

MTB (mountain bike) routes

Route signposting

All MTB routes in Drenthe are signposted with the international MTB symbol. The position of the symbol indicates the direction of the routes.

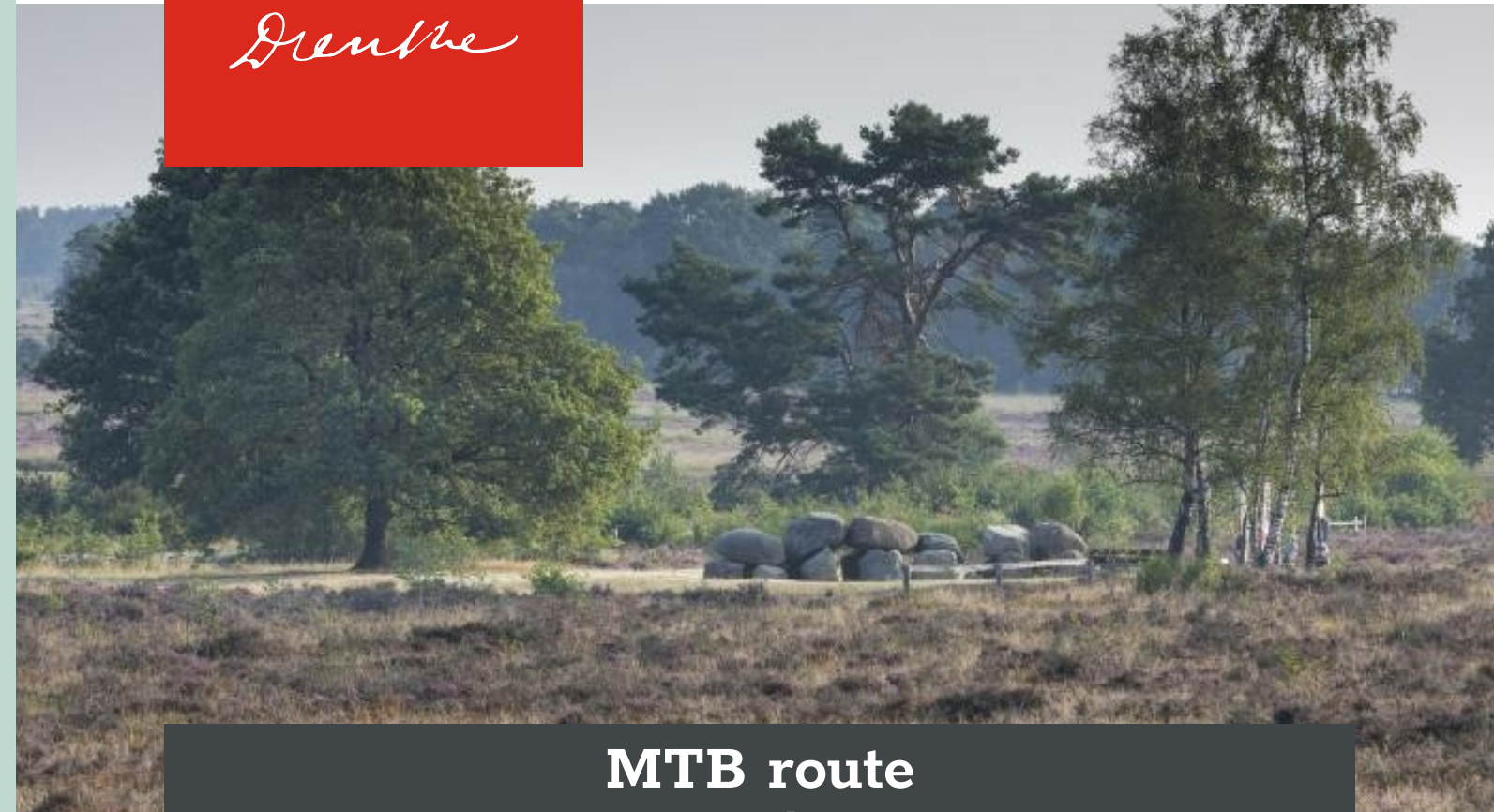
Upwards	= straight ahead
To the left	= turn left
To the right	= turn right
Diagonal	= bear left/right

The colour of the signposts differs per route, which makes the route easy to follow by its colour. Connections between two routes and branches off from car parks to a route are indicated on the same signs but in the colour black.

Tips for enjoyable mountain biking

- Keep in mind that you are a guest in the environment. Respect people, plants and animals.
- Bike only where this is permitted.
- Bike in small groups.
- Warn other recreationists that you are approaching in good time and in a friendly way.
- Approach other recreationists and busy locations at walking pace.
- Avoid unnecessary braking to protect the ground surface.
- Do not make unnecessary noise.
- Dispose of rubbish properly.
- Maintain control of your bike around bends and on downhill sections. Do not take unnecessary risks; know your own limitations.
- Smoking in nature is discouraged (and in some cases forbidden).
- Stick to the rules indicated on the signs.
- Mountain biking is at your own risk at all times.

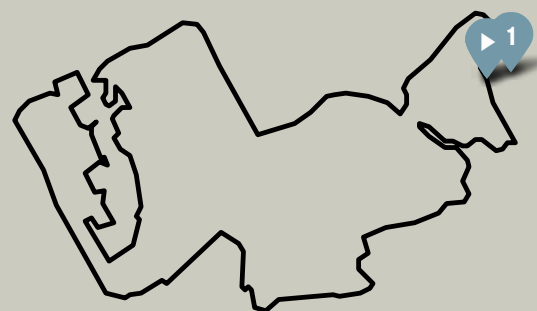
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MTB route MTB Havelte-West

Distance: 17.0 km Duration: 1 hour 8 minutes

This route is managed by: Recreatieschap Drenthe



Locations on this route:

1 Van Helomaweg 47 Darp

MTB Havelte-West

Indicated in blue, this route is 16 kilometres long. During weekends, an extra loop of 6 kilometres (red) can be added. The route is suitable for both beginners and advanced cyclists.

You encounter single tracks, small climbs and open fields on this route. The single tracks are very technical, thus requiring good steering skills.

You cycle through terrain belonging to, among others, the Ministry of Defence (military training area) and Staatsbosbeheer (the Forestry Commission).

At the weekend, when the training area is not being used by the Ministry of Defence, you can add the extra 6-kilometre loop. This loop begins approximately 5.5 kilometres from the start of the route. This red route runs through the middle part of the training area. After crossing the tank track, you enter the inner grounds, where, in addition to single tracks, you encounter a number of short climbs and descents. After roughly 6 kilometres, you're back on the blue route.

Havelte is well known for its two dolmens, its burial mounds, nature reserve Brandveen and the charming hamlets Oosterzand and Westertzand. In Havelte itself, you encounter monumental buildings, renovated Saxon farms and a sheepfold with a sheep herd. Havelte is surrounded by expansive forests, heathlands, sand dunes and meadows.