

IG 360

IG 200

IG 100

by **IRON GRAVEL**®

Participant's Guide 2024



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1 . IRON GRAVEL



Alicante, START & FINISH:
Sergio Melgares Park

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WHAT IS IG360

It is a **non-competitive cycling sport event**, non-stop, auto-route, without assistance and given the characteristics of the route **with long distances on gravel**, designed for gravel bikes.

IS THE TRAFFIC OPEN?

Yes, completely. There are very few kilometres of secondary road on which the track circulates. But with open traffic you have no preference in this respect, and **you must comply with the Road Safety Law** as you would on any other day when riding on a road. On many occasions you will cross roads on which, after riding for a long time in the peace and quiet of the roads, you will have to take the utmost precaution.

Special mention to the START. The start from the city of Alicante means that the first few kilometres are semi-urban and along bike lanes. The LOCAL POLICE and motorised members of the organisation will accompany you until km 12. It is important to know that these first 12 kms of the start route are exactly the same as the last kms to the finish line.



GRAVEL EARTH SERIES

GRAVEL EARTH was born with the aim of bringing Gravel to the highest standards, uniting a series of events around the world classified in two categories, the GLOBAL and the SERIES.

5 GLOBAL events, plus 14 SERIES events, from which your two best results will give you the points to reach the GRAVEL EARTH FINAL. You can get all the information about the rules, scoring system and more by clicking on the following button.

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In the IG360, 360 km and 200 km distances are scored.

750 points for the first and decreasing in the first 25 positions, from 25th place onwards, all cyclists receive the same finisher's score, 330 points.



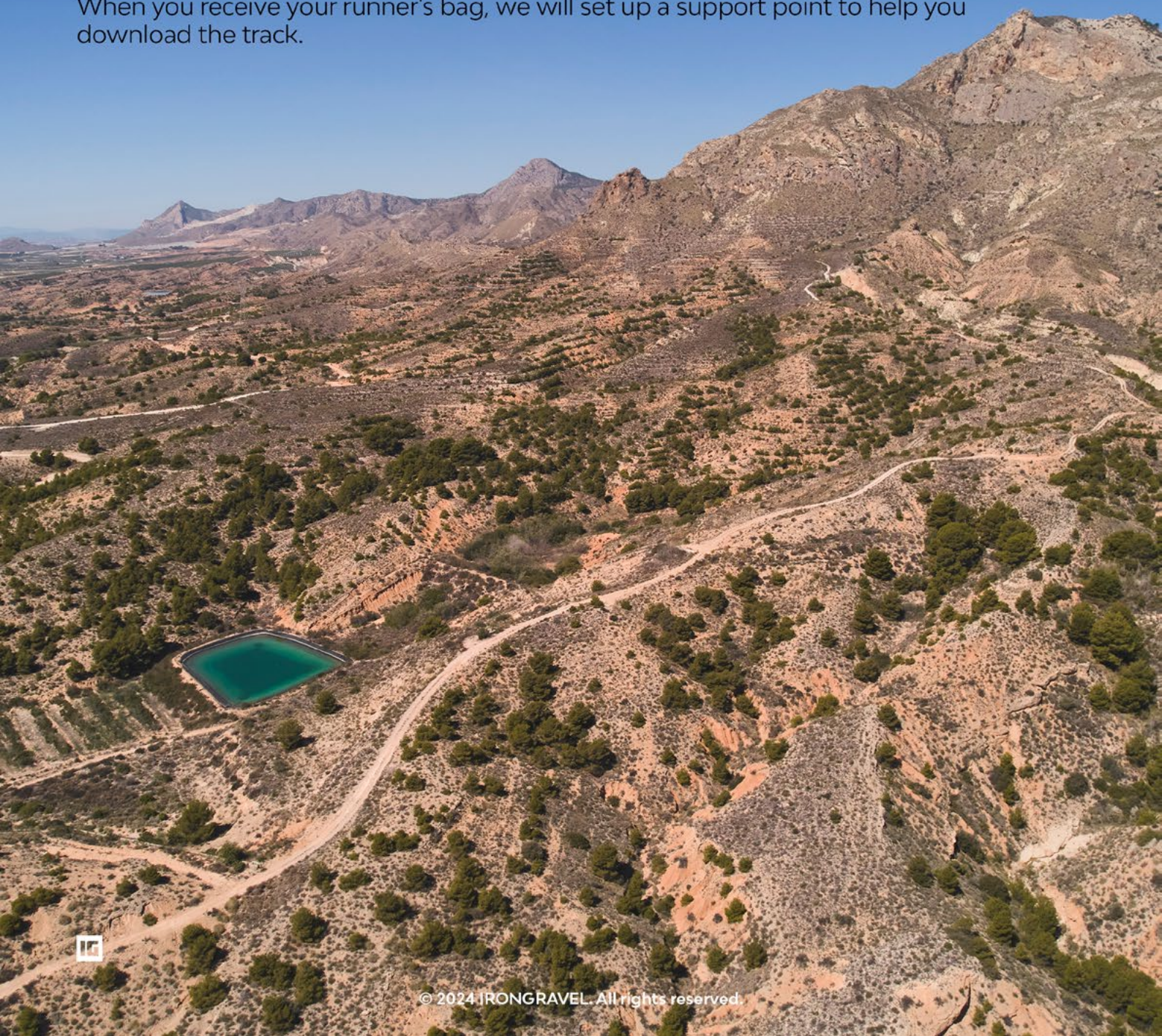
TRACK.

Remember that there are no signposts, the route is completed by GPS tracking, each runner must carry the track loaded and with sufficient battery.

Can I separate myself from the Track? No. The challenge of the event is to follow the route faithfully. You can abandon momentarily if you need to refresh yourself or any other circumstance that prevents you from continuing, but returning back to the point of the track where you left it.

Where can I download the official track? As a registered participant in the IG **you will receive an email** the days before the event with a direct link to download it, **as well as finding it in this guide.**

When you receive your runner's bag, we will set up a support point to help you download the track.



PC. CHECKPOINTS AND REFRESHMENT POINTS.

The IG360 is intended to be an adventure for you and the proposed registration is in **semi-self-sufficiency**. What does this mean? It simply means that you have to be self-sufficient in terms of the logistics needed to complete the route. But we want to see you enjoy yourself and for this we will have several check points, where you will be able to find water, food and basic mechanical support. These points are located in the following villages and will be available at a timetable determined by the organisation and according to the averages we show.

IG360

PC-1 Albatera, Canal. km 153 from 10:45 to 12:15.

(calculated on averages of 27 and 22 km/h) **PC-1 Albatera Canal**

PC-2 Pinoso. km 213 from 13:45 to 17:30

(calculated on averages of 24 and 17 km/h) **Restaurant "El Poli" in Pinoso.**

PC-3 Biar. km 280 from 16:45 to 22:15.

(calculated on averages of 24 and 17 km/h) **PC-3 BIAR**

IG200

PC-1 Albatera, Canal. km 123 from 12:00 to 13:15.

(calculated on averages of 27 and 22 km/h) **PC-1 Albatera Canal**

PC-2 Aspe. km 167 from 13:30 to 17:00.

(calculated on averages of 25 and 22 km/h) **ASPE Bar Rincon de Juan**

IG100

Refuelling - 1 El Sabinar, km 63 from 11:45 to 13:00.

(Calculated on averages of 24 and 16 km/h) **Avi.-1 El Sabinar**

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GEOLOCATOR.

Traky365 is the platform that manages geolocation and allows activities such as those we organise, where it is difficult to have spectators on the ground, to have them outside. In long-distance races, it is a plus for us to have the participants geolocated at all times. A reciprocal aspect, **as the participant also feels more protected if they know that we are looking out for them.**

You will be able to follow the participants in real time, know the location of all of them and the route they are following. You will have specific information about each participant: checkpoints visited, time spent at each one, estimated time of arrival at the next one, average speed... You will have an estimated classification in real time and statistics for each checkpoint: participants who have passed, participants out of the race...

When collecting the bibs, participants will be given a Geolocator that functions as a Tracker, as well as instructions for a perfect use and operation of the same, about the ignition and placement. WE DO NOT ASK FOR A DEPOSIT, but it is the participant's responsibility to return it after finishing or abandoning the race and its loss will be penalised with 150€.



TRACK INFORMATION

IG100

There are 110 kms with 1.800 meters positive difference in altitude. The difference in altitude is all in the first 60 kms, when we have just left and still have strength.

Km 0 to Km 22: We leave the park Sergio Melgares and from the beginning we ride on bike lanes and some trails and paved roads without traffic.

Km 22 to Km 37: 15 kms uphill on mountain road broken with the landscape of the river Monegre and its badlands.

Km 37 to Km 41: after crossing the town of Tibi, we take the only stretch of road, about 3 kms of the road that connects Tibi with Ibi.

Km 45 to Km 48: 3 kms that we ride along the same riverbed of the river Monegre, wading several times until we come out at the tail end of the Tibi Reservoir.

Km 48 to Km 52: we have to go up from the river to the high part of the Monegre road, 4 kms of hard climb between asphalt and good track.

Km 58 to Km 60: last climb, to leave the Monegre valley towards the high of Peña Rubia. Spectacular view of the whole Sabinar, emblem of the Alicante mountain bike.

Km 63 PC-1 refreshment station: El Sabinar.

Km 60 to Km 100: Continuous trend to lose altitude and flat between vineyards and fruit and vegetable plantations and clay quarries of Agost.

Special mention to the **Km 85 to Km 88:** 3 kms of Rambla Rambuchar, as a farewell to the gravel. **To the finish line**, the last 13 kms are the same as the start in the opposite direction until the finish line.



IG200

The track is 228 kms long, with 2,900 ms of elevation gain. For the Gravel Earth Series qualification, we have to subtract the first 17 kms and the last 24 kms, so the timed section is 187 kms.

Km 8 end of the accompaniment of the Local Police.

Km 17 START Gravel Earth time, ahead 10 kms of ascent.

Km 27 High of Sabinar. Descent by broken track, 1 kms of technical descent.

Km 32 pass under Autovía, technical path 100 ms.

Km 42 to 45 Green way of Agost, caution with the bollards.

Km 54 to 56 Promenade, Hell's Ravine, technical section of 300 ms.

Km 57 EL REBOLLEDO, population.

Km 65 DANGER, crossing by train tracks.

Km 82 to 103, passing through the Natural Parks of the Lagoons of Santa Pola and the wetlands of El Hondo.

Km 117 ALBATERA town.

Km 123 PC-1 Albatera canal.

Km 123 to 204: 81 km of PARTY GRAVEL that you will not forget. Not a single flat metre, with La Bigotilla, La Interminable and endless changes of terrain, paths, marshes and a rambla to get out... In between the PC-2 in Juan's bar, where if you want paella, you are invited...

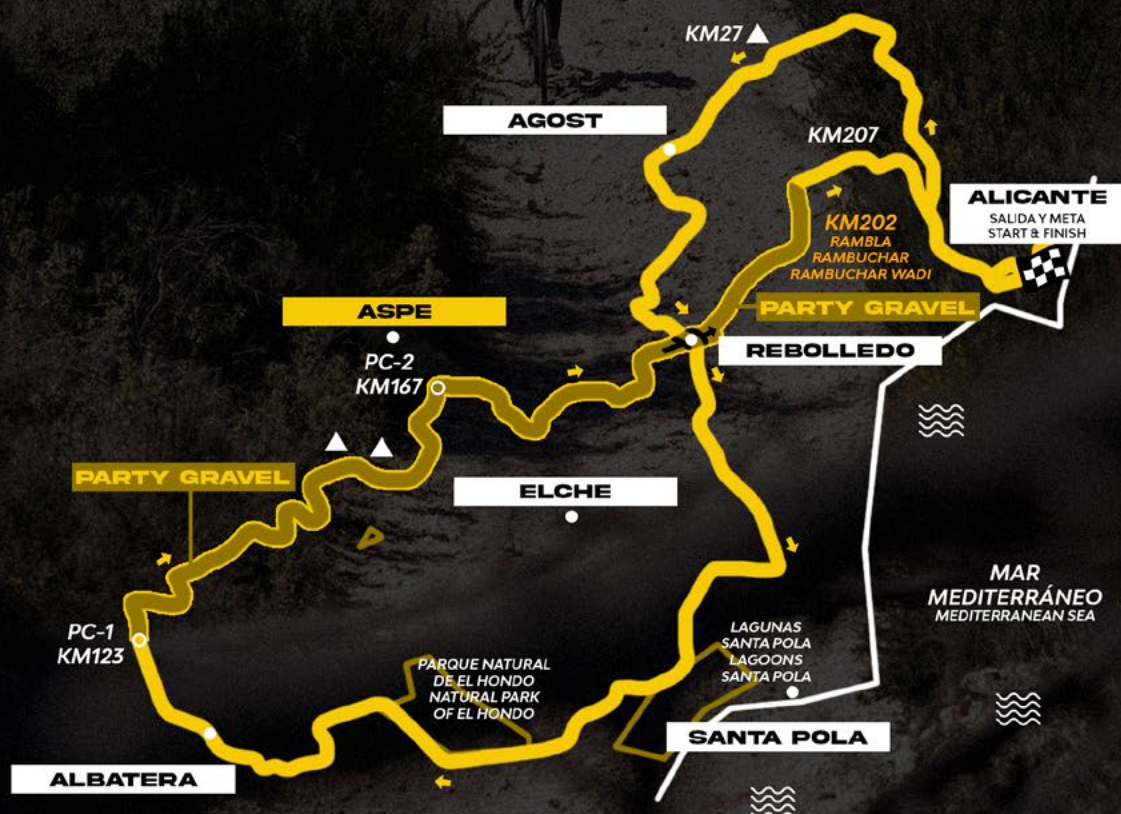
Km 167 PC-2 ASPE. Bar Juan in the industrial estate of Aspe.

Km 193 EL REBOLLEDO, 2nd pass.

Km 204 to 207 Rambla de Rambuchar.

Km 207 FINISH Gravel Earth Series.

Km 215...to META, the last 13 kms are the same as the start in the opposite direction to the finish line.



IG360

The track has 358 kms and 5.300 ms of +. For the Gravel Earth Series qualification, the first and last 17 kms must be subtracted, so the timed section is 324 kms.

Km 8 end of the accompaniment of the Local Police.

Km 17 START time of Gravel Earth, ahead 10 kms of ascent.

Km 27 High of the SABINAR. Descent by broken track, 1 kms of technical descent.

Km 32 passing under the motorway, technical path 100 ms.

Km 42 to 45 Green way of Agost caution with the bollards.

Km 54 to 56 Promenade, Hell's Ravine, technical section of 300 ms.

Km 57 The REBOLLEDO, population. Bars and supermarkets.

Km 65 DANGER, crossing by train tracks.

Km 82 to 90, passing through the Natural Park of the lagoons of Santa Pola.

Km 103 to km 110, Highlands of Guardamar with some technical passages.

Km 110 to km 133, it runs parallel to the river Segura to Orihuela.

Km 137 ORIHUELA, town. Gas stations and bars.

Km 152 Diversion Canal Tajo-Segura, the party begins...

Km 153 PC-1 ALBATERA Canal.

Km 153 to km 213. 3 short but hard passes to climb...

Km 172 High of CATI.

Km 177 HONDON DE LAS NIEVES, town. Source in the track.

Km 198 High of the MONTE COTO.

Km 210 High of the CABEZÓN de la SAL.

Km 213 PC-2 PINOSO, paella for those who are not in a hurry... We leave Pinoso on good tracks, but as we approach the start of the pass of the Highlands of Salinas, there are about 2 kms of paths and stony roads with some technical passes.

Km 232 to 236 High of broken asphalt, average gradient of 12%.

Km 237 High of the highlands of SALINAS.

Km 267 VILLENA, population. Gas station, bars.

Km 269 to km 276 Green way La Xixarra.

Km 280 PC-3 BIAR.

Km 280 to km 292 High altitude gravel on charming tracks to reach the highest point of the route.

Km 292 High of the LA FANDOMA.

The first stretch of approx. 1 km of the descent is technical due to loose stones.

Km 302 to 306 Clean and fun path.

Km 319 TIBI, population.

Km 325 High of the La Moleta.

Km 326 technical descent, stony track.

Km 338 FINISH GES Chrono.

Km 358 ALICANTE FINISH.



2 . SPONSOR





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3 . SCHEDULES

IG 360			IG 200			IG 100		
TIME		FINISH	TIME		FINISH	TIME		FINISH
24Ø · 15 ^h	➔	20:00	27Ø · 8 ^h 30'	➔	15:30	27Ø · 4 ^h	➔	13:00
23Ø · 15 ^h 30'	➔	20:30	25Ø · 9 ^h 10'	➔	16:10	25Ø · 4 ^h 20'	➔	13:20
22Ø · 16 ^h 15'	➔	21:15	23Ø · 10 ^h	➔	17:00	23Ø · 4 ^h 45'	➔	13:45
20Ø · 18 ^h	➔	23:00	21Ø · 10 ^h 50'	➔	17:50	21Ø · 5 ^h 10'	➔	14:10
18Ø · 20 ^h	➔	01:00	18Ø · 12 ^h 40'	➔	19:30	18Ø · 6 ^h	➔	15:00



START IG360 : 05:00 AM
START IG200 : 07:00 AM
START IG100 : 09:00 AM



FRIDAY 19 APRIL

17:00 to 21:00 Delivery of runner's bag in **Sergio Melgares Park.**

SATURDAY 20 APRIL

4:30 to 4:55 IG360 Runner's Bag - **Sergio Melgares Park.**

5:00 IG360 Start

6:30 to 6:55 IG200 Runner's Bag - **Sergio Melgares Park.**

7:00 IG200 Start

7:30 to 8:55 IG100 Runner's Bag Delivery - **Sergio Melgares Park.**

9:00 IG100 Start

Scheduled arrival of first IG100 participants > 13:00

Scheduled arrival of first IG200 participants > 16:00

Scheduled arrival of first IG360 participants > 21:00

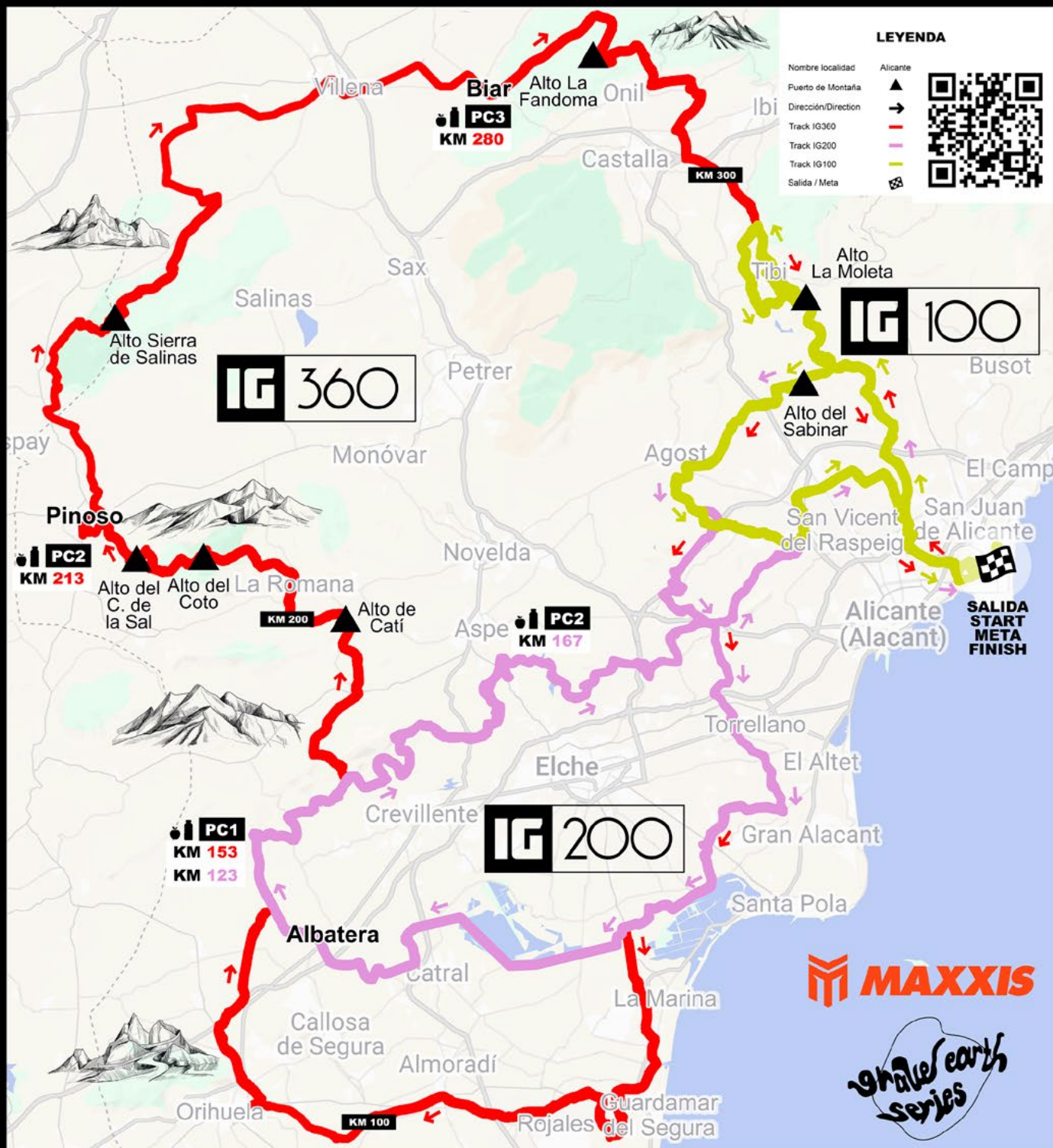
Final catering in the post-meta Village.

SUNDAY 21 APRIL

CLOSING OF ARRIVAL 17:00

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TRACKS



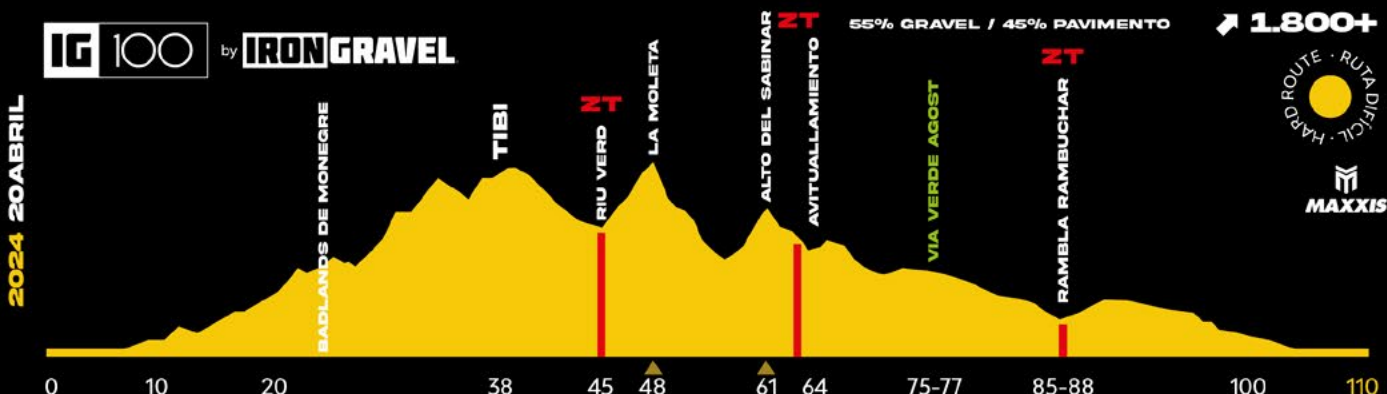
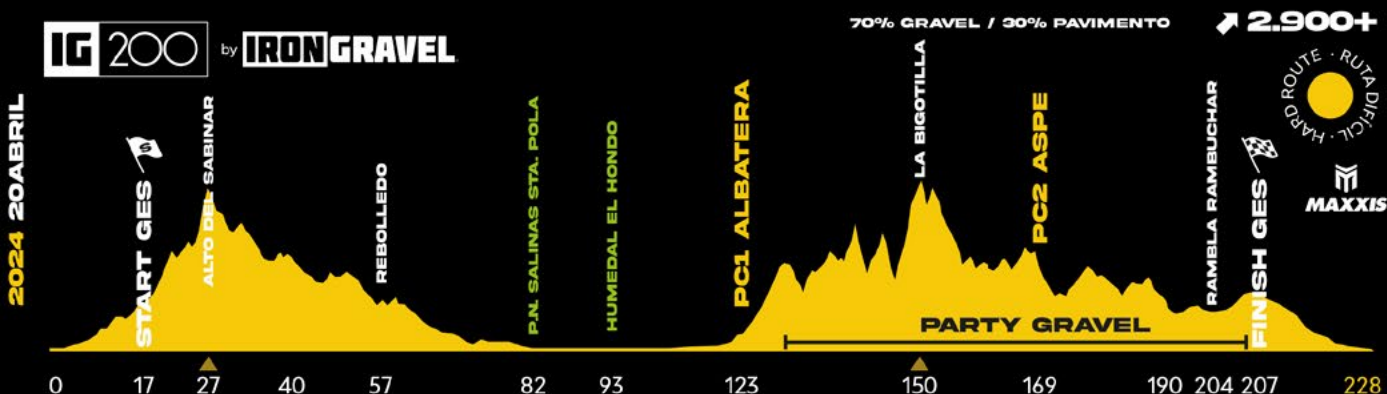
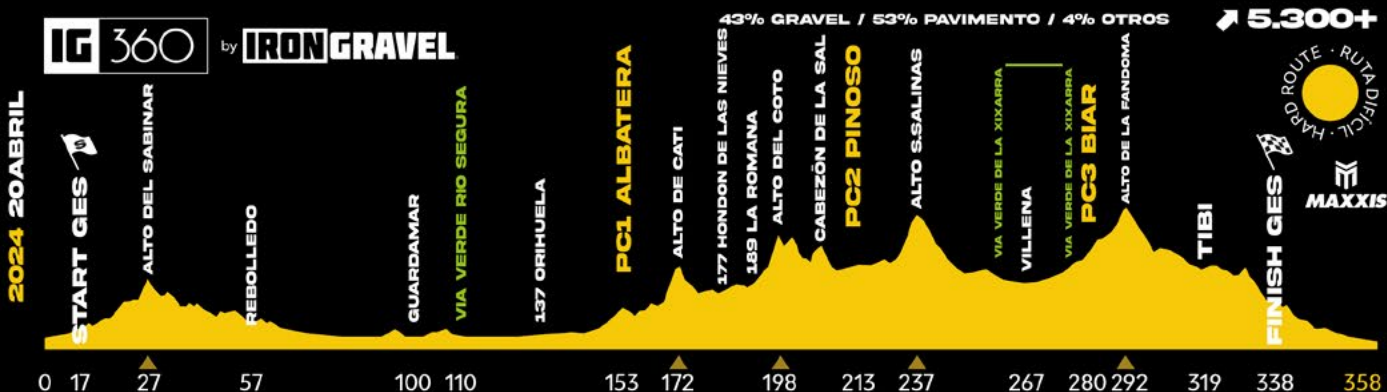
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5 . GOLDEN RULES

I. IT IS NOT A COMPETITION

Running is an option, but not the best way to enjoy the spectacular route proposed. Cycle, breathe, stop, observe, feel and interconnect with your surroundings.

II. NATURE

The Track runs mostly through natural sites of exceptional beauty and protection. Respecting, caring for and complying with the regulations governing the use of these sites, is necessary, obligatory, vital and key for the approval and continuity of events such as the IRON GRAVEL or IG.

III. ROAD SAFETY

The development of the IG is with open traffic and you must comply with the Law of Traffic and Road Safety on the entire track. Traffic and Road Safety Law throughout the entire track.

IV. GPS TRACKING

You must follow and complete the IG route by following the track on your GPS, there are no markers or signposts along the route. You can temporarily separate from the track to stock up on water or food, and must return to the same point where you left off to restart the route.

V. HONOURABILITY

It is not possible from the Organization of the IRON GRAVEL to check the faithful fulfillment of these rules and regulations. There are no sanctions, only YOUR HONOURABILITY, integrity, nobility and dignity, inherent in this type of event, which will make the IG a fair and respectable event.



6 . INSURANCE

The organising company of this event has a liability insurance, which covers the organisation itself, volunteers and participants.

Also as a registered participant you are the beneficiary of an accident insurance that covers you during your participation in the event. For any incident in this regard you should contact the Organization.

Remember the emergency telephone number of the Valencian Community



Call the emergency number: 112



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