Le Fein

Le Petit Bois (Manu Molle)

A rural route offering uninterrupted views of Chorges and its mountains.

The loop of Le Fein guarantees a fun and enjoyable itinerary for mountain bikers of all abilities, with the aiguilles de Chabrières and the Piolit, which overlook the town of Chorges and the Serre-Ponçon lake, as a backdrop.

Useful information

Practice : Mountain bike

Duration : 1 h 45

Length : 12.2 km

Trek ascent : 384 m

Difficulty : Medium

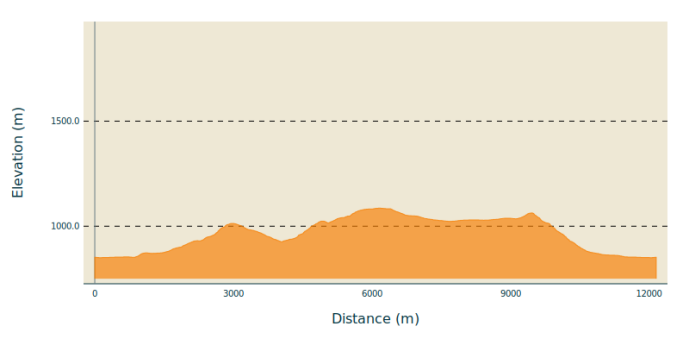
Type : Loop

Themes : Fauna, Flora

Trek

Departure : Chorges
Arrival : Chorges
Markings : VTT
Cities : 1. Chorges

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 850 m Max elevation 1086 m

1. From the SNCF station, head towards Intermarché, then cross the level crossing and continue to the left. Before the level crossing, turn right towards "Le Fein".
2. When the path descends again turn left and continue on the wide path.
3. At "Clot Minet" turn right towards "Fein", continue on the widest path uphill. Once you reach le "Fein" and cross the hamlet.
4. Take the road down towards Chorges, then take the single track on the right.
5. Take the road on the left. After 500 metres, leave the road and turn right onto a track. At the next intersection, turn left towards Grand Chatêlard.
6. Return to the road on the left and take the outward route.

On your path...

View over the Lac de Serre-Ponçon (A)

The Roe Deer (B)

Poplars (C)

All useful information

Advices

Après le hameaux du Fein le single track est emprunté dans les deux sens.

How to come ?

Transports

Public transport : ccserreponcon.com

Access

Follow the N94 from Gap or Embrun to Chorges.

Advised parking

Station car park, Chorges.

Information desks

Tourist office Chorges
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Source

Serre-Ponçon

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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.

Attribution : Hélène Photographie - OTSP

The Roe Deer (B)

Elegant, agile and fast, the roe deer is very discreet but leaves the imprint of its frail hooves on the snow or mud up to the alpine level. They can also be spotted by their loud "voice", emitting a powerful bark when disturbed. In the semi-darkness, their mirror, that white spot under the tail in the shape of a heart for the female and a bean for the male, can give them away. When it starts out on life, the fawn is covered in white spots that camouflage it. This "bambi" often lies on the grass. If you find one, remember not to touch it: it hasn't been abandoned.

Attribution : Albert Christophe - PNE

Poplars (C)

There are many poplars along the route. It is a very impressive tree, on account both of its height (30 m) and its robustness (it can withstand temperatures down to -25°C). They thrive in damp ground. The poplar has a very important place in French forestry and in the timber industry. It is usually pollarded for firewood.

Attribution : Amélie Vallier