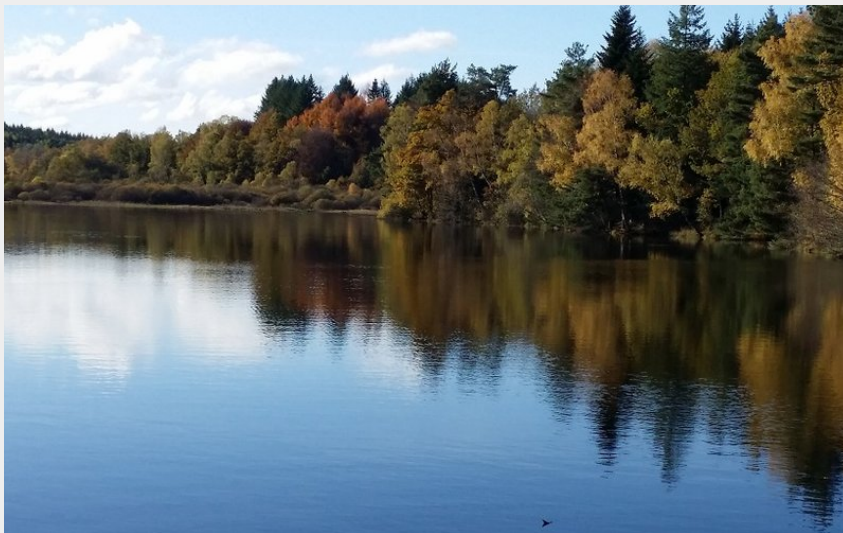


# Around the Lakes

Sud Creuse – Aubusson – lac de Vassivière – Flayat



Flayat - Etang Neuf (Commune de Flayat)



*During this walk, you will discover some of the many man-made lakes in the commune of Flayat.*

You are in an area known for its mushrooms, and the landscape is remarkable in autumn when the trees are full of colour and reflected in the ponds and lakes.

## Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 2 h

Length : 6.8 km

Trek ascent : 126 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Loop

Themes : Lakes and rivers

Accessibility : VTT

# Trek

**Departure** : L'Ecluse, Flayat

**Arrival** : L'Ecluse, Flayat

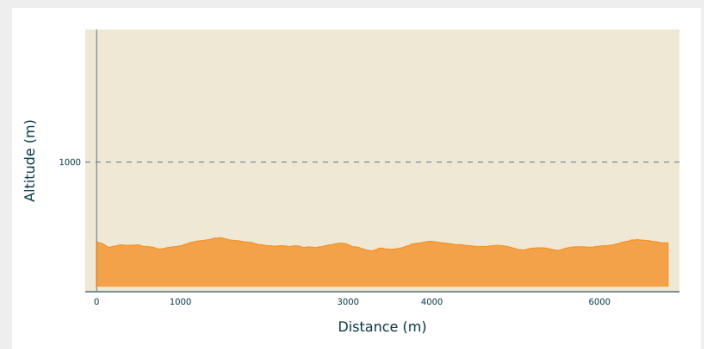
**Markings** :

— Yellow markers

**Cities** : 1. Flayat

2. Saint-Agnant-près-Crocq

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 754 m Max elevation 790 m

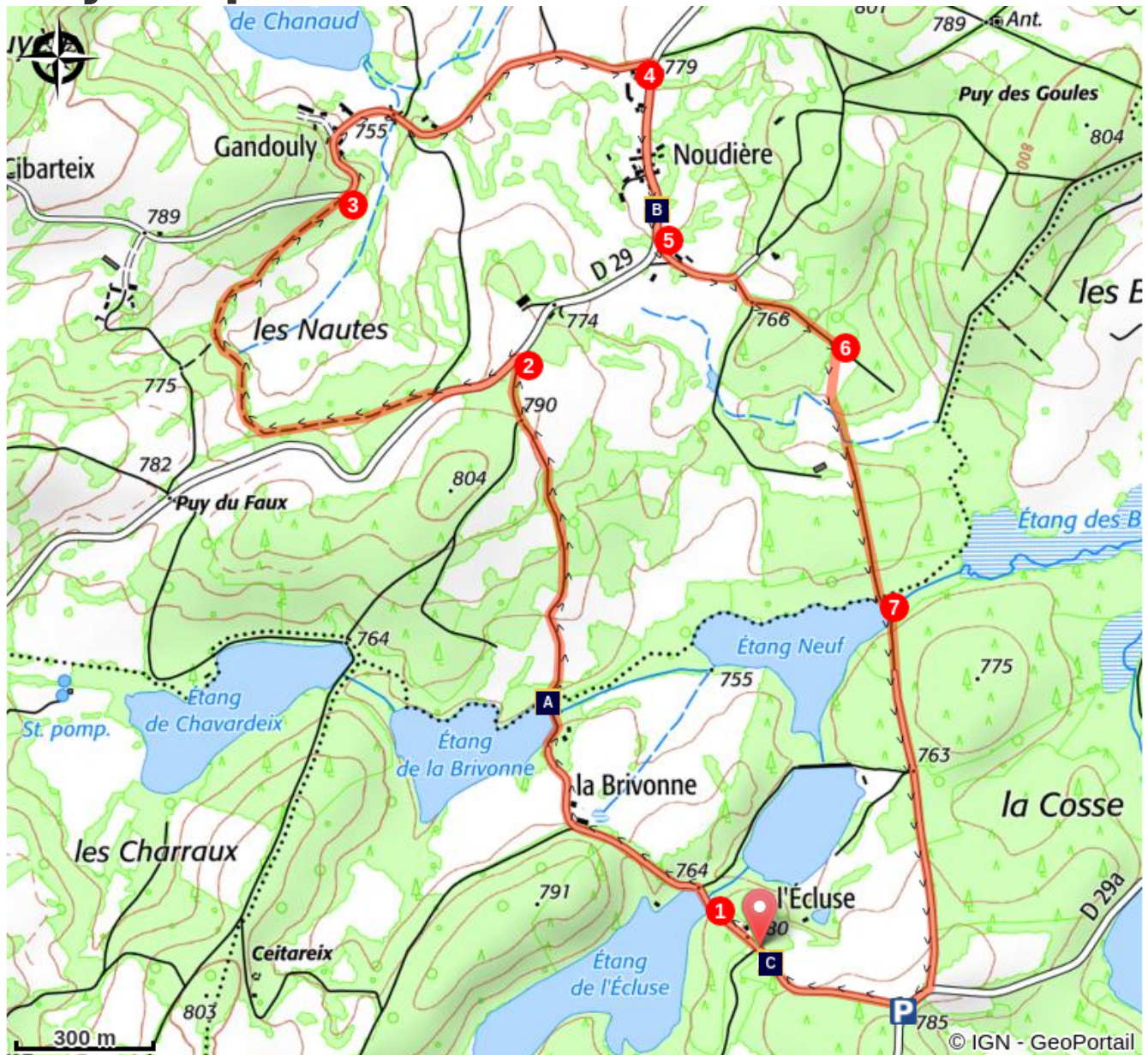
1. Take the Etang de l'Ecluse causeway and continue to the road.
2. Once on the road, turn left for a few metres and then go down the path on the right which goes into the woods.
3. At the road, turn right and go through the small village of Gandouly then continue along the road to the D 29.
4. At the crossroads, go to the right and go through Noudière.
5. As you leave the hamlet, go to the left, past the last houses, then take the first path on the right.
6. Continue up the path which rises to the lake, Etang Neuf.
7. Cross the river by the small wooden bridge and continue straight on until you reach the D 29. Turn right to get back to the starting point.





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# On your path...



-  Etang de la Brivonne (A)
-  Wetland (C)

-  Dry stone walls of Noudière (B)



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# All useful information

## How to come ?

### Access

In Flayat, head in the direction of l'Ecluse (D 29) and park at the crossroads with the road to Boulareix.

### Advised parking

Crossroads Route de l'Ecluse/Route de Boulareix

## Accessibility

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## Information desks

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## Etang de la Brivonne (A)

Among the remarkable fauna, the Marsh harrier, the otter and the Natterjack toad; Rare species of invertebrates (dragonflies in particular) also live there. The ponds and lakes of Flayat are also home to a flora typical of the peat moors.

Attribution : Commune de Flayat

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## Dry stone walls of Noudière (B)

Until the dawn of the 20th century, the balance of the rural economy was based on extensive sheep farming (pastoral use of the communal moors) and seasonal emigration. Intensive rearing of suckling calves was then introduced, pastures were improved, and the poorest moorland was planted with coniferous trees: This was the system before wooded meadows.

Attribution : Commune de Flayat

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## Wetland (C)

The ponds in the Flayat region are classified as ZNIEFF. On the periphery of these ponds, there are many grazed meadows; The flora that develops there indicates clearly that some of them are distinctly peaty.

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