



1. AROUND THE ŽILINA DAM

Length: 21,8 km

Pitch: +40 m

Difficulty: easy

Roads around the Žilina Dam with its beautiful surroundings create a favourite locality for physical activities of Žilina's inhabitants. They are also for cyclists, of course, together with skaters, runners and walkers. They are suitable for families with children and are not time demanding. The route is indicated on the map by red line and red arrows.

Access to the starting point:

From the town centre around the Tesco store to the crossroads in Celulóžka 2,5 km (partially following the cycling path).

Route description:

We set off from the crossroads in **Žilina-Celulóžka** (342 AMSL) to the left side following the national road to the Žilina Dam. We turn right just before the water wall and come forward to the water dam along the barrier. We continue on the right-hand, newly asphalted road to the footbridge over the dam nearby the village of Mojš (355) 4,4 km. We swerve to the right just before it and go forward on the asphalt road (0,18 km) to the close crossroads. We turn left right up down and continue on, forward to the right side of the dam on the unpaved road. After 2,5 km we pass by the farm buildings in the centre of the village of Strečno and after next kilometre, at the beginning of Strečno, we turn right into the street in the village (355) 8,04 km. (A possibility of the option from here).

After 50 m we turn left and pass 1,5 km on the already asphalted road to the crossroads in the centre of **Strečno** (360) 9,6 km. From that point we continue to the left, direction castle, to the footbridge over the river Váh. (Next, there is a possibility to visit Strečno castle, straight way in the direction). Over the footbridge for walkers we get to the village of **Nezbudská Lúčka** (360) 10,14 km. From here, you have a possibility to turn right up to Starý hrad (the Old castle).

We continue on the left side across the village and behind the village on the national road under the railway line to the crossroads near the lake (flooded mine) just under the underpass. (A possibility to visit it, following the field road). Next we continue on the national road through the top of the gradient (370 AMSL) to **Varín**. Just behind the bridge over the river Varínka (360) 12,54 km, we turn down left and following the unpaved road under the railway line we come to the barrier at the beginning of the asphalt road around the dam (355) 13,08 km. We turn back to Žilina on the quality asphalt road, usually in the numerous communities of skaters. We pass by the footbridge near the village of Mojš (355) 17,4 km and finally we turn down to the national road from Mojš in front of the dam. Following this road, we get to the starting crossroads in **Žilina-Celulóžka** (342) 21,8 km..

Option:

At the beginning of the village Strečno (356) 8,04 km, we do not turn to the village, but continue further on the embankment on a little lower quality road in nice environment up to the wood company, where we turn (following the Blue cycling signs) into the village centre. We can possibly go further on, on the embankment (only on the path) and at the end we get closely to the front of the footbridge over a short slope to Nezbudská Lúčka.

Km Length	Km total	AMSL	Place	Direction
0	0	342	ŽILINA – CELULÓŽKA, Crossroads to the Žilina Dam	turn left from the main road to the dam under the dam wall
0,25	0,25	340	Crossroads under the dam Wall	up right to the dam and on the right-hand (dirt) road to the footbridge nearby the village Mojš
4,16	4,41	355	Footbridge over the dam to the village Mojš	up right on the asphalt road to the close crossroads
0,18	4,59	358	Crossroads	down left and on the right-hand road around the dam in front of the Co-operative farm
2,43	7,02	355	Crossroads in front of the Co-operative farm of Strečno	next around the dam to the crossroads at the beginning of Strečno
1,02	8,04	355	Strečno – turning to the village	turn right into the street, after 50 m turn left and go on the already asphalt road to the crossroads in the centre of Strečno

1,56	9,60	360	STREČNO – the centre of the village, crossroads by the Municipal Office	left (direction castle) to the footbridge over the river Váh
0,36	9,96	360	footbridge over the river Váh for walkers to Nezbudská Lúčka	on the footbridge to the Nezbudská Lúčka (possibility to turn right in the village under the Old Castle)
0,18	10,14	360	NEZBUDSKÁ LÚČKA	left across the village and then on the national road under the railway to the crossroads to the mine (lake)
0,76	10,90	360	Crossroads by the mine (lake)	continue on the national road across the top of climbing (370) to Varín
1,64	12,54	360	VARÍN, crossroads behind the bridge over Varínka	turn left down to the river and on the dirt road under the railway to the barrier at the beginning of the road around the dam
0,54	13,08	355	Barrier, beg. of the asphalt road around the Žilina Dam	on the asphalt road around the dam to the footbridge by the village Mojš
3,60	17,40	355	Footbridge by Mojš	continue around the dam at the end of the road in front of the dam wall, downhill road to the national road from Mojš, on this road to the starting point in Celulózka
4,40	21,8	342	ŽILINA, Celulózka	

Okolo Žilinskej priehrady

Dĺžka : 21,8 km Prevýšenie : + 40 m Náročnosť : ľahká

