

THE UNIQUE ATMOSPHERE OF THE APENNINE MOUNTAINS ON THE BORDER BETWEEN UMBRIA AND THE MARCHE

Starting and finishing point: Montone

Distance: 82 km.

Total ascent: 1,550 metres

Grade: difficult

Road surface: asphalt

Recommended type of bike: road

Places to visit in the area: Montone, Città di Castello, Pietralunga.

- KM 0 Starting point: **Montone** football ground. Ride up onto the main road and turn **right** in the direction of **Città di Castello**.
- KM 1.4 Turn **right** past the cemetery towards **Montecastelli**. **Caution:** steep, winding descent on a narrow road.
- KM 5.3 Go **straight over** the small roundabout and turn **right** onto the SS3bis in the direction of **Città di Castello**.
- KM 6.8 Junction with the E45 trunk road: carry **straight on** towards Promano.
- KM 9 Roundabout at **Cinquemiglia**: go **straight across** towards **Città di Castello**.
- KM 16.8 **Città di Castello**: before you get into town, turn **right** just after the football ground on your right, in the direction of **Pietralunga**, and then at the T-junction 100 metres further on, turn **left** and follow the signs for the **hospital**. The *Sanctuario di Zoccolanti* stands to your right.
- KM 19 At the traffic lights just past the cemetery, carry **straight on** towards the hospital.
- KM 19.5 At the roundabout, turn **right** onto the SS257 in the direction of **Fano**.
- KM 36.5 **Bocca Serriola** pass. End of climb.
- KM 45.5 **Apecchio**: turn **right** towards **Pietralunga**.
- KM 46 Turn **left** towards **Castelguelfo** and **Pietralunga**.
- KM 48 Start of climb. **Caution:** *gradients of 10% and more.*
- KM 53 Turn **right** towards **Pietralunga**. *Gradients of 10% and more*
- KM 57 Turn **right** towards **Pietralunga**.
- KM 57.5 Start of descent. **Danger:** *the first kilometre is very steep and difficult.*
- KM 58 Turn **right** towards **Pietralunga**.
- KM 63.5 **Pietralunga**. Carry **straight on** towards **Umbertide**.
- KM 78.5 Turn **right** off the SP201 towards **Montone**. Start of climb.
- KM 81.5 **Montone**: end of climb. Turn **right** towards the football ground.
- KM 82 Football ground: end of ride.