



Arco de la Villa (Villa's archway) in Olmedo



River Eresma



Aqueduct of Segovia

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#### SEGOVIA - MEDINA DEL CAMPO TRAIN

The train that linked Segovia and Medina del Campo worked from 1884 to 1993. The construction of said railway route underwent some difficulties, as at first it was one of the alternatives of the Madrid – Valladolid railway route, belonging to the so-called North Railroad (Madrid – Irún). Dismissed as main option, it was built as a secondary line. The stretch from Segovia to Medina del Campo, chosen spot for the connection with the line Madrid – Irún, was inaugurated on 1st June, 1884, and on 1st July, 1888 it was connected with the stretch Villalba – Segovia.

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#### NAVA DE LA ASUNCIÓN - OLMEDO SECTION

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**9.** After kilometre point 59 we reach the small village of Ciruelos de Coca. The trail crosses again under AVE tracks, and a rest area 3 km further on tells us that some time ago this was the site of the Fuente de Santa Cruz stop. After crossing the AVE tracks once again (this time via a bridge), the last kilometres of this Nature Trail are travelled. This section ends at the outskirts of the town of Olmedo.

**8.** After crossing the AVE via an underpass, the route continues in parallel with it before reaching the striking bridge over the river Voltoya, which is 110 m long. Although the municipality of Coca is some two kilometres away from its old train station (of which only the ruins of its storeroom remain today) its rich history and architectural heritage it is worth a visit.

#### YANGUAS - CARBONERO TRAIN STATION TO NAVA DE LA ASUNCIÓN SECTION

**4.** The second stage of this trail crosses a bridge over the River Eresma shortly after starting. The riverbank vegetation gives way to small pine stands and cereal crops. The hermitage of Virgen del Tornejón is an imperturbable witness of the coming and going of travellers. After reaching kilometre 30, Armuña train stop appears before the traveller.

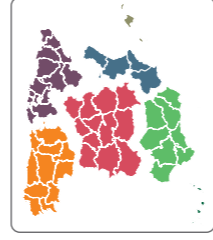
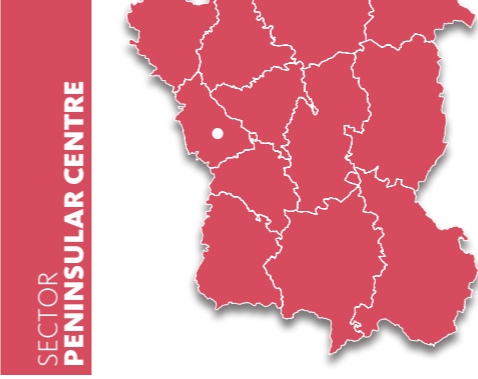
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#### TODAY, THE RIVER ERESMA SEES HIKERS AND CYCLIST GO TO AND FOR WHILE THE TRAIN USED TO RUN FOR OVER 100 YEARS

The wide Eresma valley has always been a highly appreciated land. First inhabited thousands of years ago, these meadows have long been farmed and transformed by humans for their settlements. Thus, the original holm oak and Pyrenean oak woods that once flanked the riverbank have now turned into an area interspersed with cereal crops and black poplar forest crops. The River Eresma has witnessed all these changes and it has seen travellers and goods pass by on the trains, livening up their journey with its greenness. Today, this river offers its freshness to all the nature lovers who hike this nature trail, which uses the old railway from Segovia to Medina del Campo and can now be used with any non-motorised transportation means

Since 1993 the Ministry for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food'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 Eresma Valley Greenway Nature Trail. Reolid section 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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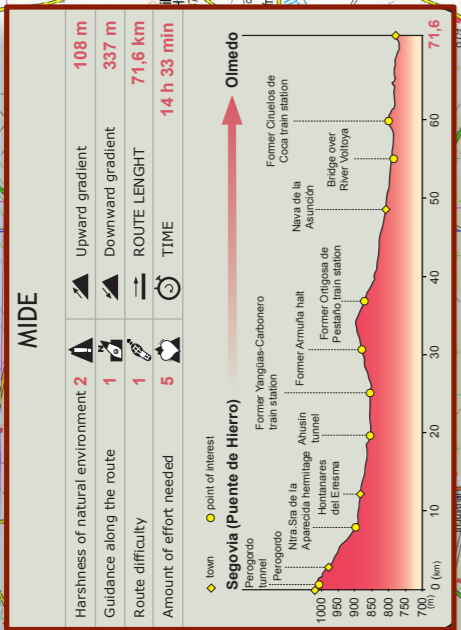
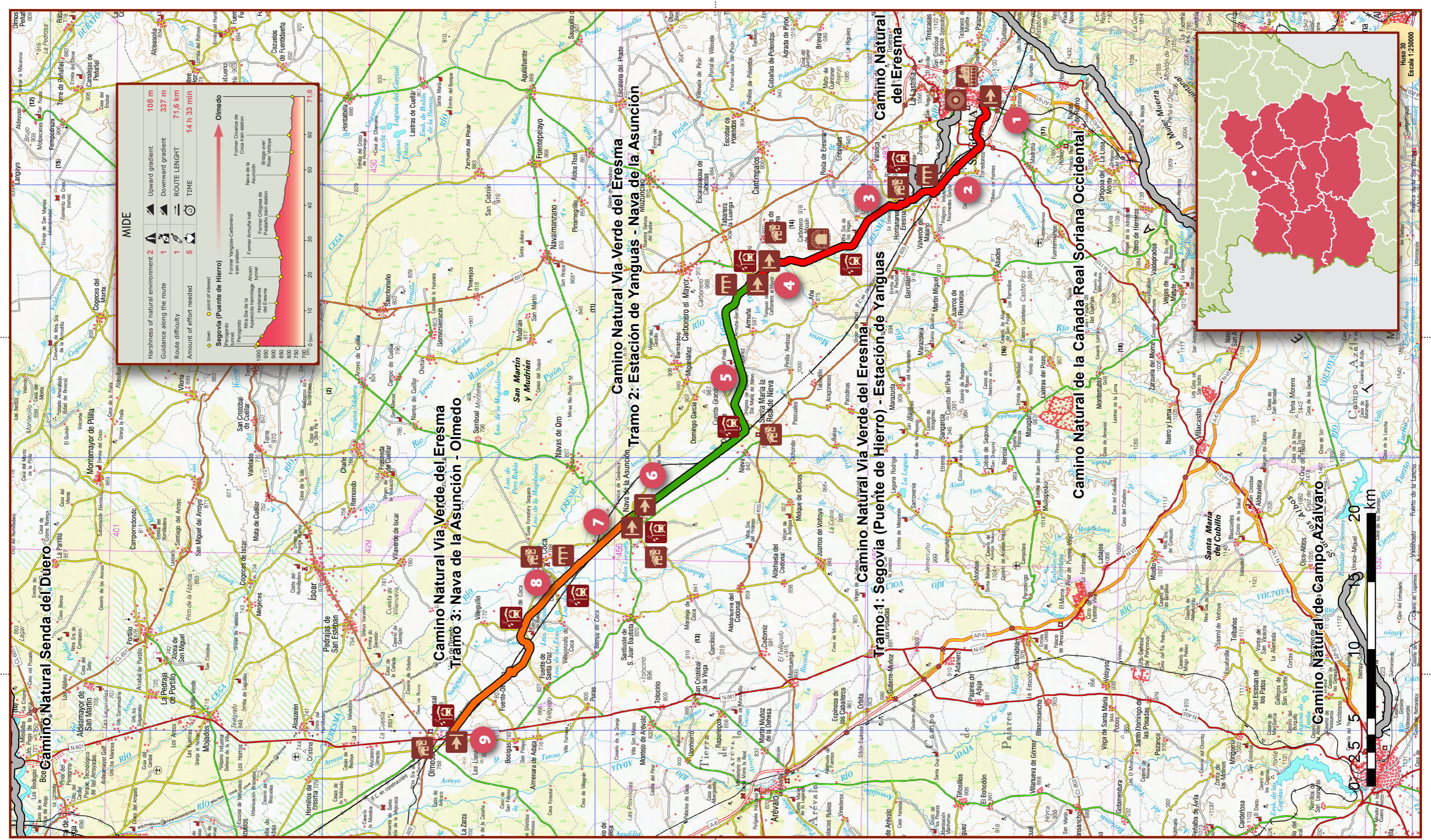
#### SECTOR PENINSULAR CENTRE NATURE TRAIL ERESMA VALLEY GREENWAY

This Nature Trail, which is divided into three stages with a total length of more than 70 kilometres, takes the traveler from Segovia to Olmedo, the latter being in the province of Valladolid.

**1.** This first stage begins at the bridge known as "Puente de Hierro" (Iron bridge, officially Puente de Tejadilla). Soon after reaching the first kilometre, the traveller goes through the Perogordo tunnel and, two kilometres later, reaches the Perogordo district, belonging to Segovia. Then, the route goes under the Madrid-Valladolid-Palencia-León high-speed train tracks (called AVE in Spain). It runs alongside them for 4 kilometres, with the railroad to the right.

**2.** After finishing this stretch and crossing a small wooden footbridge, the traveller discovers the hermitage of Nuestra Señora de la Aparecida. Then, the trail briefly crosses an industrial park, going under the high-speed railroad once more and following the original tracks again. The travellers continue their adventure crossing the Lobones bridge and visiting the Caserío de Lobones.

**3.** Near Hortanares de Eresma, the Eresma Valley Greenway Nature Trail intersects with the Eresma Nature Trail, so the traveller must be careful and follow the right signs. Leaving Hortanares de Eresma and its old train station behind, the traveller will soon reach Ahusín train stop, then Ahusín tunnel and, finally, the old Yanguas-Carbonero train station, marking the end of this first section



NATURE TRAIL  
**ERESMA VALLEY GREENWAY**

- Section starting point
- End of section
- Town centre
- Town
- Monumental area
- Former train station
- Bridge
- Tunnel