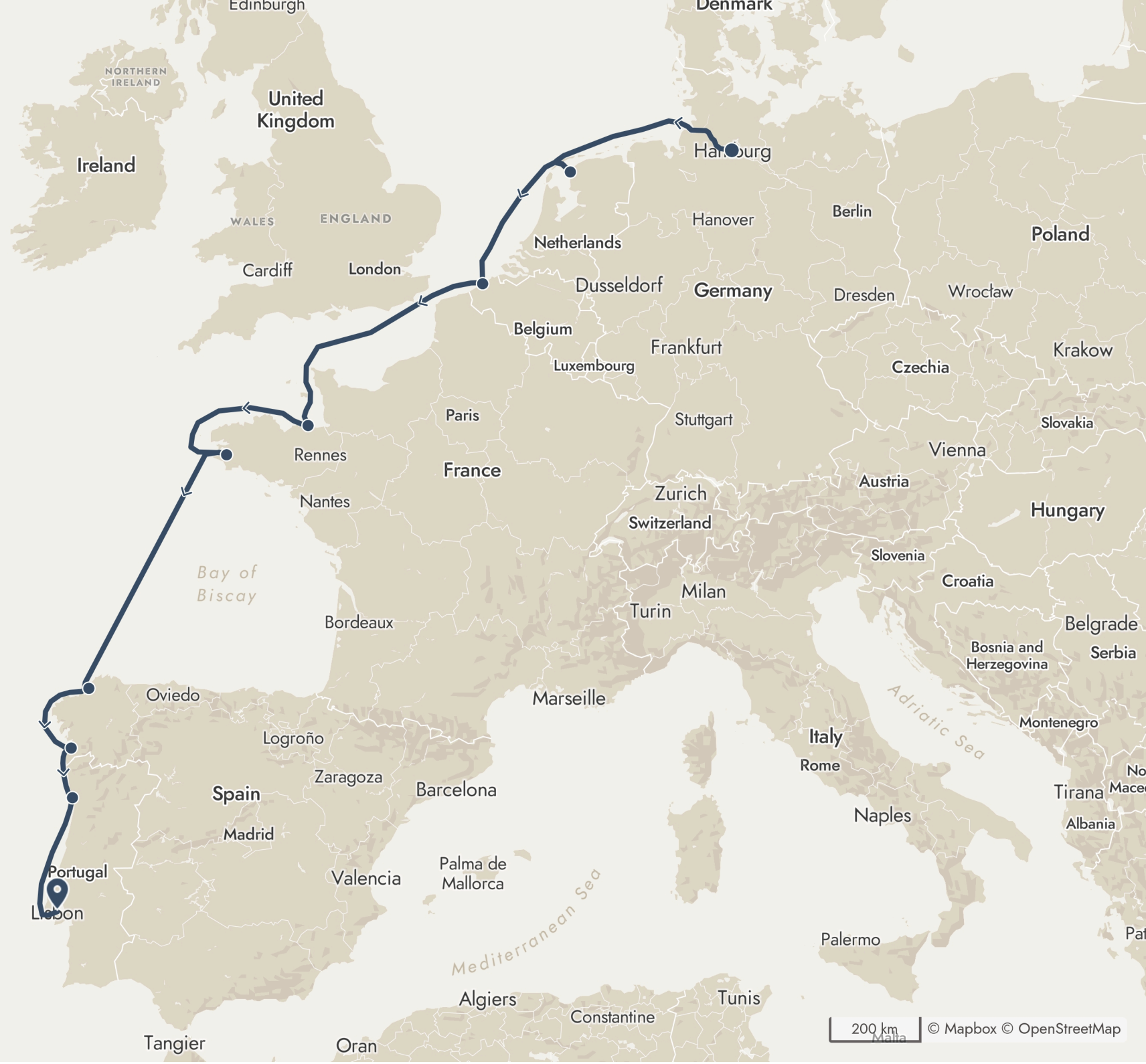




MS Spitsbergen

2025.10.06 - 2025.10.17



Legend

HX Expedition



KAROLINENVIERTEL

Hamburgische
Staatsoper

Hamburger Kunsthalle

Binnendalster

ST. PAULI

Millerntor-Stadion

Hamburg Museum

NEUSTADT

ALTONA-
ALTSTADT

Chilehaus Hamburg

PORTUGIESENVIERTEL

Elbe

Speicherstadt

HAFENCITY

OBERHAFFEN

Hamburg

Elbe Philharmonic Hall

QUARTIER
STRANDKAI

QUA
BAAKE

Elbe

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STEINWERDER

Theater im Hafen

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300 m

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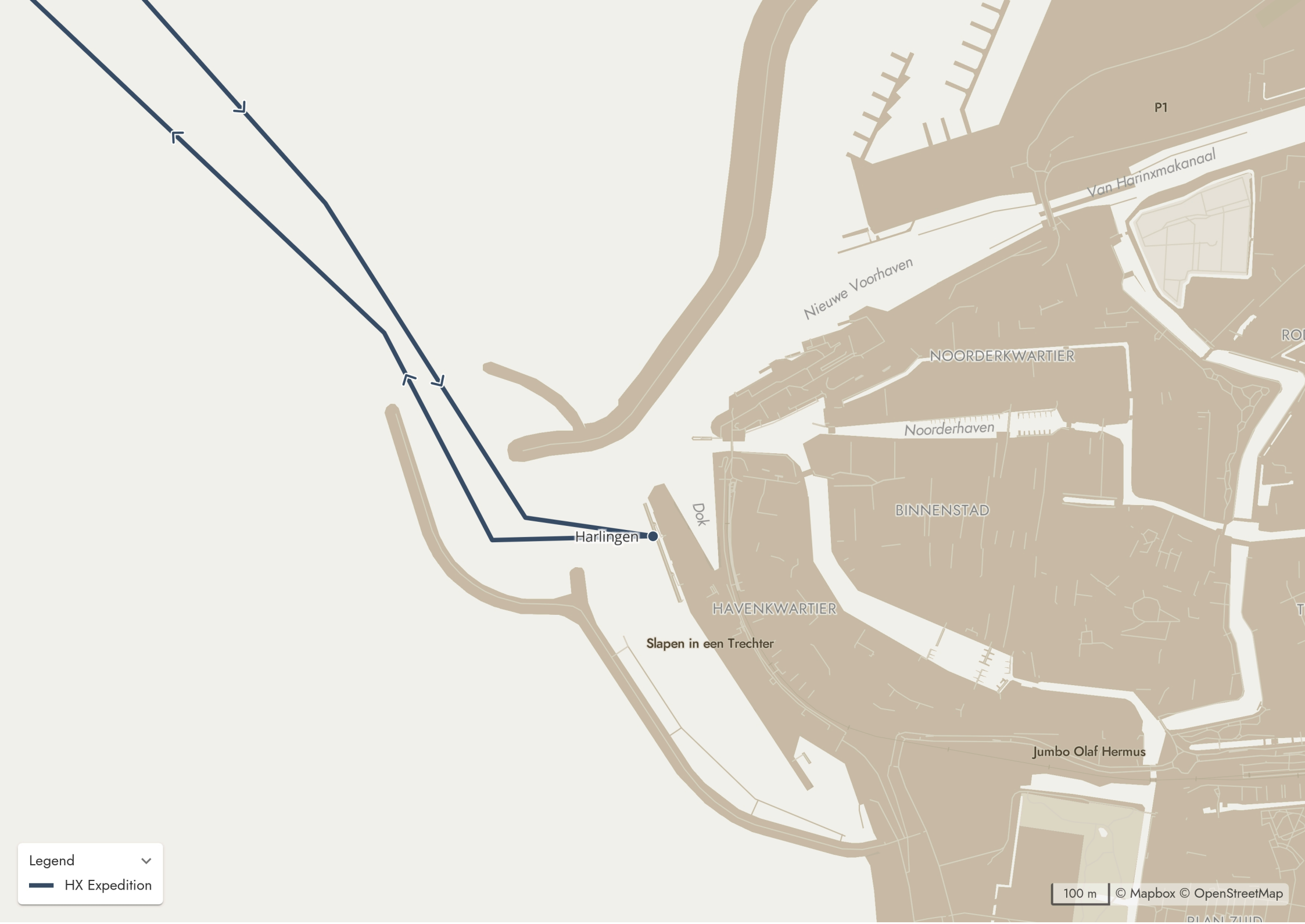
Day 1 - Embarkation in Hamburg

Embarkation on MS Spitsbergen in Hamburg was an exciting and well-organized experience that set the tone for the journey ahead. Upon arrival at the port, guests were greeted by friendly staff who assisted with check-in and luggage handling, ensuring a smooth start to the trip. After completing security and receiving their keycards, passengers picked up their complimentary expedition jackets—perfect

for unpredictable coastal weather and a signature part of the voyage. As guests stepped aboard, they could opt for some refreshments and also finding their cabins, with time to explore the ship, attend a safety briefing, and settle in before departure. The atmosphere is filled with anticipation as the ship prepares to set sail on its journey down the European coast.







P1

Van Harinxmakanaal

Nieuwe Voorhaven

NOORDERKWARTIER

Noorderhaven

BINNENSTAD

Dok

HAVENKWARTIER

Slapen in een Trechter

Harlingen

Jumbo Olaf Hermus

100 m

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Day 2 - Harlingen, The Netherlands

Visiting Harlingen offers a charming glimpse into a traditional Dutch port town with a rich maritime history. One of the highlights of the stop is taking a Zodiac cruise through the town's historic canal system, providing a unique and up-close perspective of its picturesque waterways. Gliding past old warehouses, sailing ships, and quaint

brick buildings, guests get a sense of the town's deep connection to the sea. The small, agile Zodiacs allow for an intimate experience, navigating narrow canals that larger boats can't access, making it a memorable way to explore Harlingen from the water.





Special Area of
Conservation 2

De Ha

Zeepreventorium

Klemskerke

Bredene

VUURTORENWIJK

Ostend

Ostend

NIEUWE
KOERSWIJK

Stene

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1 km

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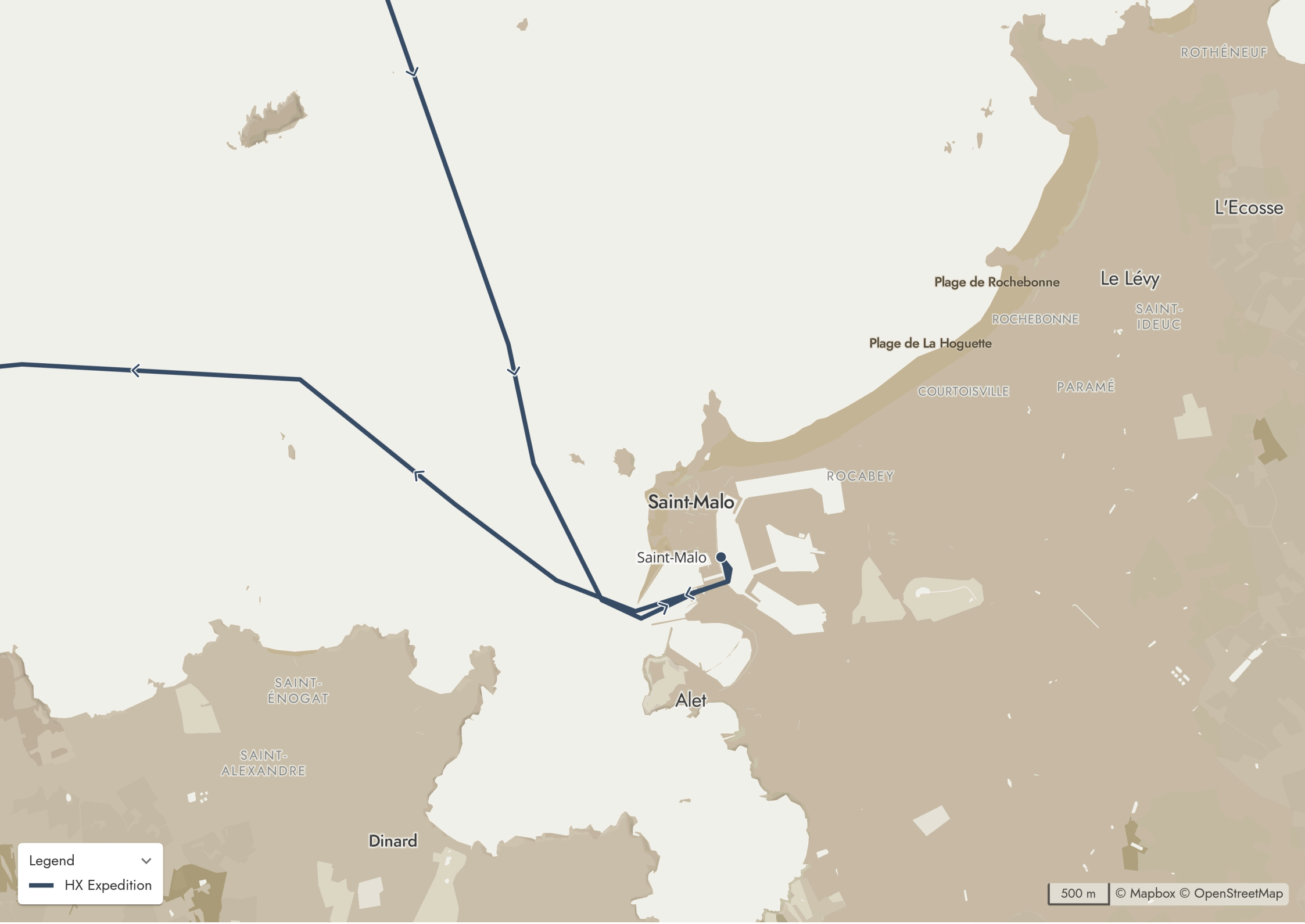
Day 3 - Ostend, Belgium

A stop in Ostend offers a convenient gateway to the beautiful city of Bruges, known for its medieval architecture, winding canals, and historic charm. Unfortunately, due to a sea pilot strike on the day of arrival, the visit was delayed, resulting in a shorter stay than originally planned. Despite the limited time, guests were still able to enjoy a

brief but memorable glimpse of Bruges, exploring its cobblestone streets, picturesque squares, and rich cultural landmarks. While the experience was more condensed than hoped, it left a lasting impression of one of Europe's most enchanting cities.







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500 m

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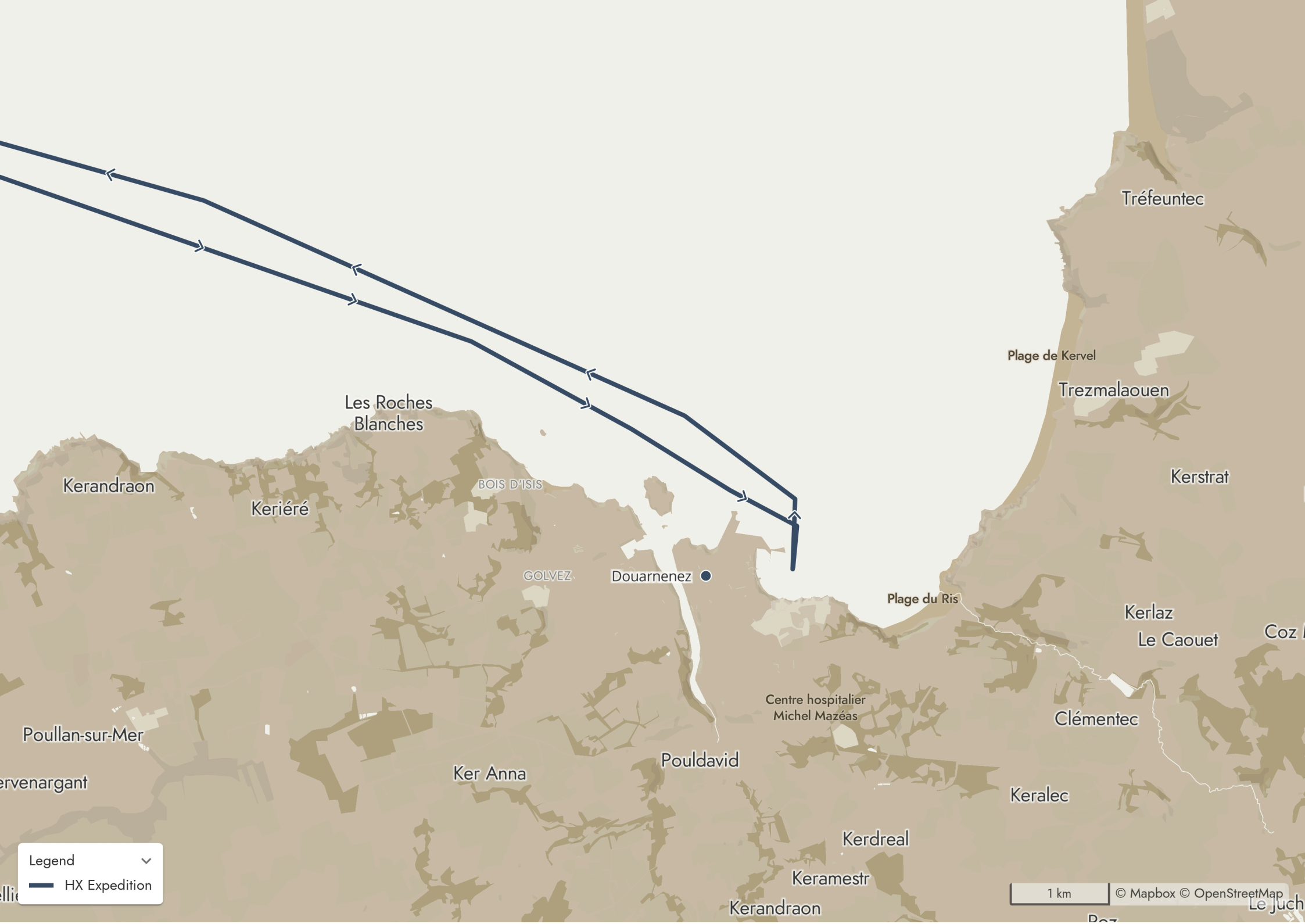
Day 5 - Saint Malo

Visiting St. Malo by ship offers a captivating introduction to Brittany's rugged charm and maritime history. As our ship passed through the Lock and docked near the ancient walled city, you're greeted by granite ramparts and narrow cobbled streets steeped in pirate lore. A guided walking tour through St. Malo reveals its rich past—from the corsair stronghold to the Gothic Saint-Vincent Cathedral—and offers

time to explore its bustling markets and sea-view cafes. From there, an excursion to the iconic Mont Saint-Michel provides a stunning contrast, as you travel through scenic countryside to the dramatic tidal island crowned by a medieval abbey. Exploring the winding paths and sweeping views of Mont Saint-Michel is an unforgettable highlight of this journey through northern France.







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Day 6 - Douarnenez

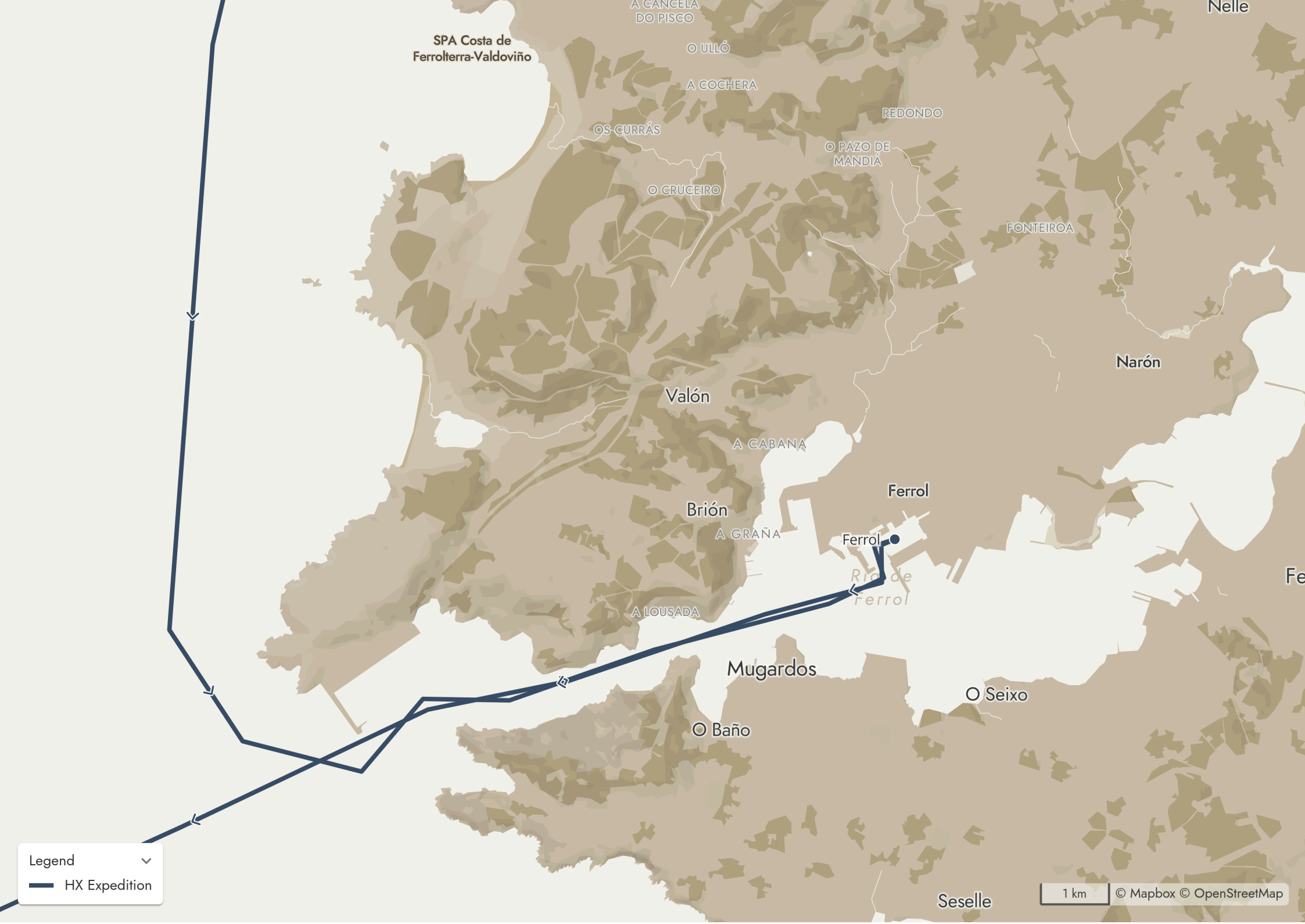
Arriving in Douarnenez offers a charming glimpse into Brittany's maritime soul, with its colorful fishing boats and historic harbor steeped in sardine fishing heritage. Once ashore, walking through the town reveals its coastal charm, from the lively quaysides to the maritime museum housed in an old cannery. From Douarnenez, an excursion to Quimper allows visitors to explore the cultural heart of

Cornouaille, with its half-timbered houses, quaint cobblestone streets, and the impressive Gothic Cathedral of Saint-Corentin. Some also had a visit to the dramatic Pointe du Raz, where windswept cliffs offer breathtaking views of the Atlantic Ocean and the untamed beauty of Brittany's westernmost point—an awe-inspiring end to a day of discovery.









SPA Costa de
Ferrolterra-Valdoviño

A CANCELA
DO PISCO

O ULLÓ

A COCHERA

REDONDO

OS CURRÁS

O PAZO DE
MANDIÁ

O CRUCEIRO

FORTEIROA

Narón

Valón

A CABANA

Ferrol

Brión

A GRAÑA

Ferrol

A LOUSADA

Rio de
Ferrol

Mugardos

O Seixo

O Baño

Seselle

1 km

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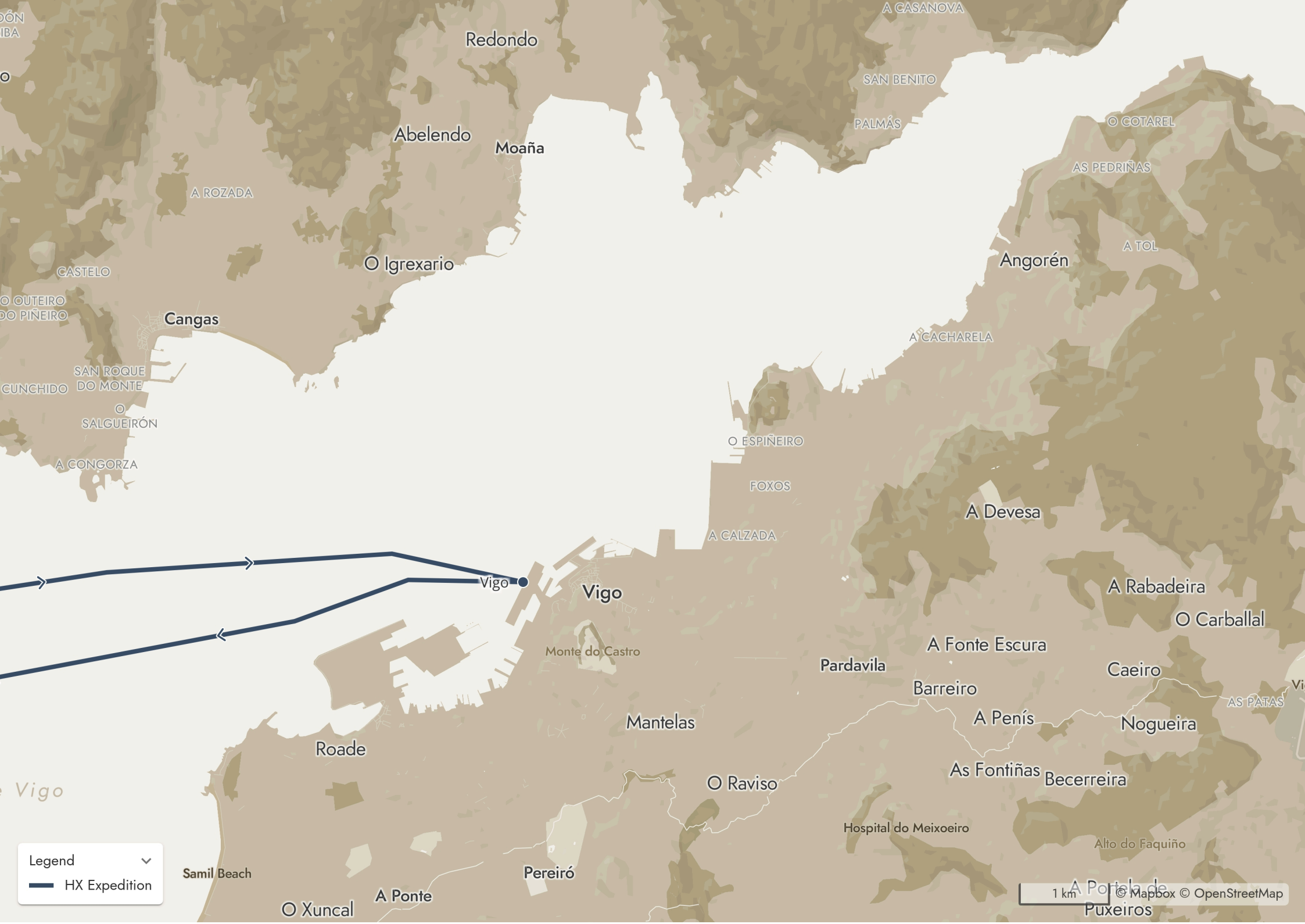
Day 8 & 9 - Ferrol

Arriving in Ferrol, Spain by ship offers a unique and scenic introduction to this historic naval city in Galicia. Once ashore, visitors could enjoy guided walking tours through Ferrol's charming old town, exploring its maritime heritage, elegant neoclassical architecture, and lively local markets. A short journey away, the vibrant city of A Coruña awaited with its famous Tower of Hercules—the oldest working Roman

lighthouse in the world—offering stunning coastal views. Walking tours through A Coruña's old quarter revealed a rich blend of history and culture, while other excursions in the surrounding region showcase Galicia's rugged cliffs, lush countryside, and quaint fishing villages, making for a diverse and memorable experience along Spain's northwestern coast.







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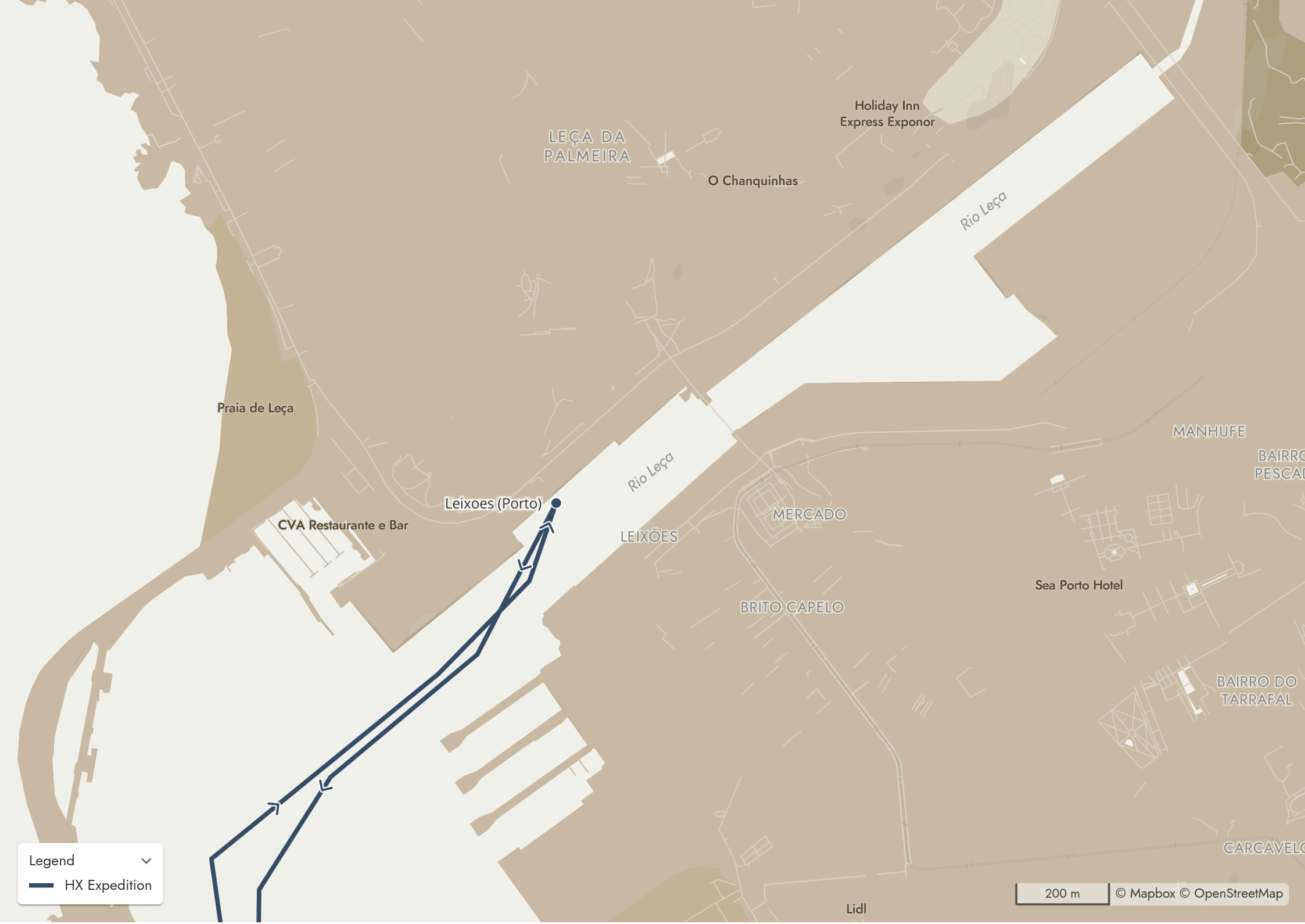
Day 10 - Vigo

Arriving in Vigo unfolded with two parallel excursions that showcased both the city's historic charm and the region's natural beauty. Many spent the morning on a walking tour through the atmospheric streets of the Casco Vello, exploring its narrow alleys, lively squares, and landmarks like the O Berbés market and Monte O Castro, which offered panoramic views over the Ría de Vigo and the harbor. At the same time, another group set off by boat to the Cíes Islands, part of

the Atlantic Islands of Galicia National Park. There, they hiked along scenic coastal trails and enjoyed time on Rodas Beach, famed for its white sand and crystal-clear waters. In the afternoon, both groups reunited back in Vigo, sharing stories of their different experiences—one rooted in the city's rich history, the other in the stunning natural landscapes just offshore.







LEÇA DA PALMEIRA

Holiday Inn Express Exponor

O Chanquinhas

Rio Leça

Praia de Leça

CVA Restaurante e Bar

Leixoes (Porto)

Rio Leça

LEIXÕES

MERCADO

BRITO CAPELO

MANHUFÉ

BAIRRO PESCA

Sea Porto Hotel

BAIRRO DO TARRAFAL

CARCAVELO

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200 m

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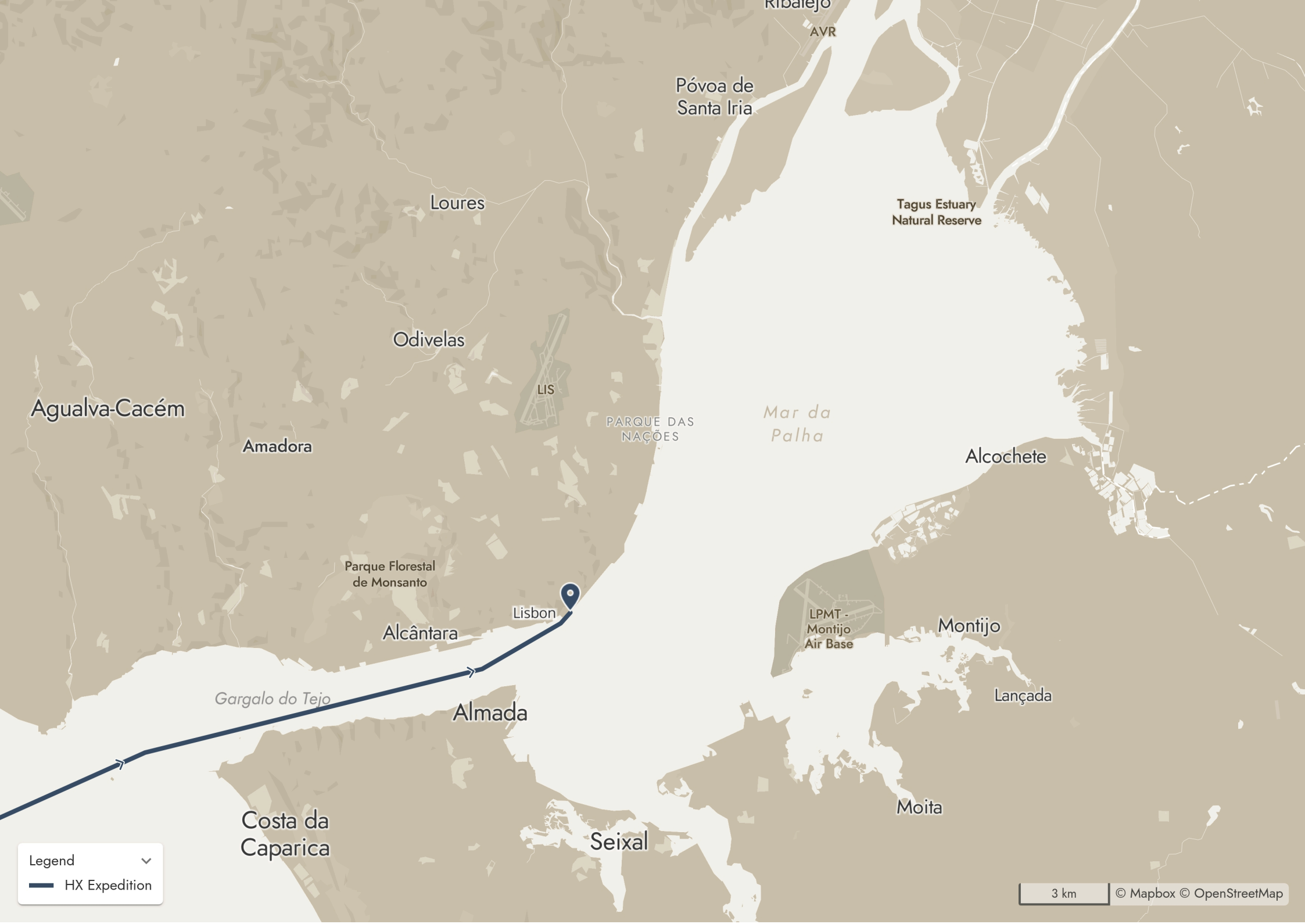
Day 11 - Porto

We arrived in Porto on our very last stop in some dense fog but nevertheless the day offered two distinct ways to experience the city's rich character. Many spent the morning on a walking tour through the historic center, wandering the cobbled streets of the Ribeira district, admiring the colorful tiled buildings, and visiting landmarks such as the São Bento railway station and Porto Cathedral. Meanwhile,

another group enjoyed a scenic river cruise along the Douro, gliding beneath the city's iconic bridges and taking in panoramic views of the hillside architecture and bustling waterfront. In the afternoon, everyone still had free time to enjoy the charm of Porto's streets and history.







Agualva-Cacém

Amadora

Loures

Odivelas

LIS

PARQUE DAS
NAÇÕES

Parque Florestal
de Monsanto

Alcântara

Lisbon

Gargalo do Tejo

Almada

Costa da
Caparica

Seixal

Moita

Lançada

Montijo

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Montijo
Air Base

Alcochete

Mar da
Palha

Tagus Estuary
Natural Reserve

Póvoa de
Santa Iria

Ribatejo
AVR

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3 km

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336.6 km



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