CHALLENGER ROAD BOOK - MELE TRAIL



- Km 0 The race starts at Suango School on Mele Beach. The Elite and Challenger courses will follow the trail that starts at the Beach Bar and leads to the main road. Here, cross the road carefully and continue onto the straight access road into the heart of Mele village.
- Km 2.7 Turn left onto a wide path and follow it for 500m. You will then enter gardens on the right before tackling the first climb of the race. A very steep 1 km climb through the forest awaits, with clearings in the vegetation that offer a breathtaking view if you take a moment to look back.
- Km 3.8 Upon reaching the summit, the trail, still in a dense forest, turns left, heading due east for about 2.5 km with a slight downhill slope. The last kilometer of this section opens onto a very wide track and ends at the top of the Klem hill, where you'll find the first checkpoint.
- Km 6.4 Turn left and follow the paved road for 200 m before entering a plantation on the right. Follow the grassy track for a little over a kilometer.
- Km 7.5 You will then reach a river that you must go up on the right for 200m. You will exit this river by crossing the small concrete dam, which will lead you to a narrow forest path for 2 km.
- Km 9.5 You will arrive at checkpoint 2 at the zip line. A 1 km steep descent follows, but on a wide and easy terrain, to reach the Bukura track. Turn left and follow the Bukura road for 2.6 km.
- Km 14 Before rejoining the paved road, turn right before the wall to access the black sand beach of Mele. One last river crossing before you see the finish line in the distance at Km 14.8.







