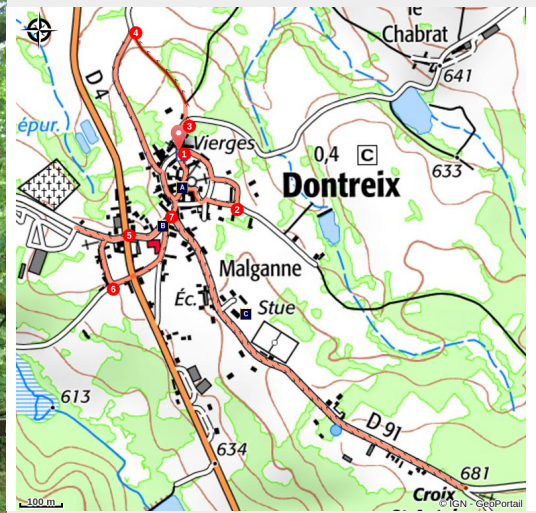


# From Peru to the rocks of St Julien

Sud Creuse – Aubusson – lac de Vassivière – Dontreix



Rochers de St Julien (MCEA)



*Between ponds and forests, this walk will allow you to enjoy what nature has to offer. Take time to enjoy the peace and quiet. Here there is no need to run.*

The Tardes is a popular river for fishermen, especially for brown trout.

## Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 2 h

Length : 4.4 km

Trek ascent : 79 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Loop

Themes : Heritage site and architecture

# Trek

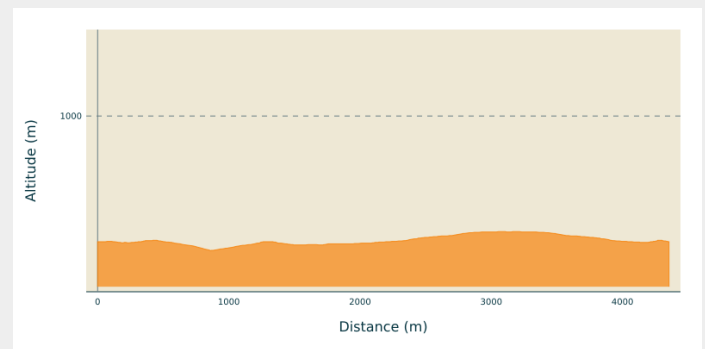
**Departure** : The Virgin's Parterre, Dontreix

**Arrival** : The Virgin's Parterre, Dontreix

**Markings** : — Blue markers

**Cities** : 1. Dontreix

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 626 m    Max elevation 679 m

1. Walk down to the church. In front of the church porch, take the small street going down, turn left, and follow the Rue des Bois.
2. Turn left, follow the Rue des Jardins, then turn right and continue to the Gendelauds well.
3. Turn right onto Rue Fontille and take the first path to the left, then continue straight ahead along the grassy path to the road
4. Turn left to return to the village; at the stop sign, follow the street and then turn right, down towards the Place de la Mairie. Go along the square to the crossroads with the Le Montel de Gelat/Auzances road
5. Cross the D road, and continue to the cemetery; turn around and then turn right into Rue des Puits.
6. Turn left, cross the road again and go straight on until you reach the post office
7. At the crossroads, turn right onto the Route de Charensat as far as the Croix St Antoine crossroads; take the path to the right. Go past the Rochers de St Julien sign to access the site and its description.
8. Turn around to return to the starting point

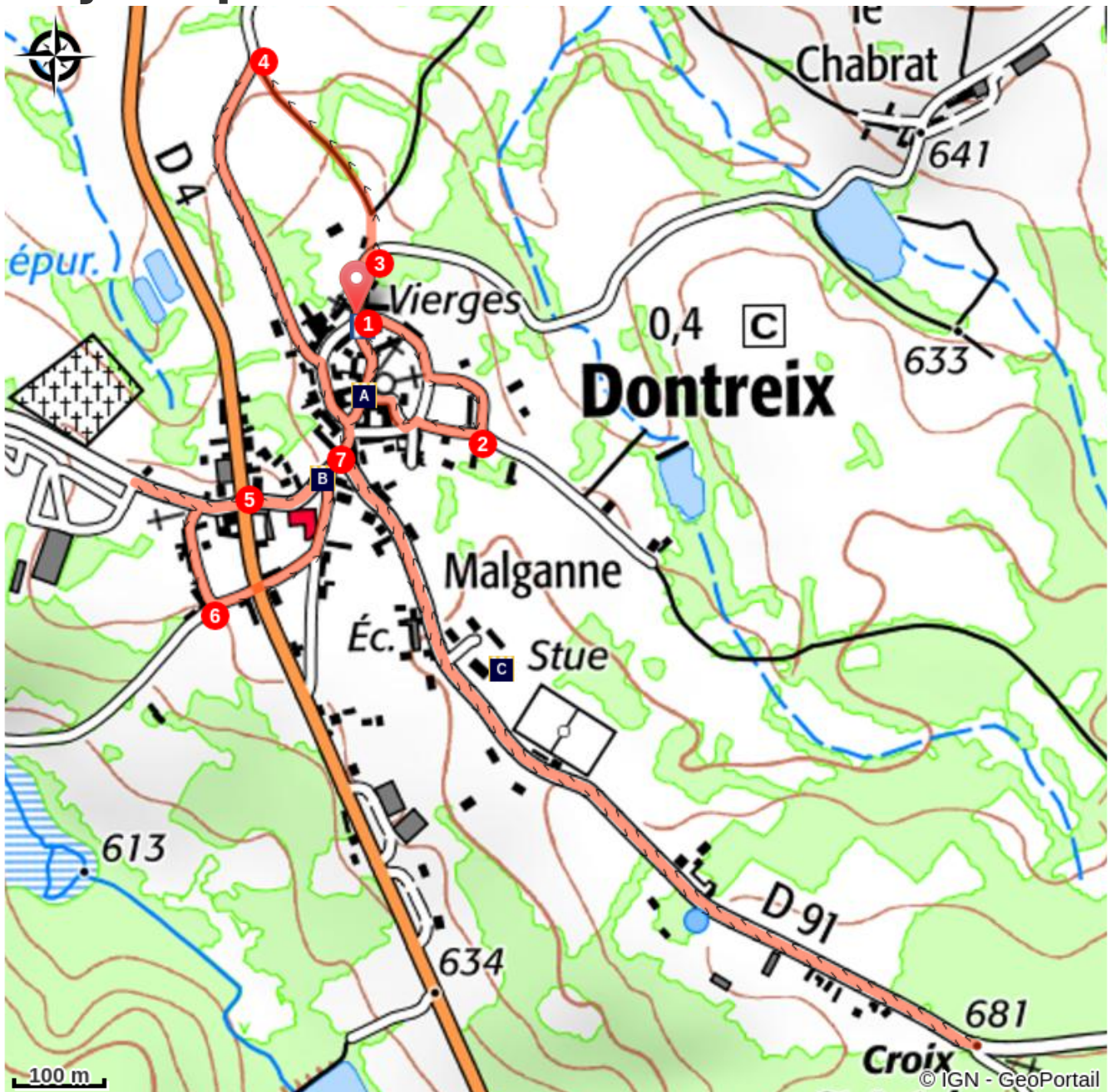




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# On your path...



-  Church of St Julien (A)
-  Saint Julien statue (C)

-  Gendelauds Well (B)



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# All useful information

## How to come ?

### Access

Leave Auzances and take the D988 towards Clermont-Ferrand for 7 km and enter Dontreix.

### Advised parking

The Virgin's Parterre, Dontreix

## Information desks

### **Communauté de communes Marche et Combrailles en Aquitaine**

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## Church of St Julien (A)

The 12th-century church was completed by a bell-tower-porch in the 15th century. The stained glass window of the Ascension is a copy of part of the one in Poitiers Cathedral. The church also has six Art Deco stained glass windows.

Attribution : J.J.Auzelle

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## Gendelauds Well (B)

In the past, the wells were meeting points for the inhabitants of the village who came to fetch water or water their animals. This well is dated 1888 and now contains a statue of the Virgin.

Attribution : Commune de Dontreix

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## Saint Julien statue (C)

Sculpture signed Hall WILSON in 2000. St Julien was a centurion in the Roman army in the third century. Converted to Christianity, he took refuge in the Drouille Forest during the persecutions before being beheaded in Brioude. He is depicted with the palm of martyrdom and a sword.

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