

Route 05 - Quesada to Pedrera and Torremendo via Vistabella

Leave Quesada by the Arches go round the large roundabout and come off at the cycle track which runs along the side of the dual carriageway towards Torrevieja. Take the tarred road that runs parallel to the right of the cycle track past Alonso's garage. Stay on this Camino/Canal road (the canal is to your left under the concrete slabs) and pass over a hump back bridge just before you enter La Herrada. Carry straight on through La Herrada, straight over the roundabouts until you come to signs saying Camino/Canal road no entry. Carry straight on until you come to a main road junction. Go straight across and follow the Camino road to the next junction. Turn right (this is the main road to Algorfa and La Finca) and cycle for 1.2kms uphill past a large sign saying Contra Vega, pass over the AP7 and about 200m on your left you'll see the start of the canal road. There are count down markers on the side of the canal starting at 5.1km, each at 100 metre intervals all the way past Entre Naranjos to a pumping station. At this pumping station turn right and head uphill for about 1km then as the road bends round to the left follow it and join a dirt track which takes you to the car park of the restaurant La Fortaleza in Vistabella - a brilliant place to stop for Tapas, a beer or a coffee. Turn right at the car park and cycle for approx 250 metres on the road then turn left at the sign for Pedrera/ Torremendo and cycle slightly uphill till you can see the lake. Stay on the road all the way around it enjoying the scenery. You will pass through the village of Torremendo (a couple of nice tapas bars here) just follow the road all the way back towards the CV95 San Miguel road and approx 100 metres before the road you will come to the canal. Turn left here and follow the canal for a few kms then back across the CV95 up to Entre Naranjos where you will recognise your earlier route and just head back home in the opposite direction.

Total Distance: Approx. 48 Kms

Time: 4 hours

Summary: One of our favourite routes. Gorgeous blue lakes and stunning views

