



Katie Lane Good morning and welcome to the 21st and final stage of the 2023 Giro d'â€™Italia. After a plane transfer to Rome, riders will traverse a very flat, fairly short (for them, anyway) 135 km mostly ladi-back parade route which starts in Rome-EUR and ends in Rome. There are no KOM climbs; there are only 500 meters of vertical gain on the dayâ€™s route. The intermediate sprint comes at 71.6 km, and there is a chance for bonus seconds at the 2nd sprint 98.8 km into the race.

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Katie Lane Here is the writeup from the official Giro site: â€œThe final stage features an approach from the start in Roma EUR to the first pass over the finish line (reaching the coast in Ostia, and going back to the start area), followed by a closing circuit within the Capital. The riders will race 6 loops of a 13.6 km circuit on the streets of Rome (wide, with some traffic dividers). Short undulations are interspersed with long straight sections, connected by sometimes tricky bends. The road surface is mostly tarmac, with some short stretches over road pavers (â€œsanpietriniâ€). Final kilometres The route is essentially flat and the roads are wide and straight, with wide bends in the final 3 km. The home straight is 700 m long, the road is 8 m wide and paved with â€œsanpietriniâ€, climbing slightly.â€

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Katie Lane (The final circuit)

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Katie Lane The last 3 kilometers

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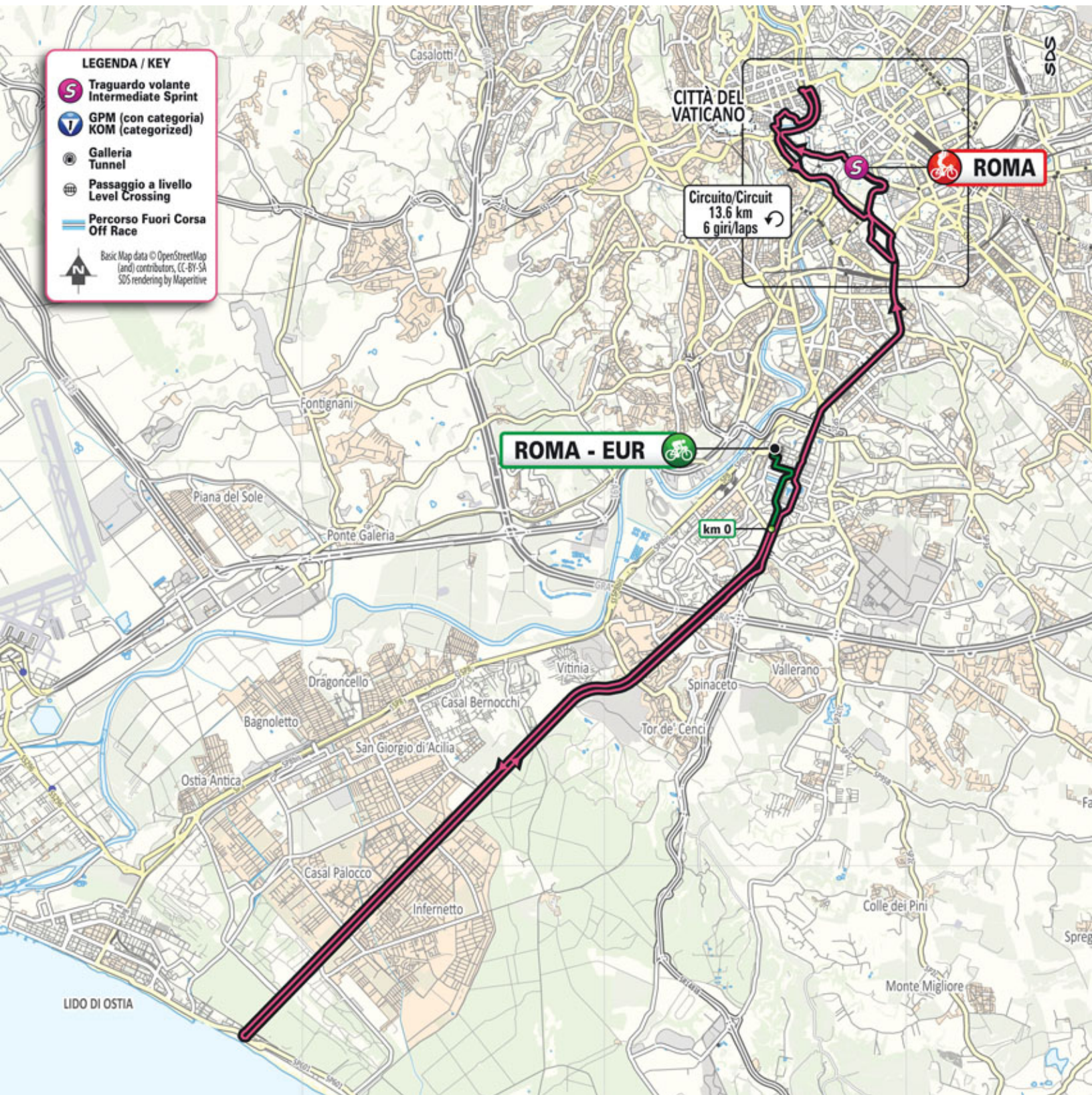
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LEGENDA / KEY

-  **Traguardo volante Intermediate Sprint**
-  **GPM (con categoria) KOM (categorized)**
-  **Galleria Tunnel**
-  **Passaggio a livello Level Crossing**
-  **Percorso Fuori Corsa Off Race**

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CIRCUITO/CIRCUIT
13.6 km
6 giri/laps

ROMA - EUR 

km 0

ROMA 

CITTÀ DEL VATICANO

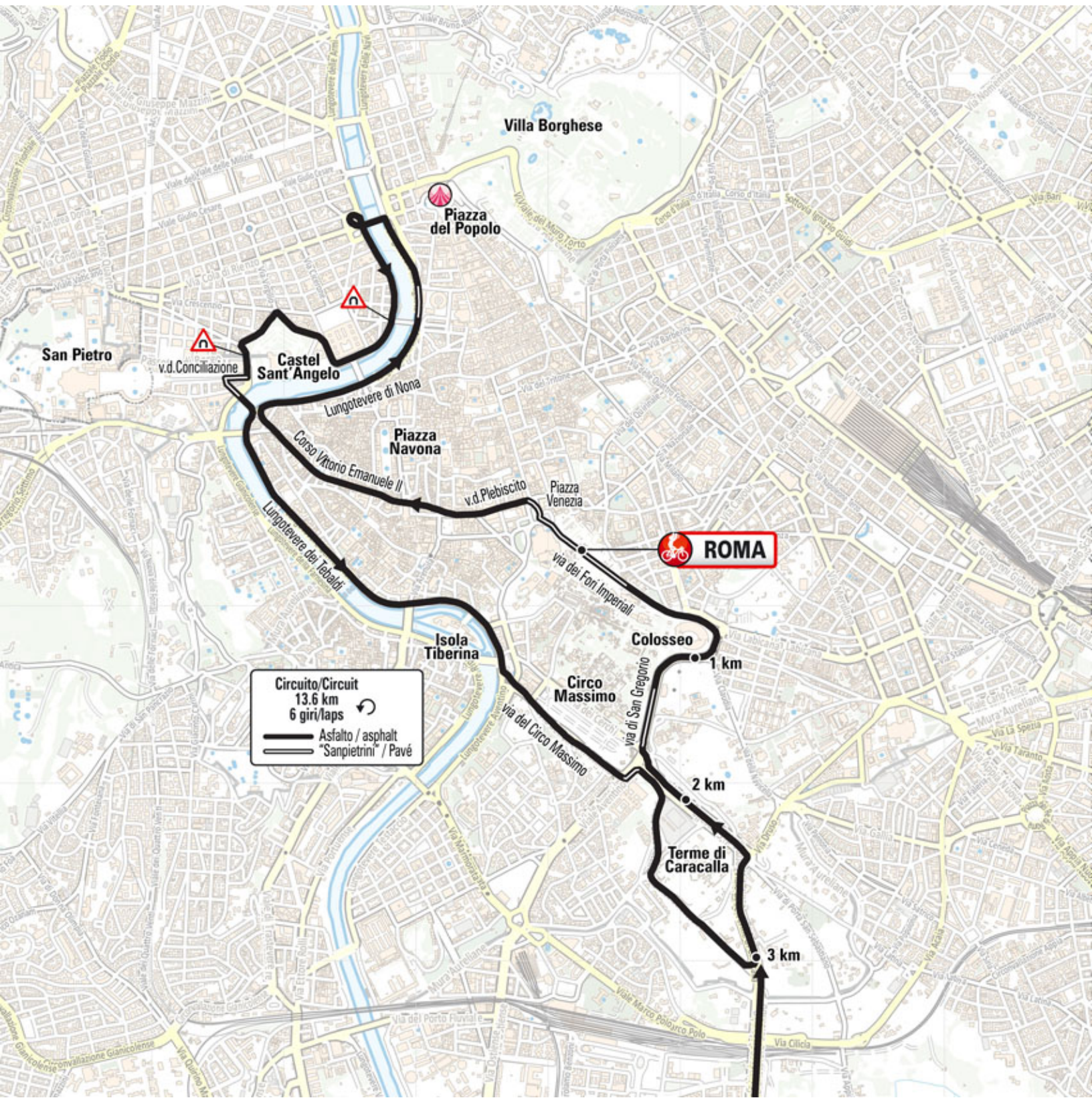
LIDO DI OSTIA

32 - ROMA - EUR



22 - ROMA

SDS

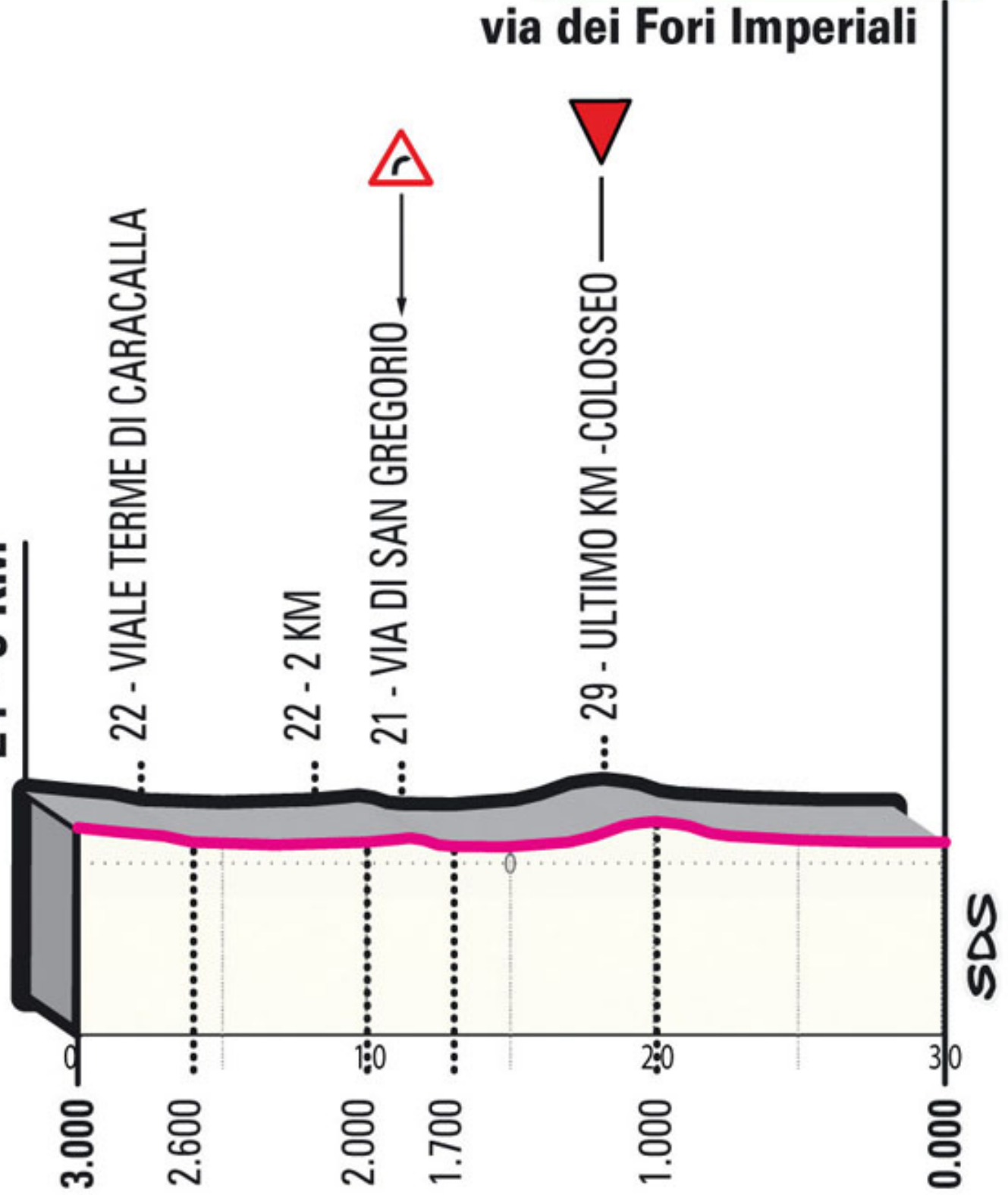


22 - ROMA



via dei Fori Imperiali

24 - 3 KM








General classification after stage 20 (itt) and time won or lost in the classification. ..

RNK. +/-	RIDER	TEAM	TIME	TIME WON/LOST
1	▲1  ROGLIČ Primož	TJV	82:40:36	▲0:26
2	▼1  THOMAS Geraint	IGD	0:14	▼0:14
3	-  ALMEIDA João	UAD	1:15	▼0:16
4	-  CARUSO Damiano	TBV	4:40	▼0:29
5	▲1  PINOT Thibaut	GFC	5:43	▼0:33
6	▲1  ARENSMAN Thymen	IGD	6:05	▼0:52
7	▼2  DUNBAR Eddie	JAY	7:30	▼2:37
8	▲1  LEKNESSUND Andreas	DSM	7:31	▼1:23
9	▼1  KÄMNA Lennard	BOH	7:46	▼1:52
10	-  DE PLUS Laurens	IGD	9:08	▼1:38






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The points classification.

RNK.	RIDER	POINTS	TEAM
1	 MILAN Jonathan	215	Bahrain - Victorious
2	 GEE Derek	160	Israel - Premier Tech
3	 ACKERMANN Pascal	95	UAE Team Emirates
4	 MATTHEWS Michael	93	Team Jayco AlUla
5	 SKUJIŅŠ Toms	79	Trek - Segafredo

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The King of the Mountains (KOM) classification. ..

RNK.	RIDER	POINTS	TEAM
1	 PINOT Thibaut	237	Groupama - FDJ
2	 GEE Derek	200	Israel - Premier Tech
3	 HEALY Ben	164	EF Education-EasyPost
4	 BAIS Davide	144	EOLO-Kometa
5	 RUBIO Einer Augusto	118	Movistar Team

The young riders general classification. ..

RNK.	RIDER	TIME	TEAM
1	 ALMEIDA João	82:41:51	UAE Team Emirates
2	 ARENSMAN Thymen	4:50	INEOS Grenadiers
3	 LEKNESSUND Andreas	6:16	Team DSM
4	 RUBIO Einer Augusto	9:28	Movistar Team
5	 VAN WILDER Ilan	10:43	Soudal - Quick Step



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Katie Lane The race is scheduled to start at 15:25 CEST and is imagined to end sometime around 18:43. 05-27-2023 09:55:48 pm



Katie Lane The forecast calls for temperature of 80F (heat index of around 84F) at the start and high 70s by the finish, with winds 7-8 mph from the SE. 05-27-2023 09:56:15 pm



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Rocket City Gal I will be a bit tied up with another type of race for the day, but will try to check in occasionally. 05-27-2023 10:06:05 pm



Tim in KY There is a now 66% chance of light rain towards the end of the Rome circuit. 05-28-2023 08:22:08 am



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Rocket City Gal We are in place for the "alternate race." A Parking is the biggest battle of the day. 05-28-2023 09:15:40 am



Katie S Good morning, all 05-28-2023 09:28:36 am



Katie S The Roma Police Band just played the national anthem, itâ€™s 84 degrees, and the podium girls held umbrellas over each of the jersey riders. Now the riders are all amassed and about to roll out.

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09:35:56 am



Katie S And theyâ€™re off.

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09:36:09 am



Katie S Rog is in the pink. Gets its back in the redâ€™ of his Ineos.

05-28-2023
09:37:13 am



Katie S Gets = Geraint

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09:37:40 am



Tim in KY Km 0. Not going to be around much, if at all, until the Rome circuit.

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09:43:08 am



Tim in KY Morning, Katie.

05-28-2023
09:43:16 am



Katie S Rob Hatch is already rolling out his gladiator analogies and similes and hyperbole. Could be a long stage.

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09:45:10 am



Trish in MA Morning! Â Sitting down to breakfast, outside on the porch.
Â Lovely day.

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10:01:14 am



Trish in MA <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1685282826-1685282526608.jpeg>

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Trish in MA Red, green white omelet and a Roman lemon cake

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Katie S Beautiful! Yummy! And could you share the cake recipe?

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10:05:24 am



Trish in MA It's It's from The NY Times. Â I'll scan the recipe.

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10:09:23 am



Trish in MA <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1685283281-Roman%20Breakfast%20Cake%20Recipe%20-%20NYT%20Cooking.pdf>

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Katie S Thank you!

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10:10:19 am



Trish in MA Katie, you should have the time to make it for brunch!

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10:12:05 am



Trish in MA Guy on the backpath going like a bat out of hell and just keeping pace with the peloton who are slowly pedaling.

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10:15:08 am



Trish in MA All the J-V team are wearing pink socks. Â And the Prosecco breaks out

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10:16:41 am



Trish in MA And pink bike gloves. Â And Rog is NOT in pink shorts

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10:17:58 am



Katie S Thank the good lord

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10:19:33 am



Trish in MA And Rob Hatch calls Pinot "A Marmite character for fans". Love him or hate him.

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10:20:14 am



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Trish in MA Quite the view!

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Rocket City Gal Turn 2. Row PP (they only go to QQ)

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Trish in MA My husband spent last night watching two "sports ball" games (Celtics; Red Sox). Â We decided that I watch "sports wheels". Â RCG follows two different "sports wheels" activities.

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10:25:09 am



Trish in MA RCG, that doesn't look much Â like a race car out there on the track. Â You mentioned you were watching the alternate race - that's quite the alternate vehicle.Â :)

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Trish in MA Rog and G having a a little chat - probably about raising kids.

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10:29:25 am





Rocket City Gal Trish the actual race starts at 12:45 eastern time

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10:32:45 am



Trish in MA The male swan just took off after a family of geese. He makes himself as large as possible, and flies just above the water, beating the water with his wings, making quite a racket.

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10:37:12 am



Katie S I bet!

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10:41:08 am



SFinAus Good morning everyone. Breakfast looks looks and sounds delicious, Trish. I can't hold off my ride until post-stage, so I won't be here for much today. It was great being back in the Pub! Thanks to Tim and Katie for all those previews. It takes effort and it's much appreciated.

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10:42:59 am



Katie S Enjoy your ride, Shawn. We'll see you in July.

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10:45:02 am



Katie S Aurelian Walls built in 200-something. Will Aurelian Parrot-Painter realize the namesake?

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10:47:45 am



Trish in MA And around the circuit we go.

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10:52:59 am



Trish in MA I've only been in Rome for less than 24 hours. The traffic looks quite manageable, which is not what I remembered

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11:03:57 am



Katie S I've been twice. Once in 1961, and once in 2006. There was a lot of traffic in 2006. I don't recall the 1961 traffic, being 3 months old

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11:05:56 am



Katie S Attack!

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11:07:06 am



Katie S 3 guys off the front

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11:07:30 am



Tim in KY I've been to the Rome airport twice.

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BusterSci Read Trish's swan/goose story. I'm out fishing last week on a quiet evening. There's a loon pair floating about 25 feet from the boat, rather serene. All of a sudden, the water explodes, there is squawking and thrashing. I thought it was a large pike or muskie. No, another male had come in to challenge and attacked from

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underneath the water. Â Quite the scene.



BusterSci We spent a week in Rome in 2013. Â Found it a very walkable city. Wouldn't have dreamed of driving there.

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BusterSci We lunched with Mons and he took us into Vatican City, past the guards. Â It was neat.

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11:10:20 am



Katie S What a wonderful memory

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11:15:50 am



Toulouse This is my pop-in for the day to say thank you to all of you for letting me draft in your wake. It's not really a Grant Tour without the Nuts. Also, I'd like to reiterate Gee's bridesmaid status: second in two classifications, second on -- what? -- 18 stages, and 22nd overall. Two must be his lucky number.

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Tim in KY Back for the last 50 km.

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Katie S Timed to perfection

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Toulouse Also, I forgot to mention this earlier and he's not here now, but if Charlie should read this and his trip to Utah takes him on Highway 50 through Colorado, my e-mail is toulouse81230@gmail.com. Or anyone headed this way. I'm still not on Facebook, and I can't bring myself to feel bad about that.

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Tim in KY When was the last time the Giro ended with a circuit in Rome.Â I can't remember ever seeing one.

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Katie S More fun from a sofa spectator seat

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11:50:28 am



Tim in KY Five years ago.Â No recollection.

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11:51:15 am



Tim in KY Rain chance has dropped to the mid-teens.

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11:54:03 am



Trish in MA Fascinating listening to McEwan and Kelly discuss the tactics for the sprinters re: the route and the slight rises at point.

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Tim in KY Sometime I think they over analyze it.

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Trish in MA 2 laps to go

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BusterSci Those are two guys that should be able to properly analyze a sprint. Over analyze? Â What else are you going to do when the race is going round and round.

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Tim in KY Unless they all get off and walk, they will finish well ahead of the fastest imaginable...

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Trish in MA Sadly, I have to leave. Â I. have a friend coming over to take some plants and have lunch. Â Â As always, fabulous to spend the last 3 weeks with the Nuts. Â And see you in July!

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Tim in KY 3 KM banner.

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Tim in KY G. is leading out Cav!!

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BusterSci That is AWESOME

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12:29:17 pm



Tim in KY Holy shit!

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12:30:21 pm



Katie S Wheeeeeeee

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12:30:40 pm



bikerabe Cav gets if Yaa

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12:30:55 pm



BusterSci There will be penalties

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12:31:00 pm



Katie S My eyes are leaking a little

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12:31:16 pm



Tim in KY Who, Buster?

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12:31:32 pm



BusterSci Assisting another team. Not allowed.

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12:32:22 pm



Tim in KY He was just trying to stay out of trouble....

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BusterSci Love it

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Tim in KY Cav is the oldest rider to win a Giro stage.

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BusterSci How is it a guy can't get a leadout from his team but wins when a mate he hasn't ridden with for a decade drops him off for a sprint.

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Katie S Itâ€™s just terrific

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Tim in KY Gaviria is one of those riders who quits when he sees he won't win.

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Tim in KY Gaviria's 7th place may have cost me the LR.

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Katie S Cav is just so huggy

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SFinAus Checked in just in time for the best story book finish - however it came about. Â Hope it sticks.

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SFinAus Canâ€™t wait to get home and watch the replay

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Katie S See you all in July!

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