



Tim in KY VaE Stage 11 is 157 kilometers starting and finishing in Bilbao but spending most of its time in the medium mountains northeast of the city.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1756843659-stage-11-route.jpg>

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04:02:40 pm



Tim in KY There are seven categorized climbs, five Cat 3s and two Cat 2s. Actually, there is one Cat 2 that is climbed twice but descended from by different roads each time. The climbs are distributed pretty evenly along the route.

09-02-2025
04:05:08 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1756843835-stage-11-profile.jpg>

09-02-2025
04:05:37 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1756843870-stage-11-route-finale.jpg>

09-02-2025
04:06:11 pm



Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:51 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Live video from before the start. Forecast is for sun and clouds but hot with temps around 30.

09-02-2025
04:07:16 pm



Tim in KY No fines or penalties on stage 10. It's a blistering 31 right now in Bilbao.

09-03-2025
06:52:24 am



BusterSci Dan Friebe reports the delay and pre-race meeting was some teams requesting that Israel Premier Tech be pulled from the race for security concerns.

09-03-2025
07:34:35 am



Tim in KY Neutral start. Late as usual.

09-03-2025
07:34:39 am



Tim in KY Ramses Debruyne (Alpecin) and Paul Ourselin (Cofidis) DNS today.

09-03-2025
07:38:01 am



BusterSci Don't run across a lot of Ramses these days.

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07:39:52 am



BILBAO / 10 m



ALTIMETRÍA ÚLTIMOS 5 KM





Tim in KY IPT has nothing to do with the government of Israel and vice versa. I don't know what these protestors think they're accomplishing.

09-03-2025
07:40:37 am



Tim in KY I had a college classmate whose last name was Ramses.

09-03-2025
07:41:38 am



BusterSci I haven't paid a lot of attention to this race. Who is on with Bobke right now?

09-03-2025
07:47:56 am



Tim in KY CVV.

09-03-2025
07:48:22 am



Joanna in Virginia Neutral halted to remove protesters.

09-03-2025
07:49:50 am



Joanna in Virginia Joanna in Virginia: Did your college roommate take a lot of ribbing for that name?

09-03-2025
07:50:22 am



Tim in KY Not that I remember. I don't think we paid much attention to last names.

09-03-2025
07:51:03 am



Tim in KY Km0 finally.

09-03-2025
07:52:50 am



BusterSci That's not CVV's voice.

09-03-2025
07:53:30 am



BusterSci Sounds like Bookwalter.

09-03-2025
07:54:13 am



Tim in KY With my hearing I can't recognize voices but it's been CVV every other stage.

09-03-2025
07:55:20 am



BusterSci Bobke just called him Brent. Settled.

09-03-2025
07:55:44 am



Tim in KY I wonder what happened to CVV.

09-03-2025
07:56:33 am



BusterSci Probably a personal commitment.

09-03-2025
07:56:50 am



Tim in KY This is not a very impressive Cat 3.

09-03-2025
07:57:48 am



BusterSci There's also a difference in sound quality. Feels like Bookwalter may be in a different location. I'll see if Xitter says anything about CVV

09-03-2025
07:58:06 am



Tim in KY CVV was not in the same place as Roll either.

09-03-2025
07:58:49 am



BusterSci Nothing found. At least it's better than the women's Tour coverage. Phil never "got" the latency and kept talking over the other commenter. I had to mute it it was so frustrating.

09-03-2025
08:03:27 am



Tim in KY I didn't watch any of that.

09-03-2025
08:04:48 am



BusterSci The other commenter was a woman, former pro (forget her name) so the optics were horrific with Phil always talking over her and shutting her down.

09-03-2025
08:09:45 am



Tim in KY Roll seems to have disappeared.

09-03-2025
08:11:07 am



BusterSci Was on a bathroom break

09-03-2025
08:12:18 am



Tim in KY Now he's back.

09-03-2025
08:12:22 am



Trish in MA The super-annoying yelling at screen part of Phil was his unthinking use of "girls" whenever he referred to the riders The other commentator always referred to them as women.

09-03-2025
08:14:12 am



BusterSci I guess it speaks to my own age and gender that I didn't notice that but since you point it out I'd have to agree.

09-03-2025
08:16:55 am



Tim in KY On the second Cat 3.

09-03-2025
08:18:27 am



BusterSci I thought she did an excellent job most of the time--when Phil let her talk.

09-03-2025
08:19:58 am



Trish in MA She did. I actually preferred the B team. Phil was only in for the last weekend

09-03-2025
08:21:34 am



Tim in KY Phillipsen already OTB.

09-03-2025
08:22:23 am



Trish in MA I'm going to miss most of today's stage. I go for a 4-mile walk in the state forest Weds mornings

09-03-2025
08:22:50 am



BusterSci 57 this morning. It's fall in MN.

09-03-2025
08:24:57 am



Tim in KY It's been in the 50s every morning for a week here. And in the 80s every afternoon.

09-03-2025
08:26:48 am



Tim in KY Mads caught.

09-03-2025
08:27:07 am



BusterSci We're looking at highs in the 50s and 60s for the next five days.

09-03-2025
08:29:48 am



Tim in KY That is fall.

09-03-2025
08:30:23 am



Rocket City Gal Good mornin g all! It's been cooler here, but devoid of rain for several weeks. It's been hitting all around us this week but we've had nary a drop.

09-03-2025
08:31:15 am



Tim in KY 33 km of descent and valley road now before the start of the next Cat 3.

09-03-2025
08:32:34 am



Rocket City Gal Cats are Fed, ice dyes have been re-iced and now I can enjoy my coffee in very much sub-88 (31 C) weather.

09-03-2025
08:33:17 am



BusterSci I assume that was an autocorrect capitalization if "Fed" but given that almost everything is politicized these dats I was wondering what the Feds had to do with the cats. Then I continued reading and laughed at myself.

09-03-2025
08:35:23 am



Rocket City Gal I posted the link to a webpage at n tbe FB page yesterday about Froome. They found out that he had a tear in his pericardium (the sac attlroubd his heart), so they had to repair that also. I wonder if yhat meant they had to crack His chest or if they could do that with the miniaturized

09-03-2025
08:36:23 am

scope-type tools. Either way it didn't sound great. He clipped a curb at launched into a road sign at 30 mph



Tim in KY Despite all the attacks and chasing the break is just barely ahead of the slowest imaginable.

09-03-2025
08:37:20 am



BusterSci Given what I've been part of in development it's certainly possible to do it through a scope. Possibly robotic as well.

09-03-2025
08:38:43 am



Tim in KY I think these days it would be scope usually.

09-03-2025
08:40:21 am



Tim in KY I also think his career is over.

09-03-2025
08:40:40 am



Rocket City Gal The cats want FED but are not feds. These fosters are very quiet— seldom meow and they haven't purred for me yet. They have vicious mini- hisses when they're playing. I found people much before I got them, but they came around being socialized to human interaction pretty quickly. This morning I will contact the humane society because they have hit the weight for their surgery and adoption.

09-03-2025
08:40:48 am



Tim in KY It appears we finally have an established break.

09-03-2025
08:42:21 am



Rocket City Gal After yesterday's frenzy, the pace will probably be a lot slower today.

09-03-2025
08:45:26 am



Rocket City Gal Hubby has been restless. He was still Covid positive on day 11 yesterday. I was negative when I tested at day 10. I have no idea if he's still infectious or not, but he probably shouldn't be hanging around his older friends with health issues for their twice a week lunches until he's negative.

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08:49:22 am



Rocket City Gal Soler, Pedersen and Aular — a mush-mash if rider types in the break.

09-03-2025
08:50:58 am



Tim in KY Break is getting no leash at all. I don't think it's ever been more that a minute.

09-03-2025
08:59:00 am



KatieS Good morning. Woke up to a staffer gnashing her teeth over a report that is 3 times longer than it needs to be.

09-03-2025
09:14:27 am



KatieS Just made my way up through the peloton of chatter.

09-03-2025
09:18:04 am



KatieS Re the protests, I did notice yesterday that in addition to riders' names painting on the road, as is tradition, there were words of protest painted on the road as well.

09-03-2025
09:20:10 am



KatieS The only other political thing I think I've seen is the Basque separatist messages that were very prevalent some years back and now seem to be just displaying the Basque flag.

09-03-2025
09:20:54 am



Tim in KY While I was doing chores the gap soared up to 1:26.

09-03-2025
09:21:04 am



Tim in KY Good morning Katie.

09-03-2025
09:21:18 am



Tim in KY Crossed the KOM line right on the slowest imaginable.

09-03-2025
09:24:30 am



Tim in KY Next climb starts in 15 km.

09-03-2025
09:25:13 am



KatieS Here's a NRRBBB question: Anyone traveled to Berlin? We'll be there for 3 days. Looking for a good hotel and some thoughts on best things to do.

09-03-2025
09:26:00 am



Tim in KY I have not.

09-03-2025
09:26:31 am



Trish in MA I thought the thing to do in Berlin is go to the all-night rave bars

09-03-2025
09:26:48 am



Tim in KY Odd little climb coming next.

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09:30:20 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1756906533-vuelta-a-espana-2025-stage-11-climb-n4-88451df46f8eadbd8e36.jpg>

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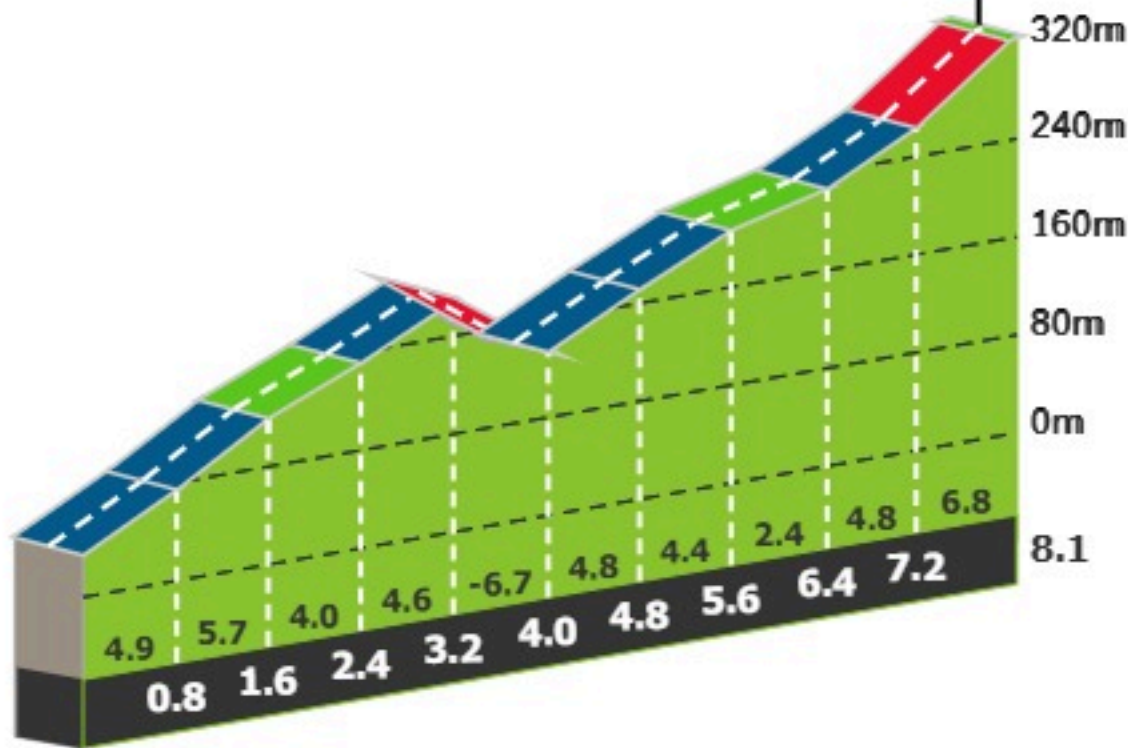


Trish in MA I'm about to do my 4 miles with about 150 total feet of elevation gain. So tough....

09-03-2025
09:32:06 am

Alto de Morgia (Aretxabalagana)

324 m - 8.1 Km at 3.6 %



**Tim in KY** Good luck, Trish.09-03-2025
09:32:45 am**Tim in KY** Gap back under a minute.09-03-2025
09:33:04 am**Trish in MA** Ayuso wheel change09-03-2025
09:36:20 am**Trish in MA** Nope. Got the spare bike.09-03-2025
09:37:37 am**PasadenaK8** 🙌 Mornin' ~ Starting to "cool" off here a tad here in09-03-2025
09:39:40 am

SoCal - will only be 94F today. Protesters were apparently at a start the other day, but the race wasn't on air yet. Think they realized that and moved to a time when the race was on air yesterday. Saw them blocking the road and almost knocking some riders off their bikes. Peacock (and maybe the Vuelta, too) seem to have made a policy of not rewinding the tape and replaying it when it happens.

**Tim in KY** On the funny Cat 3.09-03-2025
09:41:05 am**Tim in KY** Soler by himself now.09-03-2025
09:42:58 am**Trish in MA** Ayuso now in the grupetto. Bookwalter just referred to it as Ayuso vs. UAE.09-03-2025
09:45:25 am**Trish in MA** Adios. My ride is here.09-03-2025
09:46:06 am**Tim in KY** Ayuso is back in the peloton now.09-03-2025
09:46:13 am**KatieS** how many more races does Ayuso have left w/ UAE? At what point can/would he just stage a sickout?09-03-2025
09:46:13 am**KatieS** have fun, Trish09-03-2025
09:46:16 am**Rocket City Gal** Katie — I am fully expecting an Ayuso "sickout" at any time now09-03-2025
09:54:52 am**Tim in KY** Soler crests at the slowest imaginable time.

09-03-2025



Tim in KY 5 km to the start of the Cat 2.

09-03-2025
10:06:39 am



Tim in KY All together again just before the Cat 2. Then things will come apart again.

09-03-2025
10:11:32 am



Rocket City Gal Weibes wins the 2nd stage of the Simac Tour; Kooij wins stage 2 of the ToB

09-03-2025
10:12:45 am



KatieS Landa has a bit of a gap

09-03-2025
10:19:29 am



SFinAus Good morning. I see Landa is free

09-03-2025
10:19:31 am



KatieS That fella is 35 years old. Ancient.

09-03-2025
10:20:06 am



Tim in KY Lots of Eejits.

09-03-2025
10:22:18 am



Tim in KY So, turns out CVV is taking a kid to college.

09-03-2025
10:23:25 am



Alaska Dave They will ride this climb all over again.

09-03-2025
10:25:06 am



Tim in KY One minute slower than the slowest...

09-03-2025
10:25:12 am



Alaska Dave Beautiful sunrise this morning. 51 on its way to 75. Alaska heat advisory on tap.

09-03-2025
10:38:43 am



KatieS good morning. Enjoy the cool before it gets toasty.

09-03-2025
10:39:22 am



KatieS Oooh, great view of the museum

09-03-2025
10:42:31 am



SFinAus I hope those flags (er, flag holders) don't cause an accident if there is a bunch sprint.

09-03-2025
10:42:33 am



Tim in KY Always gotta show off the Guggenheim Museum when they're in

09-03-2025
10:42:55 am



Tim in KY Bilbao.

09-03-2025
10:43:12 am



KatieS i still recoil when I recall Thor's encounter with the PMU hand on the sprint...

09-03-2025
10:43:21 am



Tim in KY I was worried about that too, Sean.

09-03-2025
10:43:47 am



PasadenaK8 I like the big spider sculpture that's there outside.

09-03-2025
10:44:39 am



Rocket City Gal The guy who ran into a telephoto camera lens that was being held over the barriers on a sprint finish was worse — broken humerus.

09-03-2025
10:46:00 am



Rocket City Gal Colli in 2015 Giro

09-03-2025
10:47:24 am



Alaska Dave Sounds like protesters were significant issue, but tv ignored scene.

09-03-2025
10:47:58 am



Alaska Dave Landa sits up. Pulls an Ayuso?

09-03-2025
10:49:06 am



Rocket City Gal When was the last time Landa did anything of note?

09-03-2025
10:50:01 am



Alaska Dave Back seems to have seized up

09-03-2025
10:50:54 am



Tim in KY RCG, last win was Vuelta a Burgos in 2021.

09-03-2025
10:52:46 am



Tim in KY Back on the Cat 2.

09-03-2025
10:53:33 am



Tim in KY Mads whipped.

09-03-2025
10:54:31 am

Alaska Dave Protests in road.

09-03-2025
10:56:29 am



Alaska Dave Almieda attacking. No teammates

09-03-2025
11:02:39 am



KatieS This seems like a very long stage, but I see it's 157 KM. Still slowest than the slow, Tim?

09-03-2025
11:03:22 am



Tim in KY Yeah, Katie.

09-03-2025
11:05:57 am



Tim in KY They are still at the slowest imaginable.

09-03-2025
11:06:36 am



SFinAus RCG, my snarky off-the-cuff answer regarding Landa was going to be, "When he pulled for Froome". I think he spent his best years in service of Froome as part of Skye's practice of locking up the best competition in house. IMO Landa missed the opportunity to learn how to lead and win GTs. (Roads not taken blah blah) He is hardly the only one though

09-03-2025
11:06:46 am



Rocket City Gal His career started so good. Probably juiced, now not so much....

09-03-2025
11:08:11 am



SFinAus Heh, well there could be that too. :)

09-03-2025
11:10:22 am



KatieS He was in service to Sammy Sanchez back in his Euskaltel days. Hasn't he always been a super domestique?

09-03-2025
11:10:22 am



Tim in KY The last Cat 3 is only 2.3 km long but it averages 9%.

09-03-2025
11:12:28 am



Tim in KY Last climb starts at 10.1 to go.

09-03-2025
11:16:39 am



Tim in KY Taking finish times at 3 km to go. I think they're worried about all those flags in the last km.

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11:21:16 am


















bikerabe Jonas 3ed wheel

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11:23:04 am



KatieS 16%

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	KatieS Piddy goes. but 8.2 km is still quite a lot	09-03-2025 11:24:27 am
	bikerabe Pidcock!	09-03-2025 11:24:35 am
	Rocket City Gal Vingo staying close	09-03-2025 11:25:07 am
	KatieS er, trying to	09-03-2025 11:25:14 am
	Rocket City Gal And then not	09-03-2025 11:25:23 am
	KatieS then yes	09-03-2025 11:26:04 am
	Rocket City Gal Now he catches back up	09-03-2025 11:26:05 am
	Rocket City Gal Glued back on. I'll bet he refuses to take any pulls	09-03-2025 11:26:45 am
	Tim in KY Pidcock was out of the saddle, Vingo never was.	09-03-2025 11:26:48 am
	Rocket City Gal And he proves me wrong	09-03-2025 11:26:57 am
	Rocket City Gal It's nice seeing Bernal staying close to the pointy end this Vuelta.	09-03-2025 11:28:01 am
	KatieS Finish line does look scary	09-03-2025 11:28:44 am
	Rocket City Gal They should take those flags with stiff poles away	09-03-2025 11:28:48 am
	SFinAus whoa. A definite presence	09-03-2025 11:29:07 am
	bikerabe Cinco km	09-03-2025 11:29:08 am



KatieS it would not be a bad idea to have a "moat" between the spectators and the race course -- two sets of barriers. Not that it would keep people from hopping the first set

09-03-2025
11:29:42 am



KatieS Riders 11 and 111 - that's fun

09-03-2025
11:30:24 am



SFinAus That *is* a good idea

09-03-2025
11:30:52 am



PasadenaK8 Good move to change the GC finish line.

09-03-2025
11:30:52 am



KatieS so who wins? Piddy or Jonas? Dang

09-03-2025
11:31:12 am



Rocket City Gal Times taken, but no official finish places?

09-03-2025
11:31:25 am



KatieS "No habra ganador de etapa"

09-03-2025
11:31:25 am



KatieS that means the protesters win.

09-03-2025
11:31:40 am



Rocket City Gal "There will be no stage winner" I think

09-03-2025
11:32:21 am



PasadenaK8 Is a shame, but safety...

09-03-2025
11:32:28 am



PasadenaK8 Vuelta RaceCenter is saying: " Vingegaard, Pidcock and their chasers have finished the stage. We are now waiting for the official time gaps. Reminder - there is no stage winner today."

09-03-2025
11:36:07 am



Charlie in Tenn So I missed stuff.

09-03-2025
11:36:16 am



KatieS you did, Charlie. You did.

09-03-2025
11:36:50 am



KatieS ta, all

09-03-2025
11:36:59 am

Charlie in Tenn Bye all.

09-03-2025
11:37:13 am



PasadenaK8 Mañana....

09-03-2025
11:37:30 am