



RIDE EUROPE

ROUTE 1. STAGE 1. DAY 3.

POTES TO PAMPLONA SPAIN

APPROXIMATELY 269 MILES (433KM)

As you head deep into the stunning countryside, stops can be few and far between – but small villages en route offer cosy roadside bars and cafés ready to welcome you in for a break.

Leaving Potes, you'll enjoy a 14-mile (23km) climb through scenic woodlands of oak, chestnut and beech, twisting and turning your way up to the pass of Piedrasluengas at 1,335m. At the top, a parking area offers jaw-dropping views of the surrounding Picos de Europa limestone mountain range and the sprawling Fuentes Carrionas National Park. This is now the Masa Plateau, a stunning highland that stretches out before you until you begin the thrilling descent through the sweeping bends of the Mazorra pass into the dramatic cliff-sided Valdivielso Valley below.

From here, the road follows gorges carved by the Sobrón and Ebro Rivers. This stretch is a rider's dream: with curved roads set against the magnificent sheer limestone canyons. A route made for the adventurous.

After you pass the city of Miranda de Ebro, a short motorway ride helps you slip around Vitoria before you dive back into the scenic countryside, heading toward Estella-Lizarra in the heart of the Navarra wine region. The last 30 miles (48km) are on the motorway, smoothing your way to the outskirts of Pamplona, where you can settle into your choice of accommodation for the night.

WHERE TO STAY

Pamplona is a large city and has a selection of more than 300 hotels to suit every budget. Not many camping options close to Pamplona, however the nearest is:

Camping Ezcaba –
5 miles (8km) north
of the city centre.

*Carretera N-121A,
Km 7, 31194 Orikain,
Navarra*

campingezcaba.com



Recommended hotels:

Hotel Tres Reyes Pamplona

*C. Taconera, 1, 31001
Pamplona, Navarra
tresreyeshoteles.
com/tres-reyes-
pamplona*



HIGHLIGHTS

- Picos de Europa National Park
- Sobrón gorges
- Citadel of Pamplona
- Pamplona Cathedral



ROUTE MAP



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DEPART FROM POTES

	Road	Direction
Leaving Potes, head south on the	CA-184	Cervera de Pisuerga
At approx. 14 miles (22km) – at the peak of the mountain pass Piedrasluengas at 1,335m, continue on	CA627	
In Cervera de Pisuerga follow	CL626	Aguilar de Campoo
Aguilar de Campoo is a small town with a castle and the old centre has cafés, so a good stop for a break		
Then follow	N627	Burgos
Then follow	CL623/CL629	Masa Valdenoceda
In Valdenoceda follow	N232	Logroño/Miranda
Then follow	N629	Trespaderne
In Trespaderne follow	BU530/A2122	Quintana Maria/ Miranda de Ebro
A couple of cafés in the centre, stop for a break		
In Miranda de Ebro follow	A1 (motorway)	Vitoria
Then follow	N102	Vitoria
Then pick up and follow	A132/NA132	Estella-Lizarra
From Estella follow (Final 30 miles (48km) on motorway)	A12	Pamplona
Lots of restaurants and cafés in the centre		

Disclaimer: These are suggested routes only and we cannot be held responsible for the condition of the roads, the weight of traffic or any detours. Fuel stations can be few and far between in some rural areas of Portugal and Spain. Make sure you start each day with a full tank and top up when you can.

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