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## Mula - Bullas: between landscapes and vineyards

**Distance:** 21 km **Walking time:** 5 hours **Cycling time:** 2 hours

Your faith has brought you as far as the **penultimate stage** of the Camino de Levante, and although this one is shorter at 21 kilometres, it is also more strenuous. Leaving Mula behind, you set out on a walk (or ride) which will take you through the vineyards to Bullas.

At this point the route is already in the north-west of Region of Murcia. Did you know that this section runs close to the **regional park of Sierra Espuña?** This is one of the finest natural landscapes of the Region, and it is not uncommon to see golden eagles along the way: keep your eyes peeled, as the wildlife is one of the treasures along the route.

As the route climbs it becomes more testing, with some of the slopes far from straightforward. To avoid getting lost always follow the Vía Verde del Noroeste, which passes through **El Niño de Mula**, a popular place among pilgrims and a good spot to take refreshment on board and recharge the batteries. The best month to visit here is September, when the locals commemorate the apparition of the infant Jesus to a shepherd. As you can see, this is another manifestation of the miracles and faith impregnating each section of the route.

And then, almost unexpectedly, we arrive in Bullas. Celebrate your arrival by visiting the church of Nuestra Señora del Rosario and the Museo del Vino (Wine Museum): this is a land of vineyards and quality products which have been awarded Denomination of Origin status, and an ideal place to rest up and regain your strength before tackling the last stage of the journey.