



4.3 Vittorio Veneto–Treviso. Through the Prosecco Hills.

Situated on the slopes of the Alpine foothills near Treviso, **Vittorio Veneto** is a union of two ancient villages, Ceneda and Serravalle, which both have a rich historical



and artistic past. This area's more recent history is closely linked to World War I, which came to an end in these very lands, as the **Museo del Cenedese** and **Museo della Battaglia** can attest. An absolute must-see is the monumental set of steps starting near the **Duomo di Serravalle** (cathedral) and leading to the **Sanctuary of Santa Augusta**.

Here you will also find the bike path bordering the Meschio River, the waters of which maintain a constant temperature of 11° C and, for this reason, were once used for forging the famous blades. Keep going south and you will come to **Conegliano** (2), which is synonymous with fine drinking, boasting **green hills** (1) adorned with Prosecco vines. The backdrop is dominated by the castle, which now houses the **Museo Civico** bearing the vestiges of medieval days. Conegliano is also known for being the birthplace of **Giovanni Battista Cima**, a painter who lived a mysterious life and created exceptional artwork, as one can observe in his alter painting displayed in the **Sala dei Battuti** of the **Duomo**. After leaving Conegliano, you'll pass by **Susegana** and the **Castello di San Salvatore** to your right, where the Counts of **Collalto** reigned over the surrounding feud. The course of the **Piave River** marks the border between the hills

and plains. Along the way, vast stretches of Venetian farmland all

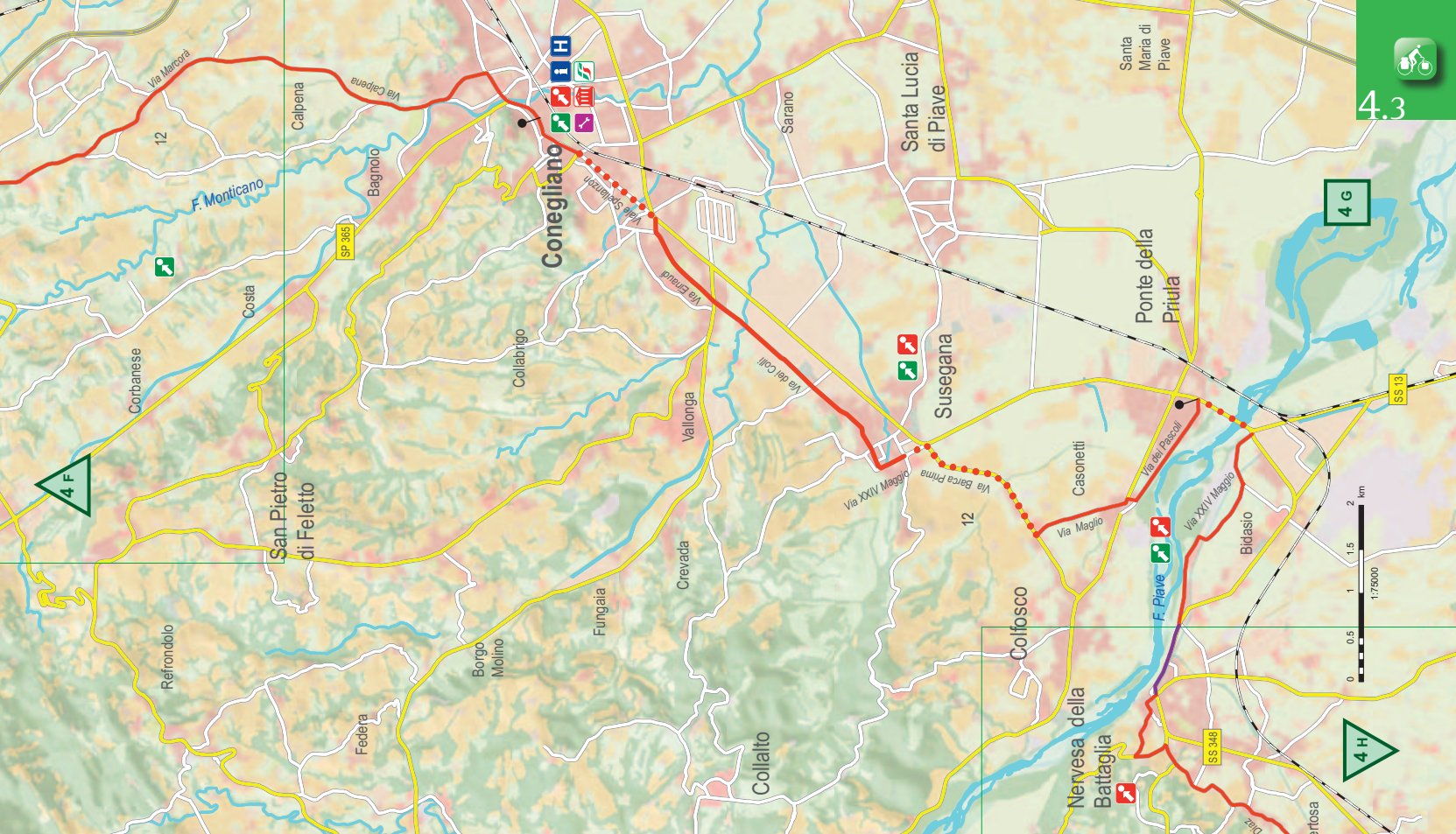


of a sudden seem to take the place of the gently rolling hills. The **Montello** is the last hill flanking the route to the right until you reach **Montebelluna**; from there, you'll go downhill towards **Treviso** (3). The silhouettes of the hills gradually give way to the flatland where we can catch a glimpse of livestock farms, high-quality croplands,

Third leg
Distance: 56 km
Difficulty level: ⚙️

manmade wetlands, and some of the most dynamic business clusters in Europe. Once you've reached the city's protective walls, you can go through the monumental gateway of **San Tomaso** and head into the centre to **Piazza dei Signori**, a popular gathering place where you can breathe in the exciting atmosphere of the capital city in the province, which in medieval times was known as "**Marca gioiosa et amorosa**" (province of joy and courtly love).





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