At the gateway to the Ecrins

Embrunais

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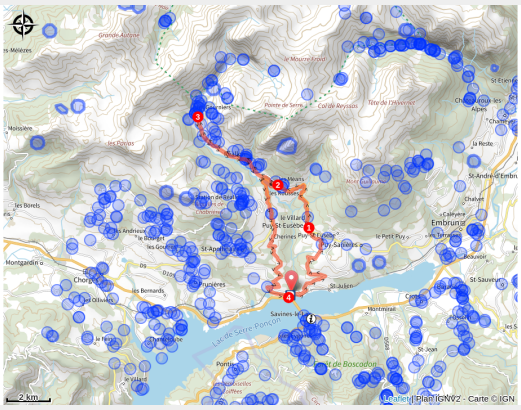


A goal of zero flats! A loop not to be embarked upon lightly, but one that is accessible to as many people as possible, thanks to the spread of electric assistance.

The route stands out for the striking contrast between the lush pine forests and the rocky peaks of the Ecrins.

You'll need to be well prepared at the start of the route to tackle the slopes of Puy-St-Eusèbe before arriving at the pretty village of Réallon and its 16th-century church. The ascent comes to an end at the foot of the Ecrins National Park. Quite a reward!

Useful information

Practice : Cycling

Duration : 2 h 30

Length : 31.6 km

Trek ascent : 917 m

Difficulty : Medium

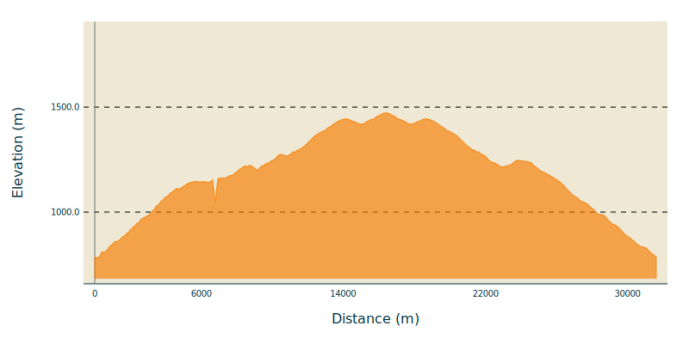
Type : Loop

Themes : History and architecture, Lake and glacier, Top

Trek

Departure : Parking de la Centrale, Savines-le-Lac (D41 north of the lake)
Arrival : Parking de la Centrale, Savines-le-Lac (D41 north of the lake)
Cities : 1. Savines-le-Lac
2. Puy-Saint-Eusèbe
3. Réallon

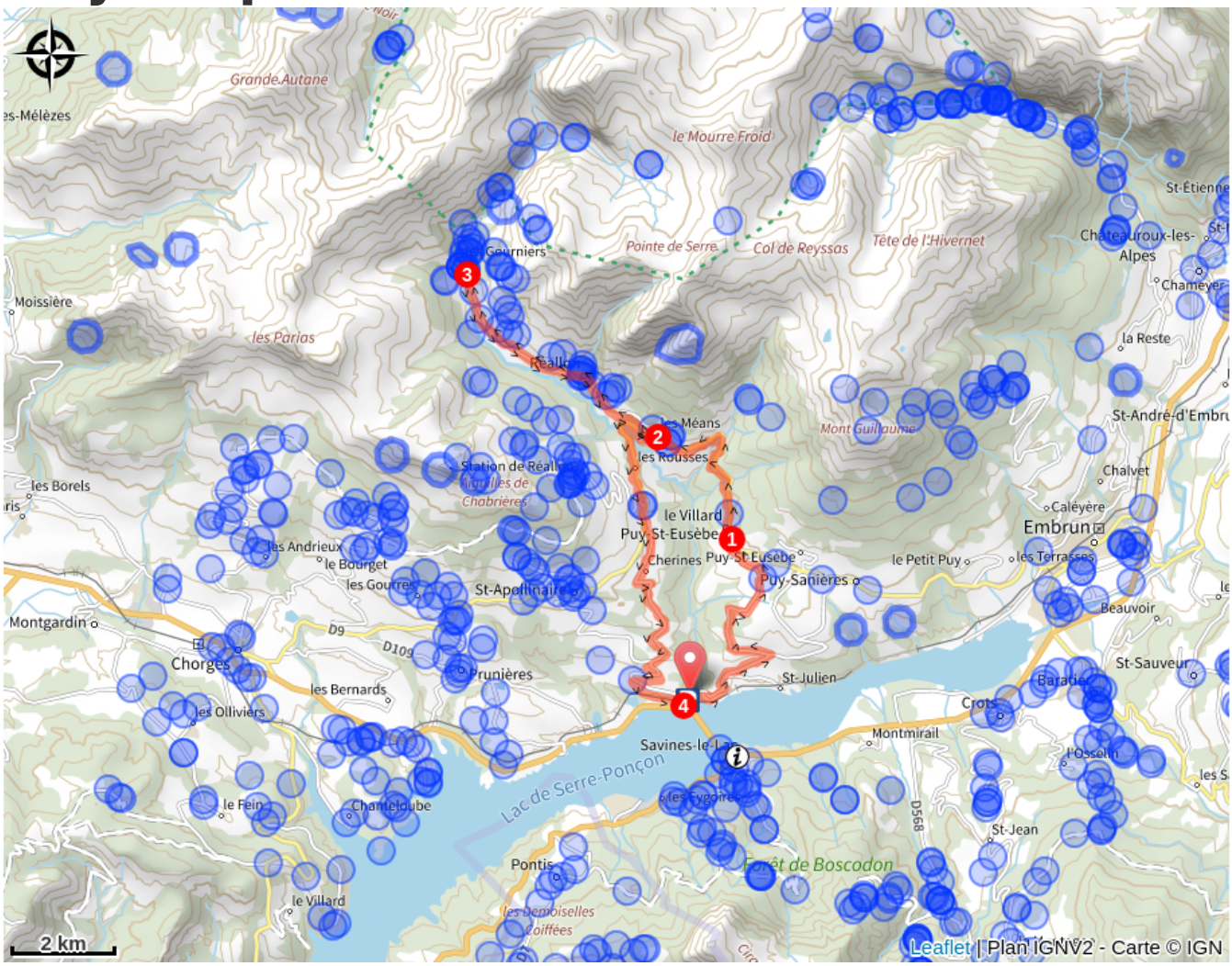
Altimetric profile



Min elevation 783 m Max elevation 1472 m

1. From the Centrale car park, come to a roundabout on the D41 and turn right towards Puy-Saint-Eusèbe (D641). After a 2.5 km climb, take the D741, still heading towards Puy-Saint-Eusèbe, and continue climbing. Cross the hamlet of Les Pins to Le Villard.
2. At the primary school, head towards Réallon along the D9. The view is unobstructed and offers a lovely vantage point over the Ecrins massif. The view is becoming increasingly interesting. Orgues (rock pillars), streams and marl follow one another in a wooded environment. Go past Les Méans and, at the next junction, turn right towards Réallon (D41). The landscape will not fail to impress.
3. Cross Réallon, observe the remains of an ancient fort and continue through the heart of this valley to reach the hamlet of Les Gourniers, at the gateway to the Ecrins National Park. The road ends here, so you will now have to turn around and go back to the D9/D41 junction.
4. Then turn right towards Savines-le-Lac. Pass Les Rousses and, at the next roundabout, follow the D41 towards Savines-le-Lac. Watch your speed on this beautiful descent, while enjoying the views over Serre-Ponçon Lake. Finally reach the valley by the railway line and return to the car park just after the roundabout.

On your path...


Grande Autane
le Mourre Froid
Pointe de Serre
Col de Reyssas
Tête de l'Hivernet
Gourniers
Moissière
les Parias
Réallon
les Méans
les Rousses
Mont Guillaume
Station de Réallon
Aiguilles de Chabrières
le Villard
Puy-St-Eusèbe
Cherines
Puy-Sanières
le Petit Puy
les Terrasses
Embrun
Caléyère
Chalvet
St-André-d'Embrun
la Reste
Chateauroux-les-Alpes
Chamoyer
St-Étienne
les Borels
les Andrieux
le Bourget
les Gourres
St-Apollinaire
Montgardin
Chorges
D9
D109
Prunières
les Bernards
les Olliviers
St-Julien
Savines-le-Lac
Lac de Serre-Ponçon
les Eygoires
Montmirail
Crots
Baratier
St-Sauveur
Beauvoir
l'Osseln
St-Jean
D568
le Fein
Chantelouube
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Forêt de Boscodon
le Villard
les Demoiselles Coiffées
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All useful information

Advices

- Respecter le sens de circulation des parcours.
- Respecter les autres usagers de la route.
- Le port du casque est obligatoire
- N’hésitez pas à consulter info route 05 avant de partir

How to come ?

Transports

From **Gap**:

- Zou! Network : Line 69 / Frequency : Every 4 hours

From **Embrun**:

- Zou! network : Line 69 / Frequency : Every 4 hours

More information: https://zou.maregionsud.fr

Access

Follow the N94 from Gap or Embrun to the foot of the D41 towards Réallon.

Advised parking

Parking de la Centrale (D641)

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