



Walkway over the A-318 road



The proximity of the olive groves is interrupted by some large holm oaks



The trail runs along an old railway road

Thus, said union between villages took place during the regency of María Cristina (by Royal Decree, on 10th December, 1834), leading to the current name of Puente Genil, which makes obvious reference to the physical means that allowed said integration: the bridge (puente in Spanish) that crosses the course of the Genil river and joins both banks.

The foundational origins of this town go back to the administrative and demographic union between the village called "Pontón de Don Gonzalo" (founded in the days of King Fernando III by the 11 Lord of the State of Aguilar, Mr. Gonzalo Yáñez Dovichal II, and located in the right - or Cordovan - bank of the Genil river), and the small population centre of Mitragenil, located in the opposite bank and belonging administratively to the province of Seville.

The Campo Real train station, final destination of this stretch of the nature trail, belongs to the Cordovan municipality of Puente Genil. It is part of the 'Campiña Sur Cordobesa', bordering the province of Seville. Located in a privileged geographical enclave, in the very heart of Andalusía, it is the ideal location as for railway and road communications, for it is within a short distance of the most important Andalusian capital cities (Córdoba 69 km, Málaga 110 km, Seville 120 km and Granada 150 km).

PUENTE GENIL

when it was replaced by a regular bus service.

The activity declined, leading to the closure of some sections. A Madrid-Málaga omnibus service via Jaen operated until 1983, but this service was halted in 1984

The works concession did not have rail service.

This railway line was originally built for mining purposes, aiming to transport lead from the county of Linares to the port of Málaga via Jaen, which at the moment of

THE OIL TRAIN

longer operational and has been downgraded to a halt.

5. Looking always ahead towards the Castillo and Niño mountain ranges, the trail continues close to various farmhouses and wineries. After crossing the Navaluenega brook, when the level of water so allows, you will reach soon the end of the route, next to the Campo Real railway stop.

6. When the railway was fully operational, the section between Puente Genil and Campo Real was part of the

Córdoba-Málaga railway line, and the Campo Real station was located between the two tracks. Since the

closure of this section, the Campo Real Station is no

longer operational and has been downgraded to a halt.



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE OIL TRAIN

The construction of this last section, between the municipal boundaries of Moriles and Lucena and Campo Real Station, provides continuity to the Aceite Greenway and the Subbética, the former in Jaen and the latter in Córdoba. The Greenway follows the now-defunct Puente Genil-Linares railway line, which had greatly contributed to the development and industrialisation of the towns through which it passed. While it was originally built for mining interests, it was used mainly for transporting olive oil, hence its popular name "Oil Train".



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This route starts at the municipal boundary of Lucena, immediately after Subbética Greenway Nature Trail. The trail head may be reached by a dirt road, near a few buildings, at kilometre 29.2 of A-318. The dirt road soon leaves the Subbética Greenway Nature Trail on the right, and starts this nature trail on the left.

1. Throughout the whole journey, you will walk on a superficially paved road. Olive plantations (*Olea europaea*), stretching to the horizon, asparagus (*Asparagus acutifolius*) and herbaceous ruderals (the plants that typically grow on ditches and at the borders of paths) will accompany this journey, dotted with the occasional appearance of some large holm oaks (*Quercus ilex*). There are also fig trees (*Ficus carica*), vineyards (*Vitis vinifera*) and quinces (*Cydonia oblonga*) grown in vegetable gardens near the edges of the road, as well as rushes (*Juncus* sp.) along the banks of brooks.

2. Shortly after the trail begins, it crosses over the Fuente Romero brook and, soon after, it reaches a rest area.

3. At this point the trail meets the A-318 road, which is crossed via a footbridge.

4. Throughout the route, rabbits (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*), whose warrens are built along the railway embankments, will run across the path, where there are also red partridges (*Alectoris rufa*), black kites (*Milvus migrans*) or Mongagu's harrier (*Circus pygargus*). The contrast hum of the cicadas is a typical sound you will hear if you take this route in summer.

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Since 1993, the Ministry for Agriculture, Food and the Environment's Nature Trails Program aims to restore former transport infrastructures, such as railway tracks, cattle trails and traditional routes, for public use and enjoyment. These routes take us to the countryside to discover the biodiversity and beauty of our precious natural heritage, and discover the villages, sights, traditions and people that are part of the unique cultural landscape of our country.

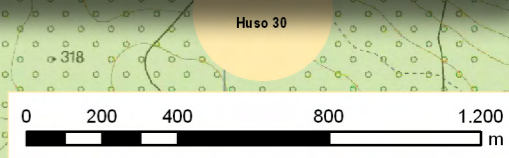
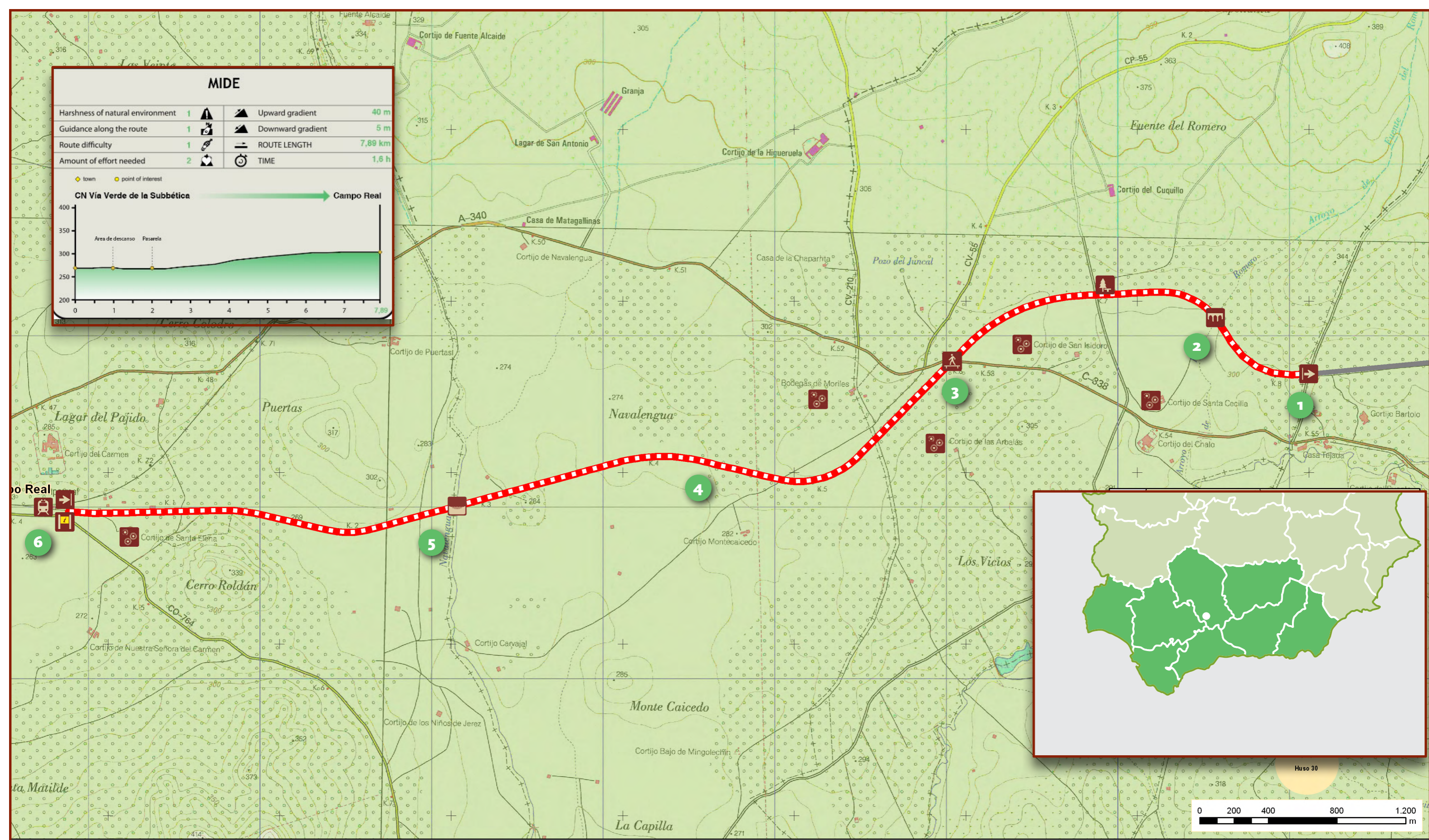
We invite you to visit them and offer you the keys to enjoy the trip. In this brochure you will find a brief description of the Aceite Greenway. Moriles to Campo Real Nature Trail and the map for the journey, along with recommendations to make the most of this experience. We only ask one thing of you: do not forget to leave everything as you found it. The conservation of these pathways is also your responsibility.

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Harshness of natural environment	1		Upward gradient	40 m
Guidance along the route	1		Downward gradient	5 m
Route difficulty	1		ROUTE LENGTH	7,89 km
Amount of effort needed	2		TIME	1,6 h

town point of interest

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- Starting point
- End of trail
- Rest area
- Train station (ruins)
- Information panel
- Other features of interest
- Walkway
- Bridge
- Ford