



Tim in KY VaE Stage 19 is the longest stage of this year's Vuelta at 211 kilometers. It begins on the Mediterranean coast at Vélez-Málaga and continues along the coast for 30 km. The route then turns inland for a summit finish on Peñas Blancas.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1789063798-stage-19-route.jpg>

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Tim in KY After 80 kilometers of flat and false flat serious climbing begins with two Cat 2s and a mysteriously uncategorized bigger climb. After a long descent and 20 flat kms back on the coast, the Cat 1 finale begins. It is 19 kms long averaging 7% but with several double-digit sections. In all there is over 4,000 meters of climbing.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1789063856-stage-19-profile.jpg>

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1789063884-stage-19-penas-blancas.jpg>

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 12:06 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for sunshine in the mid-20s. Peacock stream starts at 13:00 CEST and should be early enough to include all the climbs.

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Tim in KY There were no DNF or OTL on stage 18.

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02:08:31 pm



Tim in KY Finlay Pickering (Jayco) sounds like a Dickens character. Callum Thornley (RBH) sounds like a Walter Scott character. Scott Drawer sounds like a 3M product but he's an NCI DS who got fined 500CHF and a yellow card for lousy driving. That's the only stage 18 penalty.

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04:40:47 pm



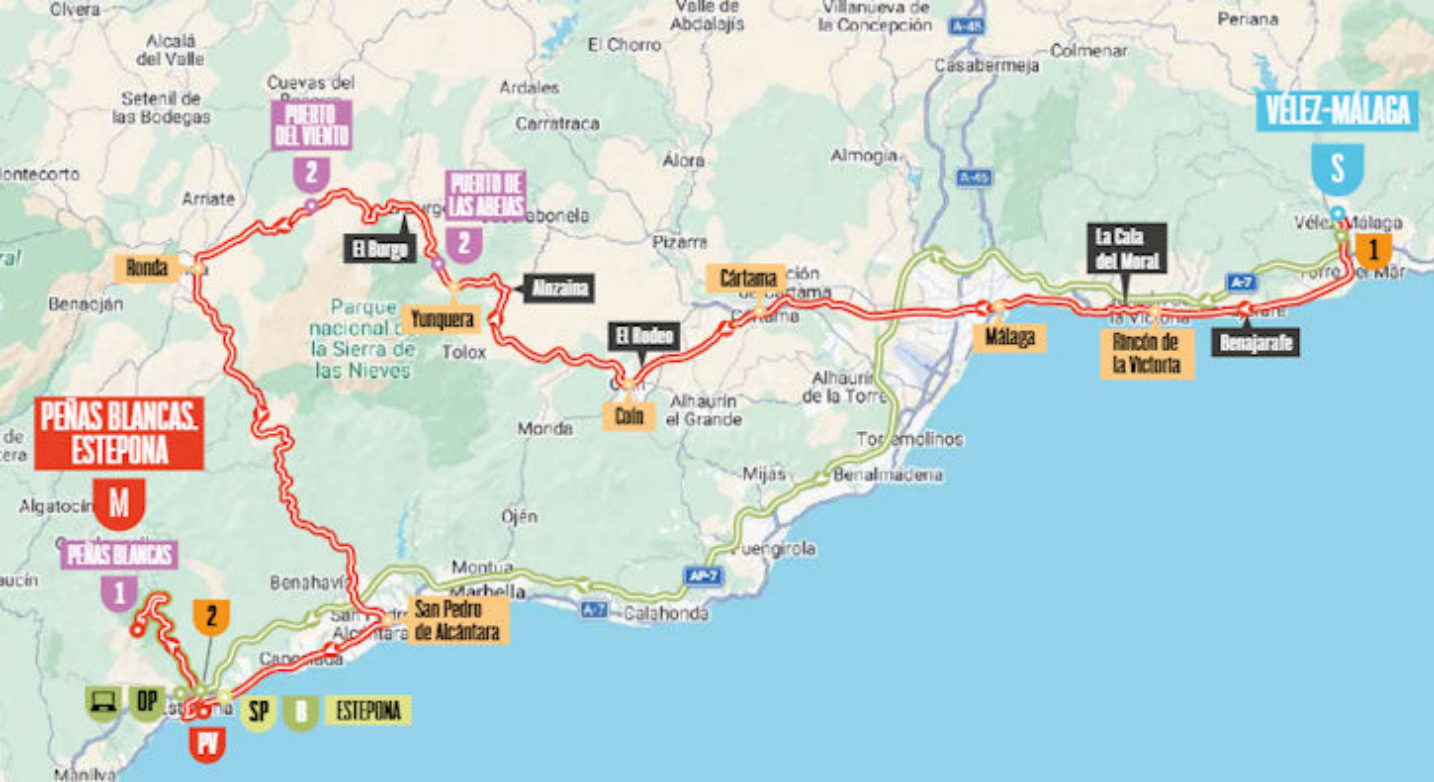
Tim in KY Stefan Küng (Tudor) and Yevgeniy Fedorov (Astana) did not start today.

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06:30:15 am



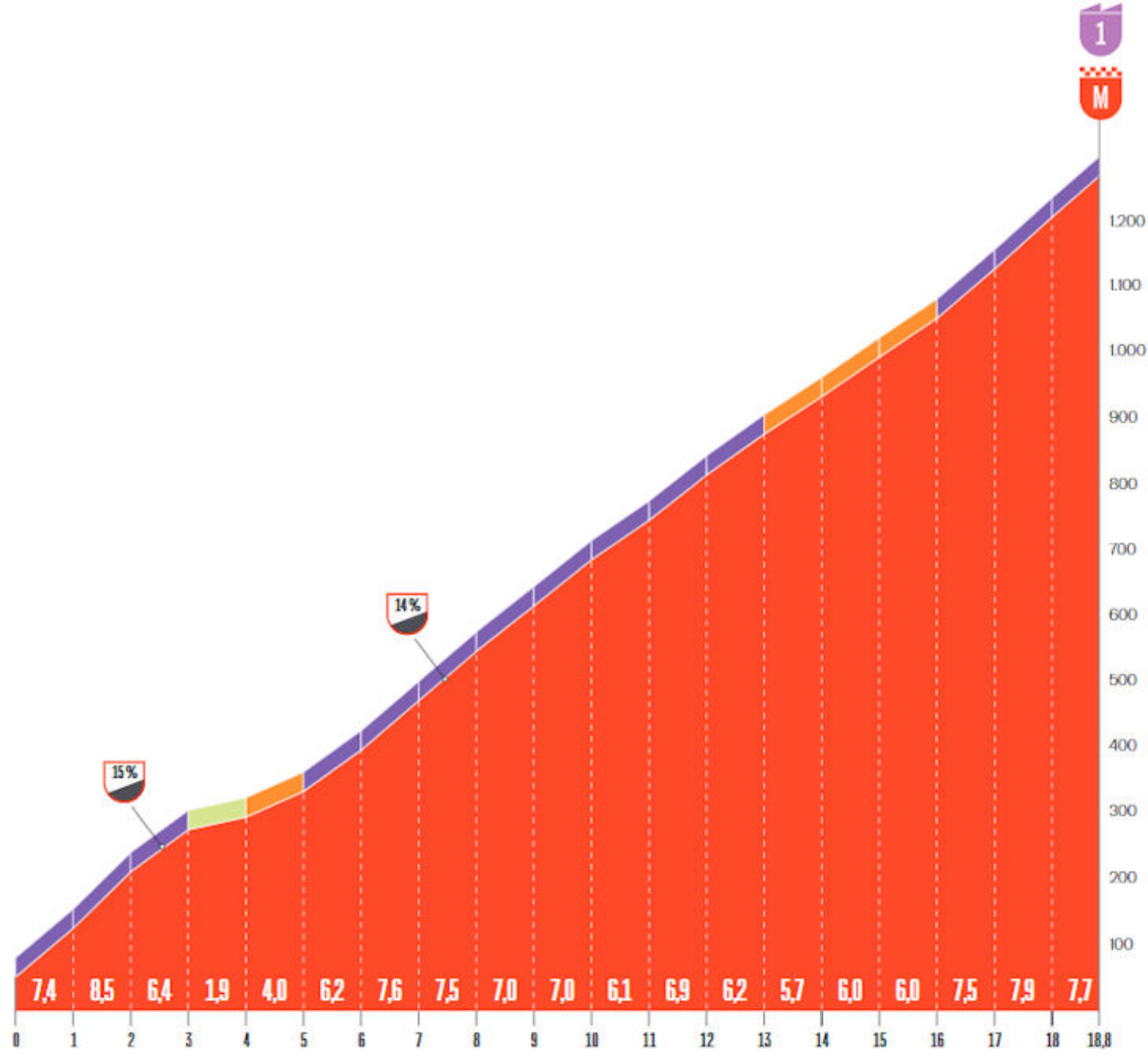
Tim in KY Break fight may even go on until the first Cat 2.

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06:33:06 am



VÉLEZ-MÁLAGA / 10 m







Tim in KY Paul Double (Jayco) has abandoned.

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06:42:41 am



Tim in KY Into the foothills there may be a break if 42 seconds can be called a break.

09-11-2026
07:11:56 am



Tim in KY At the start of the first climb still less than a minute.

09-11-2026
07:35:57 am



Tim in KY Time for my walk now that the rain has stopped.

09-11-2026
07:48:18 am



Katie S Good morning

09-11-2026
07:52:20 am



Katie S Why did Kung not start?

09-11-2026
07:54:33 am



Katie S Saving himself for Worlds?

09-11-2026
07:54:56 am



Katie S 3 riders join the group of six at the front

09-11-2026
08:00:44 am



Katie S Peloton crests

09-11-2026
08:09:47 am



Katie S Sepp almost ate it

09-11-2026
08:10:22 am



Katie S Leading the descent, got a bit too close to the lip of asphalt on an inside curve

09-11-2026
08:11:05 am



Charlie in Tenn Hi you 5 mystery viewers

09-11-2026
08:16:25 am



Katie S Hi Charlie (and mystery viewers)

09-11-2026
08:17:15 am



Tim in KY Yes, saving for worlds his DS said.

09-11-2026
08:18:12 am



Charlie in Tenn Yesterday was a good one for Mas.

09-11-2026
08:18:17 am

**Katie S** Indeed09-11-2026
08:18:37 am**Charlie in Tenn** Unless someone has a really bad day, which could happen, I think the top ten is close to settled.09-11-2026
08:19:28 am**Katie S** I'd say that's a fair assessment09-11-2026
08:19:54 am**Tim in KY** Onto the second Cat 2 and still no real break.09-11-2026
08:19:54 am**Tim in KY** Nasty humid on my walk but not hot for a change.09-11-2026
08:20:55 am**Katie S** Fall coming? We had a heatwave here this week. I know this is nothing all of you who live where it's hotter longer, but we went from 89 on Wednesday (with sultry air) to 64 projected high today with our marine layer returning.09-11-2026
08:23:17 am**Charlie in Tenn** Yes, our mornings have been nice the last few days, about 70 now.09-11-2026
08:23:38 am**Charlie in Tenn** Yes, Fall is coming. We have 3 big Tulip Poplars in the yard. I mowed Tuesday and the leaves were mulched up good. By Wednesday morning the ground was covered in more leaves.09-11-2026
08:25:58 am**Katie S** Yep... that time of year. Our ginkgo is turning yellow. Leaves will start dropping around Thanksgiving and won't stop til January.09-11-2026
08:27:41 am**Tim in KY** Now the Macy's ad says the one day sale is Friday, Saturday and Sunday.09-11-2026
08:28:55 am**Katie S** They're doing that to torture you, Tim09-11-2026
08:29:37 am**Katie S** Eddie Dunbar gives the international signal for beer.09-11-2026
08:31:14 am**Tim in KY** Until well into the twentieth century beer was a much safer drink than water.09-11-2026
08:33:00 am



Katie S I'm noodling with the Spelling Bee puzzle. Somehow I don't think "iced hake" is the pangram.

09-11-2026
08:34:04 am



SFinAus Good morning, everyone

09-11-2026
08:34:36 am



Katie S Good morning!

09-11-2026
08:34:57 am



Katie S Great heli images

09-11-2026
08:35:13 am



Katie S Guys attacking

09-11-2026
08:36:17 am



SFinAus Yes, fall is in the air here too. Not every day is over 100.

09-11-2026
08:40:34 am

Some are projected to be 97 or 98. All of those are well above the average. Like everywhere, "average" doesn't mean what it used to. My ginkgo will stay yellow for a long time, but when it starts dropping leaves it's over in a few days.



SFinAus It won't start getting yellow for quite a while now.

09-11-2026
08:40:35 am



Katie S Yeah, average temps are climbing. I sure do miss my dad, but I don't miss going to Phoenix to visit him,

09-11-2026
08:45:42 am



SFinAus I worked construction in Phoenix during a couple of summer breaks. (Did you ever notice the flood control project in the dry river by the airport? :).). It was brutal even though I lived in Tucson. We started at 5, ate lunch at 10, and knocked off at 1:30.

09-11-2026
08:48:15 am



SFinAus Crapass leading a small group away from the peloton and he picked up an EF satellite rider from the break. Nice tactic.

09-11-2026
08:51:14 am



Tim in KY Crapass makes another foolishly early attack.

09-11-2026
08:51:31 am



Charlie in Tenn He is consistant.

09-11-2026
08:51:54 am



SFinAus Have the satellite rider drop back was the "nice tactic", but yeah, overall he's wasting energy. Comms are gobsmacked saying Decaf is panicking by chasing RC instead of leaving it to Movistar.

09-11-2026
08:53:53 am



Katie S Gotta say that for him, but boy do I regret my foolishness in signing him to my team

09-11-2026
08:53:59 am



Tim in KY Gr. Crapass has 26 seconds on the GC group.

09-11-2026
08:54:37 am



Katie S Oh geez

09-11-2026
08:54:48 am



Katie S That chain is possessed

09-11-2026
08:55:05 am



Tim in KY Haven't seen a neutral buke in years.

09-11-2026
08:56:20 am



SFinAus Never a good time for your electronic mech to bugger up completely. So much for being there for RC.

09-11-2026
08:56:30 am



Mikey Good Morning Catching up...

09-11-2026
09:01:10 am



Mikey We don't even have Macys but we still get the commercials

09-11-2026
09:03:24 am



Charlie in Tenn Movi and Red Bull don't care about Crapass. He is to far behind them at this point. I don't think Decaf should worry either but that is often the problem late in GCs, everyone is watching their position and no one wants to help others attack the leader.

09-11-2026
09:03:28 am



SFinAus Good morning, Mikey

09-11-2026
09:03:35 am



Mikey What is the deal with Crapass today? Is he going to pull a Movi today?

09-11-2026
09:04:13 am



Mikey With no Pog someone will do something

09-11-2026
09:04:50 am



Charlie in Tenn Mikey, you have more faith than I do.

09-11-2026
09:06:09 am



Mikey Lets just say I'm hopeful

09-11-2026
09:06:52 am



Charlie in Tenn Red Bull should attack, Movi pull them back, then Decaf go, movi pull them back, then Crapass again, movi ignore him, then Red Bull again, but it won't happen.

09-11-2026
09:10:10 am



SFinAus Things are tranquillo again with just the break and the peloton at 2-ish minutes with Movi at the front. Although Movi at the front is still odd to me though

09-11-2026
09:10:11 am



Tim in KY Towels dry, DW emptied. Now I can focus on puzzling why this climb is not categorized.

09-11-2026
09:11:09 am



Charlie in Tenn have to rn an errand. Back before 10.

09-11-2026
09:11:33 am



SFinAus I don't get it either. Not even a cat 3??

09-11-2026
09:12:29 am



Mikey Should

09-11-2026
09:12:34 am



Tim in KY Extra points to Mas for not wearing red shorts.

09-11-2026
09:17:58 am



Mikey Is that even an option?

09-11-2026
09:18:30 am



Mikey We went from 85 yesterday to 55 this morning so we have fog fog fog

09-11-2026
09:19:37 am



Mikey My son Zach works for Canva Canva commercial is on!

09-11-2026
09:22:47 am



Mikey Gap is up but there is some olney action

09-11-2026
09:27:17 am



Tim in KY Early on when Pog was in red he wore red shorts.

09-11-2026
09:29:22 am



SFinAus I've never liked pink, yellow, red, or green shorts. (Don't even get me started on any version of dotted shorts.) And even if they're using skin suits, please print them with black "shorts". :)

09-11-2026
09:34:37 am



Katie S 2KU ish

09-11-2026
09:36:57 am



Katie S This terrain is spectacular. The peloton looks so tiny next to those crags.

09-11-2026
09:36:58 am



Mikey Crags

09-11-2026
09:37:18 am



Tim in KY This descent seems longer than it looks on paper.

09-11-2026
09:52:30 am



SFinAus If it wasn't a climb, is it a descent?

09-11-2026
09:53:41 am



Toulouse Catching up: 34 degrees here, with zero indication of rain. I recently read about a man named Crag who was aggrieved that people keep pronouncing his name Craig. After puzzling it over and sounding it out, I just don't hear much difference.

09-11-2026
09:54:23 am



Tim in KY Is that the same question as the one about the tree in the forest?

09-11-2026
09:54:45 am



Toulouse Shawn, that's pretty deep.

09-11-2026
09:55:06 am



Katie S Appreciating the update on Tadej. Recovering, but no more racing this year. Not a surprise, of course.

09-11-2026
09:56:46 am



Tim in KY Why back when the list of injuries was reported I knew he was out for the year.

09-11-2026
09:58:08 am



Tim in KY Way.

09-11-2026
09:58:15 am



Charlie in Tenn Back, but failed in my errand. The other fellow forgot he was to meet me...

09-11-2026
10:00:32 am



Mikey When its a false flat...

09-11-2026
10:02:52 am



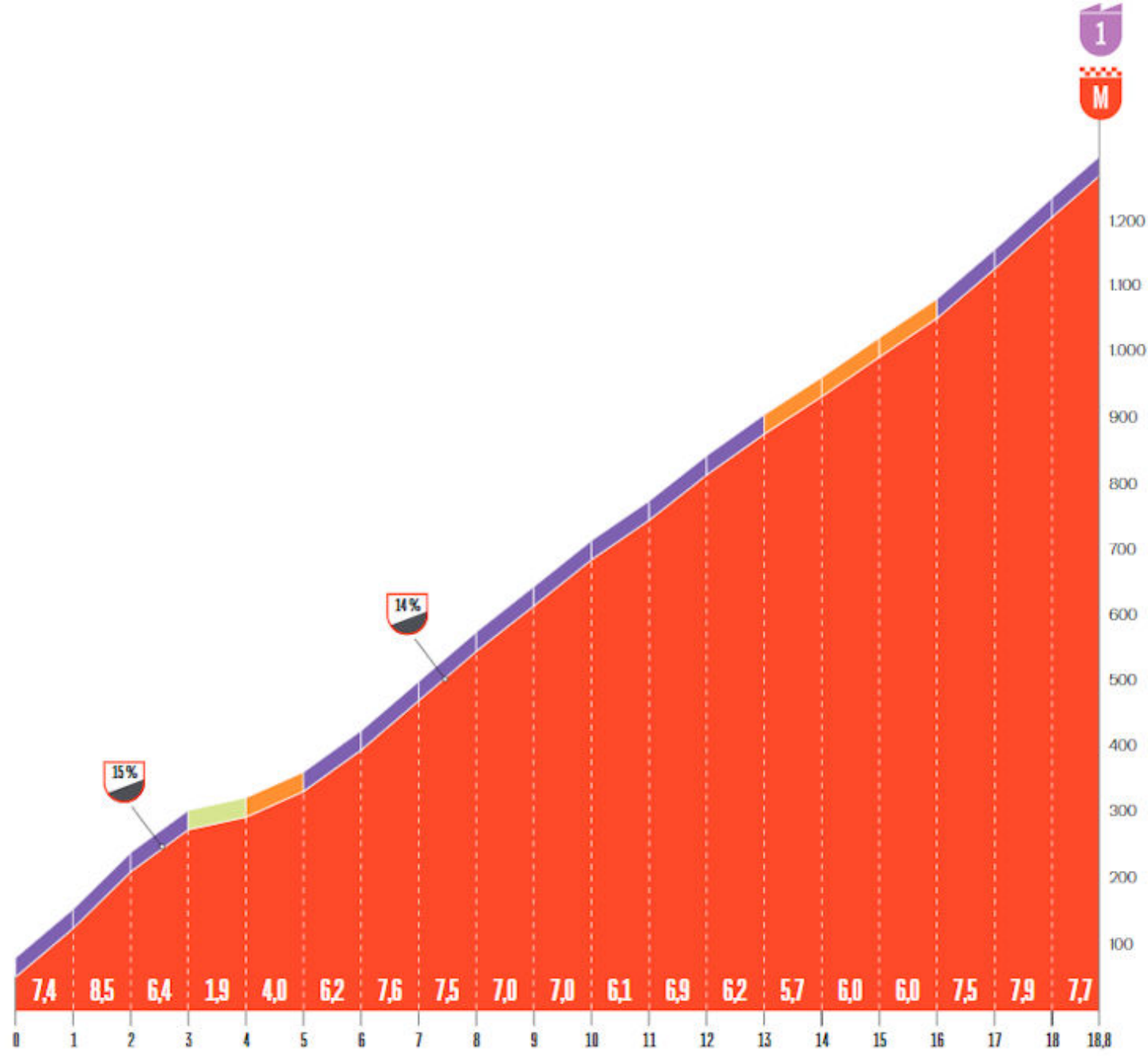
Mikey Way

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10:03:36 am

Tim in KY Break is faster than the fastest right now.

09-11-2026
10:05:13 am

**bikerabe** uno KU09-11-2026
10:05:34 am**Katie S** About 5-6 km to the start of the climb??09-11-2026
10:10:09 am**SFinAus** Maybe 10 for the break based on PCS map09-11-2026
10:11:38 am**bikerabe** 6:45 gap stage winner coming from break? Butrago ?09-11-2026
10:12:06 am**bikerabe** gap at 7 min.09-11-2026
10:12:52 am**SFinAus** Given Pog's absence I think the break has a great chance.
Butrago seems like a good choice.09-11-2026
10:13:19 am**Katie S** Ain't gonna be Crapass09-11-2026
10:15:44 am**Charlie in Tenn** Leknessund, Butrago, Molard and Martin from FDJ ,
the Pinarello guys should all fight for the win09-11-2026
10:16:50 am**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1789136513-stage-19-penas-blancas.jpg>09-11-2026
10:16:54 am**SFinAus** Anthony McCrossan said they were talking to Luis Angel Mate before the stage, and Mate called this climb his "office". He would climb it 3 times a week when he was training.09-11-2026
10:18:55 am**Mikey** Perhaps Angel has the angle09-11-2026
10:19:48 am**Charlie in Tenn** Castrillo probably could try for the win but he probably will fall back to help Mas.09-11-2026
10:19:48 am**SFinAus** oops, Angel is retired.09-11-2026
10:20:23 am





SFinAus I din't make that clear

09-11-2026
10:20:32 am



Charlie in Tenn He rode some gravel races last year at age 41.

09-11-2026
10:21:48 am



Tim in KY That's not a very big GC group.

09-11-2026
10:21:51 am



Mikey One of the best moments in my work career... I solved some problem that had been bugging my boss for some time and she texted that I was an angle

09-11-2026
10:22:23 am



Charlie in Tenn I agree with her.

09-11-2026
10:22:58 am



Katie S Ha!

09-11-2026
10:23:23 am



Toulouse Well, you did find the right angle. Or maybe it was a different degree.

09-11-2026
10:23:23 am



Mikey Yikes

09-11-2026
10:23:37 am



Tim in KY Official start of the climb.

09-11-2026
10:23:54 am



Charlie in Tenn Did she say you were acute angle? If so you should have reported her to HR.

09-11-2026
10:25:25 am



Katie S Some guys no doubt are muttering about just slipping off to the beach and forego the climb

09-11-2026
10:25:32 am



Mikey Wow Charlie

09-11-2026
10:25:57 am



Toulouse Bob and Christian were talking earlier about Indurain doing just that.

09-11-2026
10:25:59 am



Charlie in Tenn and miss tomorrow's horrible stage, nah.

09-11-2026
10:26:08 am



Katie S Eejits in training... or just being kids

09-11-2026
10:28:14 am



SFinAus RBH has a lot of guys still at the front, but I expect they'll melt away quickly

09-11-2026
10:29:38 am



Mikey Going up... gap coming down Does anyone care?

09-11-2026
10:30:05 am



Tim in KY Very windy.

09-11-2026
10:34:05 am



Mikey Dots go

09-11-2026
10:36:39 am



SFinAus Here goes Butrago, Abe

09-11-2026
10:37:01 am



bikerabe Butrago on the front

09-11-2026
10:37:08 am



Tim in KY Very nice road.

09-11-2026
10:39:50 am



Charlie in Tenn Camprubi is the current Spanish road race champion. A win would be fun for the fans and him.

09-11-2026
10:40:14 am



Tim in KY Two PQTs with the dots.

09-11-2026
10:40:47 am



Joanna in Virginia Hi Folks!

09-11-2026
10:48:21 am



SFinAus Hiya, Jo!

09-11-2026
10:48:33 am



Mikey Hi Jo

09-11-2026
10:49:34 am



SFinAus Rog drops behind Gall and all the RBH guys that were up front have eased off. Hmmmm :o.O

09-11-2026
10:50:08 am



Katie S Good day, Jo

09-11-2026
10:50:30 am



Tim in KY Three PQTs in the lead seven.

09-11-2026
10:50:31 am



SFinAus They're a pretty quick team today.

09-11-2026
10:51:28 am



Tim in KY Crapass again. Sigh.

09-11-2026
10:58:30 am



Tim in KY Dots are 4 minutes faster than the fastest right now.

09-11-2026
10:59:30 am



Katie S Go, Crappy!!!

09-11-2026
11:03:36 am



Tim in KY Road narrows..

09-11-2026
11:04:58 am



SFinAus C'mon Crappy get on with it if you're going to go. Maybe nobody tries to attack Mas.

09-11-2026
11:05:53 am



Mikey Dots!

09-11-2026
11:05:58 am



Rocket City Gal Made it just in time for the finish.

09-11-2026
11:06:50 am



Mikey RCG you are an angel

09-11-2026
11:07:12 am



Rocket City Gal And the "GC finish"

09-11-2026
11:07:18 am



Tim in KY Fastest imaginable finish time is 17:14.

09-11-2026
11:07:31 am



SFinAus ohhhh, this is close!

09-11-2026
11:09:01 am



Toulouse Heartbreaker.

09-11-2026
11:10:07 am



Mikey Wow did not see that

09-11-2026
11:10:13 am

**bikerabe** Eddi8e!09-11-2026
11:10:16 am**Rocket City Gal** On the road so I'm Missing this one. Go, Buitrago!09-11-2026
11:10:23 am**SFinAus** Me either. Wow. That wasn't so close after all.09-11-2026
11:10:42 am**bikerabe** Dunbar does it!09-11-2026
11:10:44 am**Katie S** Give that man a beer!09-11-2026
11:10:48 am**Charlie in Tenn** Nice job. Good riding by all of the break.09-11-2026
11:11:13 am**Charlie in Tenn** OK, let's see some GC action!09-11-2026
11:11:54 am**SFinAus** Meanwhile.... down the hill. Rog seems good again.09-11-2026
11:11:55 am**Mikey** Red bull had a plan will it work?09-11-2026
11:12:36 am**Trish in MA** Good morning. Just missed the end but I gather we're waiting for GC.09-11-2026
11:14:53 am**Katie S** Yup09-11-2026
11:15:06 am**Katie S** Lordy09-11-2026
11:16:08 am**Mikey** Kinda not a big deal Trish09-11-2026
11:16:33 am**SFinAus** It's Orange Fanta time for Mas09-11-2026
11:16:36 am**Trish in MA** So no change in Red. Rog and Richie's attacks came to naught. "Move along. Nothing to see here." Does that sum it up?09-11-2026
11:18:08 am





Mikey Dunbar had a good day

09-11-2026
11:18:32 am



Rocket City Gal I'll def have to watch the replay of this one.

09-11-2026
11:19:00 am



Tim in KY Tomorrow detail. Good luck solving it.

09-11-2026
11:19:06 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1789140254-stage-20-circuit.jpg>

09-11-2026
11:19:16 am



Katie S See you tomorrow!

09-11-2026
11:19:41 am



Rocket City Gal Squiggly. Too many different colors

09-11-2026
11:19:43 am



SFinAus Looks like a Belgian classic route

09-11-2026
11:20:36 am



Trish in MA I'll be back in the East Coast tomorrow but won't get home until after the end of the stage. Have a great race

09-11-2026
11:20:46 am



SFinAus Have a nice return trip. Bye all. Thanks.

09-11-2026
11:21:30 am



Rocket City Gal The arrows on that map are pointing every which way.

09-11-2026
11:21:38 am



Rocket City Gal Safe travels!

09-11-2026
11:22:02 am



Mikey Ba

09-11-2026
11:25:05 am