



**Tim in KY** VaE stage 17 is 143 kilometers in far western Spain from O Barco de Valdeorras looping to another summit finish on the Alto de El Morredero.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757448808-stage-17-route.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** The profile has the usual uncategorized lumps all along the way with a Cat 3 in the middle and the start of the finale Cat 1 with nine kilometers to go. The climb averages 9.7% because the first 5 km are all in double digits. This climb hasn't been used by la Vuelta for 20 years. Valverde was the last winner here.

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04:10:49 pm



**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757448961-stage-17-profile.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757448974-stage-17-morredero.jpg>

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04:11:16 pm



**Tim in KY** Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:41 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:10. Live video at 14:30. Forecast is for rain in the upper-teens.

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04:12:13 pm



**Tim in KY** There were no fines or penalties on stage 16. Romo was the only DNF.

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04:13:02 pm



**Tim in KY** Rain chance has diminished greatly.

09-10-2025  
06:38:13 am



**Tim in KY** In neutral.

09-10-2025  
07:31:17 am



**Tim in KY** No DNS today.

09-10-2025  
07:33:17 am



**Tim in KY** Km0.

09-10-2025  
07:44:46 am



# O BARCO DE VALDEORRAS / 440 m



Peñalba de Santiago / 1.090 m

16%

14%

1

M

1.700

1.600

1.500

1.400

1.300

1.200

1.100

1.000

900

800

9,9

11,3

12,1

12,9

11,7

7,3

6,9

8,5

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8,8



**Tim in KY** While they break fight, I need to butcher a cauliflower.

09-10-2025  
07:45:13 am



**Rocket City Gal** The riders are tired of being "the pawns in a very large chess game." The teams met after the chaos of yesterday and voted to neutralize stage 17 (stop riding) if there are further protests during stage 17 of the race.

09-10-2025  
07:53:46 am



**KatieS** I sense the end of the Vuelta, then.

09-10-2025  
08:12:57 am



**Trish in MA** I agree with the riders

09-10-2025  
08:17:08 am



**KatieS** me too. it's demoralizing to ride in those conditions.

09-10-2025  
08:19:23 am



**Tim in KY** Now I have to grate the Parmesan.

09-10-2025  
08:23:53 am



**KatieS** i know what's for dinner! Yum!

09-10-2025  
08:25:16 am



**KatieS** Feed's up

09-10-2025  
08:31:23 am



**KatieS** Protests at the beginning, too.

09-10-2025  
08:37:06 am



**Tim in KY** Italian-Style Roasted Cauliflower 1 head cauliflower, cut into florets 1/4 cup olive oil 1 lemon zested and juiced 3 cloves garlic, minced 3 tablespoons capers 1 teaspoon dried oregano 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes 2 ounces Parmigiano-Reggiano, grated 1. Place cauliflower florets in a one-gallon sealable freezer bag. Add garlic, capers, pepper flakes and oregano. Toss to coat evenly. Add lemon juice, zest and olive oil. Toss again. 2. Lay bag flat in the fridge for several hours, flipping over occasionally. 3. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Line a rimmed baking sheet with aluminum foil. 4. Spread in a single layer on the baking sheet. Sprinkle with the cheese. 5. Roast in the oven for 30 minutes until golden and caramelized.

09-10-2025  
08:37:38 am



**KatieS** Yesssss.

09-10-2025  
08:38:16 am



**KatieS** I have an abundance of zucchini. I might use the ingredient list, minus the cavolfiori, on some zucchini chunks.

09-10-2025  
08:39:31 am





**Tim in KY** I've done that. It works fine.

09-10-2025  
08:40:16 am



**Trish in MA** Sounds great. Wish my husband liked cauliflower. I'll miss most of the race today - it's my Wednesday walk day Another 4 miles with a total of 150' feet of climbing over 2 hours.

09-10-2025  
08:40:44 am



**KatieS** Sounds like a nice walk, Trish. I did a hike yesterday with a friend in our sultry misty weather in the low hills here on the coast. We took a spur on a trail called the Spine Trail, and I very soon felt like I was in the mountain lion food chain. An uneasy feeling.

09-10-2025  
08:42:29 am



**Tim in KY** Interesting landscape.

09-10-2025  
08:42:35 am



**bikerabe** gap out to 2 min.

09-10-2025  
08:42:35 am



**Trish in MA** Just saw the interview with Jorgenson. JV going for the stage win?

09-10-2025  
08:44:12 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Quick pop-in, despite my Avatar being in attendance. Have a great day all, day off of teaching for me, but too much stuff to do.

09-10-2025  
08:52:02 am



**KatieS** Hello, Jo! Enjoy your day. Thought of you yesterday - my hike crosses through an equestrian center -- stables and horses, very rustic/country. Some beautiful beasts.

09-10-2025  
08:56:55 am



**bikerabe** LV keeping gap down below 145

09-10-2025  
09:01:07 am



**Trish in MA** Just under 1:45 - by 2 seconds

09-10-2025  
09:07:20 am



**Tim in KY** Break is close to the fastest imaginable.

09-10-2025  
09:09:12 am



**KatieS** Big clouds

09-10-2025  
09:09:33 am



**Tim in KY** No rain anywhere on the radar.

09-10-2025  
09:10:43 am



**PasadenaK8** 🙌 Mornin' ~

09-10-2025  
09:14:11 am



**KatieS** Good morning, K8. Dark, isn't it? (the morning, that is)

09-10-2025  
09:14:39 am



**PasadenaK8** It is!

09-10-2025  
09:14:54 am



**PasadenaK8** Oooooo, Tim, that Roasted Cauliflower recipe looks delish!

09-10-2025  
09:16:56 am



**Tim in KY** Thanks, K8.

09-10-2025  
09:20:49 am



**PasadenaK8** From RaceCenter... Vine: "I like the jersey and it's nice; my wife can see me on the TV a lot easier than before! " Funny & sweet.

09-10-2025  
09:21:16 am



**KatieS** Very

09-10-2025  
09:22:41 am



**Tim in KY** Looks like they're moving the cars out of the gap.

09-10-2025  
09:29:33 am



**KatieS** Seems a tad premature

09-10-2025  
09:30:22 am



**PasadenaK8** 2KUs ta go...

09-10-2025  
09:30:47 am



**Rocket City Gal** Tim, I made some cauliflower rice for a recipe two nights ago and was staring atvhh the r rest of the cauliflower wondering what to do with it. You solved that problem!!

09-10-2025  
09:32:06 am



**Rocket City Gal** True to form — 1 week after annual wellness visit and vaccinations, cat gets sick enough that I think she needs veterinary intervention.....

09-10-2025  
09:34:22 am



**Rocket City Gal** Every time an Ineos guy wins a stage, one of their riders has his head shaved.... I think Kwiatkowski was the victim after Bernal won the truncated stage yesterday. I've seen the photos. It's not pretty. Ganna is the wielder of the clippers. Given his curly mop, I think he would be fair game....

09-10-2025  
09:37:37 am



**KatieS** tomorrow's the time trial, so maybe he'll be a bald knob at day's end 09-10-2025 09:41:00 am



**Tim in KY** The time trial route is very twisty-turny. 09-10-2025 09:47:03 am



**KatieS** Speaking of vaccines (yes, it's a stretch per RCG's post), yesterday I went down to CVS to inquire how someone not quite 65 could get the covid vaccine. The clerk started checking me in, without answering my question, then had me go to the next window, where the vaccine consultant/manager asked me for more of my data. Then she looked at me and said, "I'm going to ask you a question now, and your answer is going to be yes." So, she asked me the question, which involved heightened risk of covid infection, I said "yes" and then I got that jab (and the flu jab), no charge. Plus, I got a free bag of popcorn. 09-10-2025 09:47:09 am



**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757512332-stage-18-route.jpg> 09-10-2025 09:47:13 am



**Alaska Dave** Good morning from a very rainy dark place. 09-10-2025 09:49:14 am



**KatieS** G'day, Dave. 09-10-2025 09:49:25 am



**Alaska Dave** It'd be good to see another Ineos shaved head, but I doomed Ganna by putting him on my fantasy team. 09-10-2025 09:50:09 am



**PasadenaK8** That's a Jackson Pollock type finish. Mornin', Dave 09-10-2025 09:50:12 am



**Alaska Dave** Is that the finish or tomorrow's time trial? 09-10-2025 09:50:34 am



**PasadenaK8** I like your Pharmacist, Katie. And the popcorn! Chef's kiss. 09-10-2025 09:51:19 am



**Tim in KY** How many riders do you suppose compete in the Estonian road race championships? 09-10-2025 09:52:02 am



**KatieS** not very many? 09-10-2025 09:52:25 am





**S VALLADOLID**

**M VALLADOLID**

**PPQ SALIDA**  
**HAZ CLIC AQUÍ**

**PPQ META**  
**HAZ CLIC AQUÍ**

Pinar de Antequera



**Alaska Dave** Time for dual citizenship?

09-10-2025  
09:52:44 am



**Tim in KY** At least one because the winner is in the break.

09-10-2025  
09:53:00 am



**SFinAus** Good morning, all. Thanks for the recipe, Tim! When you say butcher a cauliflower it made me wish I could do draw a head of cauliflower with delineations of the various cuts like you see with cows or pigs. : )

09-10-2025  
09:55:46 am



**Tim in KY** Break contested the sprint. Why?

09-10-2025  
09:59:02 am



**PasadenaK8** Mornin', SF 🙌 Re: Estonian cyclists... If there's a number, PCS can never resist the temptation to create a stat for it...  
<https://www.procyclingstats.com/nation/estonia>

09-10-2025  
09:59:48 am



**KatieS** Or the delineations of various brain lobes, Sean...

09-10-2025  
10:00:24 am



**PasadenaK8** Why do we get those "Coverage Will Resume Shortly" messages? It's ok, Peacock, to show us the race, if you don't have any ads to fill the space.

09-10-2025  
10:02:07 am



**Tim in KY** K8, it means they're showing a commercial that you were not meant to see.

09-10-2025  
10:03:33 am



**PasadenaK8** Wonder what they would have been 🤔

09-10-2025  
10:04:27 am



**KatieS** Camera starts to follow a guy pulling over, then realizes what he's about to do, as the camera slides past another guy already on the side of the road ...

09-10-2025  
10:04:50 am



**Alaska Dave** I got a commercial, would rather have had quiet noise.

09-10-2025  
10:05:10 am



**PasadenaK8** I'll count my blessings.

09-10-2025  
10:05:51 am



**KatieS** Body of water!

09-10-2025  
10:11:34 am



**PasadenaK8** ... and a dam!

09-10-2025  
10:12:06 am



**Tim in KY** Break is 2 minutes faster than the fastest... right now.

09-10-2025  
10:17:21 am



**KatieS** And that gap itself hasn't come down

09-10-2025  
10:20:42 am



**Tim in KY** Road starts going up now but the official start of the climb isn't until 8.8 km to go.

09-10-2025  
10:21:01 am



**Tim in KY** Thw first km of the climb is at 10%. The gap will evaporate.

09-10-2025  
10:22:15 am



**bikerabe** proper fight to the finish

09-10-2025  
10:26:01 am



**Tim in KY** Break is broken.

09-10-2025  
10:28:12 am



**bikerabe** Tiberi ro the front

09-10-2025  
10:28:56 am



**bikerabe** with Tejada

09-10-2025  
10:30:01 am



**Alaska Dave** Uncategorized climb borrowed from the Giro

09-10-2025  
10:30:16 am



**Alaska Dave** Bora, Bahrain and UAE leading peloton

09-10-2025  
10:31:14 am



**bikerabe** 20 km

09-10-2025  
10:32:19 am



**PasadenaK8** Wilco Kelderman, over and out.

09-10-2025  
10:32:29 am


















**SFinAus** RBH and Bah look like they're hitting it

09-10-2025  
10:32:31 am



**SFinAus** Ha

09-10-2025  
10:32:51 am

	<b>Alaska Dave</b> Vingo glued to Almieda's wheel. Time for commercial.	09-10-2025 10:34:42 am
	<b>bikerabe</b> 16 km	09-10-2025 10:37:49 am
	<b>PasadenaK8</b> Road diet.	09-10-2025 10:39:33 am
	<b>KatieS</b> How is the peloton going to get through these little streets?	09-10-2025 10:39:33 am
	<b>SFinAus</b> Wow, tight pinch point over that small bridge.	09-10-2025 10:39:34 am
	<b>KatieS</b> they did it - but what about the team cars	09-10-2025 10:40:12 am
	<b>bikerabe</b> under 25 swcs	09-10-2025 10:42:36 am
	<b>bikerabe</b> secs	09-10-2025 10:42:53 am
	<b>PasadenaK8</b> And how did the buses get thru there? I'm not seeing any other roads on da Google Maps that go up to the finish.	09-10-2025 10:43:21 am
	<b>PasadenaK8</b> They must be parked down below...	09-10-2025 10:43:44 am
	<b>PasadenaK8</b> Hopefully.	09-10-2025 10:44:02 am
	<b>Tim in KY</b> The busses are probably down in the city.	09-10-2025 10:44:15 am
	<b>KatieS</b> or it'd be a redux of the Orica GreenEdge bus snafu	09-10-2025 10:44:46 am
	<b>PasadenaK8</b> A classic.	09-10-2025 10:45:02 am
	<b>Tim in KY</b> There's a looong transfer to the ITT city, too.	09-10-2025 10:46:39 am





**PasadenaK8** Good times.

09-10-2025  
10:47:00 am



**bikerabe** 11 km peloton in front

09-10-2025  
10:48:00 am



**Tim in KY** Look at that!

09-10-2025  
10:48:55 am



**KatieS** who was that barely balancing his bike?

09-10-2025  
10:48:57 am



**KatieS** whoa

09-10-2025  
10:49:01 am



**SFinAus** Track stand on a climb.

09-10-2025  
10:49:46 am



**KatieS** 10k

09-10-2025  
10:50:44 am



**PasadenaK8** Might want to refresh, Katie. I was at 9.5 when you typed that.

09-10-2025  
10:51:25 am



**SFinAus** Moto collision!

09-10-2025  
10:52:00 am



**Tim in KY** On the official climb a bit ahead of the imagined time.

09-10-2025  
10:52:35 am



**PasadenaK8** Call AAA

09-10-2025  
10:52:39 am



**KatieS** haha

09-10-2025  
10:52:48 am



**bikerabe** f8inal climb ro finsh

09-10-2025  
10:54:15 am



**SFinAus** I believe Almeida is isolated.

09-10-2025  
10:55:14 am



**KatieS** that was like a cattle chute.

09-10-2025  
10:55:34 am



**Carlene in NH** Is it just me, or is Peacock behind? I'm just now seeing the moto crash.

09-10-2025  
10:55:53 am



**bikerabe** Almeida otb

09-10-2025  
10:55:59 am



**SFinAus** 7.4 km for me

09-10-2025  
10:56:06 am



**KatieS** i'm at 7.5 k

09-10-2025  
10:56:07 am



**PasadenaK8** Better.

09-10-2025  
10:56:26 am



**bikerabe** 7.3 km \_Pedacock

09-10-2025  
10:56:48 am



**PasadenaK8** 7.1

09-10-2025  
10:56:55 am



**Carlene in NH** I'm at 8.0

09-10-2025  
10:57:29 am



**SFinAus** That last helicopter shot showed there was a pretty massive fire there.

09-10-2025  
10:57:30 am



**PasadenaK8** Oh my, look at that area...

09-10-2025  
10:58:05 am



**Tim in KY** 2:30 bus ride after this.

09-10-2025  
10:58:53 am



**SFinAus** I'm not forgetting you've seen/been too close to even worse devastation K8

09-10-2025  
10:59:21 am



**PasadenaK8** Wind turbines!

09-10-2025  
10:59:26 am



**PasadenaK8** Ah, thank you, SF. Very sweet of you to say.

09-10-2025  
10:59:58 am



**Tim in KY** Jonas isolated.

09-10-2025  
11:01:14 am





**PasadenaK8** Just read today, on NextDoor, that someone finally spotted a reconstruction that just started - 9 months later.

09-10-2025  
11:01:26 am



**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757516814-stage-17-morredero.jpg>

09-10-2025  
11:01:56 am



**bikerabe** Jonas doesn't have win stage Almeida behind

09-10-2025  
11:03:09 am



**SFinAus** Every aspect of the LA fires and the aftermath just seems overwhelming.

09-10-2025  
11:03:40 am



**PasadenaK8** Definitely.

09-10-2025  
11:04:21 am



**SFinAus** The left side almost looks like a lava field

09-10-2025  
11:04:23 am



**bikerabe** Cinco km

09-10-2025  
11:04:43 am



**PasadenaK8** You nailed it earlier, bikerabe: "proper fight to the finish"

09-10-2025  
11:04:50 am



**Tim in KY** Why do you suppose this road was ever built?

09-10-2025  
11:06:36 am



**KatieS** We are 5 years to the week since the devastating CZU Lightning Complex Fire, and there are still big swaths of visible burn from the highway. 9/9/20 - the day the sun never rose.

09-10-2025  
11:07:19 am



**bikerabe** uattro km

09-10-2025  
11:08:48 am



**bikerabe** Quattro

09-10-2025  
11:09:00 am



**Tim in KY** Eejits.

09-10-2025  
11:09:35 am



**bikerabe** 5 years since Oregon Lahor day wildfires

09-10-2025  
11:10:25 am



**SFinAus** Vingo and Almeida chatting a bit?

09-10-2025  
11:11:06 am



**PasadenaK8** Takes a long time, doesn't it,... Paradise, CA, Hawaiian fires, etc. all still scarred.

09-10-2025  
11:11:31 am



**KatieS** 3 km - no word on whether the race will be truncated. Hope that's good news.

09-10-2025  
11:13:06 am



**PasadenaK8** 🙌

09-10-2025  
11:13:22 am



**Rocket City Gal** Go Pellizzari!

09-10-2025  
11:13:32 am



**SFinAus** CN says there will be an additional 450 police/law enforcement for ITT. McCrossan said earlier that Madrid has promised 10000 for the last stage.

09-10-2025  
11:14:36 am



**Rocket City Gal** I'll bet this smells pretty smokey, too.

09-10-2025  
11:14:36 am



**bikerabe** penultimate km

09-10-2025  
11:15:53 am



**bikerabe** Ultimo km

09-10-2025  
11:17:39 am



**Rocket City Gal** On these mountaintop finishes, I think I'd basically limiting who could go up the mountain before the stages — easier if there's only 1 way up. The ITT will be a security nightmare. I wouldn't want to be an IPT guy riding it, for sure.

09-10-2025  
11:19:48 am



**KatieS** yeah

09-10-2025  
11:20:02 am



**SFinAus** This will be a pretty great 1st WT win.

09-10-2025  
11:20:02 am



**Toulouse** Hard to top. Literally and figuratively.

09-10-2025  
11:20:33 am



**PasadenaK8** 🙌🙌🙌🙌🙌

09-10-2025  
11:20:59 am



**KatieS** UAE, Bahrain, Israel Premier Tech, US Postal Service ... maybe there oughta be a rule against using country names in teams. It just makes things political.

09-10-2025  
11:21:09 am



**SFinAus** K8's emojis matched my audio perfectly.

09-10-2025  
11:21:42 am



**KatieS** Beautiful, clean finish!

09-10-2025  
11:21:44 am



**bikerabe** Jonas stays at 48 sec lead

09-10-2025  
11:22:18 am



**Tim in KY** There were busses up there. Not team busses that I saw, but busses.

09-10-2025  
11:22:26 am



**PasadenaK8** I plan them that way, SF ;)

09-10-2025  
11:22:42 am



**SFinAus** Heh. Great production values.

09-10-2025  
11:23:15 am



**Rocket City Gal** Applause, and a sigh of relief.

09-10-2025  
11:23:19 am



**Rocket City Gal** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757518189-IMG\\_8612.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1757518189-IMG_8612.jpeg)

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11:24:50 am



**SFinAus** I'll spare a thought for those semi truck drivers too.

09-10-2025  
11:24:52 am



**Rocket City Gal** Psst.... Superclasico race tomorrow...

09-10-2025  
11:25:26 am



**KatieS** Tomorrow ought to be good

09-10-2025  
11:25:30 am















**PasadenaK8** Okay, I'm off. Now that there's daylight, I gotta go check on an ant invasion that hit last night. See you all mañana...

09-10-2025  
11:25:32 am



**SFinAus** Thanks everyone. I gotta go too.

09-10-2025  
11:26:07 am

RNK	RIDER	UCI	PNT	TIME
1	 <b>PELLIZZARI Giulio</b>  Red Bull - BORA - hansgrohe	180	80	3:37:00
2	 <b>PIDCOCK Thomas</b> Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team	130	50	0:16
3	 <b>HINDLEY Jai</b> Red Bull - BORA - hansgrohe	95	35	0:18
4	 <b>VINGEGAARD Jonas</b>  Team Visma   Lease a Bike	80	25	0:20
5	 <b>ALMEIDA João</b> UAE Team Emirates - XRG	60	18	0:22
6	 <b>RICCITELLO Matthew</b> Israel - Premier Tech	45	15	0:26
7	 <b>GALL Felix</b> Decathlon AG2R La Mondiale Team	40	12	0:53
8	 <b>TRÆEN Torstein</b> Bahrain - Victorious	35	10	„
9	 <b>KUSS Sepp</b> Team Visma   Lease a Bike	30	8	0:58
10	 <b>JORGENSEN Matteo</b> Team Visma   Lease a Bike	25	6	1:44



**KatieS** me too! see you tomorrow.

09-10-2025  
11:26:15 am

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**Alaska Dave** Enjoy the day

09-10-2025  
11:27:03 am

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**Carlene in NH** Great race today. A real nail biter for me, for sure! I would have participated here more, but y'all were way ahead of what I was seeing, and I didn't want any spoilers. I guess my internet connection was a bit slow.

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09-10-2025  
11:27:21 am