



Tim in KY VaE Stage 12 is 137 kilometers from Ourense meandering east for a summit finish at the ski station Cabeza de Manzaneda.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images->

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Tim in KY The only categorized climb is the Cat 1 finale but from the start line to the base of the climb there is a lumpy vertical rise of 350 meters. The climb is another 725 meters up and 15 kilometers long. The average gradient is 4.7% but very irregular with flat section, shallow sections and steep sections.

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 14:19 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Live stream at 14:50. Forecast is sunny with temps in the upper-20 at the start, low-20s at the finish. There is the possibility of rain on the climb.

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02:03:57 pm



Tim in KY The chance of rain at the finish has been reduced but it's not zero.

08-29-2024
07:15:49 am



Tim in KY Lennert Van Eetvelt (Lotto Dstny) will not start today.

08-29-2024
07:16:23 am



Tim in KY Good morning Charlie. Still an hour until the start. I have chores in the meantime.

08-29-2024
07:19:21 am



Tim in KY Break fight is on.

08-29-2024
08:34:36 am



Tim in KY Lumpy bits start now. Still no break.

08-29-2024
08:47:01 am



Katie S Good morning, gents

08-29-2024
08:57:54 am

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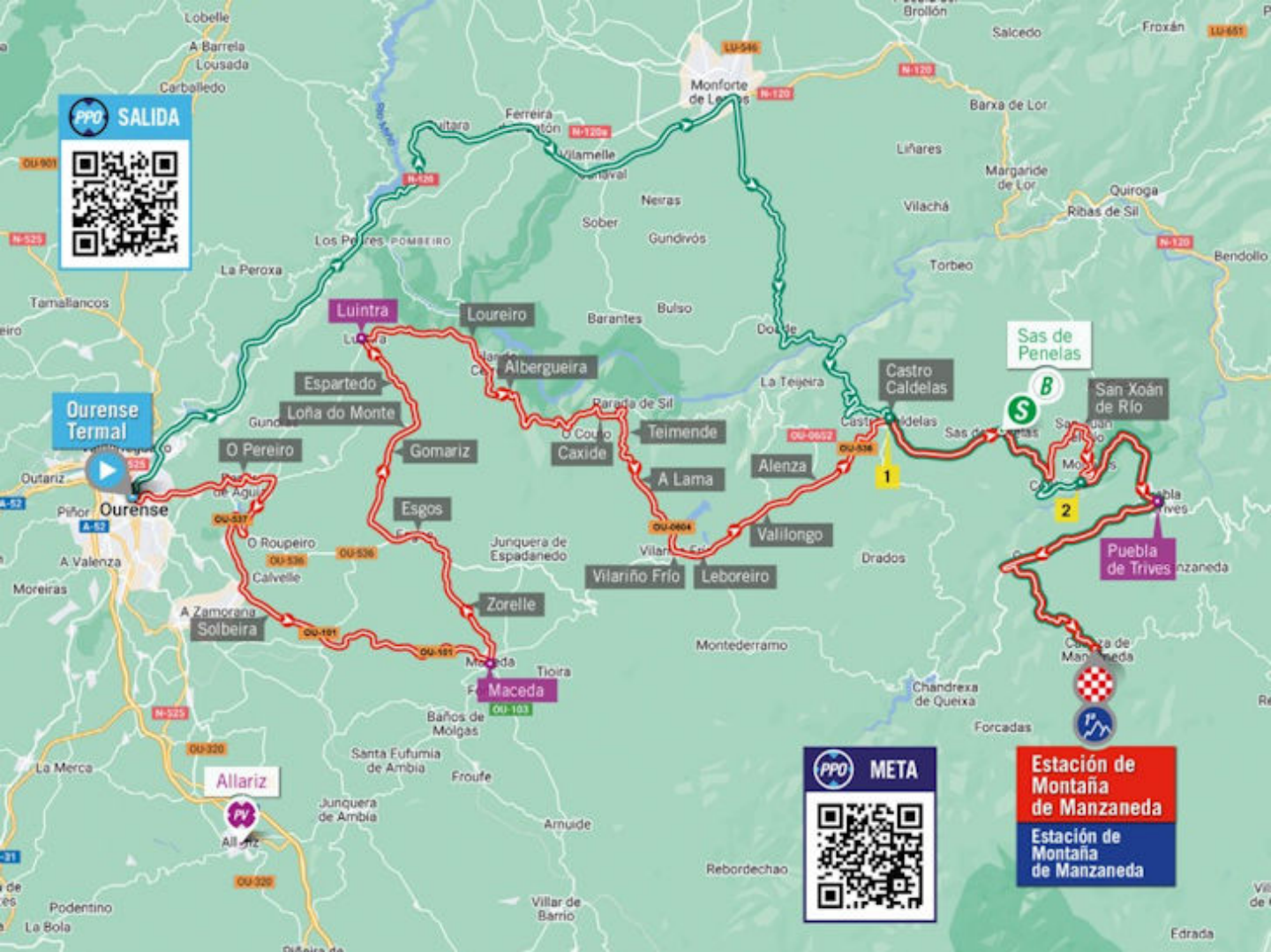
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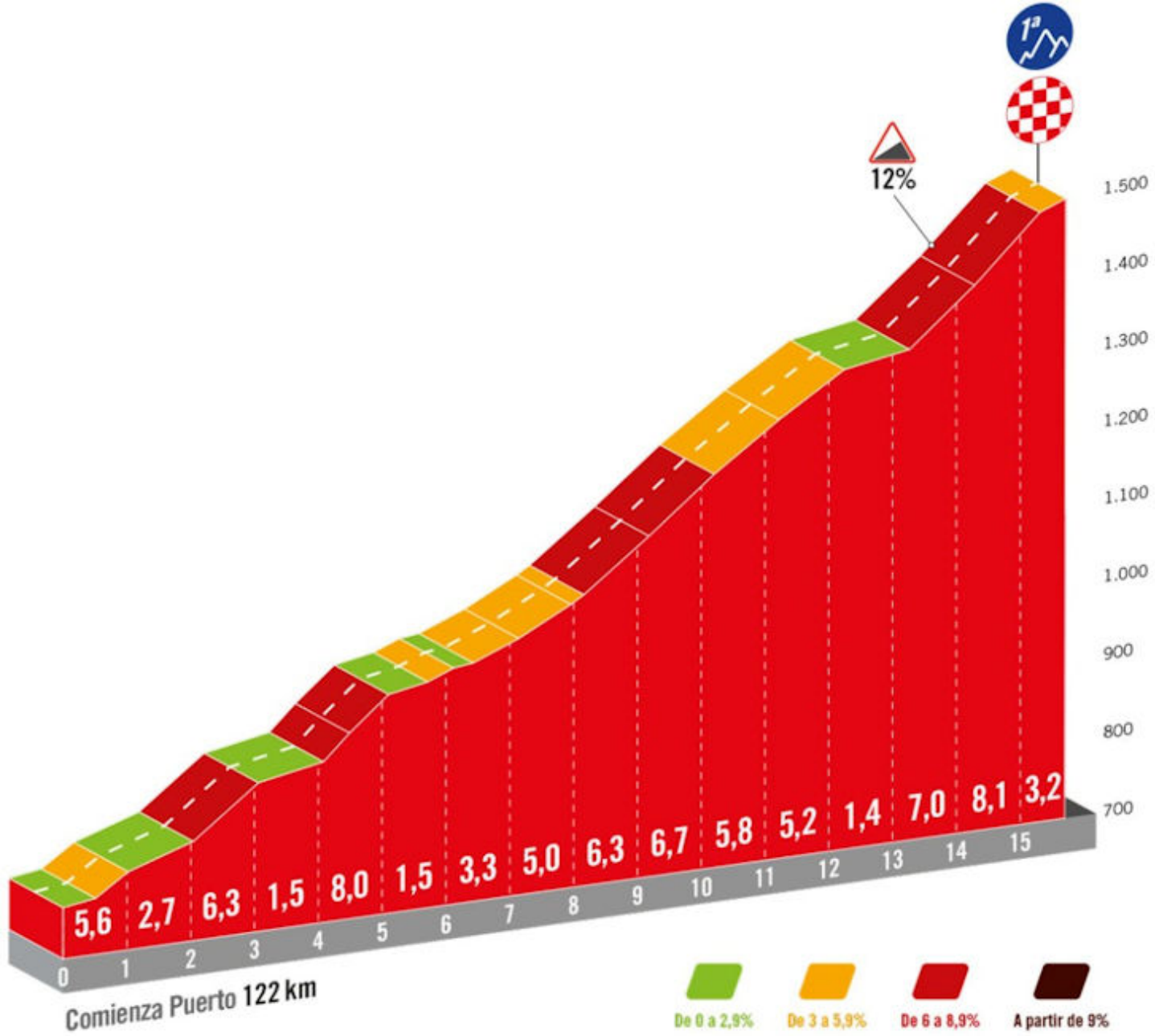
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OURENSE THERMAL / 227 m







Tim in KY Hi, Katie.

08-29-2024
09:02:38 am



Tim in KY Half the Alpecin team is trying to get in the break.

08-29-2024
09:04:43 am



Tim in KY Still no established break.

08-29-2024
09:16:34 am



Tim in KY Peloton finally sits up. 9 riders up front.

08-29-2024
09:21:51 am



Tim in KY Group nature break time.

08-29-2024
09:25:15 am



Tim in KY Despite the prolonged break fight, break is at the slowest imaginable...

08-29-2024
09:29:40 am



Katie S I'm not surprised. This looks like a stage during which riders will amble along, and some will stay out front, someone might go for the sprint, and then it'll all fire up on that final climb.

08-29-2024
09:30:55 am



Tim in KY This is sort of like a sprint stage for climbers.

08-29-2024
09:31:41 am



BusterSci Did I miss any discussion of the Decathlon/EF dustup from yesterday?

08-29-2024
09:35:48 am



Katie S What was the gist of that? I read a piece in cyclingnews, but I'm still not sure what EF's gripe was.

08-29-2024
09:37:42 am



BusterSci Claiming they literally pushed Carapaz off the road.

08-29-2024
09:38:55 am



BusterSci Maybe not literally, as some claim it was a kick, not a push

08-29-2024
09:39:22 am



Katie S Not quite this, but sorta?

08-29-2024
09:40:37 am



Katie S youtube breaking away stick in wheels italian

08-29-2024
09:40:37 am



BusterSci O'Connor defended it and then deleted his tweets after three teammates and the DS were yellow carded and fined.

08-29-2024
09:41:02 am



Katie S <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VTZ0N7VTDtY>

08-29-2024
09:41:06 am



Tim in KY I read about it. But wasn't able to watch yesterday.

08-29-2024
09:41:57 am



Tim in KY Goodness. Gap is almost 7:00.

08-29-2024
09:43:07 am



BusterSci <https://x.com/vaughters/status/1828842957291827350?s=46&t=K53zWtSXXW8YpaXpUN4Q5g>

08-29-2024
09:48:22 am



Katie S Dam!

08-29-2024
09:48:36 am



Katie S Geez, hard to tell because of the shrubbery (!) obscuring the action, but it does look like the Decathlon rider's foot came off his pedal a nanosecond before Crapass fell.

08-29-2024
09:51:33 am



bikerabe 73 km ovr 7 min gap

08-29-2024
09:56:31 am



BusterSci Yeah, always a tree in the way.

08-29-2024
10:00:16 am



Tim in KY If that tree weren't there that guy would likely have been DQ'd.

08-29-2024
10:04:13 am



Tim in KY That's a nice river.

08-29-2024
10:04:46 am



Katie S 2 KU

08-29-2024
10:06:11 am



bikerabe gapm over 8 min.

08-29-2024
10:07:56 am



bikerabe gap

08-29-2024
10:08:08 am



Tim in KY Two minutes slower than the slowest...

08-29-2024
10:10:10 am



Katie S I sometimes feel that way

08-29-2024
10:15:38 am



Tim in KY WvA at the Doc-Mobile.

08-29-2024
10:18:26 am



Katie S Adam Yates in blue and white polka dots ... that is just not a good look.

08-29-2024
10:29:13 am



Tim in KY Yuck! Yates has on polka dot shorts.

08-29-2024
10:29:37 am



Katie S Wow, that was a clean cassette on Soler's bike. Last time mine looked like that was when it came out of the box.

08-29-2024
10:35:51 am



bikerabe 46 km 10 min. gap

08-29-2024
10:39:24 am



Tim in KY Gotta go. Back tomorrow.

08-29-2024
10:55:00 am



Toulouse I know I rarely contribute much to the chat, but I'll just note for those reading later that the gap at 20K is 8:18.

08-29-2024
11:19:26 am



Toulouse No real change at 15K, but the climb is drawing close.

08-29-2024
11:26:00 am



Toulouse Assorted breakers attacking at 13K.

08-29-2024
11:30:13 am



Katie S Hi Toulouse.

08-29-2024
11:32:11 am



Katie S Soler was the first to attack, but they're all together again, aren't they? (at 11.5 km)

08-29-2024
11:32:34 am



Toulouse Hi, Katie. The home play-by-play is that I'm trying to water plants while watching the race. Not doing either particularly well.

08-29-2024
11:32:46 am



Toulouse Carlos VERona may have a 14-second gap at 11K.

08-29-2024
11:33:52 am



Katie S just don't try to change adjust the volume on the TV with the watering can

08-29-2024
11:35:50 am



Toulouse Very useful advice.

08-29-2024
11:36:16 am



Toulouse Verona reeled back in. Gap to the peloton now 6:56 at 10K.

08-29-2024
11:36:39 am



Toulouse Castrillo out in front. The break is stretching out. 7.5K and the peloton, which was last seen wide across the road in team line-ups, at 7:15.

08-29-2024
11:41:03 am



Toulouse Also on the home front, it is our cat Na Ki'o's 10th foundling day (the anniversary of when he came to live with us). He's 16 1/2.

08-29-2024
11:41:42 am



Toulouse Castrillo at 6K. Schmid (I've never heard of several of these riders) behind him, the remainder of the break is supposedly 30 seconds back.

08-29-2024
11:44:42 am



Katie S awww, 16-1/2 for a foundling cat is great!

08-29-2024
11:46:16 am



Katie S 5 km to go w/ Castrillo still a gap of 34"

08-29-2024
11:46:32 am



Katie S Sorry, error there.

08-29-2024
11:47:11 am



Toulouse He's diabetic, with pancreatitis (he came with those), and now asthma and bad cataracts. But he keeps chugging along.

08-29-2024
11:47:48 am



Toulouse On the plant front, tomatoes are watered, but not the spiders or the aloes.

08-29-2024
11:48:07 am



Toulouse They've finally looked at the peloton, which still appears to be together.

08-29-2024
11:50:40 am



Toulouse Soler catching up to three other chasers, all of them half a minute behind Castrillo at 3K.

08-29-2024
11:51:13 am



Toulouse Serious head bobbing by Castrillo, although he's not getting much TV time for being in the lead.

08-29-2024
11:52:06 am



Katie S Group of four 27" behind Castrillo at 2

08-29-2024
11:52:29 am



Katie S little cat-and-mousey back there

08-29-2024
11:52:46 am



Toulouse Bob and weave, 2K left.

08-29-2024
11:52:49 am



Toulouse Chasers seem much more intent on each other than the guy up the road. Peloton still together, still 7:13.

08-29-2024
11:54:10 am



Katie S Kite

08-29-2024
11:55:12 am



Toulouse Bobke and CVV still think he might be caught, but I'm not seeing it.

08-29-2024
11:55:35 am



Toulouse Just like The Longest Yard, he's putting in a lot more K's than he needs as he weaves across the road.

08-29-2024
11:57:15 am



Katie S here ... it ... comes ... 150 meters

08-29-2024
11:57:16 am



Katie S yep

08-29-2024
11:57:24 am



Toulouse Little closer than I expected.

08-29-2024
11:57:57 am



Katie S Arms up, and it's a W for a guy I've never heard of before and certainly do not have on my Velogames team...

08-29-2024
11:57:58 am



Toulouse They did just say it's his first GT.

08-29-2024
11:58:14 am



Toulouse He's not on my team either . . . oh, wait. No one's on my team that I don't have.

08-29-2024
11:58:39 am



Katie S I think sobs are ensuing

08-29-2024
11:58:39 am



Toulouse He deserves them. That was serious effort on his part.

08-29-2024
11:59:08 am



Toulouse Okay, there's still a peloton. I predict nothing of interest will happen.

08-29-2024
12:00:18 pm



Toulouse Officials from the Kern team also in tears. Big win for them!

08-29-2024
12:01:19 pm



Katie S 800 meters for the GC group, no attacks

08-29-2024
12:02:39 pm



Toulouse And they're across in on elump sum.

08-29-2024
12:04:22 pm



Katie S acceleration to the line - i guess for bragging rights. Lidl rider gets across first of that group (sixth overall).

08-29-2024
12:04:38 pm



Toulouse Winner still in tears.

08-29-2024
12:04:46 pm



bikerabe no attack from peloton

08-29-2024
12:04:59 pm



Toulouse All right. Plants still need water. Ki'o's pretty sure he needs more food. Hope to "see" everyone tomorrow.

08-29-2024
12:05:49 pm



bikerabe mountaintop finish again tomorrow

08-29-2024
12:06:03 pm



Katie S Adios!

08-29-2024
12:06:23 pm