

BLUE HAZE ROUTE

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The Blue Haze route leaves Midmar right towards Nottingham Road, passed the Nelson Mandela Capture Site Memorial, a worthwhile stop. After 5 kilometers a right turn is taken (just past Piggly Wiggly – P162) towards Balgowan, and then left onto the Curry's Post road P165. A good breakfast venue is Linga Lapa, where fuel is also available.

The route then heads north east to Weenen on good District Roads. A red loop is available at kilometer 84 (Middlesrus), taking a shortcut back to Weenen. Another red loop is also available just before Weenen.



The route then turns through the Weenen Game Reserve and through Estcourt to the Blue Haze lunch venue (more at www.bluehaze.co.za). Note: To reach The Aloes, pictured above, carry on straight to Colenso instead of turning into the Weenen Game Reserve. At Colenso, take on-ramp to R103 towards Estcourt/Winterton and you will find it on your right. To rejoin the route, proceed to the next intersection and turn left to Estcourt.

The run back to Midmar is along the famous Midlands Meander (more at www.midlandsmeander.co.za). A scenic gravel run past the back of the Wagondrift Dam with spectacular Drakensberg views brings onto the R103 at Rosetta and onto Nottingham Road and back to Midmar. There are innumerable meal venues on this route from Rosetta through Nottingham Road and down to Midmar. The R103 also has fabulous tar 'twisties' and too many tourist attractions to list here.

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