

Route 19 - Quesada to the village at La Marina

This is a lovely relatively short route with some really good views. Leave Quesada and head for Benijofar, turn right at the traffic lights (cobble area) and follow the road to the next roundabout follow it round to the left as if heading for Rojasles, at the next roundabout turn left and over the bridge, straight on at the next roundabout and then follow the signs for San Fulgencio/Elche. At San Fulgencio stay on the road and keep heading for Elche. You will cross a canal where you will see the signs for la Marina Urb carry straight on passed the entrance to the Urb and then take the second road on the right this is a more picturesque route. This is a quiet unmarked road which lasts for approx 6kms with some breathtaking views and it also feels like real Spain, you will pass an old house/church type building which looks like something straight out of a John Wayne movie (we call it the Alamo) You will eventually come to a junction where the road joins the CV853 from Elche. Turn right at this junction and follow the road for about 3kms until you come to another roundabout just under the N332. You will see the signs for La Marina. Follow them right into the village where again you are spoilt for choice of places to stop and eat and drink. For your return journey you can head on through the village where you will pick up the N332 which you need to be on for about 2kms, just past Iceland/Lidl you will see a road that heads all the way to la Marina Urb and eventually rejoins the road you started on, or you can stay on the N332 for a little longer until you come to a canal, turn right here and follow it back to the same road or just carry on up the N332 there are about 4 or 5 different routes back including picking up the Rio Segura cycle track which you can follow all the way back to Rojasles and beyond. Alternatively you can go into Guardamar and come back the canal road all the way to Dona Pepa.

Total Distance: Approx. 40 Kms

Time: 3 hours

Summary: Lovely flat route with great views but had to use the main roads a couple of times

