

MTB 01*

Veliko Rujno

This ride towards the plateau Veliko Rujno is intended for MTB and trekking riders who like steeper and longer ascents which are not technically very demanding. From the center of the town Starigrad you start on a long ascent towards the very middle of the Velebit Mountain, a habitat to hundreds of plant and animal species, full of karst phenomena and speleological wonders. At the end of the ascent, at almost 900 m above the sea level the plateau Veliko Rujno awaits you - the most spacious upland of the Velebit Mountain which stretches seven km in length and one km in width. After a deserved break, a downhill ride towards Starigrad follows, whereby you will enjoy in beautiful panoramic views of the Zadar Archipelago. Considering that the whole route does not provide any shadow nor restaurants or shops, make sure to bring enough water with you.



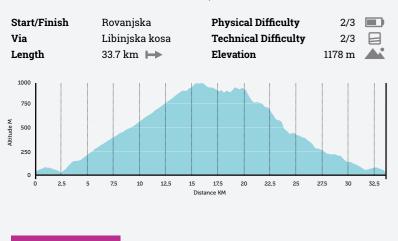


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MTB 03*

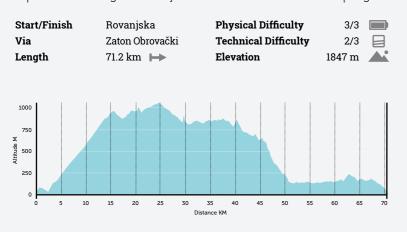
Velebit 1

This trail along the rocky regions of the Velebit mountain is intended for technically and physically advanced recreational MTB riders. There are no springs nor gastronomic facilities on the second serpentine ascent from the sea coast to the peaks of the southern Velebit, so make sure to bring enough liquids, although the temperature difference on the peak will refresh you soon enough. This very interesting landscape will give you an impression of the Alps rather than a place of only few kilometres from the Adriatic Sea. Descent will cross the highway several times, but be extra careful on the parts with rough macadam.



Velebit 2

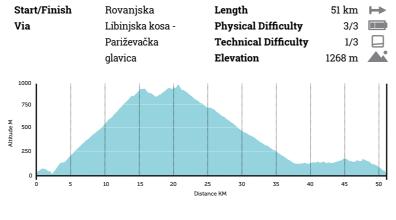
The riding on this demanding route, intended for recreational MTB riders in a physically and technically better condition, will offer a true experience of the Velebit Mountain Range. Right upon the start from Rovanjska a long and demanding ascent awaits you, by which you will come to the high rocky and rugged phenomena which will hover over you like guards - especially the tower-like rocky cliffs Tulove grede. The rugged Mediterranean landscape will be replaced by the mountains which will refresh you and lower the air temperature very quickly as well. On 33rd km you can refresh yourself with drinkable water before vou start riding downhill towards the Zrmanja River canyon, which in some of its parts is very demanding. During your last 20 km you will enjoy in collecting impressions of blue-green Zrmanja River and views of the Zadar Archipelago.





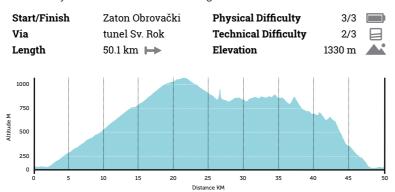
Velebit 3

This attractive trail through the peaks and slopes of the southern Velebit mountain will be especially appealing to the MTB and trekking riders in better physical condition for whom long ascents do not represent a greater problem. From the sea level start on almost 1000 m hights, beautiful panoramic views of the Velebit canal and the Zadar archipelago will help you master a long ascent without shades. Reaching the highest peak brings the reward of temperature difference and awe of Tulove grede towers. Long serpentine descent to the Zrmanja canyon will surely put a smile on your face. Given that there are no springs nor gastronomic facilities on the trail, make sure to bring enough liquids.





A demanding route starting from the Zrmanja River canyon to the peaks of the South Velebit Mountain range, is intended for MTB riders in better physical condition. In spite of a 20 km long ascent and moderately rough macadam during descent, riding on this trail will satisfy the needs of even most-demanding riders. Beautiful views of rocky and rare karst forms, a spring of clear water, numerous bends and unforgettable panoramic views of the Zadar Archipelago will make you want to ride on this trail again



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Velebit 6

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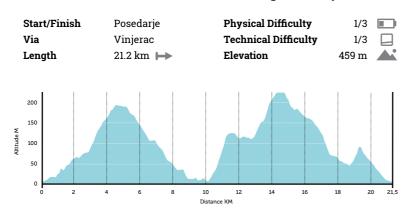
Due to this circular trail of moderate technical difficulty you will have a chance to get acquainted with both sides of the Velebit mountain, especially riders in better physical condition. After starting with a long ascent along the south karstic part of the Velebit, you will enter, with a climate change, into more wooded continental part of Velebit. The return trip brings moderately challenging descent with beautiful views of Zadar hinterland, islands and the Zrmanja canyon.



MTB 11*

Posedarje

This interesting and not very demanding route is recommended to all MTB and trekking riders of basic fitness who want recreation and sightseeing of the local paths and settlements. The route starts from the municipality Posedarje, mentioned as far back as the 13th century under the Latin name Possedaria. Riding on this recognizable karst under the Velebit Mountain, at the start you will see the Novigrad sea on one side and the Velebit Mountain and Velika (Big) and Mala (Small) Paklenica canyons on the other. After the settlement Vinjerac one more ascent follows, on the top of which you will once more be able to look at the Zadar hinterland before returning to Posedarje.

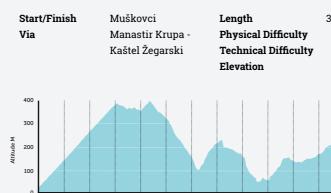


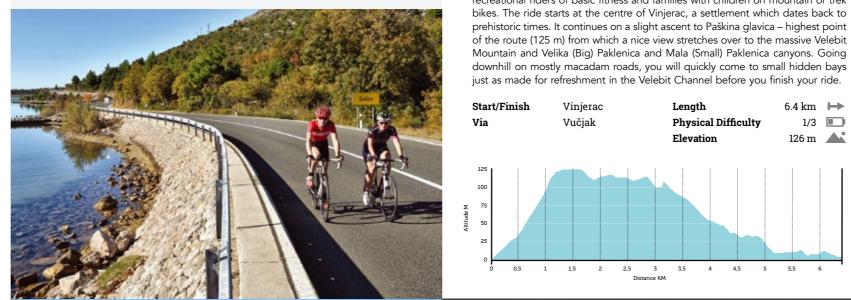




MTB 12*

The canyon of Zrmanja River, a beauty which will take your breath away, is one of the most attractive locations for all those thirsty for adventures. It is a river which in its canyon has created many lime cascades of which the most well-known is Berberov buk, from where this attractive circle route starts. With its technically easy terrain it is intended for MTB riders of moderate fitness and it offers a ride with many sights of the Zrmanja and Krupa Rivers, and the friary as a sacral object on the Krupa River makes this ride even more of a special tourist attraction.







MTB 14*

An interesting and technically undemanding route intended for the MTB riders in moderate physical condition. The trail starts on the Zrmanja River and continues with a light ascent towards almost abandoned parts of the Zadar hinterland, with numerous stone houses and vegetation typical for the karst landscape. After reaching the peak at almost 400 m above the sea level, you will easily ride downhill towards the Zrmanja River canyon and the belvederes where you will enjoy the view over a blue-green stream magnificently entering the sea.



Zrmanja 1

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Zrmanja 3



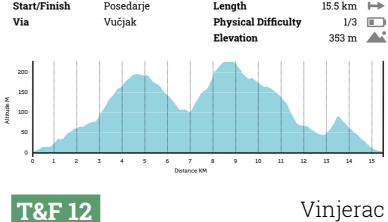


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tional MTB or trekking riders in basic physical condition who are looking for recreation and sightseeing. It starts from Posedarje, a 13th century latin locality Possedaria, and continues familiar karst with beautiful views of Novigrad Sea on one side and Velebit mountain, Velebit channel, Velika Paklenica and Mala Paklenica canyons on the other side. Start/Finish Posedarje

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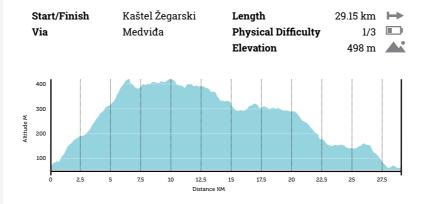


A short and easy trail which starts and ends in Vinjerac settlement, intended for recreational riders of basic fitness and families with children on mountain or trek

Zrmanja 2

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This circular route, intended for recreational MTB and trekking riders, is near the Zrmanja canyon and starts at locality Kaštel Žegarski. It leads through interesting landscapes of Dalmatian inland with typical vegetation and karst landscape. Route does not follow the river, but this ride on a technically undemanding terrain through the quiet and not very populated Zadar hinterland will meet the expectations of all MTB riders in moderate physical condition.



Road 02*

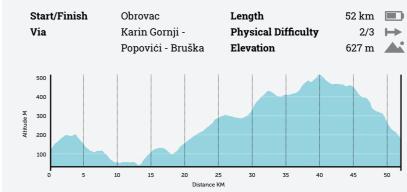
Paklenica 1

This bike route is intended for riders who prefer a long, constant but not too steep ascent. In addition, you will get the chance to see Velebit mountain range both from the southern and from the northern side. After the start in Starigrad, the route will first take you to the Adriatic road (Jadranska magistrala) right on the coast until you reach Rovenska and then you will start to slightly ascent the Zrmanja Canyon up to the highest point (765 m), followed by 11 km of well-deserved descent towards Gračac and Ričice lake.



Obrovac 1

Riding on this circular route is adjusted to cyclists who prefer a dynamic exchange of grounds with moderate ascents and very diverse landscapes. The route starts from Obrovac with stone contours of the Kurjaković dukes fortress in the blue-green river Zrmanja and continues along the Novigrad and Karin Sea, through nearly abandoned villages of Zadar hinterland.



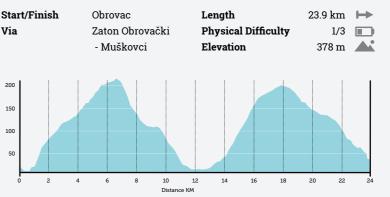
Road 18³

Road 05*

Muškovci

Obrovac 2

Easy route along the river Zrmanja canyon is ideal for warming up and getting acquainted with the hard and savage Velebit karst. The circular route starting in Obrovac will provide two moderate ascents with the same number of descents. What makes this ride incredibly interesting is double crossing of the river Zrmanja with the inevitable waterfall Berberov buk and the Obrovac fortress.



Road 19⁴

Road 20*

A route a long the deep hinterland of Zadar, moderately difficult and lasting 2 to 3 hours, is intended for those who prefer long ascents with magnificent panoramas. You are starting from Obrovac to the south through an area with almost utterly abandoned settlements with stone houses built in a typical Mediterranean karst. Upon descending to the Zrmanja river canyon, the landscape becomes more picturesque and green, and the Monastery Krupa dating from 14th century



Maslenica

The road trail Maslenica is a demanding circular trail intended for true lovers of road cycling. All those who consider 100 km of cycling to be a pleasure or challenge will be thrilled with the long ascents with maximum decline of 15%, as well as with the magnificent panoramas of river canyons and the Zadar archipelago. The route starts at Maslenički most (Maslenica Bridge) along the Novigrad and Karin Sea, it ascends towards the canyons of the rivers Zrmanja and Krupa, and then follows the same downstream before returning back to the narrow Maslenica canal.



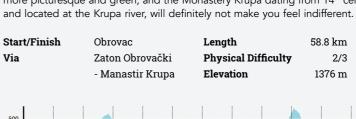


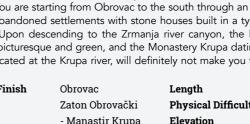






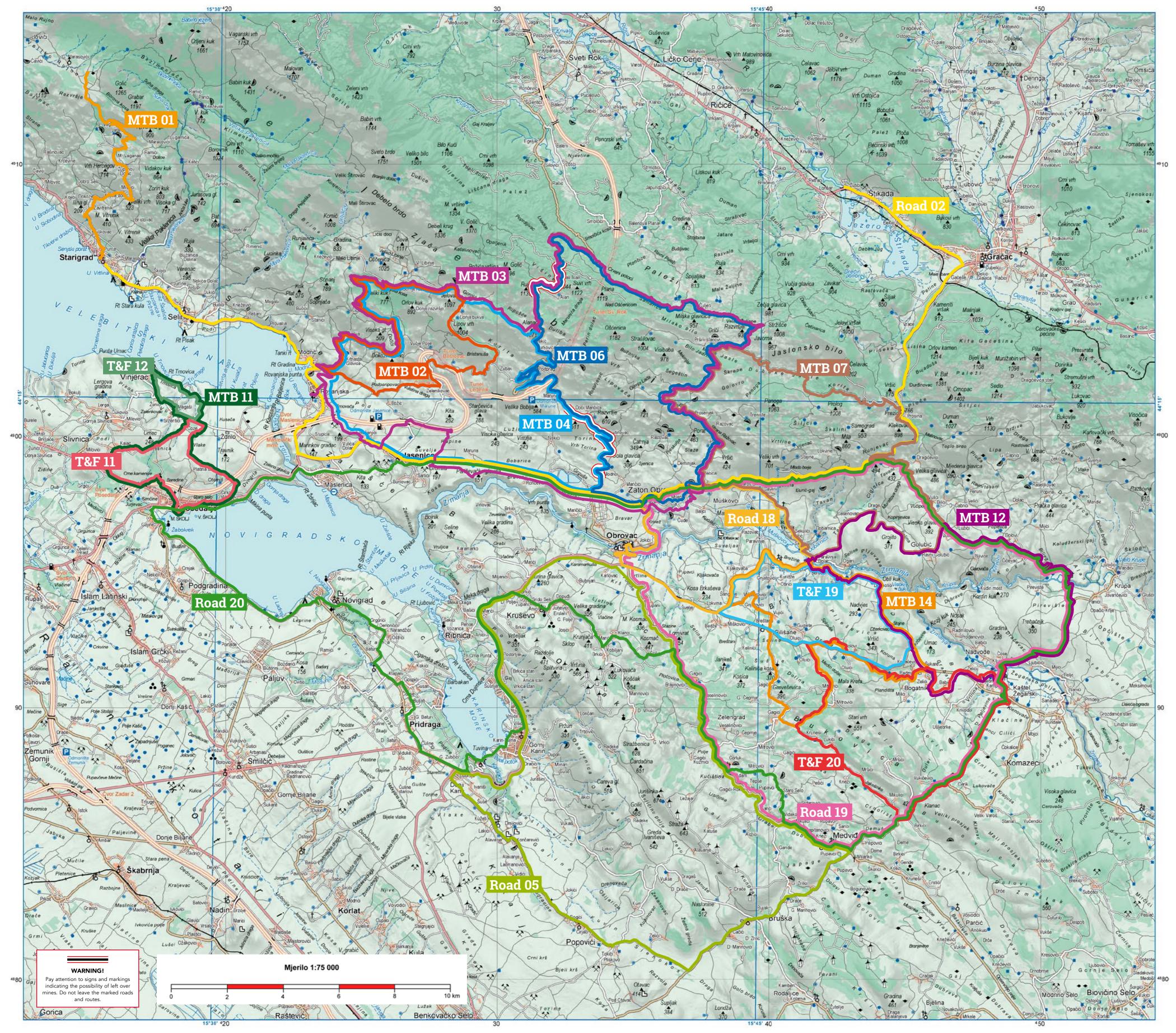




















Legend

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	Railway line	-
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