

# Las Palomas - White Villages



Cycling - 41km



Enjoy spectacular views and a thrilling mountain descent from the top of Las Palomas Pass (Andalucia's second highest mountain pass). You will cycle through the heart of the Sierra de Grazalema Natural Park and ride via the white villages of Montejaque, Grazalema and Zahara de la Sierra.

The route includes miles of small country roads which twist and turn amongst cork oak forests but it is the climb through the mountains up to Las Palomas and the descent down into Zahara which will stay in your mind for many years to come. The climb is around 7km heading up from the village of Grazalema; if we are lucky, we may see mountain ibex hopping between the rocks on either side of the road or vultures soaring overhead. From the top of Las Palomas Pass the views in both directions are incredible. Then we enjoy a 14km descent which twists and turns around the mountain, giving incredible changing views of the mountains all around and the lake below.

The three villages you will pass through date from Arab times but all have a distinctly different look and feel: Montejaque is small and sleepy, Grazalema was a wealthier village, built on a large blanket weaving industry, so contains some grand old houses, and Zahara sits dramatically above its startlingly blue lake, with the remains of an Arab fort still dominating the skyline above the village.

**Distance:** 41km  
**Time:** 5-6 hours  
**Ascent:** 1058 metres  
**Descent:** 1198 metres  
**Max Alt:** 1232 metres  
**Start:** Montejaque  
**Finish:** Zahara de la Sierra

### Included in our prices:

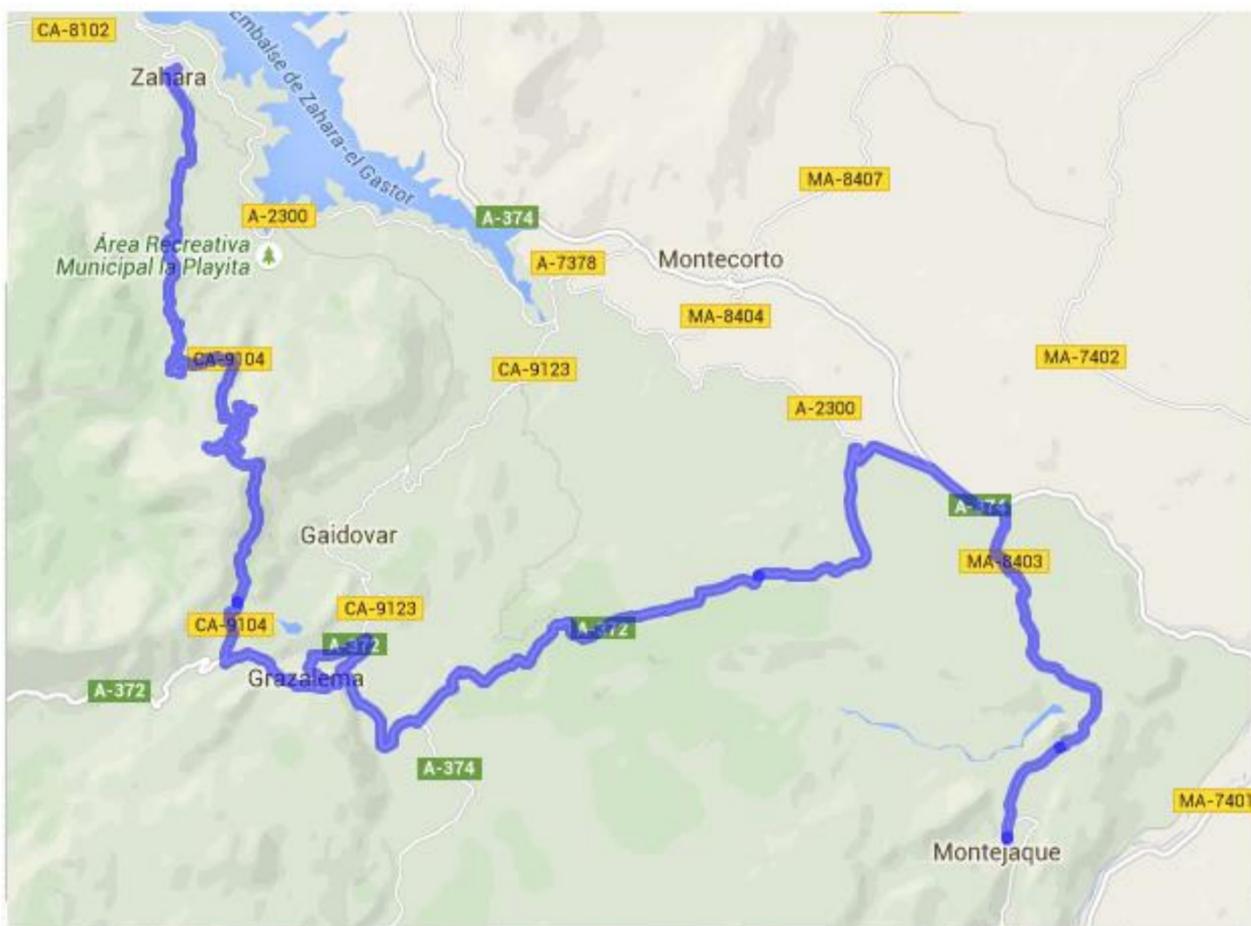
- Transport to start and back to Ronda
- British Cycling qualified guide
- Quality Hybrid bike
- Helmet
- Water Bottle

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€ 65 p.p.\* / €75p.p.\*\*

\* Price for 3 people or more

\*\* Price for 2 people



## CLIMB DETAILS

Rating	Start/End Points	Length	Start/End Elevation	Avg Grade
	0.10 km/4.62 km	4.51 km	671 m/768 m	2.2%
	7.02 km/13.54 km	6.52 km	667 m/824 m	2.4%
	22.27 km/29.80 km	7.52 km	750 m/1,191 m	5.9%



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