



Tim in KY VaE Stage 16 is 181 kilometers from Cortegana to La Rábida in the far southwest corner of Spain near the Portuguese border.

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Unlike most of the stages in the second week, this stage starts in the interior and finishes on the coast.



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Tim in KY The first two thirds of the route are a lumpy descent to the pan flat final third. The start town is at 650 meters; the finish is at sea level. But because of the lumps there are ~2000 meters of climbing along the way. There are no categorized climbs. The run-in to the finish is flat and straight save for a couple wide turns in the last kilometer.

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Tim in KY [https://rumbletalk-images-](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788800816-stage-16-profile.jpg)

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:18 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for more sunshine but cooler temperatures: Upper-20s to low-30s. Cooler but by no means cool. Peacock stream at 14:30 CEST.

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01:03:16 pm



Tim in KY There was only one penalty on stage 15: Red Bull got dinged for a sticky bottle. 200CHF for Roglic, 500CHF for the team car. There were no abandons on stage 15.

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01:03:55 pm



Tim in KY Km0. No DNS today. I have an early doctor appointment. I'll be around later.

09-08-2026
07:19:38 am

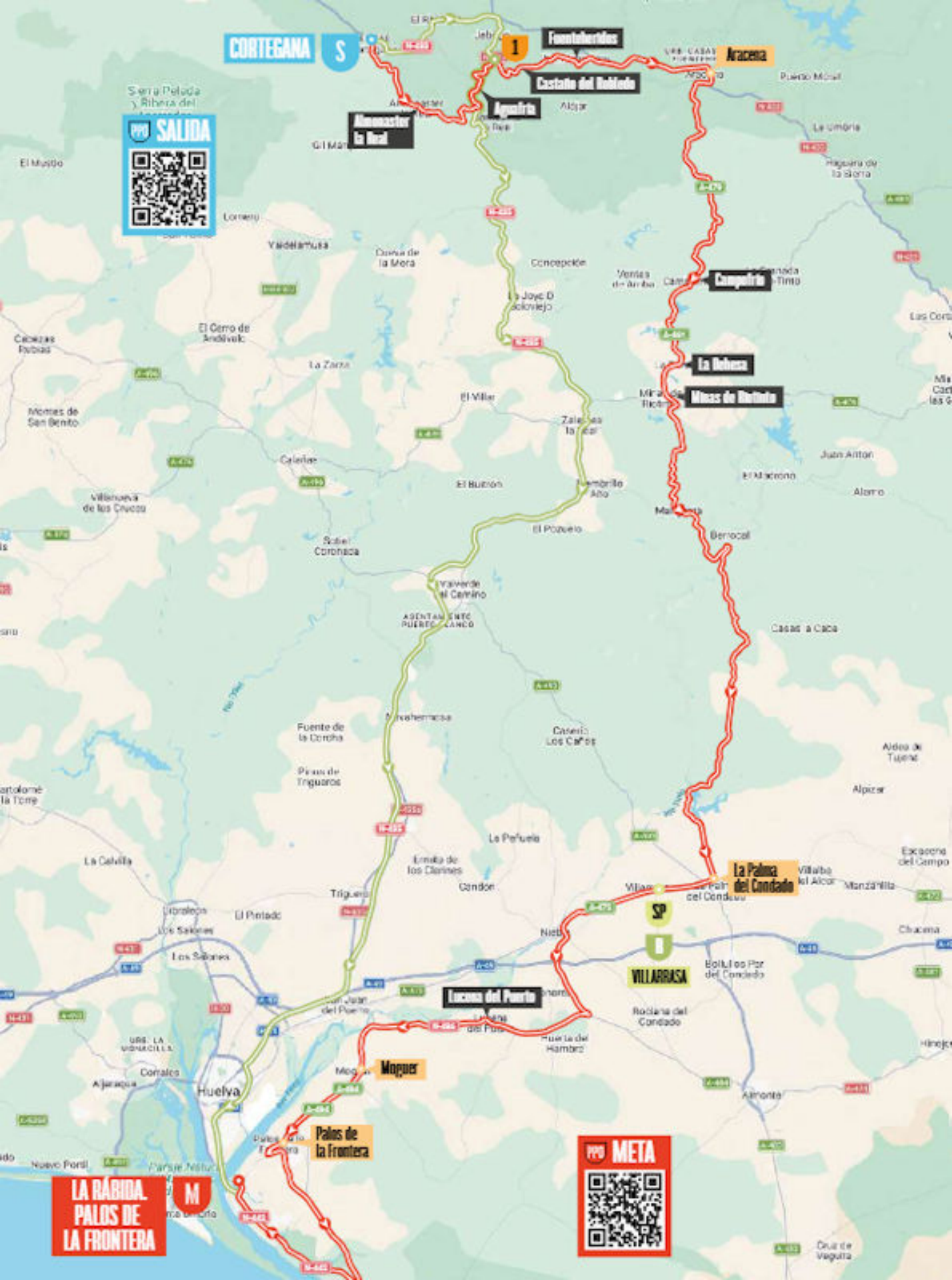


Rocket City Gal 5 guys in the break -- Vermaerke, Madouas, Dalby, Sutterlin and Thalman. Their lead has been reduced to 2:07 in the last little bit, down from 2:45 when I first checked.

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08:36:05 am

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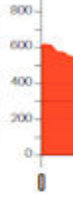
PPD SALIDA



**LA RÁBIDA.
PALOS DE
LA FRONTERA**

PPD META

CORTEGANA / 612 m



21,9 Fuentehieridos / 733 m

31,4 Aracena / 714 m

63,1 Minas de Riotinto / 422 m

111 La Palma del Condado / 81 m



Villarrasa / 73 m

136 Lucena del Puerto / 89 m

147,2 Moguer / 56 m

155,4 Palos de la Frontera / 10 m



181,1 km

LA RÁBIDA.

PALOS DE LA FRONTERA / 8 m





Rocket City Gal It looks like the intermediate sprint will come about 67 to 68 km from the end of today's stage. Lots of undulations but it looks like another sleepy (and still pretty hot) day.

09-08-2026
08:37:11 am



Rocket City Gal After 2 days of working on the weeds here, I'll be headed out soon to help with some exterior cleanup at stepdaughter's house while hubby takes her for an outpatient procedure. Maybe she'll notice, maybe she won't.... I'm hoping it's a pleasant surprise that gives her just a bit more breathing room.

09-08-2026
08:41:13 am



Trish in MA Good morning. On the shuttle to the train. Jasper is beautiful. Sad to leave it

09-08-2026
08:43:01 am



Trish in MA <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788871705-1788871405237.jpeg>

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08:43:28 am



Mikey Just a quick in and out this morning the food bank calls! Hi Trish! Enjoy your beautiful day!

09-08-2026
08:43:46 am



Trish in MA Spirit Island on Maligne Lake.

09-08-2026
08:44:10 am



Tim in KY Done with doctor.

09-08-2026
08:59:47 am



Katie S Good morning. Beautiful photo. But I take it not a malign spirit, eh? I'm in the delta lounge at SLC. Hope to catch some updates in the air.

09-08-2026
08:59:55 am



Tim in KY Have some sparkling wine, Katie. It's always 5pm in the SkyClub.

09-08-2026
09:04:13 am



Tim in KY Almost halfway done. And way faster than the fastest...

09-08-2026
09:08:01 am



Rocket City Gal They are riding through a charred, desolate landscape (burned by recent wildfires)

09-08-2026
09:11:37 am



Tim in KY Break is not really into this.

09-08-2026
09:16:00 am





Tim in KY Goodness. That is a desolate landscape.

09-08-2026
09:17:10 am



Trish in MA We spent time yesterday in the burned landscape around Jasper. The descriptions of the fire were astounding. But we have to remember that fires are regenerative and help to have a healthy forest. There is already evidence of regrowth

09-08-2026
09:27:07 am



Katie S Wout on bottle duty

09-08-2026
09:28:11 am



Trish in MA Leaving Jasper now. Have a great day and race

09-08-2026
09:28:59 am



Katie S e thing about those burned out areas is when they're fresh they still have that acrid smell. I did the DeathRide in the California mountains just a couple weeks after bad fires. The smell made the desolation even more profound

09-08-2026
09:31:57 am



Katie S Safe travels, Trish

09-08-2026
09:32:46 am



SFinAus Good morning

09-08-2026
09:45:16 am



Tim in KY Hi, Sean.

09-08-2026
09:48:25 am



SFinAus (Shawn :))

09-08-2026
09:50:06 am



Rocket City Gal And certainly not....

09-08-2026
09:52:04 am



SFinAus I regretted missing the live stage and especially the Pub on Sunday, but I invoked my own heat protocol and went on my ride as soon as I got up rather than later after the stage.

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09:52:05 am



Rocket City Gal <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788875829-1788875529901.jpeg>

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09:52:11 am



SFinAus Certainly not, indeed. ;). I have never swung a cricket bat.

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09:53:12 am

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SHAUN OF THE DEAD





Rocket City Gal Calzoni: Cycling dude on a nice Dogma bike Calzone: folded stuffed pizza

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09:58:05 am



Rocket City Gal Visma guys at the front of the peloton, in hopes of another Brennan /Van Aert day

09-08-2026
09:59:14 am



Rocket City Gal Still looks kinda desolate even though not burned. Fallow dirt fields aplenty.

09-08-2026
10:00:17 am



Tim in KY Still faster than the fastest but not as much.

09-08-2026
10:02:20 am



Katie S Greetings from 34,000 feet over Nevada.

09-08-2026
10:30:34 am



Katie S Desolate from here, too

09-08-2026
10:31:39 am



Tim in KY You missed nothing, Katie.

09-08-2026
10:32:09 am



SFinAus That's why Nevada is a good place for top secret alien/ET research. Ironically, it's also fertile ground for conspiracy theories.

09-08-2026
10:34:03 am



Katie S Looks like the break will be caught, but when? 30 k and 30 seconds is what I see from lavuelta.es(whatever)

09-08-2026
10:34:34 am



John Good evening everyone. Hope you all enjoyed your long weekend

09-08-2026
10:36:44 am



Katie S Hi John!

09-08-2026
10:39:43 am



Tim in KY Nice beach.

09-08-2026
10:41:52 am



John Crash

09-08-2026
10:44:30 am



Tim in KY Break caught.

09-08-2026
10:45:34 am

Tim in KY What a surprise.

09-08-2026
10:45:44 am



John Seems like an early catch. Now other sprinter teams have to put in the work

09-08-2026
10:46:28 am



Tim in KY 23 km to go is not an unusual catch.

09-08-2026
10:47:28 am



Katie S Or there could be another break attempt?

09-08-2026
10:47:39 am



Tim in KY Not at the speed they're doing, Katie.

09-08-2026
10:48:26 am



SFinAus That pace seems pretty high

09-08-2026
10:48:30 am



John Red Bull is drilling it

09-08-2026
10:48:43 am



SFinAus I saw that too which seems odd to me

09-08-2026
10:50:59 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788879581-stage-16-route-finale.jpg>

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SFinAus I wonder if Visma will have Wout take a flyer force things or sit tight and bank on leading out Breenan. I'd bet on the latter.

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10:55:11 am



Tim in KY Bob and CVV also believe the latter.

09-08-2026
10:56:56 am



Tim in KY Interesting trees.

09-08-2026
10:59:14 am



Katie S Seems like a stage for Brenner

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10:59:43 am



Katie S Since Mads petered out and went home

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11:00:20 am



Rocket City Gal Brennan, Katie. Brenner is the climby Tudor guy ;-)

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11:03:57 am



Rocket City Gal And Meeus, Coquard maybe.

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11:04:48 am



SFinAus Don't even get me started on the Filippo Ganna/Zana.

09-08-2026
11:05:20 am



Rocket City Gal And all the siblings.....

09-08-2026
11:05:59 am



John That's Phillipe O'Gana, thank you very much ;)

09-08-2026
11:06:02 am



Katie S Yul Brenner?

09-08-2026
11:07:27 am



SFinAus Heh!

09-08-2026
11:07:29 am



SFinAus Oh!

09-08-2026
11:07:35 am



Katie S 5 k? Trains moving up?

09-08-2026
11:08:50 am



Katie S Me, I've just crossed into California airspace

09-08-2026
11:09:18 am



John 4k, trains in the front

09-08-2026
11:09:49 am



SFinAus 3.3k for me

09-08-2026
11:09:51 am



John Nice to see some wide roads

09-08-2026
11:10:57 am



SFinAus Uno x and Visma jerseys still giving me fits from aerial shots.

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11:12:03 am



Rocket City Gal UnoX and Visma and Soudal at the fore

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11:12:08 am



John Kite

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11:12:23 am

Rocket City Gal Shawn — helmets. UnoX has red on the helmets

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11:12:45 am





SFinAus Wout leading out...

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11:13:02 am



Rocket City Gal Brennan #4

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11:13:20 am



John Wout could've won that, honestly

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11:13:45 am



Rocket City Gal Wout didn't let off much so he'll been in top 5 or 6

09-08-2026
11:13:52 am



John What a great teammate

09-08-2026
11:13:56 am



Tim in KY Same old same old..

09-08-2026
11:14:03 am



SFinAus That guy is simply amazing - an understatement

09-08-2026
11:14:28 am



Katie S Woulda been impressive isf BrenNER had won. ;)

09-08-2026
11:14:54 am



SFinAus Would love to see him in a rainbow jersey. Just sayin'

09-08-2026
11:15:16 am



John I'd love to see him win Worlds

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11:15:20 am



Rocket City Gal Coquard 2nd, Braet 3rd

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11:15:20 am



Rocket City Gal Another spellcheck laugh — Coquard changed to collard.

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11:16:01 am



SFinAus Yul see him with a better chance in a few stages, Katie

09-08-2026
11:16:18 am



Katie S Heh heh

09-08-2026
11:16:28 am

John Same thing tomorrow?

09-08-2026
11:20:04 am



SFinAus I believe so. See you then

09-08-2026
11:20:17 am