

The Rocks of Murat

Sud Creuse – Aubusson – lac de Vassivière



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Un beau circuit ombragé qui conduit au village de granit de Viers en passant par le point de vue des Roches de Murat.

Departure from Beissat, one of the smallest communes of Creuse, towards the rocks of Murat. Beautiful panorama overlooking the Rozeille valley and its dam. The walk continues in the undergrowth to the village of Viers. In addition to its two wash houses and its bread oven, it has a well with a double entrance: one at road level and a second at the house.

Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 2 h 30

Length : 8.6 km

Trek ascent : 263 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Loop

Themes : Heritage site and architecture

Trek

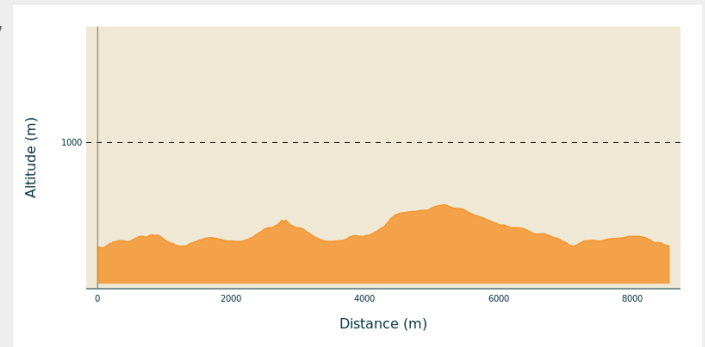
Departure : Esplanade below the church, Beissat

Arrival : Esplanade en contrebas de l'église, Beissat

Markings : — Yellow markers

Cities : 1. Beissat

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 708 m Max elevation 828 m

Depart in Beissat, and take the small road towards the church. Park on the esplanade in front of the river, at the St-Pierre cross. After the bridge, turn left on the uphill path that goes up to the church.

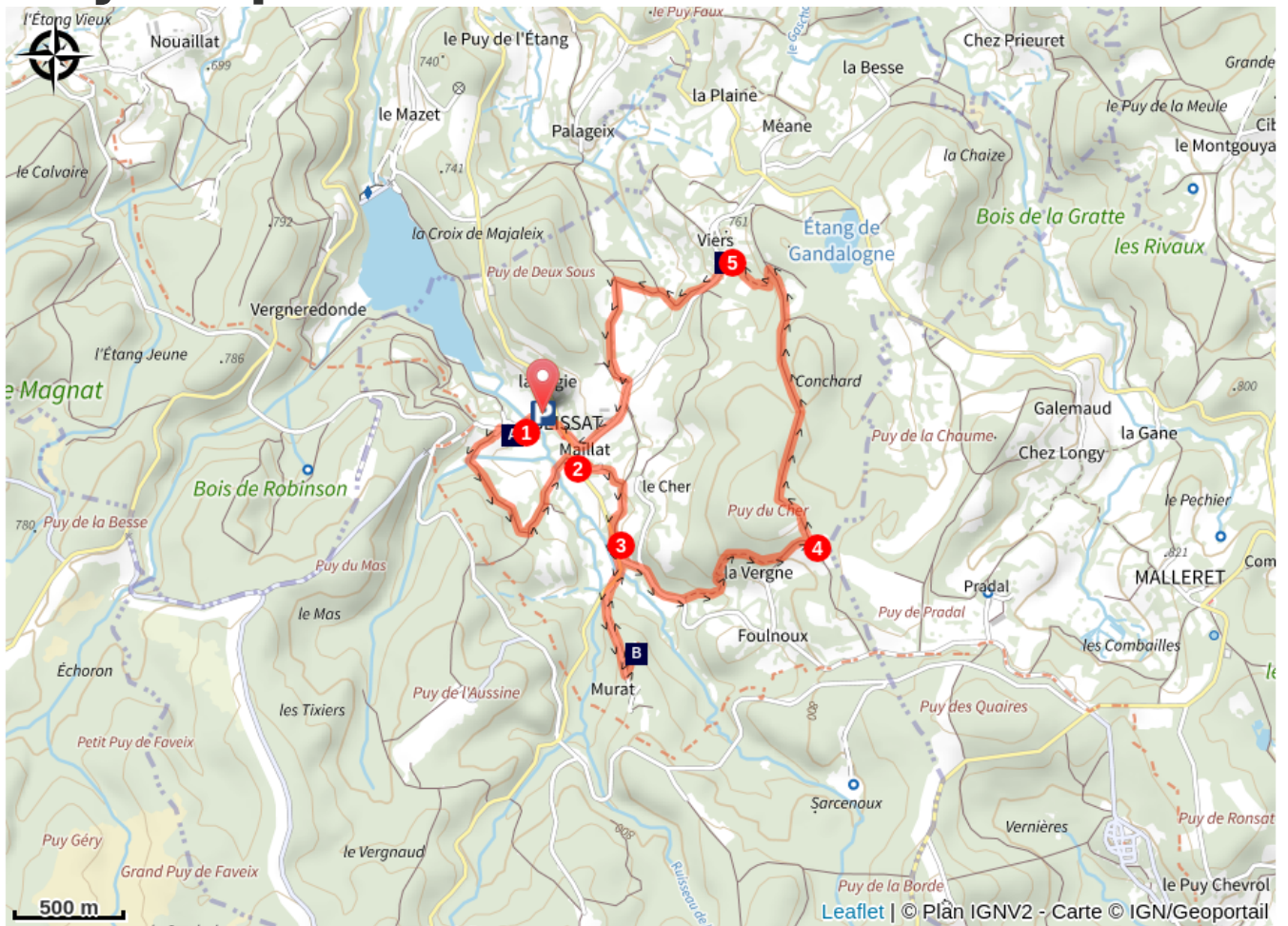
1. Continue through the village and take a tarmac path on the left. Continue on this path. When you arrive at a large crossroads, turn left to return to the road.
2. Cross over and continue ahead. At the top of the road, take a path on the right. At the next crossroads, turn right again to join the D 25. Round trip to Les Roches: Take the road towards Murat. At the next crossroads, take the track on the left that goes up to Murat. Follow it for 500 m and then take a path on the left that leads to the Rocks (slippery in rainy weather). Retrace your steps.
3. Take the road towards Foulnoix. Leave the Cher road on the left. Before a hairpin bend, turn left onto an uphill trail. Continue to thread your way up into the beech woods. Follow the trail straight ahead until you reach a path that you take on the left.
4. Join a forest track that you follow on the left for 1.5 km. Go past a meadow on your right. Shortly after, a path on the left goes down to Viers.
5. In the village, take the road on the left (go to the right for 50 m for a remarkable two-level well). After the laundry, go down the path to the right. It goes down to a stream and then up again. Turn left at the next crossroads: this trail joins a road that we take on the right to get back to Beissat.



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On your path...



Village of Beissat (A)



Rocks of Murat (B)



Village of Viers (C)



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All useful information

Advices

Close to the military camp of La Courtine, firing takes place regularly. Don't worry, it only happens inside the military compound. The Murat rocks are slippery in wet weather

How to come ?

Access

From La Courtine, take the D25 towards Beissat and the camp. If the military road is closed, follow the detour. From Felletin, follow the D23 towards Magnat then Beissat.

Advised parking

Esplanade below the church, Beissat

Information desks

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On your path...



Village of Beissat (A)

Overlooking La Rozeille, the church of Beissat dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul dates from the 13th century and was restored in the 18th century. There are two monumental crosses on the esplanade.

Inside there are several listed statues and a funerary slab on the floor.

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Rocks of Murat (B)

Magnificent panorama at the top of the Roches de Murat, where the granite, which is more resistant in this area, has resisted erosion.

On the right, you can see the Lake of La Rozeilles: a dam inaugurated in 1982, which allowed the creation of a 25 ha water reservoir and provides drinking water to the communes of south-east Creuse.

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Village of Viers (C)

The villages of Limousin all had an agricultural vocation. Walking through these hamlets always produces exciting discoveries during a hike: barns, mansions, crosses and monuments, traditional local architecture... We arrive in Viers by a pretty path between two low walls (wash house on the left). In the village, don't miss the well with double entrance (one on the roadside, one at the level of the house) and a second wash house. The return path is bucolic with its hazelnut hedge.

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