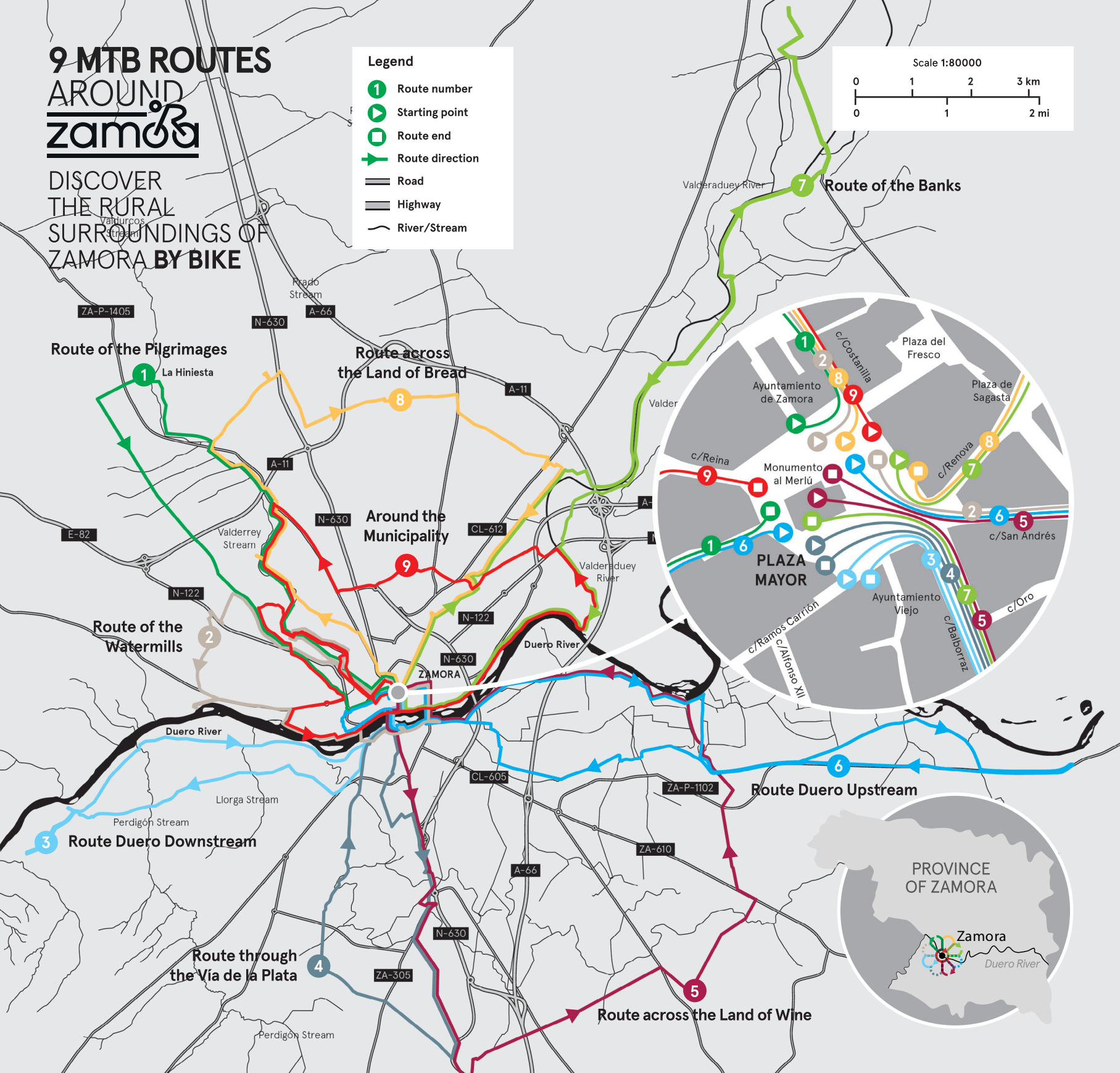
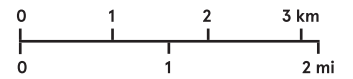
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