







Jean Petit Circuit

Sud Creuse - Aubusson - lac de Vassivière







Puy Malsignat - Eglise St Thomas Becket (Fondation Sauvegarde de l'Art Français)

In the footsteps of Jean Petit: a hilly and wooded circuit to discover all the facets of the countryside and Puy Malsignat.

"So they're off on their campaign, to work in Paris, Burgundy, Champagne, Lyon, Bordeaux, with calloused hands, the Masons of Creuse, in hard-working bands" Jean Petit

Useful information

Practice: Pedestrian

Duration: 3 h 30

Length: 12.5 km

Trek ascent: 268 m

Difficulty: Medium

Type: Loop

Themes: Heritage site and architecture, Landscape

Accessibility: VTT



Trek

Departure : Place de la Mairie, Puy

Malsignat

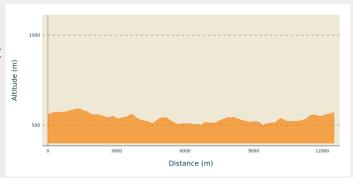
Arrival: Place de la Mairie, Puy Malsignat

Markings: — Yellow markers

Cities: 1. Saint-Maixant

2. Puy-Malsignat

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 499 m Max elevation 591 m

Take the main street in the direction of the church and continue to Les Vergnauds, keeping to the right.

Go around the stables by taking the path on the left and continue to the road. Turn to the right and then take the first path on the left.

At the crossroads, turn to the right, go on alongside the buildings and then take two left turns to reach Margeleix.

Turn right, and at the 2nd intersection, continue to the right.

At the T-junction, turn right, go around the Etang de Montlivier and continue to Mourgoux.

At the edge of the village, take the path on the left as far as the road.

Turn right, and at the crossroads, cross over and take the path in front of you.

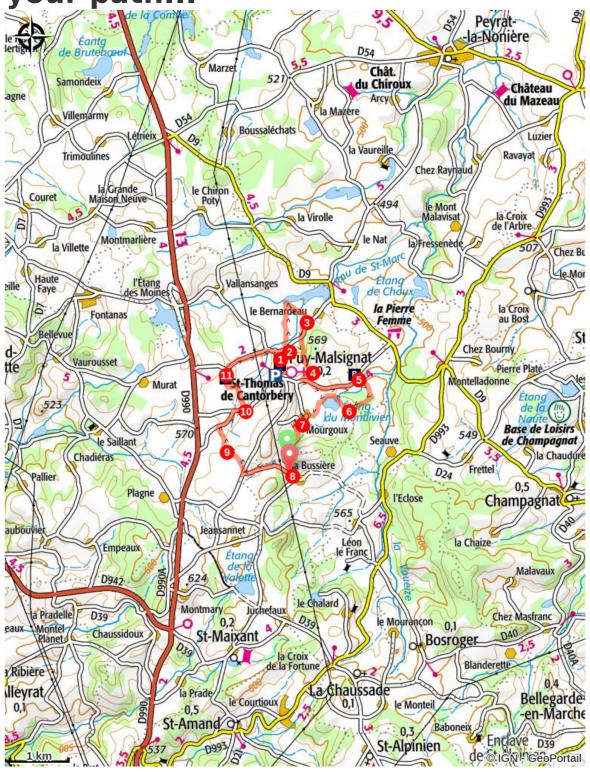
At the junction, go to the right, and, at the road, turn right to reach La Vergne.

As you leave the hamlet, take the path on the left and continue to Boueix.

Go through the village and take the road on the right to return to Les Vergnauds and then to the starting point.



On your path...



Tour de Puy Malsignat (A)
Maison de Jean Petit (C)

Château de Margeleix (B)



All useful information

How to come?

Access

From Chénérailles, take the D 990 towards Aubusson; after Létrieix, take the 3rd road on the right towards Le Boueix before returning to Puy Malsignat

Advised parking

Place de la Mairie, Puy Malsignat

Accessibility



1 Information desks

Communauté de communes Marche et Combrailles en Aquitaine

Rue de l'Etang, 23700 Auzances

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On your path...



Tour de Puy Malsignat (A)

Built on a rocky promontory, it dominates a valley where several ponds and mills once existed. This is the last remnant of a 15th-century château

Attribution : AD 23



Château de Margeleix (B)

Lafayette spent part of his childhood in his tutor's château. Two rooms classified MH. Paintings by master designers of the Royal Manufacture of Aubusson from the 17th/18th centuries and remarkable woodwork.

Attribution : Château de Margeleix



🖑 Maison de Jean Petit (C)

Originally from Le Boueix, Jean Petit (1810-1880), like many men from Creuse at the end of the 19th century, left as a stonemason with the Maçons de la Creuse. He is the author of the song that pays tribute to them.

Attribution : MCEA

