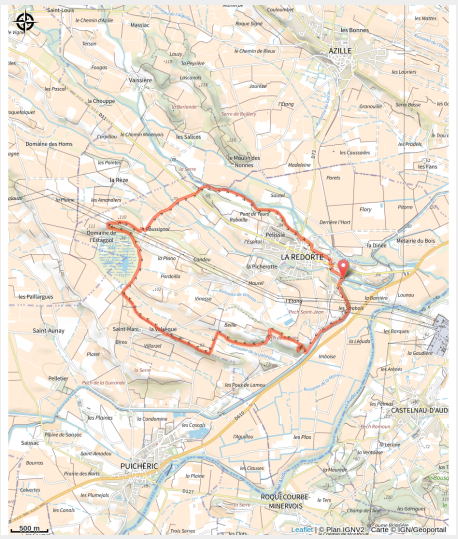
The twelve bridges (Epanchoir long)

Canal du midi



Along the canal du Midi towards the natural reserve.

Come and discover on the north, the Mount Alaric and the Corbieres , and on the South, the Montagne Noire.

Take time to observe the Estagnol’s ponds natural reserve wild fauna.

Useful information

Practice : By foot

Duration : 4 h

Length : 10.9 km

Trek ascent : 137 m

Difficulty : Easy

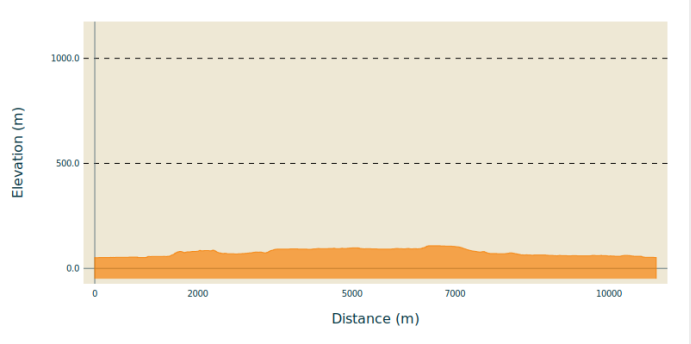
Type : Boucle

Themes : Fauna, Archéologie et histoire, Canal du Midi, Lac ou rivière

Trek

Departure : LA REDORTE - Port La Fabrique
Arrival : LA REDORTE - Port La Fabrique
Markings : PR
Cities : 1. La Redorte
2. Puichéric

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 51 m Max elevation 108 m

Markings : yellow

When facing the canal du Midi , take a right turn and follow along the canal (going South).
Walk under the bridge and carry on a straight line after the last houses. You will walk near some olive trees and along the canal’s vegetation.

After approximately 1.5 km, go up the bank on the right to take the path on the left right away. You end up on the old railroad (now the "chemin vert" hike) .

After 200 m, at the crossroad, go on the right to immediately go up in the pine forest on the left (going West). Go up inside the pine forest, walk alongside on the right to find a small path on the left that follows the vines on the hillside with a view on La Redorte village. Follow this path until the crossroad with the paved way.

Take on the left and go up the plateau. On the way down, at the entrance of the pine forest, go on the right towards a small shadowy path quite enjoyable in the summer.

Carry on the earth path along the vines. At the crossroads, go left and down until the passage of " La Valsèque" stream (often dried up) and go back up straight forward to the neighbouring pine forest (going South).

Turn on the left (going West) and walk along the pine forest. Walk in front of the square tower of La Valsèque (ancient observatory during WWII at 92m high).

Go along the paved way and walk alongside La Valsèque’s smallholding by the right. Follow through the path in the vines until the Estagnol pond (National Reserve for wild fauna).
Take the paved way (going North), go along the pond until the cross-path with the tall pines.

Take the path on the left then immediately on the right trough the pine forest. Go around the pond by a small path on the right that progressively goes back up the

hillside to a small vineyards shack after walking at the bottom of an electric pylon. Once at the shack, take the path on the right (going East). You are now on the Estagnol plateau (100 m high).

At the crossroad, go down the paved way on the left (going North-East). Leave the Laval path and go on the bridge over the Rivassel stream.

Cross the RD 11 and use the path in front of you. Walk to the Argent-Double river and the « Gourgue de Granat ». Follow the river on its right (East). Then go back towards the village. We then oversee the ancient aqueduct’s archway. Take the Pic de Nore street on the left.

Then turn immediately on the right on Languedoc avenue. At the crossroad, turn left on Jean Jaurès main avenue for approximately 250 m then turn on the right on the old railroad to reach the RD11.

Cross it, turn left then right (« voie romaine » street).
Further down, on the right to the Port avenue then straight forward to go back to Port La Fabrique.

On your path...

Saint-Louis
le Chemin d'Azille
Massiac
Tersan
Fougas
Vaissière
Lauzy
la Peyrière
Lascanals
le Chemin de Rieux
Roque Signé
Couloumbet
les Bonnes
AZILLE
les Mattes
les Lauriers
Jourèze
l'Étang
Granouillé
Serre Basse
la Berlande
Serre de Beillery
la Chouppe
les Pascal
Carpillou
le Chemin Minervois
les Salices
Domaine des Homs
les Pointes
la Serre
la Rèze
la Plaine
les Amandiers
le Moulin des Nonnes
Madeleine
les Caussades
les Pradels
les Fans
Parets
Sautel
Flory
Pitorre
Pont de Tours
Rabaille
Derrière l'Hort
Roussignol
Domaine de l'Estagnol
Pélissié
l'Espital
la Dinée
Métairie du Bois
LA REDORTE
la Plano
Candau
la Picherotte
Pordeilla
Maurel
Vinasso
Ruisseau de Vinasso
l'Étang
la Barrière
Lounou
les Paillargues
les Sirabols
Pech Saint-Jean
Saint-Aunay
Saint-Marc
la Valsèque
Beille
les Barques
la Léoudo
Birou
Villarzel
Platet
Imboise
la Gaudière
les Arènes
Pelletier
Pech de la Guirande
les Poux de Lamou
Ruisseau de la Mare
l'Aude
les Palmas
CASTELNAU-D'AUD
les Plaines
la Condomine
les Cascals
D610
Pech Ramoun
Plaine de Saissac
Saissac
l'Aguillou
les Plos
la Lécune
Saint-Amadou
la Ventouse
Bourras
PUICHÉRIC
les Clauses
la Mourède
Prairie des Horts
la Plaine
Colvertes
les Plumejals
D127
ROQUECOURBE-MINERVOIS
le Ters
les Garrigues
les Canals
Champ de l'Âne
Trois Serres
500 m
Leaflet | © Plan IGNV2 - Carte © IGN/Geoportail

All useful information

⚠ Advices

Attention sentier peu ombragé, par fortes chaleurs prévoir un chapeau et une bouteille d'eau.

How to come ?

Transports

RTCA - Ligne A

Access

D610 depuis Carcassonne et Trèbes

Advised parking

Parking Port de La Fabrique - Halte Nautique

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