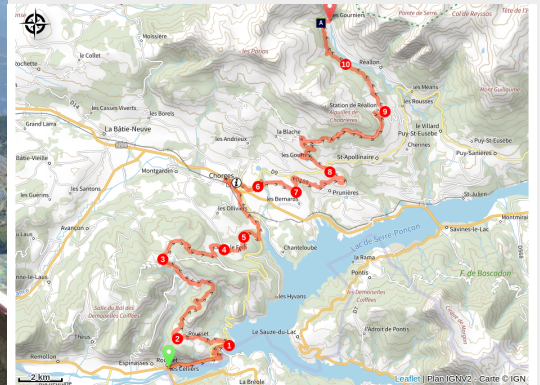


Rousset - Réallon (TSP Gravel)

Parc national des Ecrins - Rousset



(Emmanuel DANJOU)



Serre Ponçon dam, the little sea of the Southern Alps, the water tower of Provence

The route gradually shifts towards sunnier slopes. It connects a whole string of isolated hamlets in the mountains and on the balconies of Lake Serre Ponçon.

The return trip to the top of Mont Colombis is a classic, offering 360° panoramic views and a breath of fresh air.

Useful information

Practice : Gravel

Duration : 5 h 45

Length : 55.4 km

Trek ascent : 2042 m

Difficulty : Hard

Type : Stage

Themes : Lake and glacier,
Panorama, Pastoralism

Trek

Departure : Rousset

Arrival : Les Gourniers, Réallon

Markings :  PR  GRP  GR

Cities : 1. Rousset

2. Espinasses

3. Montgardin

4. Chorges

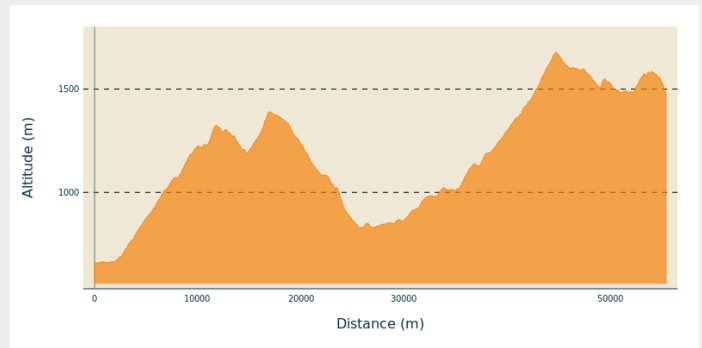
5. Prunières

6. Saint-Apollinaire

7. Savines-le-Lac

8. Réallon

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 659 m Max elevation 1679 m

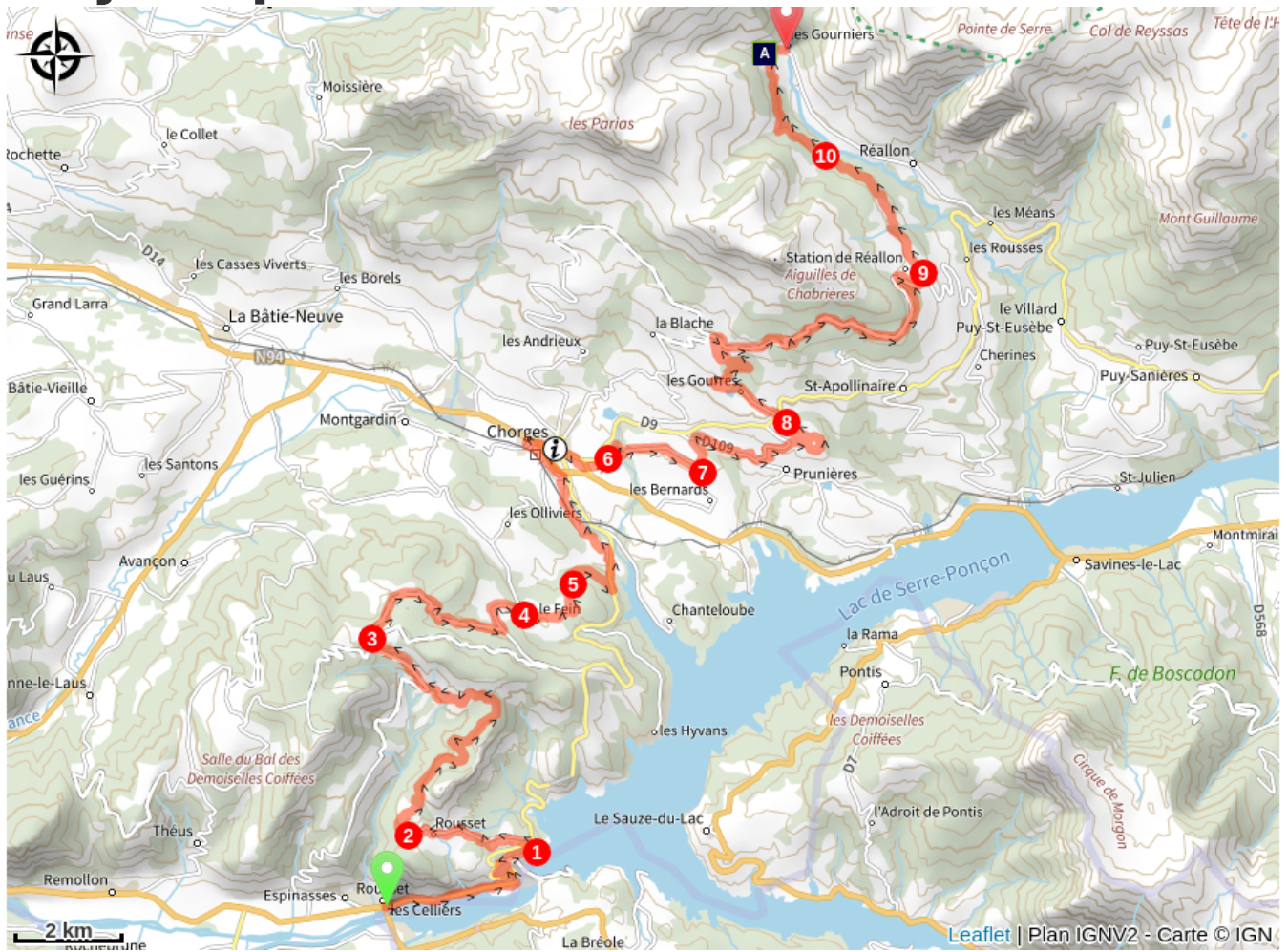
- 1) At the rond-point du barrage, turn right onto the D3 towards Rousset. At the EDF sign, head up towards the Serre Ponçon dam and stay on the main road. At the Muséoscope du Lac junction, turn left to reach Rousset-village (2km). Cross Rousset, choosing the options on the left, staying on the main road and then climbing the gravel path.
- 2) At the Pré du Laus pass, climb to the right and then to the left. Follow this main track to the Espinasse solar farm. At the solar farm, climb steeply to the right. At the barrier, continue along the track to the left. Stay on the main road as far as Vière. At Vière (alt 1201m) turn right towards "La Croix des Prés", then stay on the main track.
- 3) At La Croix des Prés, (a return left to Mont Colombis is possible). Descend to the main track. Turn left at the road.
- 4) At the D203, go straight on towards Le Fein and take the first track on the left (Chemin Clot Fouron) then opposite (Chemin des Bonnets). Descend the main hairpin path (with a view of the lake). Keep to the right, then turn left twice. After the steep slope at the edge of the field, turn left.
- 5) At Clôt Minet, turn right at the edge of the forest. At clôt de Mare, turn left and join the D3 road. (/!\) Descend to the left towards Chorges. At Club les Horizons du Lac hotel, take a left and then the 1st right. At Villar, turn left onto Le vieux Chemin. Cross the fields, pass under the railway line and take the old road on the left. At Prevalier, turn left towards Chorges. Cross the railway tracks and turn right. At the bottling plant, turn right at the level crossing.
- 6) At Chorges station, at the roundabout, head towards the town centre. Pass the Brasserie des Alpes and go straight through the town centre. Before the N94, continue left onto the D9 towards Réallon. At the farm, turn right towards Les Augiers (GR signposted).
- 7) At Les Augiers, take the track on the left. At the Route des Puy (D109), turn right into the hamlet of L'Eglise. At the church, turn left onto the route de Chabrières. Continue up the main hairpin road. At the viewpoint on the bend, turn right up the Chemin de la Clouisse. After the farm (Patou), turn right. Stay on the level on the main path around the knoll. At the crossroads of 4 tracks, continue straight up the gravel path
- 8) At the D9, continue straight ahead on the route des Gourres and then the route du Pomeyret. At the hamlet of Pomeyret, continue on the main road with its hairpin

bends. At the DFCI track F8, continue straight ahead on the GR. At the DFCI marker, turn right onto the Joubelle forest road (DFCI F1 forêt Domaniale de Montguillaume). Go as far as the resort of Réallon

9) At the resort, head down to the car park and then the road, leaving the ski lifts behind you. After the 1st hairpin bend, leave the main road at Pra Prunier and turn left towards "Les Gourniers". Then descend to the right, keeping to the main track. Continue downhill then turn slightly right to cross the hamlet of Les Mallets.

10) Go up on the left towards Les Granges. Continue on the main track towards Les Gourniers. At Les Tommelles, the track gives way to a road, leading to Les Gourniers.

On your path...



 View over the Lac de Serre-Ponçon (A)

 Addos mountain stream (B)

 Turk's cap lily (C)

All useful information

i Herd protection dogs

In mountain pastures, protection dogs are there to protect the herds from predators (wolves, etc.).

When I hike I adapt my behavior by going around the herd and pausing for the dog to identify me.

Find out more about the actions to adopt with the article "[Protection dogs: a context and actions to adopt](#)".

Tell us about your meeting by answering this [survey](#).



! Advices

Avant de partir vérifiez l'état de votre vélo, surveillez la météo et équipez vous selon la saison et la durée de votre randonnée.

Vous évoluez en zone de montagne, privilégiez des pneus de Gravel large, des freins à disque hydraulique et maîtrisez votre vitesse.

Prudence dans la descente du Hameau de Vière et pour rejoindre la vallée de la Durance.

Pour plus de confort faites appel à un moniteur de cyclisme
Secours : 112

How to come ?

Transports

SNCF: Charges station, Embrun <https://www.sncf-connect.com/>

Bus : Valserres, La Bâtie Neuve, Charges, Puy Saint Eusèbe, Puy Sanières, Embrun Baratier, Les Orres, Remollon, Theus, Espinasse

Marseille-Briançon : (LER29)

Marseille, Nice : Lignes Express Régionales (LER) +33 (0)809 400 415

Grenoble : Transisère +33 (0)4 26 16 38 38

Gap-Barcelonnette (LER535)

Carpooling area : Rond point des Orres - 05200 Baratier

Plane:

Marseille Provence Airport (188km) - +33 (0)820 811 414

Grenoble Alpes Isère Airport (158km) - +33 (0)4 76 65 48 48

Lyon Saint Exupéry Airport - (203km) +33 (0)826 800 826
Turin Caselle Airport - (178km) + 39 011 567 63 85

Access

From Grenoble, Lyon, Paris : RN 85 or RN 75. At Gap, take the RN 94 towards Briançon.

From Marseille, Montpellier A51 to La Saulce, continue towards Tallard (D942) and Briançon (RN 94).

Information desks

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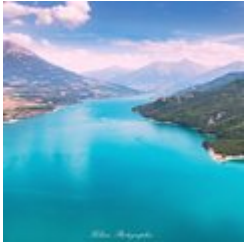
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On your path...



View over the Lac de Serre-Ponçon (A)

From this spot, you can see the Lac de Serre-Ponçon. This is the second biggest artificial lake in Europe. It covers 2,800 hectares and is fed by the Durance and Ubaye mountain rivers. Filled with water in 1960, it offers numerous water-based activities, beaches with amenities and lifeguards and small harbours for pleasure craft. Despite all this, the majority of its shores remain wild with numerous craggy coves which make Serre-Ponçon so charming, as the nearby Baie des Moulettes illustrates.

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Addos mountain stream (B)

The Addos mountain stream (torrent in French) is 4 kilometres long. A mountain stream is a natural water course located in the mountains. The flow regime is characterised by a steep gradient, with a very fast and therefore turbulent water flow producing significant erosion. It is also defined by a significant variation in flow rate depending on precipitation levels. In this mountain stream, as in many others, numerous small sills (small dams) have been created to slow down the water flow and limit the impact of floods.

Attribution : Am  lie Vallier



Turk's cap lily (C)

In the undergrowth at the beginning of the route, then in the meadows, it stands out with its long upright flowering stem. It is embellished by three to ten flowers that are a purple-pink and crimson and have long orange stamen. Admire them without smelling, as they are as beautiful as they are smelly!

Attribution : Mireille Coulon - PNE
