







Picturesque valley

Gorges et plateaux de la Haute-Dordogne - Mestes







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A multi-faceted circuit, typical of the Haut-Corréze landscape.

The first third of the course is the most technical and the hilliest. It is also the one that offers the most beautiful landscapes: a view over the Puy du Sancy on sunny days, a passage by the Diège and a descent overlooking the river. The rest of the route alternates between passages in the woods, beautiful forest tracks, and some sections on roads with very little traffic. This circuit is a shorter version of routes 19 (Fine Fountains - 16 km) and 20 (Puy de Sabat - 32 km).

Useful information

Practice: Mountain Bike

Duration: 1 h 30

Length: 13.0 km

Trek ascent: 381 m

Difficulty: Easy

Type: Loop



Trek

Departure: Church, Mestes **Arrival**: Church, Mestes

Cities: 1. Mestes

2. Saint-Exupéry-les-Roches

Altimetric profile

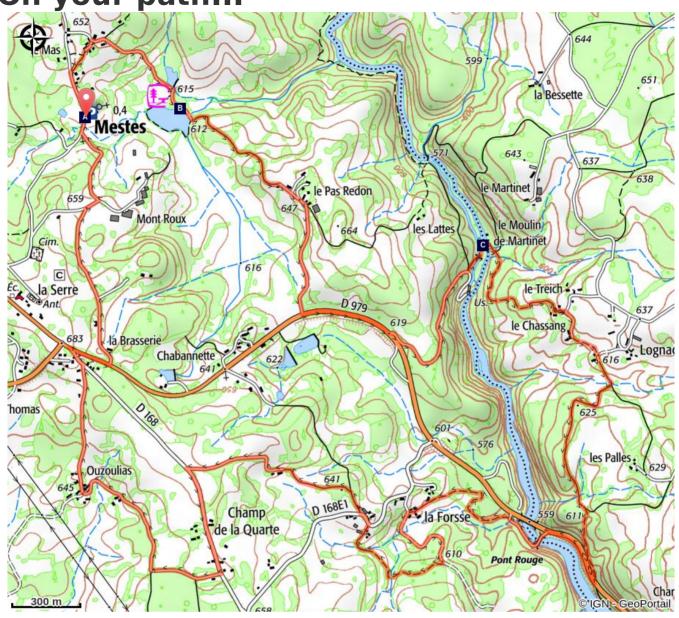


Min elevation 548 m Max elevation 682 m

Marking: brown arrows, circuit number 18



On your path...



Church of Saint Pierre (A)
La Diège (C)

Pond of Mont Roux (B)



All useful information

How to come?

Access

From Ussel town centre, head towards Neuvic. 6 km further on, at the La Serre roundabout, take the second exit. 350 m further on, turn left towards Mestes. Go straight on for 1 km until you reach the small church of Mestes, slightly on the right, at the top of a small rise.

Advised parking

Church, Mestes



On your path...



Church of Saint Pierre (A)

The church of Saint-Pierre, partly Romanesque, was built in the 13th century and enlarged in the 17th century. Inside, there is a representation of the Lamentation of Christ, a painting on wood dating from the 17th century and classified as a historical monument since 1970.

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Pond of Mont Roux (B)

Particularly appreciated by fishermen, the Mont Roux pond is the ideal place for a picnic break.

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La Diège (C)

A right bank tributary of the Dordogne, the Diège borders the eastern part of the commune of Mestes. To the southeast of the commune is the Chaumettes dam, built between 1925 and 1927, and which is still in use today, producing hydroelectricity.

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