

Route 18 - Quesada to Dolores / Catral / Marjal campsite

Leave Quesada and head for Benijofar, turning left at the traffic lights (cobble area) cycling downhill for about 300metres then turn right just before the edge of the town, cycle down past the houses until you come to orange/lemon groves and a track through them that takes you to the river. At the river turn left and cycle over the bridge and down the ramp then go left for about 15metres where there is a narrow lane, cycle down here until you come to a road. You are now in Formentera. Work your way down through the village until you come to the main road. (be careful as there are many one-way streets) Turn left and cycle out of Formentera on the main road until you come to a camino road on your right (Approx 2 kms), take this and cycle it, up and over the bridge across the CV91 Guardamar road and follow this camino road until you come to the next junction (Road to Daya Nueva) where you go straight over following it through some lovely cultivated land with beautiful views until you come to the next road where you turn left. Follow this road all the way until you come to Dolores (4 kms). You can either stop in Dolores in the town square where there are numerous restaurants and bars or continue through the town following the signs for Catral/Crevillente. Leaving Dolores you will pick up the cycle path which takes you all the way to Catral (4kms). Keep following the signs for Crevillente. Leaving Catral you come to a roundabout which if you turn right you go through San Felipe Neri, but you go straight on (there are signs for the campsite) cycling parallel to the AP7 until you come to a turning to your right and a bridge across the AP7 which takes you straight into Marjal campsite where there is a lovely restaurant. It really is well worth a look round the site and the facilities that are on offer which is open to everyone. On your way home you can just retrace your steps or go left after coming over the bridge and this road will take you to the entrance to El Hondo nature reserve which is a lovely route if you have the time - approx 1 hour/10kms extra.

Total Distance: Approx. 42 Kms

Time: 4 hours

Summary: Lovely flat route with great views. Had to use main roads a couple of times

