

## Along the way

Sud Creuse – Aubusson – lac de Vassivière – Le Mas-d'Artige



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### *Come and discover the source of the Creuse on the Plateau of Millevaches.*

A magnificent itinerary that allows you to explore the high valley of the Creuse river on the northern edge of the Plateau de Millevaches, the plateau with a thousand springs. Starting from a peaty area of significant ecological interest, the spring at the source becomes a stream that you will cross twice. All along the route, the villages and their historical features will arouse your curiosity and spark your imagination.

### Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 3 h 30

Length : 12.0 km

Trek ascent : 345 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Loop

Themes : Fauna et flora, Lakes and rivers

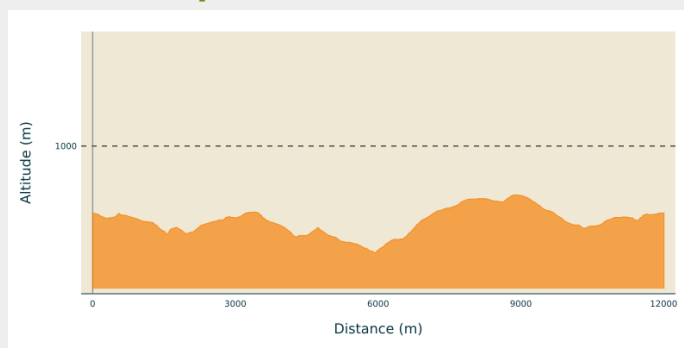
# Trek

**Departure** : Sources de la Creuse car park, the Mas d'Artiges

**Arrival** : Sources de la Creuse car park, the Mas d'Artiges

**Cities** : 1. Le Mas-d'Artige  
2. Clairavaux

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 704 m Max elevation 864 m

Park at the crossroads between the D982 and the D8. Follow the road towards Féniers for 100 m.

1. Follow the grassy trail that leads to the source of the Creuse. Continue on the decking. After the steps, turn left to join the D982. Cross over and take the small road that leads to Artiges.
2. In the village, turn left onto a path that runs alongside the road. Take the tunnel and go uphill to the left for 200 m. Take the earth path on the right. Pass the Creuse and go back up into the woods. Follow the main path straight ahead. 100 m before the road, it branches off to the right. At the T-junction, turn right; ignore two paths on the left, cross the stream and go up the hill towards Villefert.
3. Take the road to the right (off the circuit): on the left, make a return journey of 100 m to see the remains of the church of Villefert). Keep straight on down the road, and pass the Creuse. After the gatekeeper's house, turn right onto a grassy path which joins the D982. Cross it, go back up for a few metres and take the road towards Crépiat.
4. Continue straight into the village. The road becomes a path that you take on the right. Continue straight along this path, ignoring the paths on the left. At the track, turn left. Then turn right at the next crossroads to reach the Pomet.
5. Go straight down into the village. Turn right onto the road. Continue straight on this road until you reach the church (before the church, on the left below the road, is a spring).
6. In front of the church, take the stony path that passes in front of the houses. At Massoubre, go down on the left to join the D982. Follow it to the right and then turn left to return to the starting point.








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# On your path...



-  The church of Mas d'Artiges (A)
-  Village of Crépiat (C)
-  The church of Mas d'Artiges (E)
-  Village of Villefert (B)
-  The old railway line (D)



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# All useful information

## **Advices**

Shooting takes place regularly close to the military camp at La Courtine. Don't worry, it only happens inside the military compound.  
The site of the church of Villefert is not secured or safe, do not go near the ruins.

## **How to come ?**

### Access

From La Courtine, take the D982 towards Felletin. Continue straight ahead for 10 km, and turn left on the D8 towards Féniers. The car park is 50 m further on.

### Advised parking

Sources de la Creuse car park, the Mas d'Artiges

## **Information desks**

### **Bureau d'information de Felletin**

Place Quinault, 23500 Felletin

tourisme.aubusson@gmail.com

Tel : 05 55 66 32 12

<http://www.aubusson-felletin-tourisme.com>

### **Bureau d'information touristique d'Ussel**

Rue Saint-Martin, 19200 Ussel

Tel : 05 19 60 00 30

<https://www.tourisme-hautecorreze.fr/>



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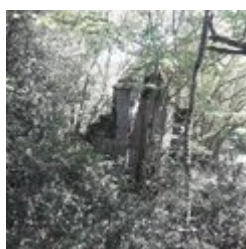
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Before reaching the church, don't miss a magnificent fountain on your left down the road behind you.

The church, dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul, dates from the end of the 19th century. It was built on the site of an old church that was in very poor condition.

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## 🏰 Village of Villefert (B)

The village of Villefert was once the capital of an independent commune. Attached to the Mas d'Artiges in 1831, it had 146 inhabitants in 1821.

Do not hesitate to make a short round trip of 100 m to see the ruins of its old church which are on your left. They are difficult to see in summer because they are hidden by vegetation (be careful, do not go any further, the site is unsecured and may be unsafe). Dating from the 12th or 13th century, it was dedicated to St-Robert and then St-Laurent.

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## 🏰 Village of Crépiat (C)

The villages of Limousin were all heavily involved in agriculture. Walking through these hamlets always produces interesting discoveries during a hike: barns, mansions, crosses and monuments, traditional local architecture... Crépiat has a wash-house but above all, in a meadow on the left at the exit of the village, don't miss the magnificent lime tree known as "de Sully", in homage to Henri IV's minister who ordered lime trees to be planted throughout the kingdom of France.

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## The old railway line (D)

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