The twelve bridges (Epanchoir long)

Canal du midi - La Redorte

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

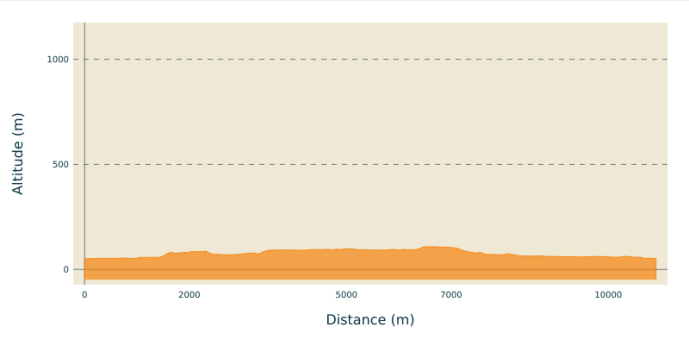
Type : Boucle

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
Couloumbet
Roque Signé
les Bonnes
AZILLE
Tersan
Lauzy
la Peyrière
le Chemin de Rieux
Fougas
Vaissière
Lascanals
les Laurier
les Pascal
la Chouppe
Jaurèze
l'Étang
Granouillé
la Berlande
Serre de Beillery
Ruisseau du Cercle
Carpillou
le Chemin Minervois
les Salices
les Caussades
le Moulin des Nonnes
Madeleine
D72
les Pointes
la Serre
Parets
la Rèze
Sautel
la Plaine
les Amandiers
Flory
Pitorre
Pont de Tours
Rabaille
Derrière l'Hort
Roussignol
l'Estagnol
Pélissié
l'Espital
la Dinée
Métairie
la Plano
Candau
LA REDORTE
la Picherotte
Pardeilla
Maurel
Ruisseau de Vinasso
Vinasso
l'Étang
la Barrière
Lounou
Pech Saint-Jean
les Strabols
Beille
Saint-Marc
la Valsèque
Pech de Bragos
les Barques
Birou
Villarzel
la Léoudo
Ruisseau de la Valsèque
Platet
Imboise
la Serre
les Arènes
Pelletier
Pech de la Guirande
les Poux de Lamou
Ruisseau de la Marie
l'Aude
les Palmas
CASTEL
les Plaines
la Condomine
D610
les Cascals
Pech Ramoun
Plaine de Saissac
l'Aguillou
les Plos
la Lécune
Saint-Amadou
la Ventouse
PUICHÉRIC
les Clauses
la Mourède
Prairie des Horts
la Plaine
D127
les Plumejals
le Ters
ROQUECOURBE-MINERVOIS
la Serre
Champ de l'Âne
les Canals
500 m
Trois Serres
la Coume Brindière
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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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