Route 11 - Quesada to The village of El Altet

Leave Quesada, head for Benijofar, pass through Benijofar towards Rojales, turn left at the second roundabout cycle over the bridge then straight on at the next roundabout and head for San Fulgencio. At next roundabout turn left towards Elche. Keep heading for Elche on this road. You will come to a dual carriageway and on your left there is a new cycle track that will take you right to Elche if you want to do that route sometime. Stay on the right side until you come to a roundabout with signs for Santa Pola turn right here (brilliant little Tapas bar at this roundabout if you need a first pit stop called Ursulas.) Follow this road for a good 8-10 kms until you come to another roundabout where you will see The Blue Star nightclub, go straight on and head for El-Altet. (If you turn right there is a cycle track all the way into Santa Pola). Again follow this road all the way until the next roundabout which takes you under the N332 then follow the signs to El-Altet (about 2kms) At the traffic lights turn right and there ia a choice of Tapas bars, all very good. Afterwards you can either retrace your tracks or if you have plenty of time keep going in the same direction straight on at the roundabout at the edge of the town then at the end of the road turn right (straight on takes you to a beautiful beach with a bar etc.) and just keep on going on into Gran Alacant stay on the low road (do not climb up to the high road) this is a beautiful coast road with a bit of a cycle track on your left, just follow this road all the way through Gran Alacant until you come to the single track coast road which is absolutely gorgeous. There are plenty of places to stop and eat or drink on this road, also loads of places to drop your bikes and have a swim. Follow this road into Santa Pola where you can either take the high road or the low road, we normally stay low and go under the N332 and pick up the cycle track heading for Elche stay on this track until you come to The Blue Star night club and turn left. Then just retrace your tracks and head all the way back home.

Total Distance: Approx. 60 Kms

Time: 6 hours

Summary: Alternative route add 15kms and 1.5 hrs. Nice long flat route with beautiful coastal road and plenty of places to stop and swim, eat etc.

