

THE VEZELAY ROUTE

'VIA LEMOVICENSIS'
TO
ST. JEAN-PIED-DE-PORT

Northern variant via Bourges

*Adaptation of the directions by the regional
Associations of Saint James*

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Small photo: cathedral of Bourges 'Saint-Etienne'

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>>>>>> This edition contains ONLY the directions, maps and elevation profiles. These are identical to those of the complete edition 2017. The overview of facilities (mainly overnight accommodation) on the way is now, fully and frequently updated, available in pdf format for download at www.santiago.nl/english/vezelay-main-page and further. There you will also find the GPS tracks and updates of directions. Always download the most recent version before departure!

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Introduction

In the late nineties two routes from Vézelay to Saint Jean Pied-de-Port have been plotted: a *grande randonnée* (= long distance path, the GR 654) and the so-called *voie historique* (= historical road). The trails 'GR' preferably follow small paths, even if that means: more kilometers. The hiking pleasure is paramount. A group led by Monique Chassain however argued, that for pilgrims Santiago is paramount. The road to Santiago is already long enough, therefore 'unnecessary' kilometers should be avoided.

Chassain based her route as much as possible on the *Codex Calixtinus* (12th century, the oldest book about the Camino) and other ancient sources, hence the name: *historical road*. A huge project. A route with two variants (via Bourges and via Nevers), which meant that a total of 1200 kilometers were marked and described. A number of pilgrim hostels were established and a pilgrim office in Vézelay. Even a Dutch translation of the guidebook was provided.

Monique Chassain died in 2017. Some years before, the work of Chassain had been adopted by five French Associations of Saint James. The route is again actively maintained, descriptions are being updated, as well as lists of accommodations, and GPS tracks have been made. The result of all that work is publicly available on the websites of these Associations, albeit mainly in French.

For those Dutch and Flemish pilgrims who do not speak French very well, a guidebook in Dutch was made. After it was first published in 2015, the idea came up to make an English version, because there was no English-language guidebook for this pilgrim's route. The following Associations supported this idea:

- the American Pilgrims on the Camino,
- the Camino Society Ireland,
- the Confraternity of Saint-James,

The French Associations call the route *La voie de Vézelay*. Elsewhere the Latin name is still used: *Via Lemovicensis* (= the road from Limoges, one of the main places on the way). We opted for: The Vézelay Route, 'Via Lemovicensis' to Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port.

Preparation of the guidebook

As described above, this guidebook is the work of pilgrims for pilgrims. In the French Associations dozens of volunteers are active to mark, to describe and to maintain the route. Other volunteers receive pilgrims in several information offices and hostels along the route.

This guidebook was produced with the help of the descriptions and GPS tracks from the following regional Associations of Saint James:

L'Association des Amis et Pèlerins de Saint-Jacques de la Voie de Vézelay
www.vezelay-compostelle.eu

1 Vézelay > Crozant

Amis et Pèlerins de Saint-Jacques de Compostelle du Limousin-Perigord
www.compostelle-limousin-perigord.fr/

2 Crozant > La Coquille

3 La Coquille > Sainte-Foy-la-Grande

L'Association des Amis de Saint-Jacques de Compostelle en Aquitaine
www.saint-jacques-aquitaine.com/

4 Sainte-Foy-la-Grande > Gare du Poteau Société

Landaise des Amis de Saint-Jacques et d'Etudes Compostellanes
<http://compostelle-landes.org/index.php?p=vezelay&lng=fr>

5 Gare du Poteau > Sault de Navailles

Association «Les amis du chemin de Saint-Jacques / Pyrénées-Atlantiques»
www.aucoeurduchemin.org

6 Sault de Navailles > Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port

Unfortunately, there are rather big differences in style and level of detail in the descriptions by these Associations. As translators we couldn't do much about this. However, we have checked as carefully as possible (sometimes locally, but mostly through Google Street View) descriptions which seemed vague thus and adjusted them if necessary. Moreover, we have created detailed maps, based mainly on the GPS tracks of the Associations.

This English-language version was prepared by the working group which has also coordinated the Dutch version:

- Translation: Arno Cuppen, with the help of Sylvie Marsden (Canada) and Karline Vandembroecke.
- Digital tracks: Han Lasance
- Maps and height profiles: Wobien Doyer
- Editing and production: Klaas Mors

We also got a lot of comments and suggestions from pilgrims who used this guide on the road. We have used it gratefully for this new edition. You too as a user can make an important contribution, by informing us about changes, errors, etc. which you discover along the way. We ensure that your information will be processed as quickly as possible in a new version, for the pilgrims who take to the road after you. Many thanks in advance!

Please email your comments via the contact form on the website of the Dutch Association of Saint James:

www.santiago.nl/english/vezelay-main-page

There you can check if there are updates of your version of the guidebook. You will also find GPS tracks to download.

Overview of the route



In order to reduce the size of this guidebook, the two initial variants are published in separate guidebooks:

- Northern variant via Bourges (1N) and
- Southern variant via Nevers (1Z, including the variant via Augy).

Both guides contain the stages 2 to 6 and the variant of Bergerac.














From section 2.3 the route is often identical with the GR654 and other GRs. After Sainte-Foy, the route is almost identical with the new GR654 West.

Notes to the directions

The directions and the corresponding maps are always presented in conjunction. The cohesion is increased, by inserting two numbers (in circles) on each map next to the route, indicating the beginning and the end of its description. In the directions these numbers are between [] and printed **bold**.

Symbols between () in the directions, as shown below, refer to the downloadable overview of facilities in pdf format.

Meaning of the abbreviations concerning accommodation (unless indicated otherwise in specific cases):

	Home hospitality for pilgrims ('Accueil pèlerin à domicile')
	Hotel, hostel, B&B ('chambres d'hôtes')
	Holiday house ('gîte')
	Pilgrims hostel ('refuge pèlerin')
	Hospitality by a church/religious organization ('accueil et hébergement religieux')
	Youth hostel ('auberge de jeunesse') / Accommodation for young workers ('foyer de jeunes travailleurs (FJT)')
	Tourist Office ('office de tourisme')
	Train station ('gare SNCF')
	Restaurant
	Café / bar
	Camp site ('camping')
	Food shop, grocery ('alimentation')
	Wifi
Donativo	Voluntary (but fair !) donation
Reservation	If asked so, it's recommended to make a reservation 24 to 48 hour in advance

Split of directions and facilities

Experience has taught that in the facilities section of the guide, there were many more changes than in the route section. Updating the printed text yourself, based on updates was a difficult job and the readability of the result was not always great.

Therefore, this part is no longer included in the guide, but is available for free as a (frequently updated) downloadable PDF file. This file can be printed or downloaded, to be consulted on a smartphone or tablet.

Because both the guide and the pdf file are organised in the same sequence and with equal use of symbols, the route and overnight accommodation can be easily put together and consulted.

See for the download: www.santiago.nl/english/guides-as-pdf-files

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Facilities

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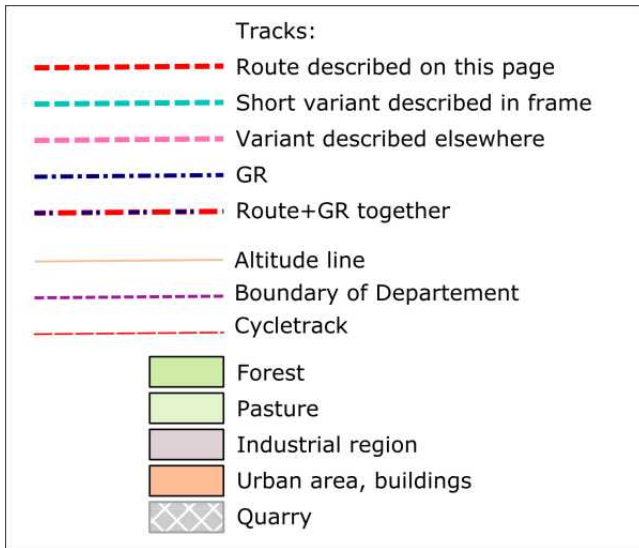
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where a free download in pdf format of the last version of the relevant facilities along this route can be downloaded. You can print and/or load this overview on your smartphone or tablet.

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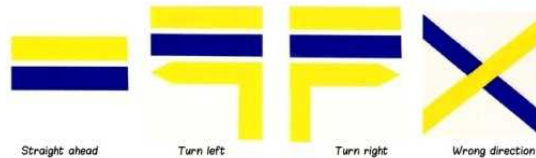
Of course, it is advisable to download just before departure (or even when you are on the road) not only the latest update, but also the latest version of the associated facilities.

Key to the maps



Balisage

At the moment, the waymarking is rather diverse. However, from the end of 2014 some French Associations have started to apply a common waymarking, by following the methodology of the GR(P)[®]. Instead of the red and white or red and yellow colors, the colors used are yellow and blue.



The replacement of the various present waymarks will still take quite some time.

Although we don't expect major practical problems until the time of completion, on the download page of our working group you will find a document, explaining the various present ways of signposting.

See: www.santiago.nl/english/vezelay-main-page for the latest information.

1. Vézelay > Crozant via Bourges (*northern variant*)

1.1 Vézelay > La Charité-sur-Loire: 80 km

- Km 0.0 Vézelay (↑ ▲ ↗ || 🚰 *services*) from the basilica [1a], walk down through the Saint-Pierre and Saint-Etienne streets to the Porte du Barle.
- Km 0.6 Turn left onto the D957, direction Saint-Père and Avallon.
- Km 0.7 Turn right, direction l'Etang, Fontenay, along the gendarmerie and - later- a stela.
- Km 1.5 Intersection: ignore the road cross and the road to the campsite (left). Leave the Route de l'Etang before the CV and continue to the right via the small road along a transformer (N° 446-04) (do not follow the PR) (*nice view towards Vézelay and the wooded hills*).
- Km 2.0 La Justice: transformer. Continue left, along a wall.
- Km 2.6 Water tower: end of the asphalt. Continue straight via the unpaved road (ancient Roman road), through the forest. Further along a fence (on your right).
- Km 3.4 Leave the small road and turn right into a poorly marked path (right angle), keep following the fence.
- Km 3.5 Granite boundary stone.
- Km 3.7 Arrival at a small road: leave the fence and turn left (wreck of a bus in the woods, on the left).
- Km 3.8 Bifurcation: straight on (ignore the forest road (left)).
- Km 4.2 Intersection: ignore a broader forest road (right) and continue straight on via a grassy small road (often overgrown by plants).
- Km 4.7 Second intersection: ignore the second broader forest road (right) and continue straight on via the grassy small road.
- Km 5.1 Arrival at a road [1b] (on the right: sign 'Forêt Domaniale du Vézélien Canton des Ferrières'). Cross and continue opposite, via a grassy small road; after 10m: descending (always partly overgrown by plants).
- Km 5.3 Ignore the bifurcation (right, hard to see) and continue straight on.
- Km 5.6 Arrival at a bigger forest road (sign «voie romaine» = Roman road); on your right: barrier and clearing (*excavation of a Gallo-Roman villa*); turn left. After 50m: sign «Temple/voie romaine»: continue along the gravel road (ancient Roman road).
- Km 6.0 Leave the gravel road, which turns to the left, and continue opposite via a wide dirt road, in the curve (the road turns immediately to the right).
- >>> (*Border of the Yonne and Nièvre departments*).
- Km 6.6 Arrival on a gravel road. In a curve: turn left.

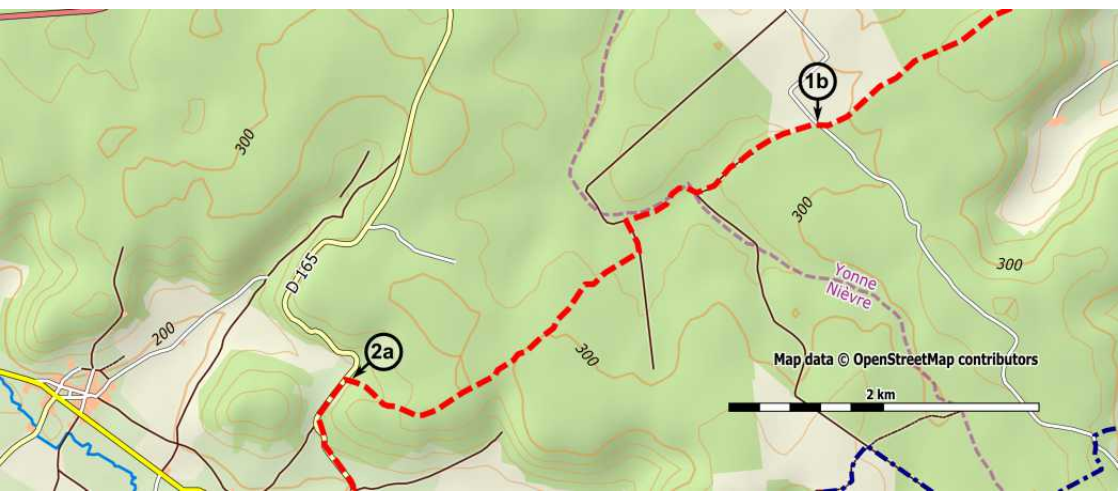
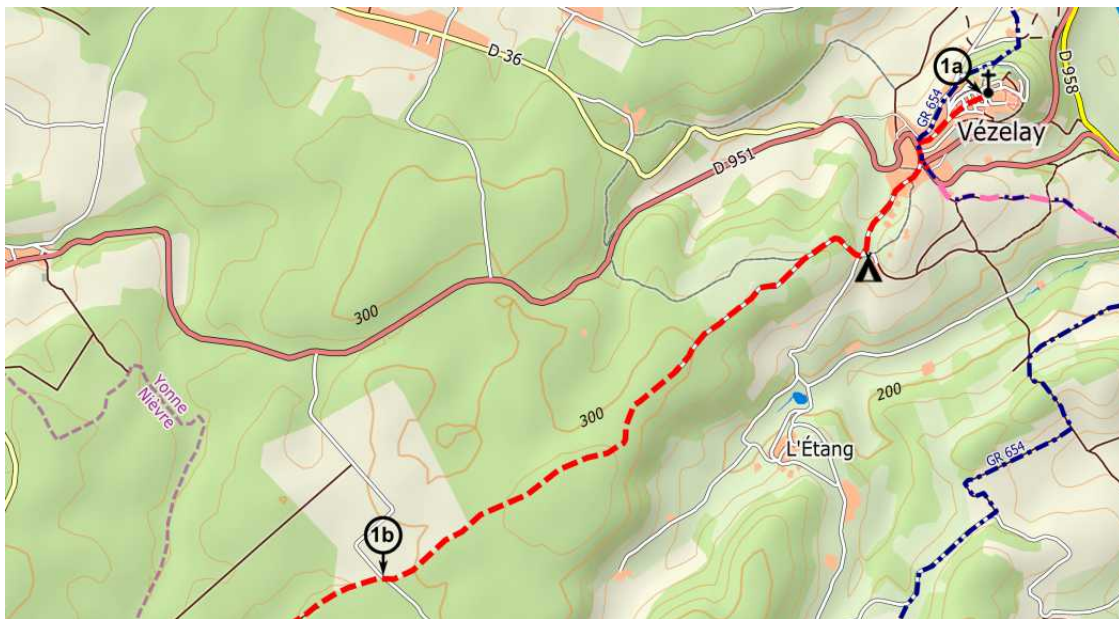
Km 6.8 Sign 'Forêt Domaniale the Maulay'; just before the sign: take the small road to the right, through the forest.

Km 7.2 Crossing: ignore two small roads (right) and continue straight on.

Km 7.7 Bifurcation: keep following the small road, that runs to the right (ignore the forest road opposite).

Km 8.6 Crossroads: take the small road to the left, descending, straight on, through the forest.

Km 9.4 Arrival at the D165 [2a]: turn left (Route Chamoux).



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Km 9.4 D165 (Route Chamoux) **[2a]** to La Maison-Dieu.

Km 10.0 La Maison-Dieu: church.

Km 10.1 Crossing of the D42: continue opposite via the D165, direction Metz-le-Comte and Tannay, and continue straight ahead.

Km 10.9 Bridge over the Armanche; bifurcation: leave the D165 in the curve and continue opposite via the small road, up.

Km 11.1 End of the asphalt: continue opposite via the dirt road, straight through fields, up (*to the left: La Montagne de Metz-le-Comte*).

Km 12.1 Arrival at the D280 [  ) after 2.5 km, right, along the D280]: cross and continue opposite via a small road, descending.

Km 12.6 Vauprenoir farm: ignore the farm (right, on the hill) and keep following the small road, which turns to the left.


Km 13.1 Take the road to the right, through the fields (marking GR654).

Km 13.7 Turn sharp right.

Km 13.9 Turn sharp left, descending.

Km 14.2 Steep descent: arrival on the D985: cross the D985 and take the small road opposite, to Asnois, descending.

Km 14.7 Bridge over the first branch of the Yonne (Rue du Moulin). Bridge over the second branch of the Yonne. Bridge over the Nivernais canal (picnic area).

Km 15.2 Asnois (): follow the Rue de la Maison-Dieu (marking GR), up.

Km 15.3 Crossing: straight on, via the Grande Rue Jean Paul Rigollot.

Km 15.4 Crossing of the D185 (cross): continue straight on, through the Grande Rue (= D185).

Km 15.5 Ignore the Rue de l'église (left).

Km 15.9 Crossing at the monument to the fallen soldiers: continue opposite, direction Ouagne and Saligny, via the Grande Rue.

Km 16.3 On the D34: turn left and immediately right, the D185, direction Ouagne, Asnois-Gare and Saligny.

Km 16.9 Ignore Asnois-Gare (left). **[2b]**

Km 18.5 Railway crossing.


Km 18.6 Crossing of the C1: straight on (Grande Route).

Km 19.0 Saligny: chapel. Continue straight on, via the D185.



Km 20.9 Leave the D185 and take on the left (near the end of fields on the right) a large gravel road through the forest. Follow the white shells on your left.

Km 21.8 Le Petit Moutot: the road turns right to the farm and then left again (*view towards the church of Saint-Germain-des-Bois*).

Km 21.9 Ignore the dirt road (right) and follow the gravel road, descending.

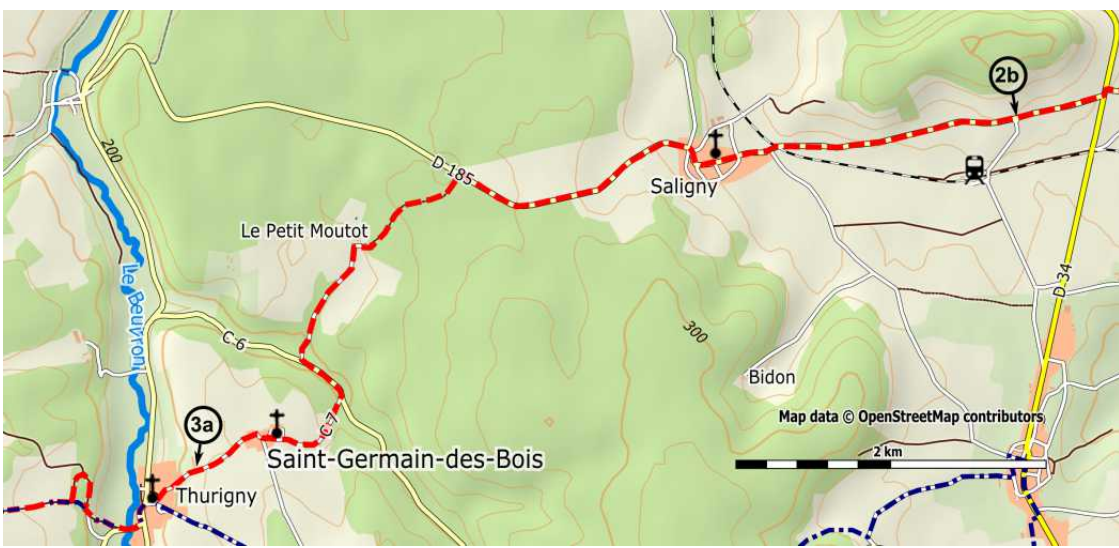
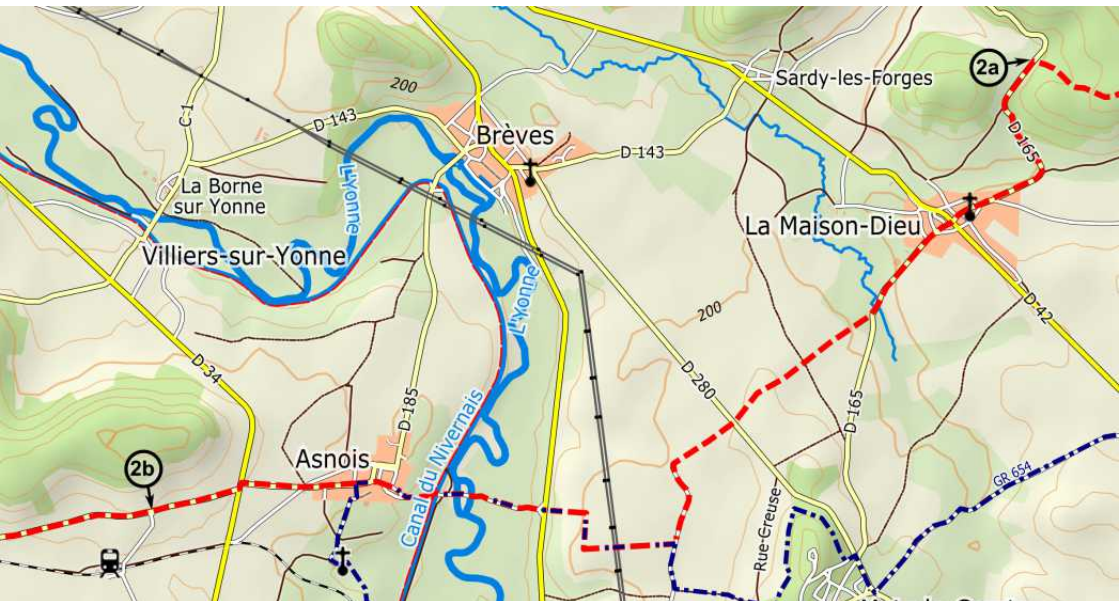
Km 22.6 Arrival at the C6: go left. (*For  go right and on D23 left*).

Km 23.0 Leave the C6 and take the C7, up, towards Saint-Germain-des-Bois.

Km 23.6 Saint-Germain-des-Bois ( ): church (right).

Km 23.7 Crossing with roadcross '1863' (*picnic spot*): continue towards Thurigny, via the C4.

Km 24.0 Reservoir (left), followed by a cross (right). [3a]



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Km 24.1 Along a cross. **[3a]**

Km 24.7 Thurigny crossroads of the D6: turn left towards Varzy.

Immediately afterwards: turn right, at the corner of the wash-house (marking GR654).

Km 24.8 Take the D6 again, to the right, direction Cuncy and Varzy.

Km 24.9 Bridge over the Beuvron; at the end: take the dirt road to the right, up.

Km 25.0 At the pylon: continue opposite, steeply up (marking GR) (overgrown, nettles, depending on the maintenance). Alternatively: after the bridge, keep following the D6 and after about 100m take the small road to the right.

Km 25.1 Arrival on a road: turn right (or follow the road, depending on your choice after the bridge).

Km 25.5 Keep left at fork, along the forest, then to the right, through fields.

Km 26.4 Crossing of a small wood: continue straight, through fields.

Km 27.5 Ignore an unpaved road (left) and continue straight on, descending.

Km 27.8 Arrival at the D6: turn right.

Km 28.6 Arrival in Cuncy. Intersection with the C18 (cross and pond): continue straight on, via the D6, direction Villiers-le-Sec, Varzy.

Km 29.0 Cuncy-lès-Varzy (🏰 🏠): church, crossing (marking GR654): continue via the D6, direction Varzy.

Km 29.4 Ignore the C3 direction Chêne-au-Franc (left): straight ahead.

Km 30.0 Before the turn: leave the D6 and take an unpaved road to the left and immediately after to the right, parallel to the road (marking GR) (Chemin de Vertenet).

Km 30.6 While walking up: restored wash-house (left) and then the demolished roadcross (left, stone base) of Vertenet (*in former days pilgrims used to come by here also*): Keep following the small road, up.

Km 31.0 Arrival on the D102 **[3b]**: turn left.

Km 31.6 Leave the D102 and take the second unpaved road to the right, up, turning left around Mont Charlay.

Km 32.5 Ignore the bifurcation (left) and follow the road, which turns to the right (marking GR).

Km 32.6 Crossing: turn left, follow the ridge (below: the N151), opposite the statue of the Sacré-Coeur on Mont Châtelet) (marking GR).

Km 33.0 Leave the road on the ridge (and thus the GR) and turn right (angle turn), via a path along the slope, descending, to an agricultural school.

Km 33.2 On the intersection: turn left, a grassy path, along the fence of the school and then the school itself.

Km 34.3 Arrival on a gravel road: follow it to the N151.

Km 34.1 Arrival at the N151 (*watch the traffic*): a passage for pedestrians (After 20m, to the right, is the road to the campsite).

Km 34.7 Intersection: Leave the N151 and turn right, direction city-center, descending through a beautiful lime-tree lane (Boulevard d'Auxerre).

Km 35.1 Sign "Stop": turn left, to the church (Rue du 8 mai 1945).

Km 35.2 Monument to the fallen soldiers, marketplace.

Km 35.3 Varzy (🏠 🏰 🚗 🚰 🚰 *services*) church. Continue opposite, via the Rue Saint-Pierre, along two wash-houses (left).

Km 35.5 Continue via the Rue du Chapitre, left (ruins of Sainte-Eugénie).

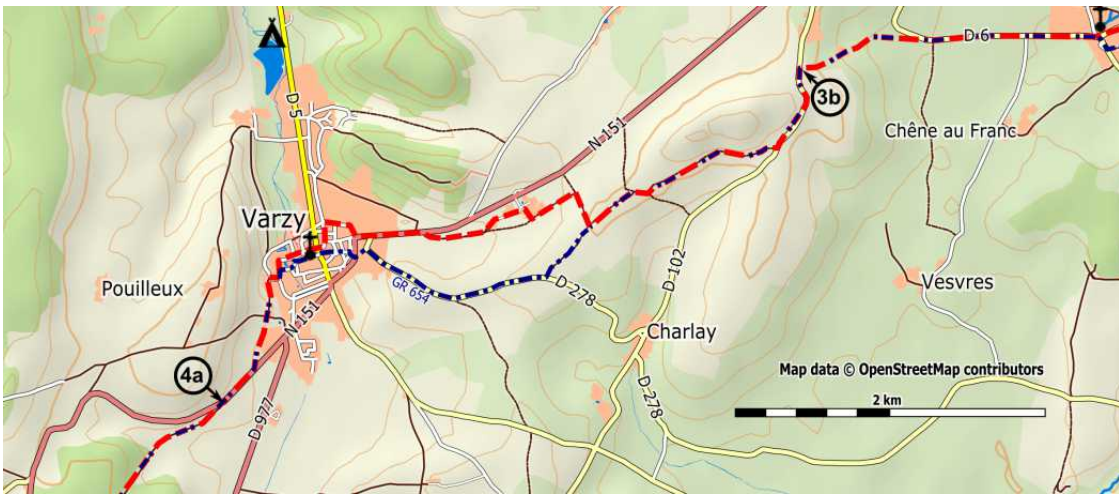
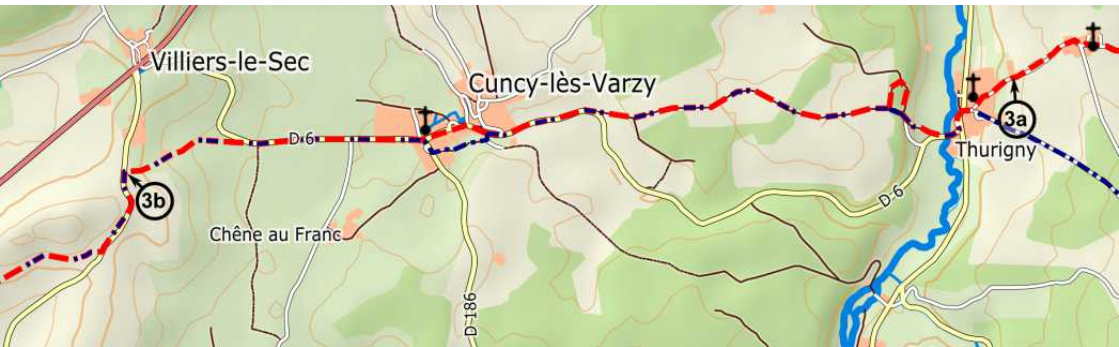
Km 35.6 Turn right, under the railway bridge (Chemin des Lilas).

Km 35.7 Crossing: turn left, up, between houses.

Km 35.9 Crossing: continue straight on, via a gravel road, which then turns into a grassy path (along a car workshop), to the N151.

Km 36.3 Arrival at the N151 (*Attention: busy, dangerous road!*). Turn right, up.

Km 36.6 Leave the N151 [4a] and take a small road to the left, descending (*This is the old road to La Charité, with marking GR654*).



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Km 36.6 Old road to La Charité. **[4a]**

Km 37.0 Waste station (left) and end of asphalt: follow the dirt road, towards the woods.

Km 37.5 Crossroads, turn left: Chapel Saint-Lazare, after 100m.

Km 37.9 Crossing: take, to the left, the big lane (Route des Ronceaux) of the Ronceaux forest.

Km 39.0 The lane turns to the right: keep following the lane, along a hunters' house (left).

Km 40.5 Arrival at the D155: turn left, continue to Champlemy.

Km 41.0 Marking GR654: attention! Do not follow the GR, but the D155.



Km 41.5 Branching of the C12 to Bourras-la-Grange (CH): keep following the D155.

Km 42.8 Crossing of the C2 to Bourras-la-Grange: keep following the D155.

Km 44.4 Le Berceau: take a small road to the left, then immediately to the right, and follow it to the church.

Km 44.8 Crossing: turn left.

Km 44.9 At the height of the church: go up two steps (right) and take the grassy road.

Km 45.1 Champlemy (  services): church. Take the small road opposite the church, to the D127.

Km 45.2 Follow the D127 to the right, via the Grande Rue, direction La Vènerie, la Poste.

Km 45.3 Turn left, into the Rue de la Poste (C9), to La Cour, Les Couées, Les Plauts.

Km 45.5 Bifurcation: turn right, via the Rue de la Grande Fontaine; after 50m, at an intersection: turn left onto the D127.

Km 45.6 On the D127: turn left.

Km 45.9 Leave the D127 and take a dirt road to the right, through fields.

Km 47.4 Back on the D127: straight ahead. **[4b]**

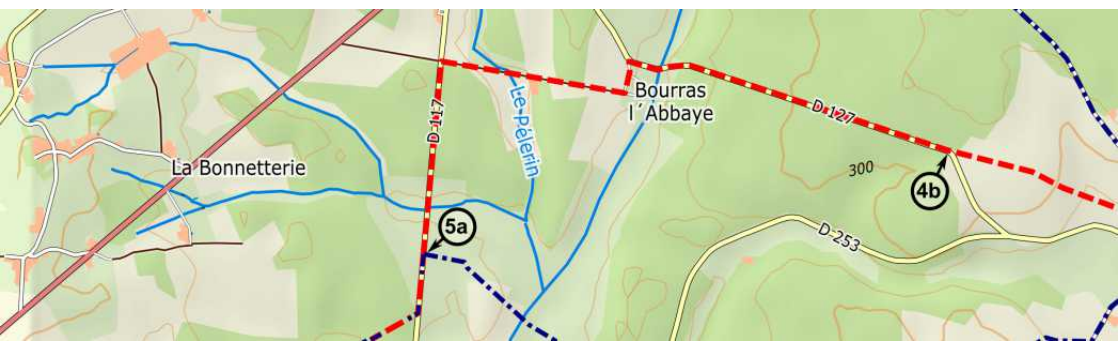
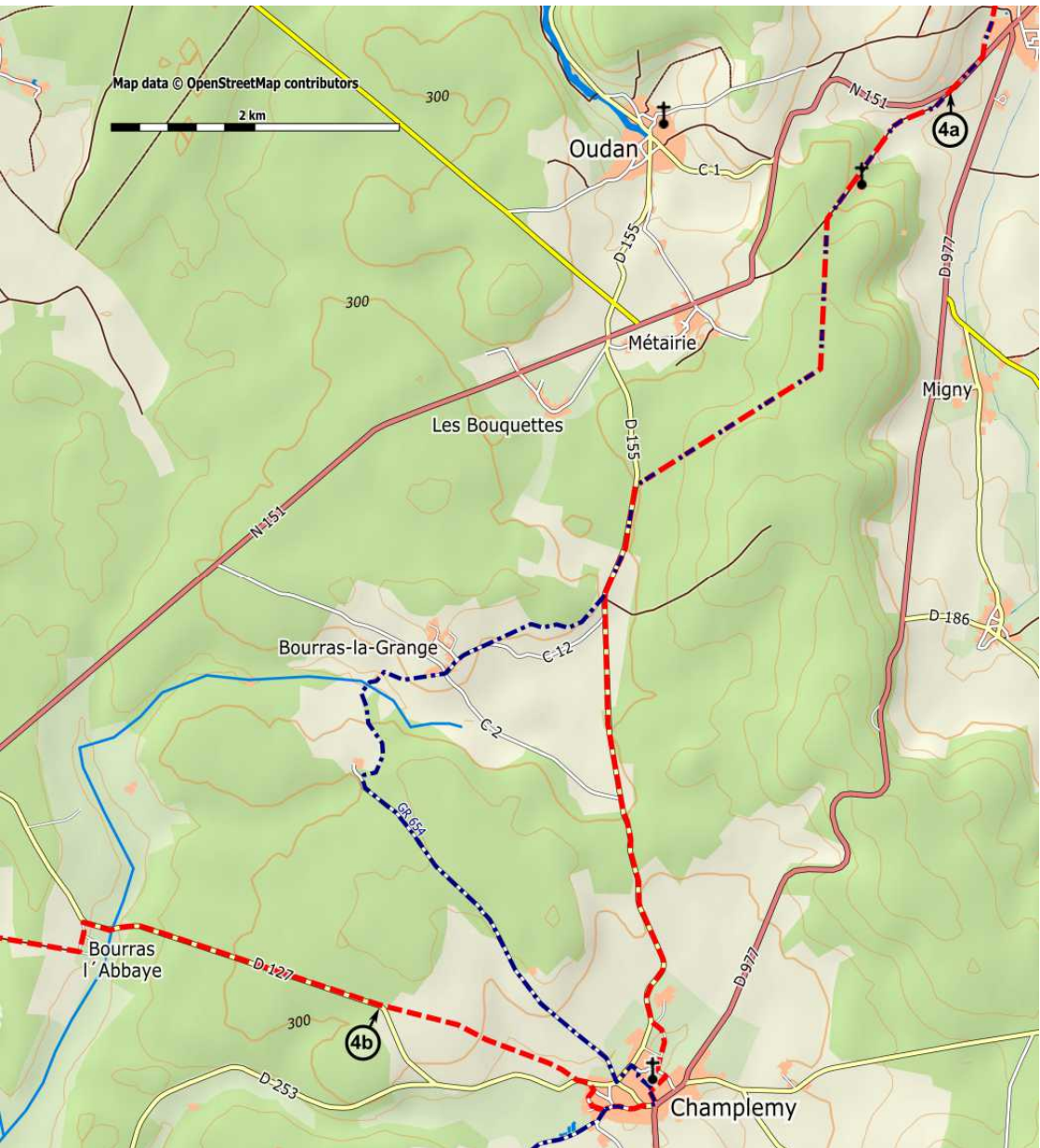
Km 49.6 Crossing Bourras l'Abbaye: leave the D127 and turn left to the former abbey.

Km 49.9 Junction, take the road right opposite the Abbey (attention: private road, allowed for pilgrims).

Km 50.7 Bridge over the stream Le Pèlerin (= pilgrim).

Km 51.1 Crossing of the D117: turn left, direction Dompierre.

Km 52.4 Crossing of La Rolande **[5a]** (on the left: a marking of the GR654): straight .



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Km 52.4 Crossing of La Rolande. **[5a]**

Km 52.8 Leave the D117 and take a small road to the right, entering the forest of Rouesses (markings GR and CDTE).

Km 53.0 Fence: continue (marking GR).

Km 53.2 Pieds nus roundabout: take the second big lane to the left (Allée de la grande ligne), while ignoring the GR marking (right).

Km 54.1 Du Pont roundabout: straight ahead.

Km 54.8 Junction with the D140: cross and continue via the lane opposite, through the woods.

Km 55.8 Crossroads: straight ahead, through a grassy small road.

Km 56.0 End of the lane and crossroads: turn right, under trees.


Km 56.4 The road turns left, continue more or less parallel to the edge of the woods.

Km 56.6 The road turns to the right and leaves the woods: continue straight on, through the fields. At an intersection: the road turns to the left, into a small forest.

Km 57.8 Arrival at the D2: continue slightly to the left, and then turn right, entering Hopitôt.

Km 58.0 Turn right and after 70 m, at the next intersection: straight ahead.

Km 58.6 At the wash-house on the D246: turn left.

Km 59.0 Arbourse (); crossing at the town hall (pilgrim hostel): straight, descending.

Km 59.2 Crossing: straight on, descending.

Km 59.4 Crossing (church on the left). Straight on, and immediately turn right on the D246, direction La Celle-sur-Nièvre.

Km 59.7 Crossing (well): leave the D246 and continue straight on, via the C201, direction Chasnay.

Km 59.8 Leave the road, take a dirt road diagonally to the left, past a waste station. Continue straight on, through fields, then along the forest, up.

Km 60.6 Entering the woods: straight on, steadily up.

Km 61.2 Crossing: continue straight ahead.

Km 61.8 Cross a road and continue via the path opposite (*attention: around a hole*), continue straight on.

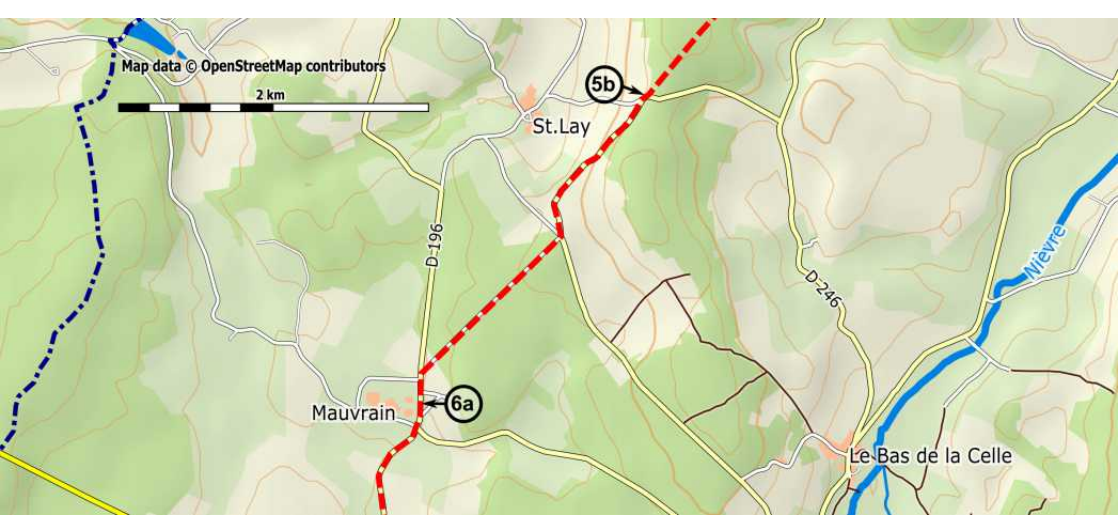
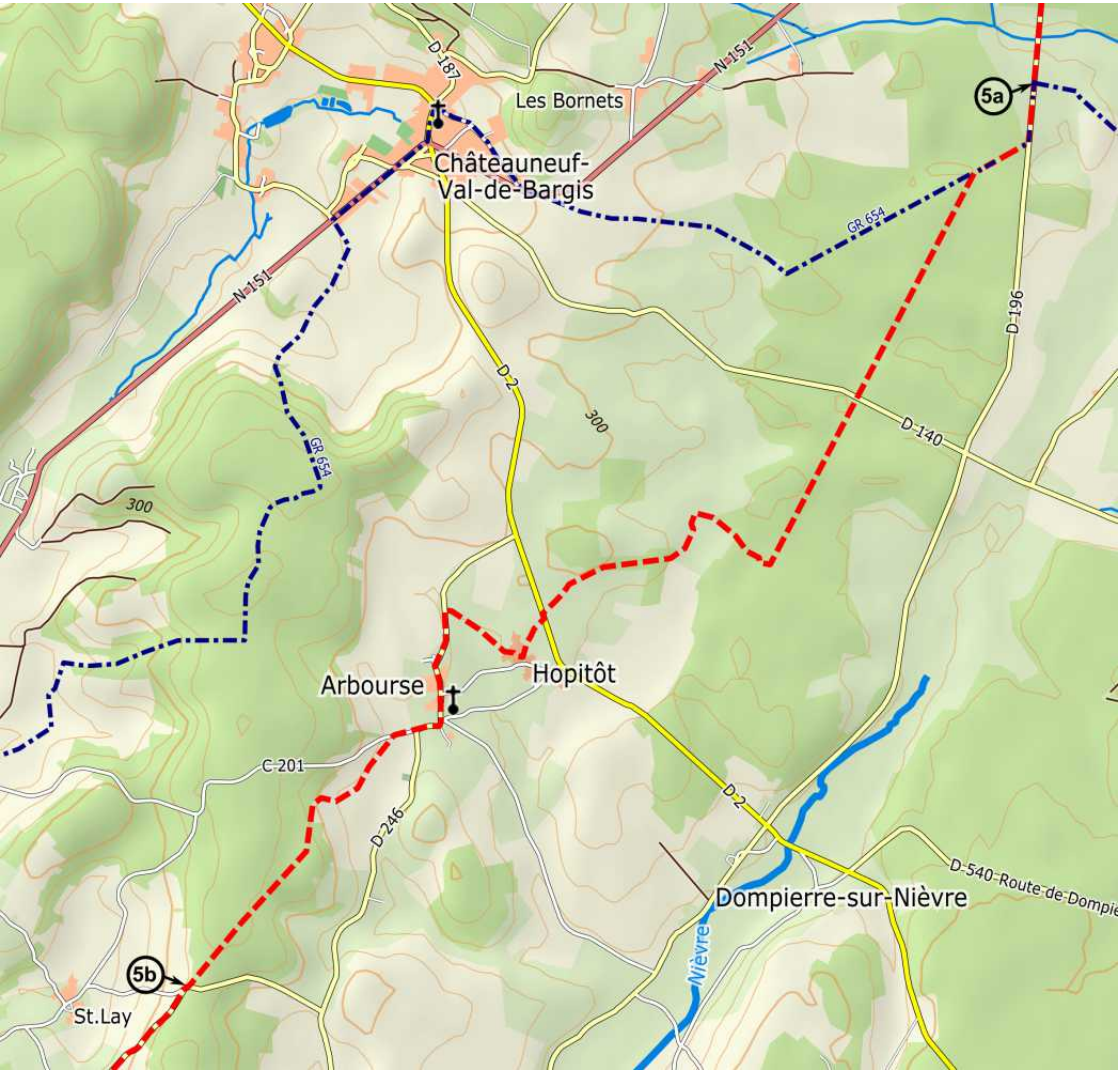
Km 62.0 Arrival on a larger road: turn left, to the road.

Km 62.1 Arrival on asphalt **[5b]**: turn right, direction Mauvrain, then immediately bear left (do **not** steeply descend towards Saint-Lay). Descend gradually, through vineyards (road cross on the left).

Km 62.8 Junction: continue straight ahead, direction Mauvrain, through the woods.

Km 63.3 Arrival at the D196: continue diagonally left; after 50m: straight on.

Km 63.5 Mauvrain. **[6a]**



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Km 63.5 Mauvrain. **[6a]**

Km 63.6 Junction with the D222/C2: straight ahead, direction Murlin; after 50m: pass a small bridge.

Km 64.8 Junction with the D38 («Stop»): turn right, direction La Charité / Pouilly/Narcy.

Km 64.9 Leave the D38 and take a small road to the left, at the corner of the sawmill, direction Mairie (= town hall).

Km 65.1 Place de la Mairie - Murlin: church (on the left). Take diagonally right the C1, direction Raveau, and keep following this road straight ahead, through the woods.

Km 67.2 Etang (= pond) of Candie (left): keep following the road, through the woods.

Km 67.9 End of the asphalt: continue via the gravel road.

Km 68.5 Major intersection: cross the asphalt road 'Route de la Réserve' and continue straight on via the gravel road, descending.

Km 68.9 Cross with a large forest lane: straight ahead.

Km 70.0 Intersection of the Route forestière du Bois Berlière **[6b]**: straight ahead. << Here starts a somewhat longer variant to Raveau, along some accommodation addresses. See bottom page. >>

Km 70.4 Crossing with forest road Sommière du Pré Bourreau: straight ahead.

Km 70.9 Crossing of the forest road of Dourdon: straight ahead.

Km 72.3 Crossing of the forest house of La Bertherie: take opposite the Route the Raveau.

Km 73.4 Sign Raveau: continue along the wall of the castle of Mouchy.

Km 74.0 Junction with the D138: turn left, to the church.

Km 74.1 Junction with the D179. (café, bakery, post): church (on the left). Take the D179 to the right, towards La Charité.

Km 74.4 Intersection at the cemetery (cross dating 1827): take the road to the left (C4) and then immediately to the right (at an electricity pylon) the asphalt road along the cemetery (marking GR654).

Km 74.7 Branch left (end of asphalt): straight on, via a grassy small road.

Km 75.2 Grove: continue along the small road.

Variant via accommodation addresses:

*Km 70.0 Left on Route forestière du Bois de Berlière **[6b]**.*

Km 70.6 Crossing of the Route forestière de la Bertherie, straight ahead.

Km 71.7 End of road, turn right GR 654.

Km 72.2 La Vache (🏠 🏠) «Bois-Dieu» (1.7 km)

Km 72.9 Crossing of the D138 «la Charbonnière (🏠) 400m». Stay on the GR.

Km 74.1 Junction with the D138: turn left.

Km 74.3 Raveau, connection original road: Km 74.1

Km 75.7 Crossroads: straight ahead.

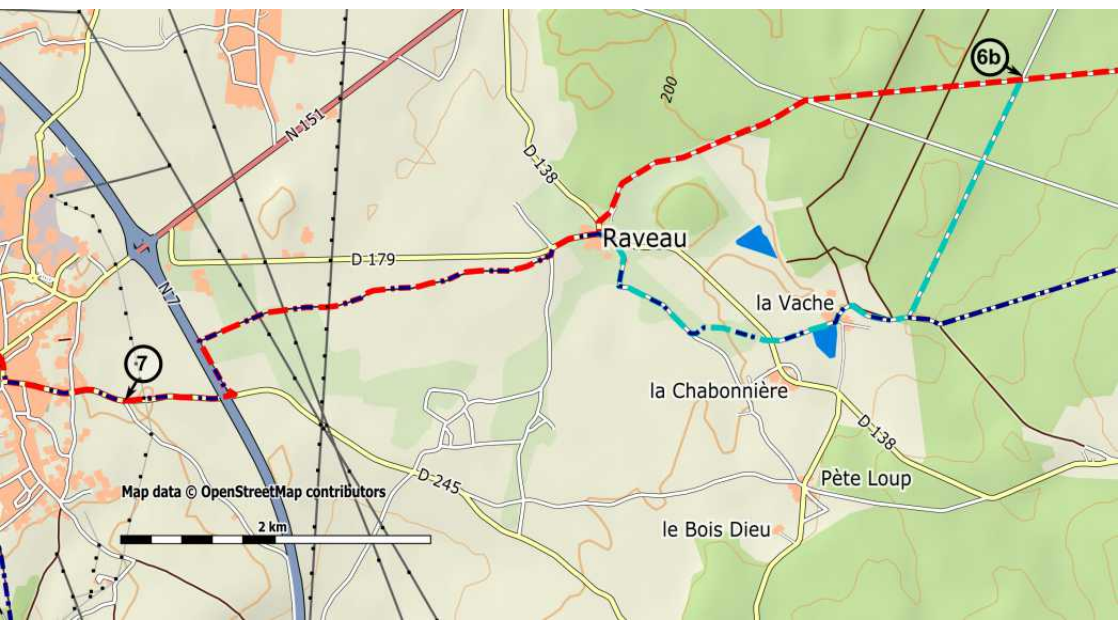
Km 76.0 Pass under a high-voltage line, then between two phone booths.
Continue between hedges, passing under two high-voltage lines.

Km 76.7 Crossing: leave the small road (right) and continue straight on;
windmill on the left.

Km 76.9 Arriving at the slope of the N7: take the small road to the left,
along the slope (do not pass under the tunnel).

Km 77.3 On the D245: turn right, pass under the N7, follow the D245.

Km 77.9 Branching left: straight on. [7]



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Km 77.9 Branching left: straight on. [7]

Km 78.6 Crossing: straight on, towards La Charité, cemetery.

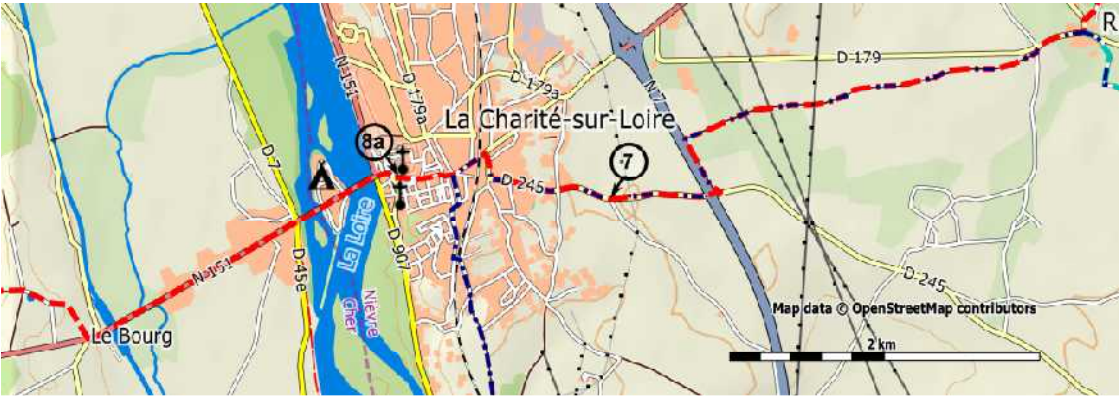
Km 78.7 Straight ahead, past the cemetery (on the left), via the Rue Francis Bar.

Km 79.0 Intersection: continue to the right, via the Rue Francis Bar.

Km 79.2 Leave this street and take, to the left, the pedestrian tunnel under the railway.

Km 79.3 Arrival at the Place du 11 Novembre/avenue Gambetta: straight on, descending via the Place au Glui, the Place Saint-Pierre (former church), the Rue Camille Barrère, the Place de Gaule (town hall) and the Grande Rue.

Km 80.0 Arrival at the Place Sainte-Croix. La Charité-sur-Loire (  
   services): Notre Dame Church. [8a]



1.2 La Charité-sur-Loire > Bourges: 62,0 km

Km 0.0 La Charité-sur-Loire: Notre Dame Church [8a]. Take the Rue du Pont, cross the quay and continue across the stone bridge (N151: *dangerous road*) over the Loire, over the island and the suburb, then across the second bridge over a tributary of the Loire.

>>> (*Border of the Nièvre and Cher departments*).

Km 0.6 End of the bridge: cross the intersection and take the footpath opposite, parallel to the N151, left.

Km 2.0 Cross the bridge over the canal along the Loire and proceed to the left of the N151 (*Pay attention!*).

Km 2.2 Intersection with the D45: 200m straight on.

Km 2.4 Leave the N151 and take to the right the Route du Domaine de la Chapelle/Les Thureaux.

Km 2.6 Cross the hamlet of Les Thureaux.

Km 2.8 In a curve (on the left a reservoir): take to the left the small road between trees, direction Domaine de La Chapelle.

Km 3.0 Cross a stream.

Km 3.9 Arrival at a crossroads, take the D198 to the left (Route de Jarnay), direction l'Etang and the N151.

Km 4.5 L'Etang: just before the N151: take a small road to the right, first between houses and then through forest, direction Champ du Renard. When leaving the forest: straight ahead, through fields.

Km 6.4 Le Champ du Renard (asphalt): continue straight ahead.

Km 6.6 Intersection [8b]: straight ahead, to La Tuilerie.

Km 7.0 La Tuilerie: straight on.

Km 7.5 Crossing: turn left, direction Sancergues.

Km 8.6 Arrival at the N151 (*Pay attention!*): turn right (footpath on the left), enter Saint-Germain-des-Champs, and continue straight on to Sancergues.

Km 9.4 Bridge over the Vauvise: enter Sancergues, via the Grande Rue.

Km 9.6 Sancergues (☞ || 🚰 *services*): church, Place Saint-Jacques. Continue along the N151.

Km 9.9 Intersection with the D72 and D6: take the D6 (Avenue de la Libération) to the left, direction Garigny, Nérondes.

Km 10.2 Turn right towards the college and ignore the Rue des Points (left).

Km 10.3 Turn left into the Rue de Tannois, past the college.

Km 10.5 End of the asphalt: continue via the winding dirt road, through fields.

Km 10.9 Small building with flat roof: continue straight, slightly up.

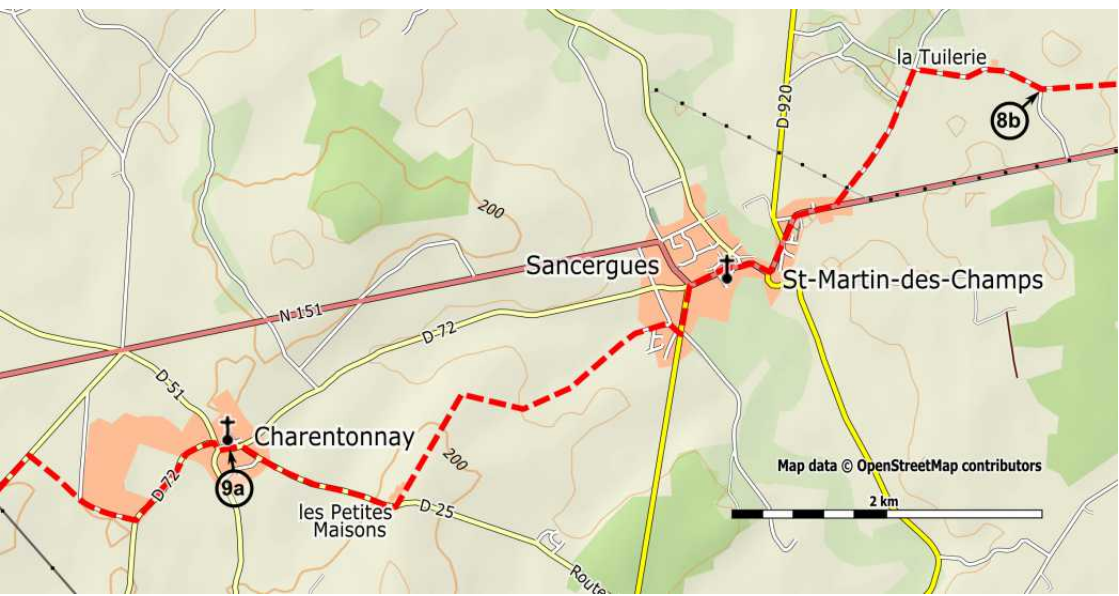
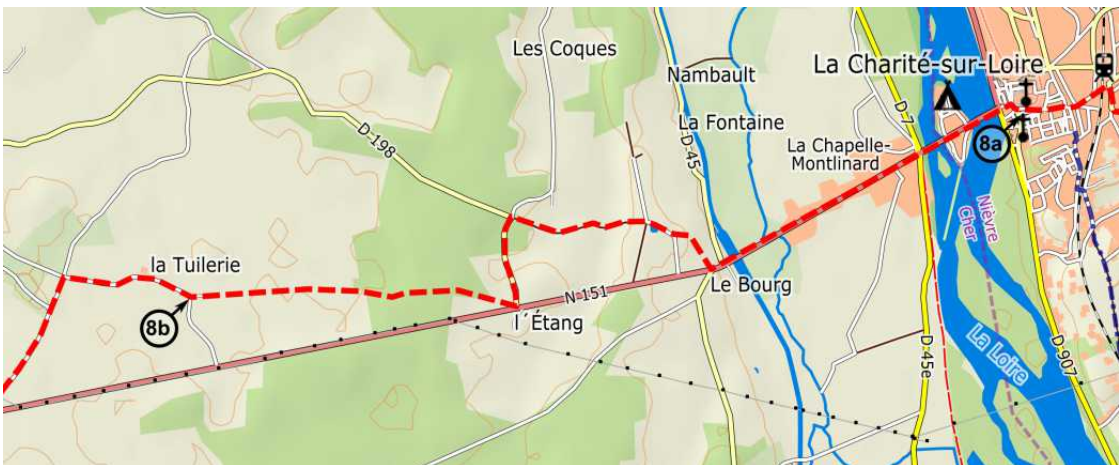
Km 11.2 Branch left: continue diagonally to the right (direction water tower).

Km 11.4 Bifurcation: follow the small road turning left.

Km 11.8 Les Petites Maisons: once there, pass them to the left.

Km 12.0 Arrival at the D25: take the road to the right, to Charentonnay.

Km 13.2 Charentonnay: church [9a]. Continue along the D25.



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Km 13.2 Charentonnay **[9a]** D25.

Km 13.8 Crossing (roadcross): take the D51 to the right, along the town hall.

After 20 m: turn left, onto the D72, direction Couy.

Km 14.7 Junction: take the small road to the right.

Km 15.0 End of the asphalt: continue straight on, via a dirt track.

Km 15.5 Arrival onto an asphalted road: turn left.

Km 16.8 Pouligny: straight on.

Km 17.5 Ignore the Route de la Métairie (right) and continue straight on.

[After 300 m: Bondonnat (🏰), left, at 800m].

Km 18.0 Descend to the left and cross a stream.

Km 18.9 Junction with the D72E (roadcross La Croix Ste-Anne): turn left, to Couy. [Mesongarde (🏰): right, at less than 2km].

Km 20.0 Couy (🏰 🏰 🏰): church (Place de la Libération). Turn right, onto the D53, direction Baugy/Chaumoux.

Km 20.6 Junction: take the small asphalted road to the left, towards the road cross, then walk around a big house, via a grassy small road to the right, along a hedge.

Km 21.4 Le Marigny: arrival on a road, turn right.

Km 22.4 Back on the D53 **[9b]**: cross and continue straight on, via a grassy small road.

Km 22.7 Crossroads: turn left, continue up, follow the ridge, through fields.

Km 23.9 Crossing: straight ahead. Along a detached house (right).

Km 24.5 Back on the D53: continue diagonally to the right.

Km 24.8 Crossing: take a small road to the left, direction l'Etang de Pignoux. [Les Chapelles (🏰) right, at 2km]

Km 25.0 Farm of l'Etang de Pignoux; leave the asphalt before the farm and continue straight on, via an unpaved road, following a high-voltage line. After 50m: cross a small bridge and then turn right at a crossroads (white barrier on the right). Continue straight on, between fences and hedges.

Km 26.6 The unpaved road becomes asphalted (house): continue.

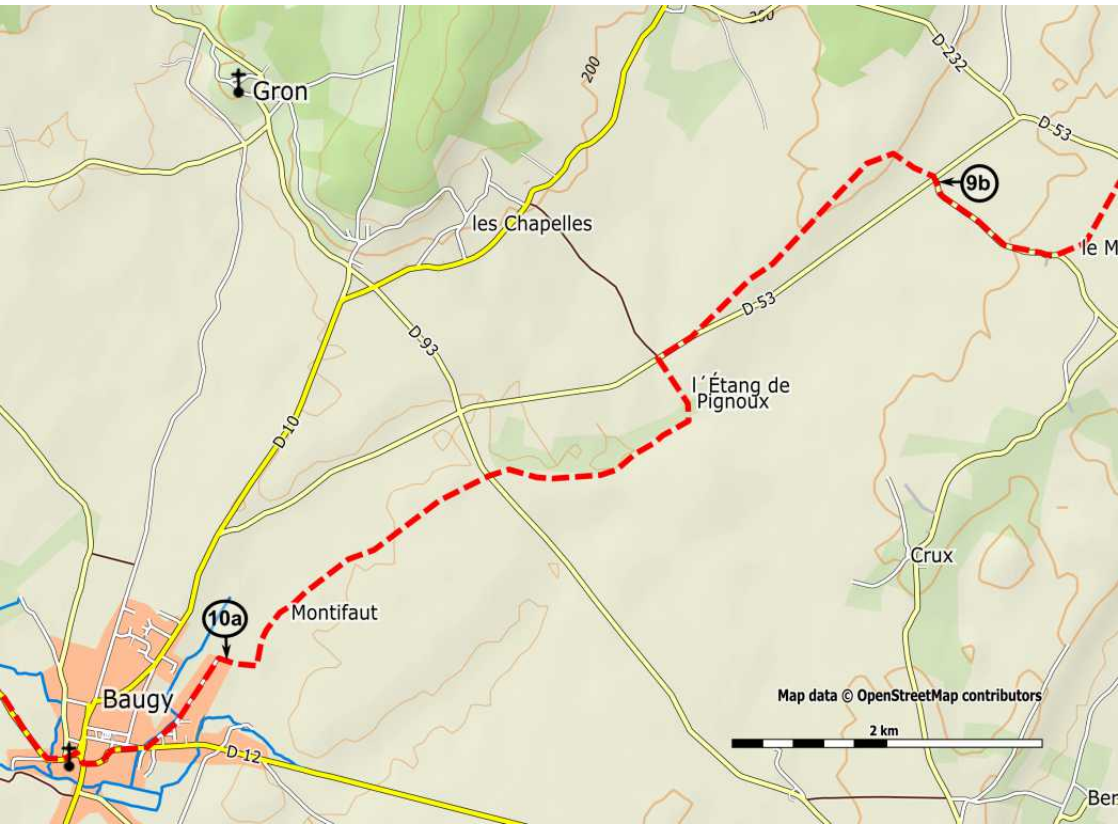
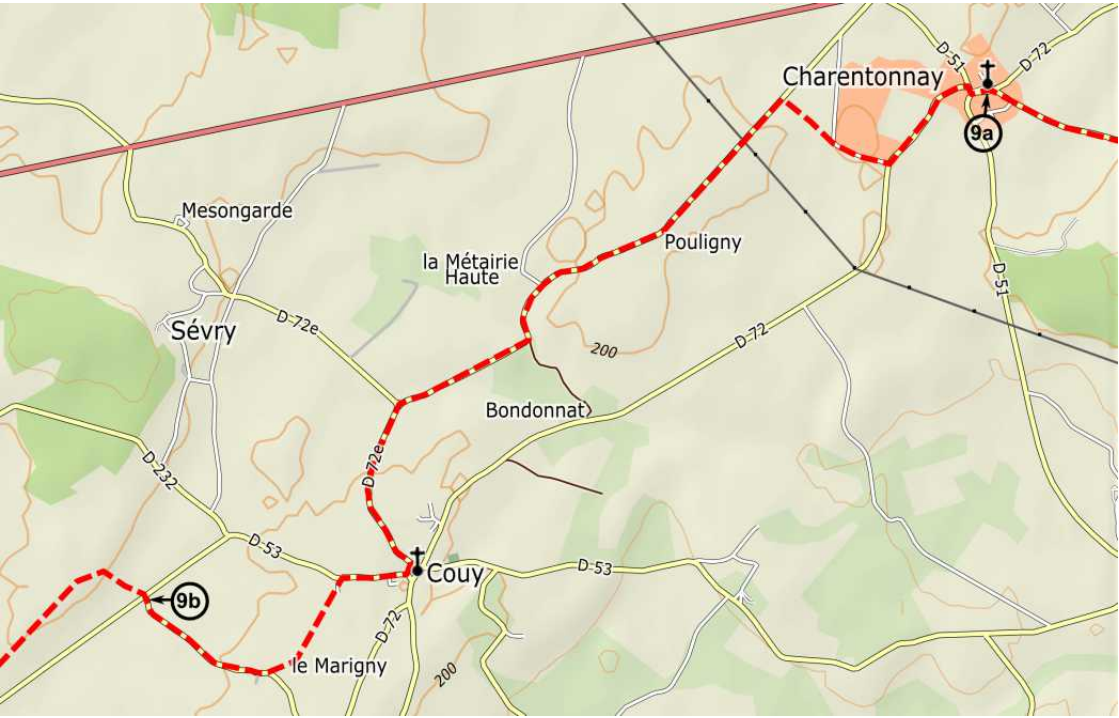
Km 26.7 Cross the D93 [Le Grand Azilon (🏰) at 700m] and take the small road straight ahead.

Km 26.9 Hives on the right.

Km 27.1 On the left: marking «eau» (= water).

Km 28.1 Montifault farm (🏰): ignore the gravel road (right) and continue via the small road opposite.

Km 28.9 Arrival onto the asphalt **[10a]** (factory on the left): follow the road (Chemin de Montifault).



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Km 28.9 Arrival onto the asphalt **[10a]**. Follow Chemin de Montifault.

Km 29.5 Cemetery on the left: straight on.

Km 29.7 Crossing with the D12 («Stop»): turn diagonally right; D12

Km 30.1 Crossing with the D10 («Stop») (town hall): turn right (Rue du 8 mai 1945). Baugy (🏰 🏠 services)

Km 30.2 Then left, the D12 (rue du Gué Joye).

Km 30.3: Near church: follow the D12, direction Villabon and Bourges (attention: busy road).

Km 33.9 Sign Villabon.

Km 35.0 Villabon (🏰 post office): church **[10b]**. Continue along the D12, direction Bourges.

Km 35.4 Croix Saint-Abdon: leave the D12 and turn right, into the Rue de Brécy, which later becomes a dirt road, towards the forest.

Km 36.1 Branching right: keep following the dirt road, straight ahead, through the woods (Forêt communale de Villabon).

Km 37.0 Crossing when leaving the forest: take the lane to the left, to the road.

Km 37.4 Arrival at the D12: turn right.

Km 38.6 Junction with the D157: turn right, direction Brécy.

Km 39.6 Arrival at the N151 («Stop»): cross and continue straight ahead, to Brécy (*watch the traffic*).

Km 40.6 Crossing of the D52: continue to the left, entering Brécy.

Km 40.8 Brécy (🏰 🏠 🏠 services): church.

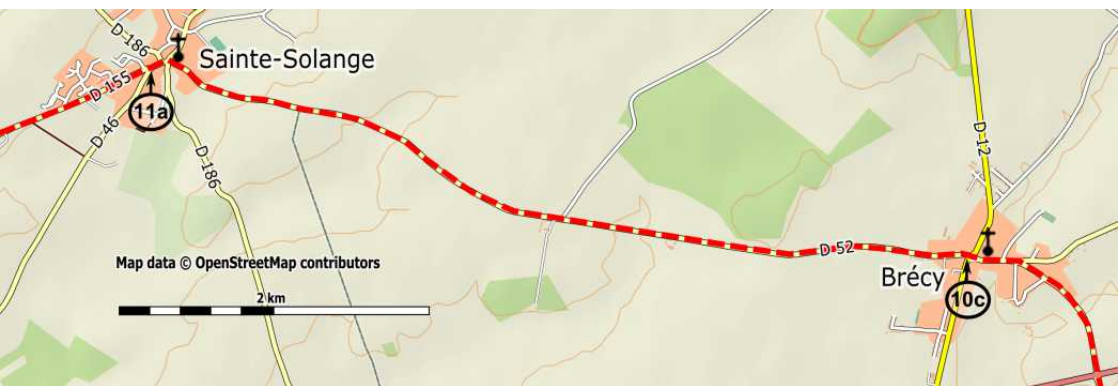
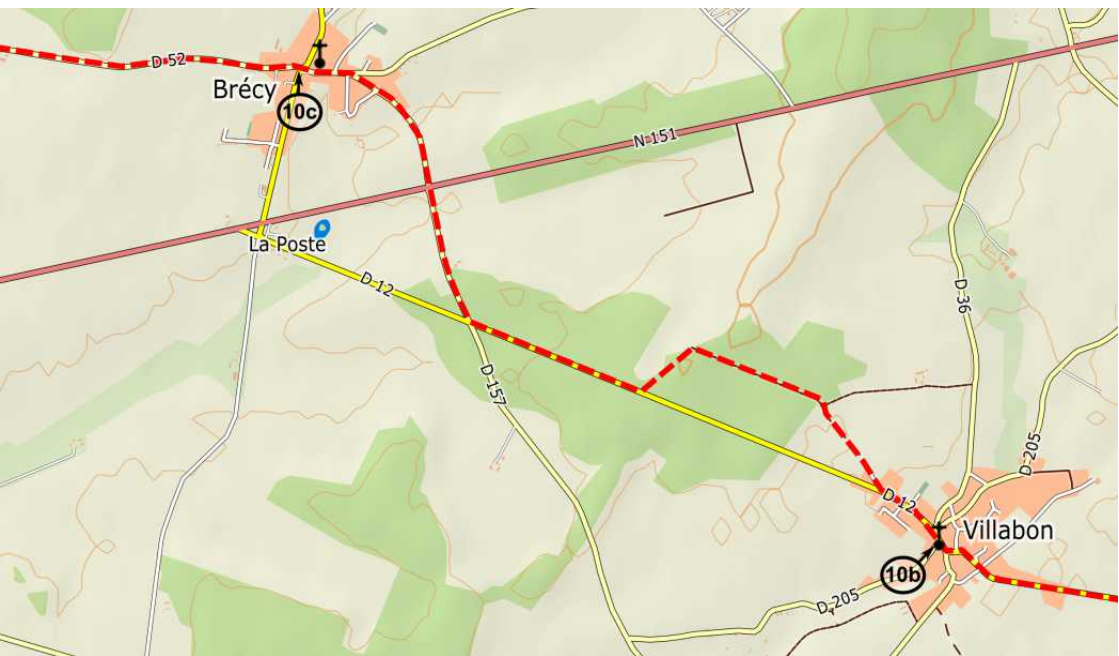
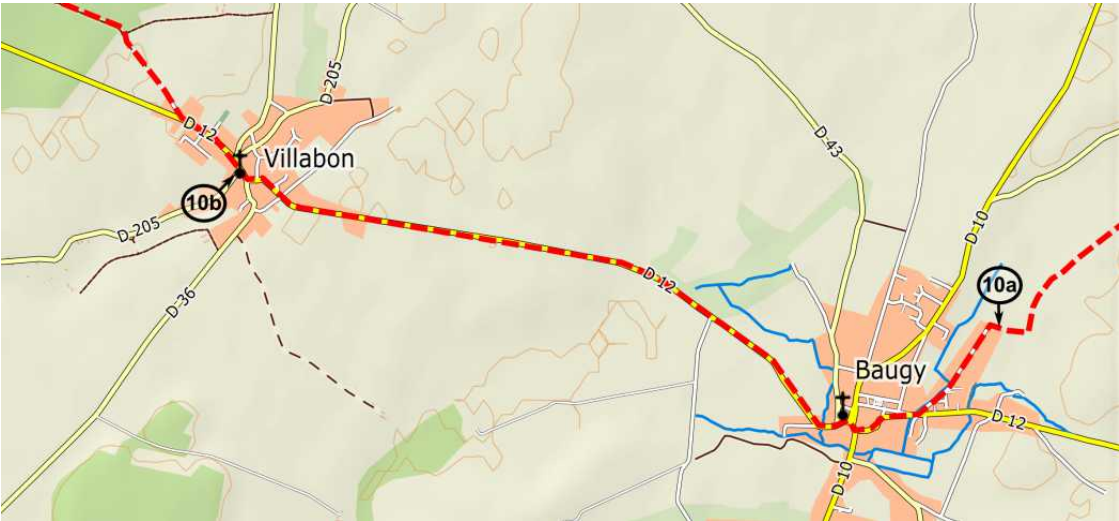
Km 40.9 Crossing (roundabout) D12/D52 **[10c]** (Place Saint-Firmin): straight ahead, via the D52, direction Sainte-Solange (Rue Sainte-Solange).

Km 43.7 Crossing of La Maison Neuve (cross): straight ahead.

Km 46.4 Bridge over the Ouatier.

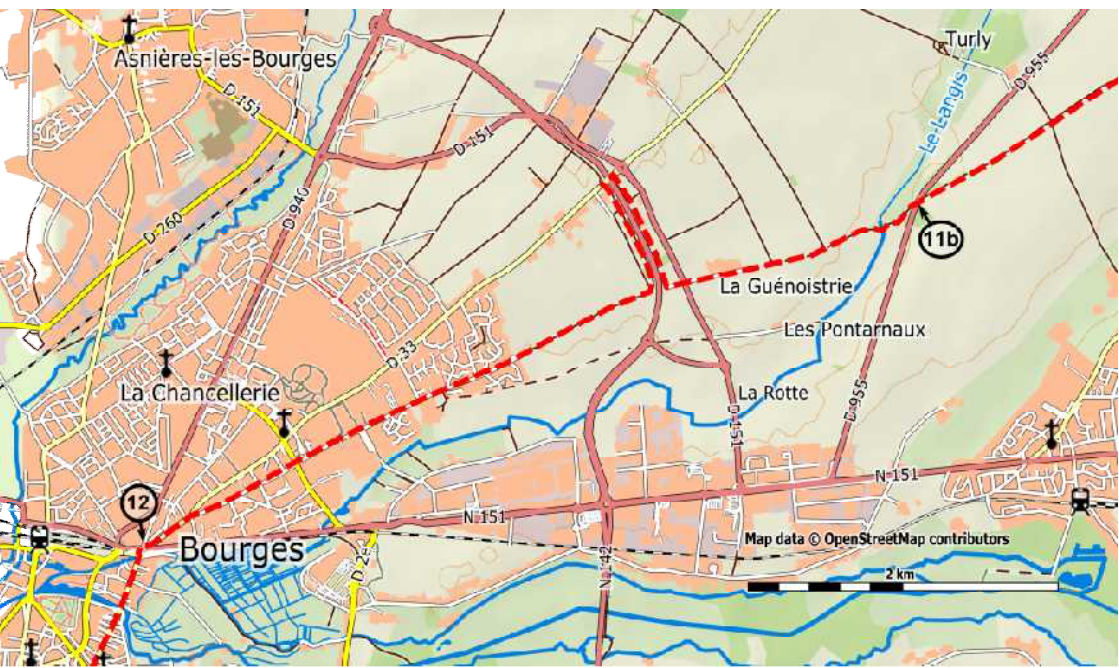
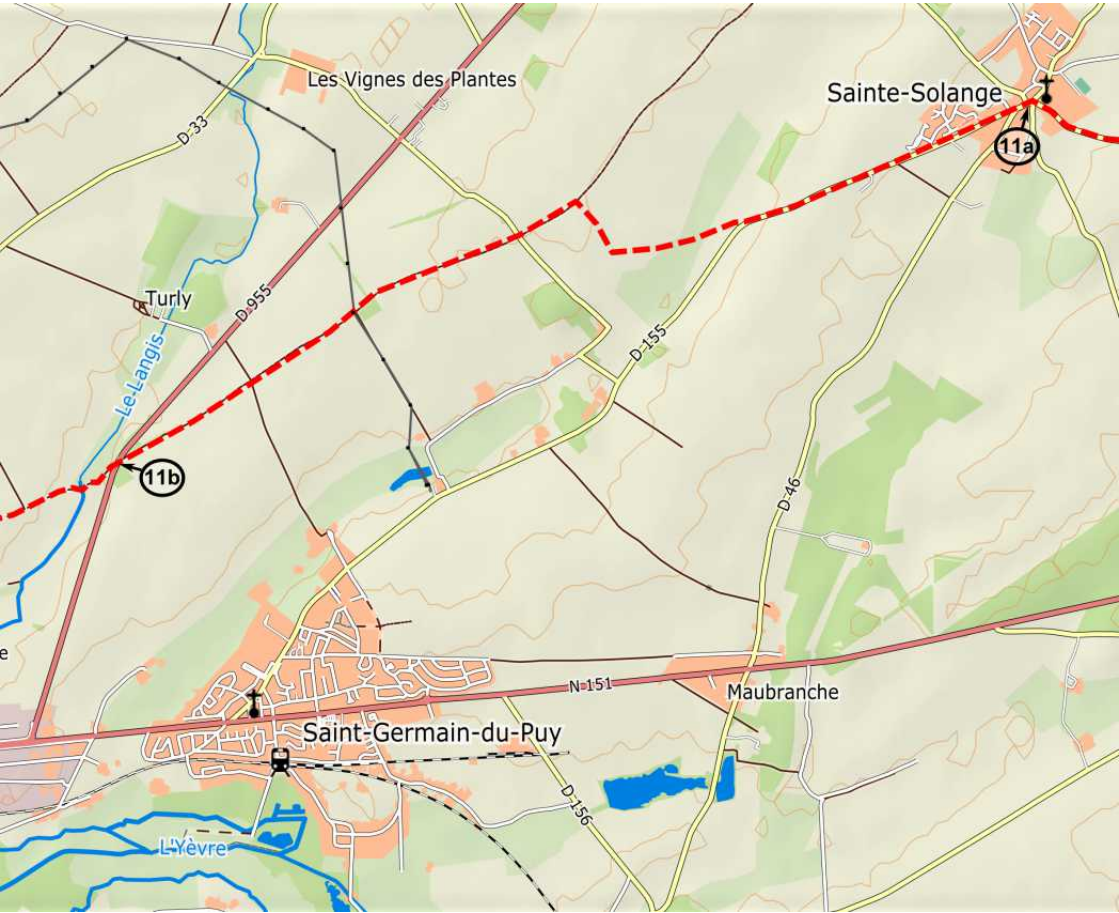
Km 46.6 Sainte-Solange (🏠 services): at a small roundabout near the church: take diagonally left the D46 (Rue Saint-Martin du Crot), direction Moulins-sur-Yères/Vignoux/Les Aix.

Km 46.7 On the triple jump **[11a]**: take diagonally right the D155, direction Saint-Germain-du-Puy (Route de Saint-Germain-du-Puy, with wide grass verge).



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- Km 46.7 D155 **[11a]** direction Saint-Germain-du-Puy.
- Km 47.6 Cross the former railway: straight on.
- Km 48.6 In a curve: leave the D155 and take, diagonally right after 20m, a grassy small road that descends to trees, through fields. *[For Saint-Germain-du-Puy (🚗 🏠 🚰 services) follow D155; 4,5km]*
- Km 48.9 Passage du Colin: ford or small metal bridge.
- Km 49.0 Branching left: straight ahead (little-used road).
- Km 49.4 Crossroads: take the grassy small road to the right, up, through fields, heading north.
- Km 49.9 Crossing (small wood): take the small road to the left, right-angle bend (*ancient Roman road*).
- Km 50.4 Intersection: cross the road and continue straight on (*on the left: view towards the Saint-Etienne Cathedral, on the horizon*): straight ahead.
- Km 51.5 Pass under a high-voltage line (ignoring a small road (left)): straight ahead.
- Km 52.3 Crossroads: straight on.
- Km 52.9 The small road turns to the right, along the old road, through a small forest.
- Km 53.2 Arrival at the D955 **[11b]** (*Pay attention!*): cross and then follow the small road again, to the right.
- Km 53.5 Passage of a stream (small wooden bridge): straight on, keep following the old Roman road.
- Km 54.0 Views towards Bourges and the cathedral.
- Km 54.4 Arrival onto asphalt (La Guénoisterie) (kennel): straight ahead.
- Km 54.8 Crossing of the D151 (*Pay attention!*): Cross and continue straight on via an unpaved road.
- Km 55.0 Turn right and walk along the ring road to the bridge of the D33.
- Km 55.9 Turn left, cross the viaduct, then turn left again and walk back along the ring road, again via a dirt road.
- Km 56.8 Turn right. You are then back on the old Roman road.
- Km 57.7 Return onto asphalt (Rue Turly): sign 'Voie de Vézelay'. Continue straight on, until the railway. Successively passing: schools, traffic lights, sports center and university, traffic lights.
- Km 60.1 Stop: continue opposite via the Avenue Arnaud de Vogüé, descending.
- Km 60.4 Major intersection of the N151 (Route de la Charité) (*on the right: Chemin de Saint-Ladre and the cemetery of Saint-Lazare: site of a former leper colony*). Cross and take the metal footbridge over the railway. **[12]**
- >>> For the convent of l'Annonciade (🏠): do not cross the footbridge. For description see box on next text page.



For the convent of l'Annonciade (🏠): Don't cross the footbridge, but stay north of the railway. Turn right and walk to the railway station. There: take footbridge over the railway turn right. Keep following the railway (on your right) (D976 and D60) to the Avenue Henri Debord (D104). There, turn right, crossing the railway (level crossing). Follow this road (after the roundabout Route Vouzeron) and at the next roundabout (with futuristic water tower): left the convent.

Km 60.4 Footbridge over the railway. [12]

Km 60.6 After the bridge: straight on, via the Avenue Marx Dormoy, and cross the Yèvre.

Km 60.9 Bridge over the Voiselle: straight on, via the Rue Edouard Vaillant.

Km 61.3 Place Saint-Bonnet (*on the left: the church of Saint-Bonnet, with a relic of Saint-Jacques*). Cross the square and the Boulevard de la République, and take straight ahead the Rue Jean Girard.

Km 61.4 Place Gordaine (*old houses, end of the Roman road*): cross and take the Rue Coursarlon to the right (pedestrian area), up (*old timbered houses*).

Km 61.6 Turn left into the Rue Porte Jaune, towards the cathedral.

Km 61.9 Place Etienne Dolet.

Km 62.0 Bourges (🏠 🏛️ 🏰 🚶 🚲 🚿 🚽 services): Saint-Etienne Cathedral (facade).

1.3 Bourges > Gargilse: 125,5 km

Km 0.0 Bourges: Saint-Etienne Cathedral, middle portal - take the small Rue du Guichet.

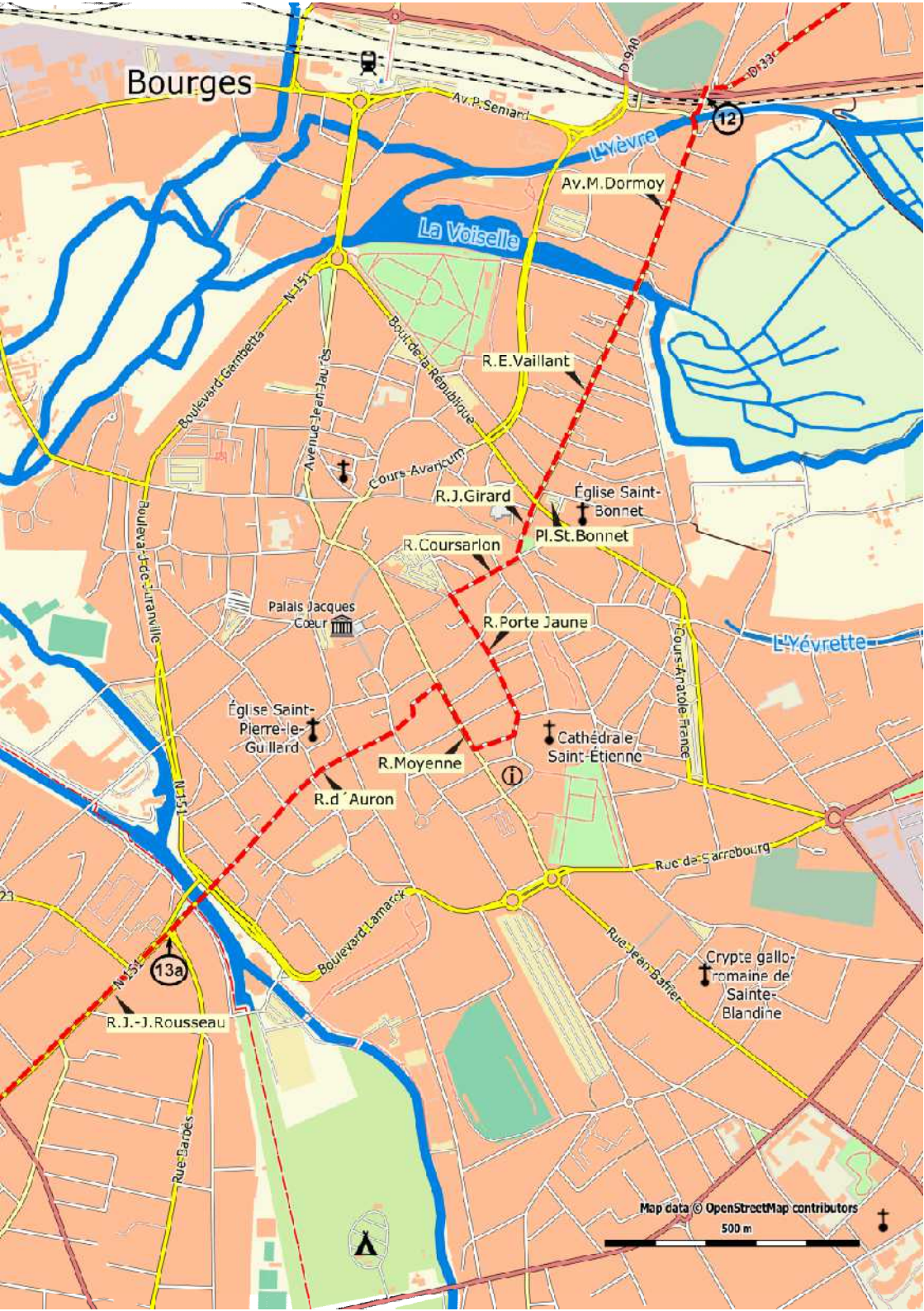
Km 0.1 Turn right, into the Rue Moyenne.

Km 0.3 In front of the post office: turn left, towards the Enclos des Jacobins and the Rue d'Auron. Cross the Enclos des Jacobins: a covered shopping arcade, with consecutively two stairways.

Km 0.5 Opposite the second stairway: take the Rue d'Auron, descending, continue straight (*at the corner: the birthplace of Jacques Coeur*) (after 150m: right, at the Place Clamecy, the church of Saint-Pierre-le-Guillard).

Km 0.9 Arrival at the Boulevard d'Auron: cross and continue straight on via the bridge over the Auron, and then straight on.

Km 1.1 Straight on via the Rue Jean-Jacques Rousseau, direction Châteauroux (N151). [13a]



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






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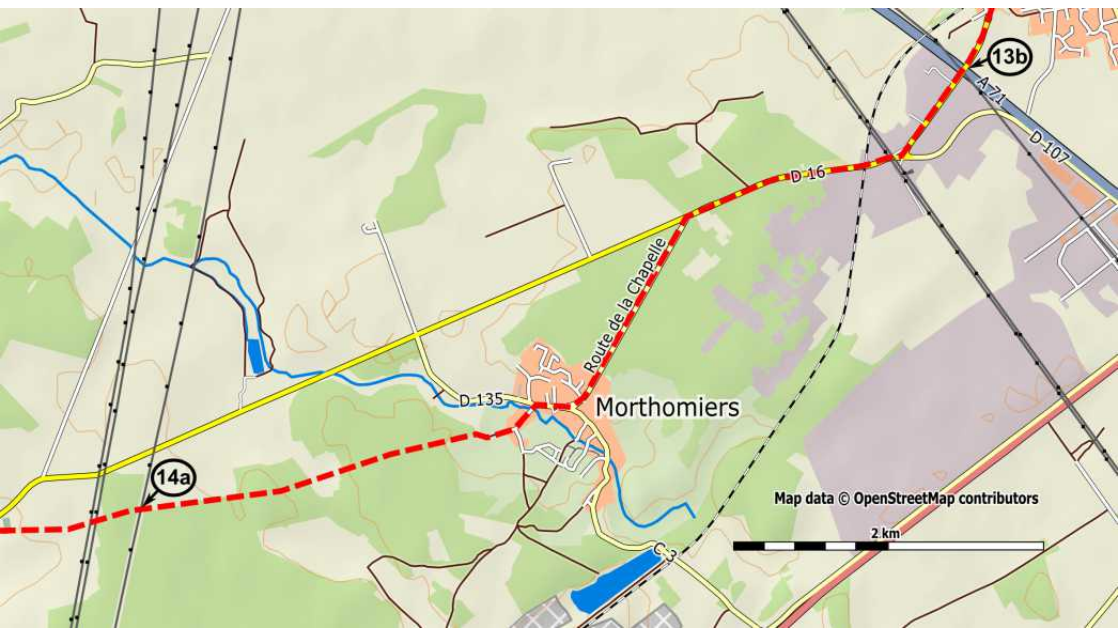
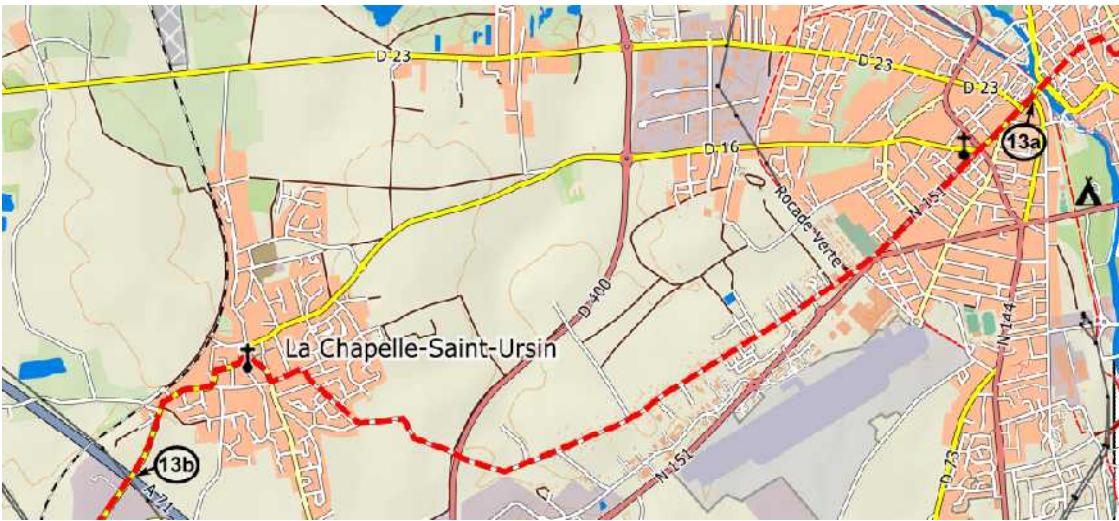
- Km 1.1 Rue Jean-Jacques Rousseau, direction Châteauroux (N151). [13a]
- Km 1.6 Intersection of the Boulevard de l'Avenir (*on the right: the church of Saint-Henri*): straight ahead, up, via the Avenue Marcel Haegelen.
- Km 2.6 Junction of the Lautier cemetery: take diagonally to the right the Chemin de Villeneuve, continue straight on.
- Km 3.1 Intersection («Stop»): straight ahead.
- Km 3.4 (*on the left: Kyriad*  ).
- Km 5.1 Ignore the sign 'La Chapelle-Saint-Ursin' (left) and continue straight ahead, via the Chemin de Villeneuve (dead end) [*Le Subdray*( )].
- Km 5.3 Straight ahead, against the one-way system, and follow the road (sign 'Voie de Vézelay') leaving Bourges.
- Km 5.8 Bridge over the ring road. After the bridge, at a crossing: continue straight on, via the gravel road, towards the bell tower of La Chapelle-Saint-Ursin.
- Km 6.0 Marking of the green meridian.
- Km 6.6 Arrival onto asphalt («Stop»): turn right, into the Rue du Picot, until the end.
- Km 7.2 End («Stop»), turn left, into the Rue des Vignes.
- Km 7.4 Intersection (traffic lights): continue to the right, via the Rue Parmentier; after 50m: turn diagonally left, to the church.
- Km 7.6 La Chapelle-Saint-Ursin (  services): church. Pass the church and take the D16, direction Morthomiers (Rue de la gare).
- Km 8.5 Leaving La Chapelle Saint-Ursin (cross).
- Km 9.0 Bridge: cross the A71 [13b]. Straight ahead, Avenue Louis Billant, through the industrial area.
- Km 9.7 Intersection: turn right, via the bus lane, stay on the D16, direction Morthomiers.
- Km 9.9 Railway crossing: continue along the arms factories Luchaire/GIAT Industries, then ignore the gravel road of Bordes (right).
- Km 11.2 Crossing: take the D135 to the left, direction Morthomiers, still along the fence of the Luchaire factory, through the forest of La Corne.
- Km 12.3 Entering Morthomiers ( ), via the Route de la Chapelle.
- Km 12.6 Roundabout: straight on, descending.
- Km 12.7 Intersection (monument to the fallen soldiers): continue along the D135 (Route de Villeneuve), direction Le Bourg.
- Km 12.9 Crossing: turn left, into the Rue du Bourg, cross a small bridge.
- Km 13.1 Crossing: straight on.
- Km 13.3 Rue du Bourg: continue straight ahead, via the dirt road (*in the distance, right, beautiful pigeon tower*), towards the forest.
- Km 13.7 Entering the forest (Bois de la Coudre), then pass under a high-voltage line.
- Km 14.2 Crossroads: straight ahead, leaving the forest.

Km 14.3 Crossroads: straight ahead, direction Villeneuve, entering the forest again.

Km 14.5 Road from the left: straight ahead.

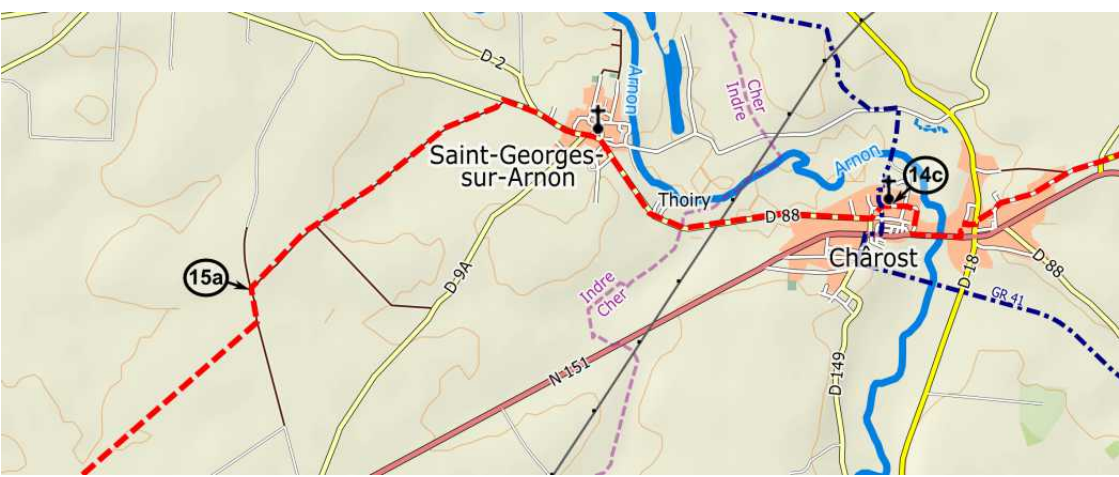
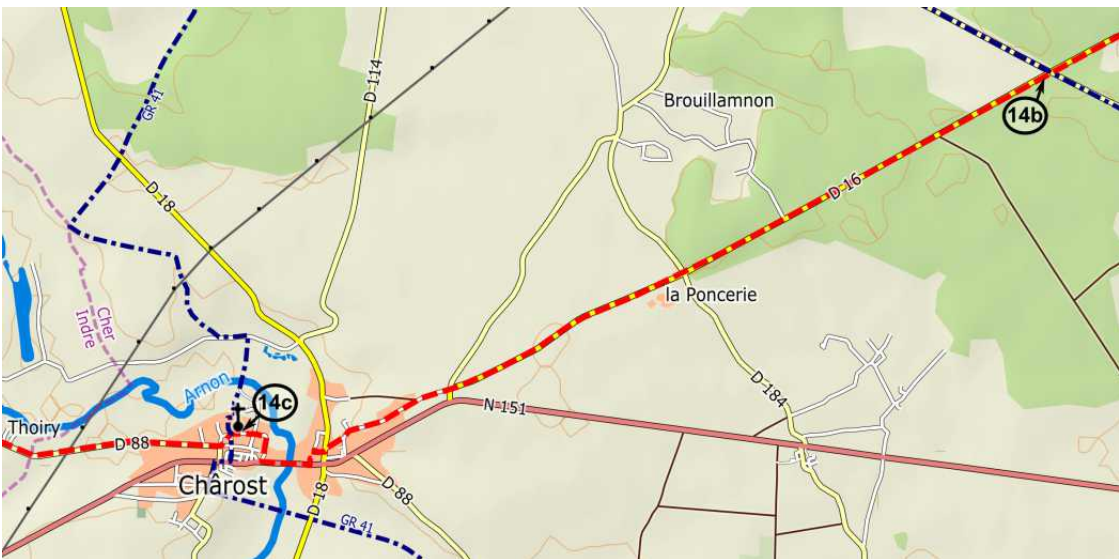
Km 14.7 Road from the left (sign 'propriété privée'): straight ahead, leaving the forest, follow the edge of the forest.

Km 15.2 Passing under two high-voltage lines [14a]: straight on.









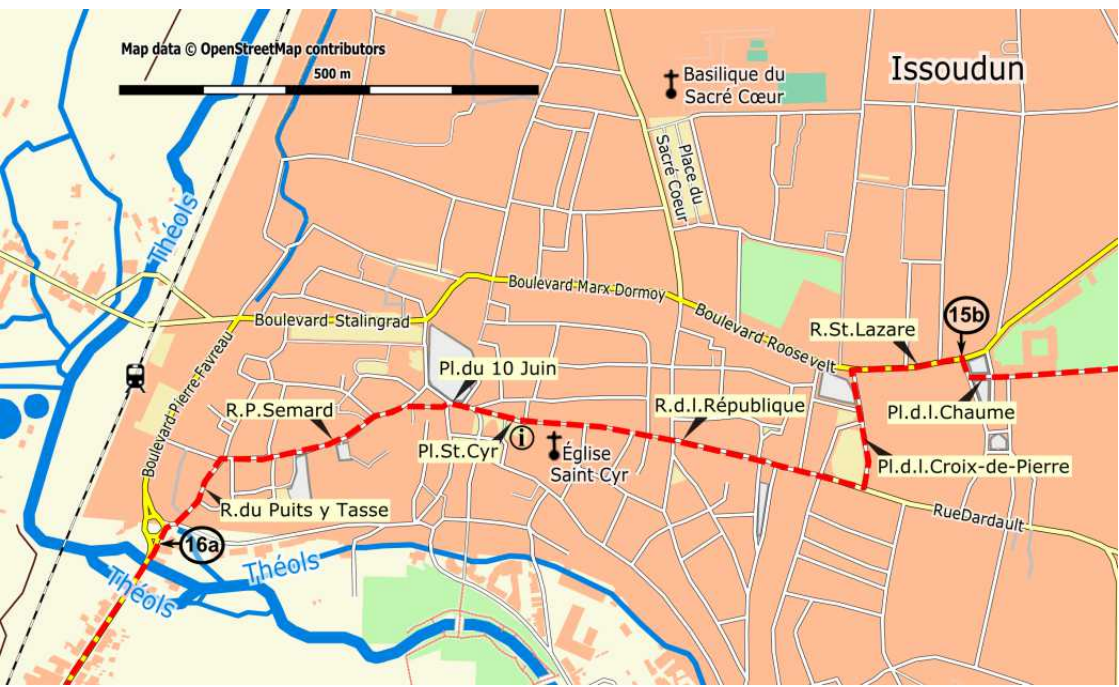
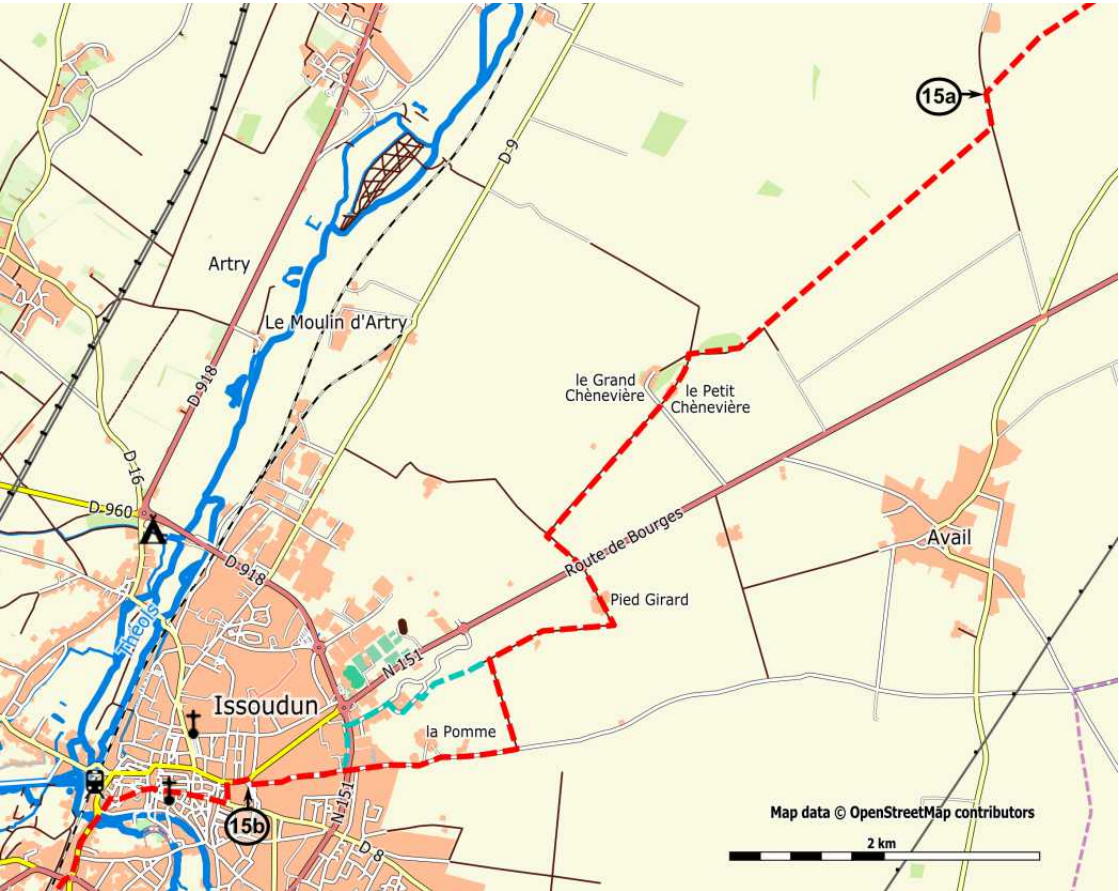
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- Km 15.2 Passing under two high-voltage lines **[14a]**: straight on, through woods, then fields, towards the bell tower of Villeneuve. (*In the distance, right, the turret of the Chateau de Breux*).
- Km 15.8 Cemetery: arrival on the road. Straight on, towards the church, via the Chemin du Montet.
- Km 16.1 Junction with the D16 («Stop») Villeneuve-sur-Cher (🚧 ▲): church (at 50m). Turn left, then straight ahead, direction Charost.
- Km 16.3 Bridge over the Cher D16 (*attention: can be busy*).
- Km 17.2 Junction with the D27 («Stop»): straight ahead, via the D16.
- Km 19.5 Junction with the D190: straight ahead, via the D16. **[14b]**
- Km 21.5 Ignore a small road (right).
- Km 22.3 Junction with the D184: straight ahead (ignore Poncerie (left)).
- Km 24.1 Junction with the D16E, leave the road and continue opposite via the asphalted road to the Centre de Secours.
- Km 24.3 Straight ahead, through a new urbanization.
- Km 24.9 Crossing («Stop»): continue opposite, via the Rue de Castelneau, descending.
- Km 25.1 Crossing with the D18: continue opposite (Chemin des Grulérons), then left at the end of the asphalt, and then take the pedestrian passage -between houses- towards the N151.
- Km 25.1 Arrival at the N151: turn right (*attention: very busy road*).
- Km 25.5 Then 150m after the bridge over the Arnon and just before a small bridge: leave the N151 and turn right onto the Rue du Moulin (direction 'Maison Nathan'). Continue direction church on the Rue de l'abbé Trouzier.
- Km 26.0 Chârost (🏰 🗺️ 📧 post office): church **[14c]**. From the church: cross the Place de la Mairie diagonally and take the D88 (= Rue Bethune Charost) to the right, direction Saint-Georges-sur-Arnon. Pass under a high-voltage power line. (*Also 🏰 in Saugy, 2,5km off the route*).
- >>> (*Border of the Cher and Indre departments*).
- Km 27.4 Departmental boundary stone Cher / Indre in Thoiry.
- Km 28.1 Arrival in Saint-Georges-sur-Arnon via the D88/D2.
- Km 28.3 Saint-Georges-sur-Arnon (grocery, bar): church.
- Km 28.4 Crossing of the D9a: straight ahead, via the D2.
- Km 28.7 Turn left onto the D34, direction Sainte-Lizaigne / Paudy.
- Km 29.0 In the bottom of the road: leave the D34 and take the dirt road to the left, in front of an electricity pylon (crossing of lines). *On the right: a row of windmills*.
- Km 29.6 Beginning of another row of windmills, left.
- Km 31.0 Crossroads: do not go left towards the grove; continue straight on.
- Km 31.2 Turn left at the intersection **[15a]**, bridge over the old railway.




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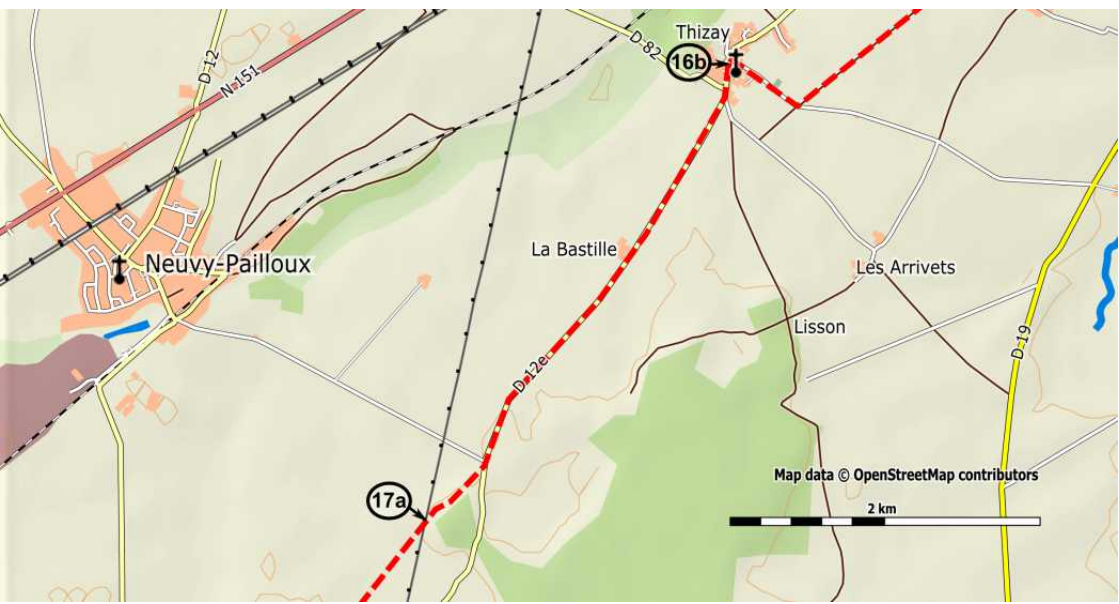
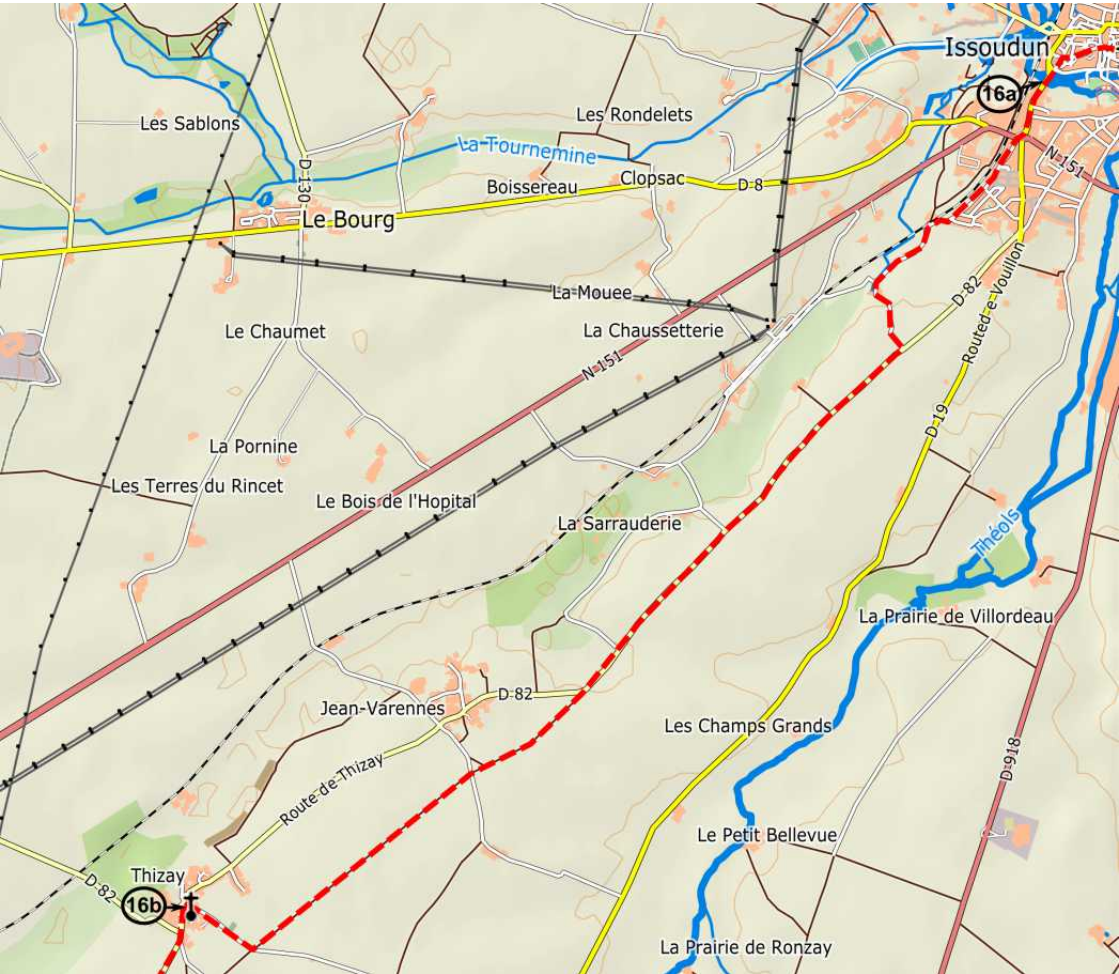
- Km 31.2 Turn left at the intersection [**15a**], bridge over the old railway.
- Km 31.4 Crossing: take to the right the small road through fields and continue straight on, towards a small forest in the distance.
- Km 32.4 A first, then a second, then a third fieldstone.
- Km 33.1 Arrival at the small forest and crossroads: continue straight ahead, along the forest.
- Km 33.3 Crossroads: turn left, into the small grassy road, along the forest, towards houses. Continue between the houses of Petit Chenevière (*watch the dogs*).
- Km 33.8 Crossing with a small road: continue straight ahead, via the grassy path, between the fields.
- Km 34.1 Fieldstone, right.
- Km 34.9 Crossroads: turn left, towards the N151.
- Km 35.1 Arrival at the N151 (*attention: busy, dangerous road*). Cross and take opposite the Route de Pied-Girard.
- Km 35.4 End of the asphalt in Pied-Girard: continue straight on via the small gravel road, up.
- Km 35.5 The small road turns right.
- Km 35.9 Bifurcation, along a hedge: continue along the small road to the right, along a fence (white).
- Km 36.3 Crossroads: turn left (*for a variant via shopping centre: see next text page*).
- Km 37.0 Arrival at the small road of "La Pomme": turn right.
- Km 38.1 Roundabout of the bypass (N151). (*Beginning of the marking on the ground, with bronze shells, the logo of the 'Voie de Vézelay', placed in 2005 by the municipality of Issoudun; an initiative of the Amis et Pèlerins de Saint-Jacques de la Voie de Vézelay*). Take opposite the Rue Georges Brassens, between the mall and the «centre Pepsi».
- Km 38.5 Roundabout: continue straight ahead, along the wall of the nursing home Saint-Bernard.
- Km 38.8 Corner of the Place de la Chaume [**15b**]: right and immediately left the Rue Saint-Lazare.
- Km 38.9 On the Place de la Libération (or Place de la Croix-de-Pierre): turn left and then at the end of the square turn right, into the Rue de la République.
- Km 39.1 Issoudun (      *services*): collegiate church of Saint-Cyr and Sainte-Juliette. Cross the Place Saint-Cyr, and the Place du 10 juin, pass under the belfry, cross the Place de la Poste, and take the Rue Pierre Semard, descending. Junction Rue du Puits-y-Tasse: continue diagonally to the left, still descending. At the roundabout (tower and gate of Saint-Jacques): straight on, via the Rue des Deux Ponts.
- Km 39.4 Cross the bridges over the Théols. [**16a**]



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- Km 39.4 Cross the bridges over the Théols. **[16a]** Straight on: Rue des Alouettes (N151).
- Km 39.8 At the roundabout: turn right, onto the N151 and then immediately left into the Rue Chantejot (against the one-way system). Follow this street (later called: Chemin de Jean Varenne), through an urbanization, then along the railway.
- Km 41.4 Ignore a private road (right, bridge) and follow the road, which turns left.
- Km 41.9 At the end of the D82: turn right.
- Km 43.6 Ignore the road to La Sarrauderie (right), continue along the D82.
- Km 45.0 In a curve to the right: take a dirt road straight ahead.
- Km 45.9 Crossing of paths: straight on.
- Km 46.0 Crossing of a small asphalted road: straight on.
- Km 47.9 Crossing of a small asphalted road: turn right.
- Km 48.1 Cemetery (right): enter Thizay, via the Rue de la Villette.
- Km 48.4 Thizay: church (Place de l'église). Intersection with the D82 **[16b]**: turn left (Rue de la Forêt).
- Km 48.6 Junction with the D12E: continue straight on, via the D12E, direction Sainte-Fauste; ignore the road to Lisson/Les Arrivets (left).
- Km 49.9 Ignore la Bastille (right) and stay on the D12E. (*On the right, in the field: the cross of Sainte-Fauste*).
- Km 51.6 Golf des Sarrays (left), former convent.
- Km 51.7 At a road at the right, direction Neuvy-Pailloux (2 km off the pilgrim road:  services): continue straight on; after 15m: take diagonally right a grassy small road between hedges.
- Km 52.2 Cross (1887), pass under a high-voltage line. **[17a]**

Km 36.3 Variant (via shopping center) - Go at crossroads straight ahead, in the direction of the shopping center, which you see in front of you. The road ends at a wasteland: cross it, for a few meters.
Arrival at the shopping center 'The Coinchettes' [Bakery-Pastry-Snack bar and lounge 'L'Atelier de Michel', Intersport , etc.] .
Arrival at the ring road (RN151), near Intersport: Cross it and go left on the footpath to the roundabout of Km 38.1. Turn right Rue Brassens.



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- Km 52.2 Pass under a high-voltage line. **[17a]**
- Km 52.9 Crossroads: continue straight on, via the winding small road.
- Km 53.1 After 60m: take a small road to the left (along that road, after 10m: a small statue of the virgin Mary, on a thick oak).
- Km 53.6 La Tripterie farm (🏡): leave the buildings on your right, then turn left into a small road, follow that straight ahead (cross).
- Km 54.0 Crossing with the D12: turn right, Sainte-Fauste: church. Leave Sainte-Fauste, take the D12 to the left.
- Km 54.4 Bridge over the stream Sainte-Fauste.
- Km 54.6 Before the intersection: turn left, up, then take the small road to the left, towards La Bidauderie.
- Km 55.5 La Bidauderie farm: continue straight on, end of the asphalt.
- Km 55.8 Bridge, then a crossroads: turn right, then turn left, up. Then follow the edge of the forest, straight on.
- Km 56.7 Bifurcation amidst fields: turn right, towards a house with a red roof, in the distance.
- Km 57.1 Ignore a small road (right), than another small road (left) and continue straight on.
- Km 57.4 Crossroads: turn right, amidst fields.
- Km 57.8 Arrival at a large gravel road: turn right, along the big forest of Diors.
- Km 58.5 Arrival on a road: ignore the farm L'Age (left) and continue straight on, following the road.
- Km 58.7 Follow left bend, after 200m: **[17b]**.
- Km 60.1 Diors Castle. Intersection with the D925 (*chapel ND des Ailes*) (*attention: heavy traffic but wide verges*). Turn right, cross the D925.
- Km 60.3 Follow the new gravel road to the left, behind a wooden slide.
- Km 60.6 Arrival at the Place du Chêne (corner of an urbanization). Take the road opposite (Rue des Aubiers).
- Km 61.0 At the end of the Rue des Aubiers: arrival at the Rue des Châtaigniers. Left.
- Km 61.6 School and town hall: turn right, into the Rue des Ecoles.
- Km 61.8 Crossing with the D105 («Stop»): continue via the Rue des Ecoles, opposite.
- Km 61.9 Leave the road that turns to the right and take the new road to the left (future urbanization), which turns into a dirt road.
- Km 62.2 At the junction immediately afterwards, amidst fields: take the small road to the right.
- Km 63.2 Crossing of Les Loges de Montvriil: follow the gravel road to the D925 (opposite: a private road).
- Km 63.4 Back on the D925: turn left.
- Km 64.4 Ignore the Route de Montvriil (left) and go straight on.

Km 64.7 Passage over the railroad.

Km 65.2 Roundabout: continue straight on, via the D925.









Km 65.4 La Martinerie: the road passes through the former camp of the 517th supply regiment (broad shoulders with gravel).

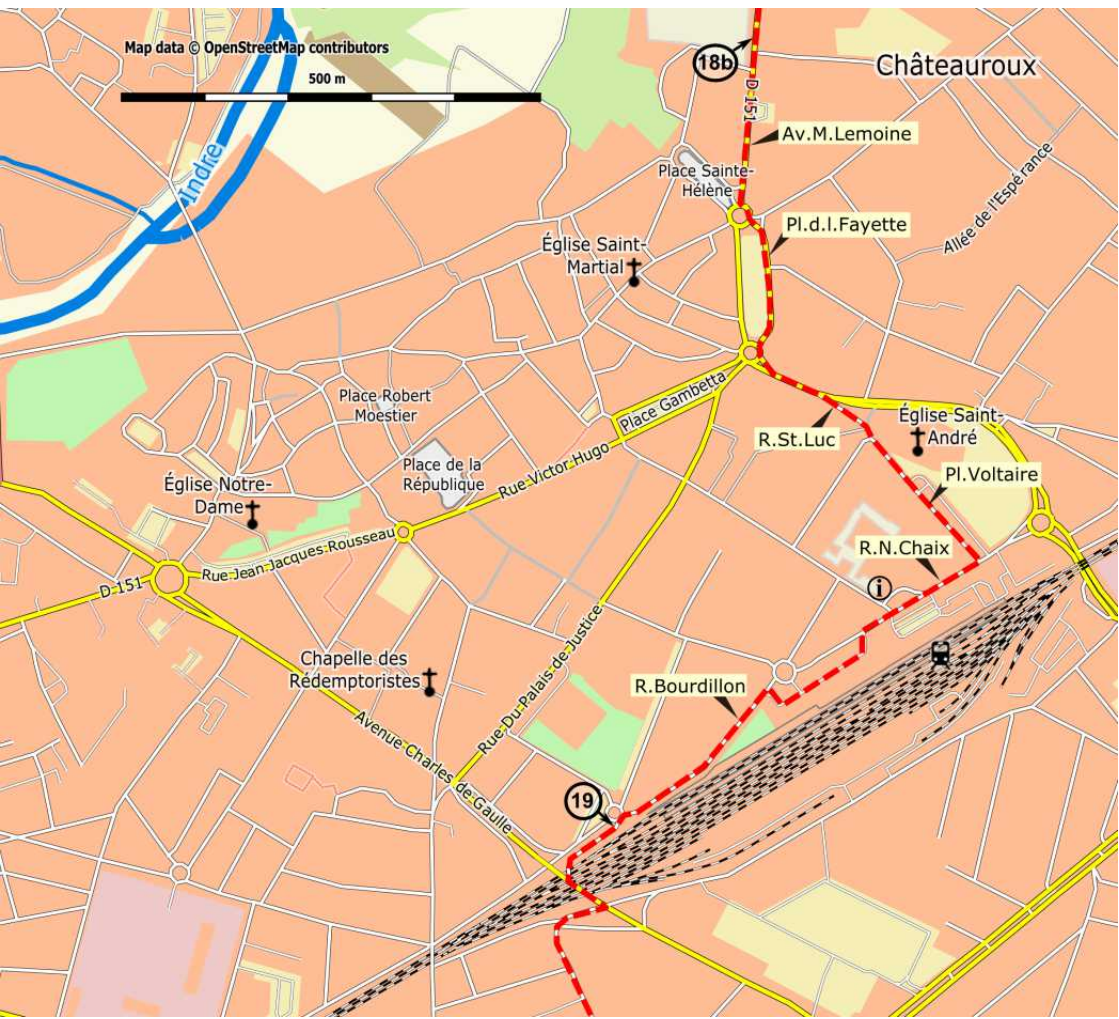
Km 66.4 End of the former military camp [18a]: leave the D925 at the new roundabout and take a small road to the right, along the new fence of the former camp.

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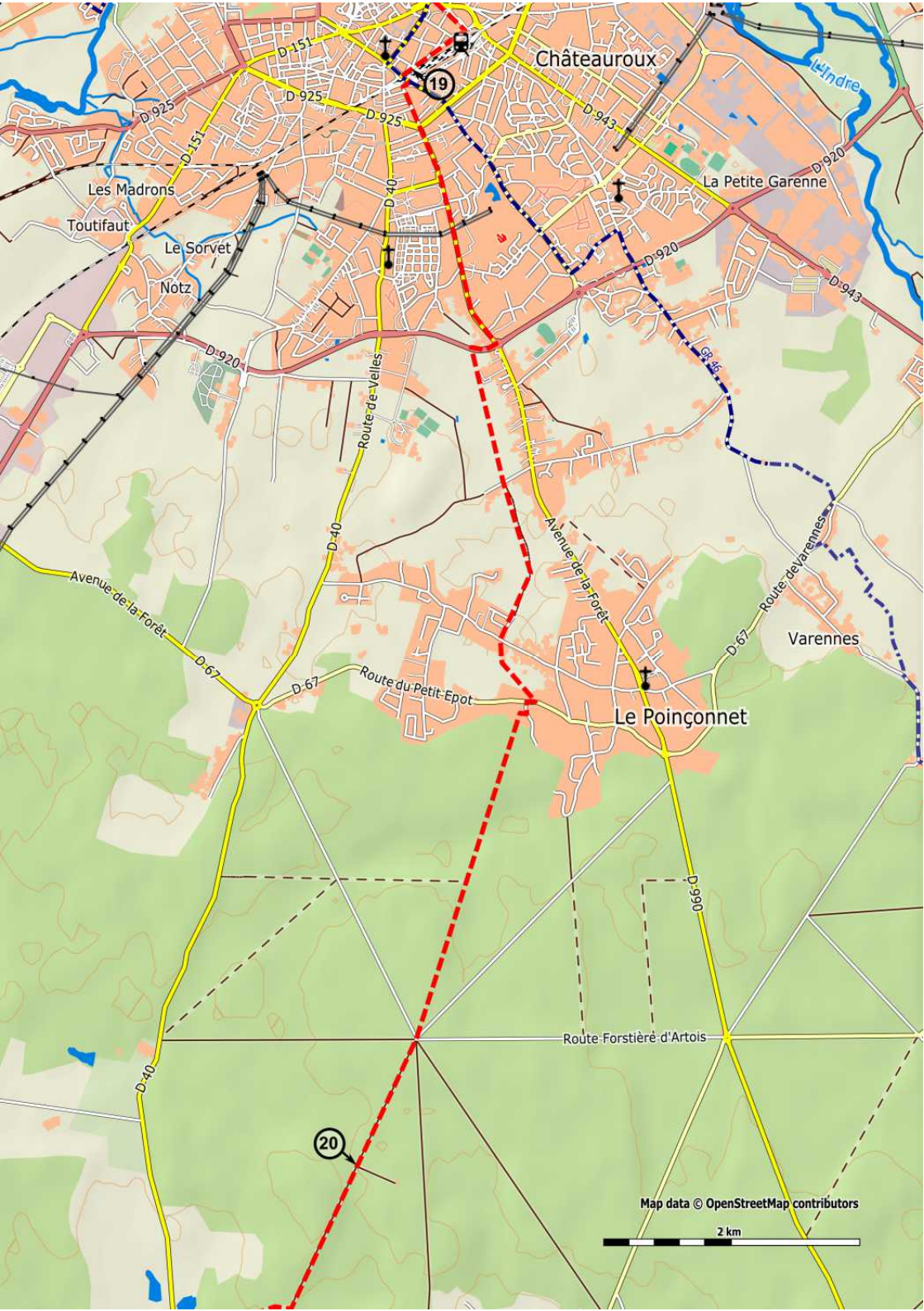
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- Km 66.4 Small road along the fence of the former camp. **[18a]**
- Km 66.6 End of the former camp: continue along the dike of a pond.
- Km 66.9 Crossing of Beaumont: take the gravel road opposite.
- Km 67.1 Railway crossing (*attention: line Paris-Toulouse*). Across the railway: take the grassy small road to the left, along the railway.
- Km 67.2 After 100m: turn right, through fields.
- Km 67.3 Bifurcation: turn left, right angle bend, amidst fields.
- Km 67.8 Montboury: pass the houses. After the last building: turn right into the small road through fields, ignore the road opposite.
- Km 67.9 Turn (bridge right): keep following the road (pass under a high-voltage line).
- Km 68.1 Bois Robert: continue straight on, via the asphalted road (Chemin de Bois Robert) (*In the distance: the bell tower of the abbey of Déols*).
- Km 68.8 Crossing: turn right (Rue de Beaumont).
- Km 69.3 Roundabout of the N151 (passage over the N20): turn left, towards the bridge and continue straight on, direction Châteauroux/Déols center. Pass the second roundabout and continue opposite, direction Châteauroux/Déols center (Route d'Issoudun).
- Km 69.6 Sign Déols. (*In the distance: the bell tower of the Abbey of Déols*.)
- Km 70.8 Intersection (traffic lights): turn right, into the Rue Gambetta, then left into the Rue Lamartine, towards the church. (*Beginning of the marking on the ground, with bronze shells, logo 'Voie de Vézelay'*).
- Km 71.0 Déols (   services): church of Saint-Etienne.
- Km 71.4 Ruins of the Notre-Dame de Déols. Leave the abbey via the Avenue du Général de Gaulle, direction Châteauroux.
- Km 71.8 Bridge over the Indre: entering Châteauroux (camping site) (*Also here marking on the ground, with bronze shells, logo 'Voie de Vézelay'*.) Continue straight on, via the Avenue de Paris (D51) or the Avenue Marcel Lemoine.
- Km 72.7 Lyceum Jean Giraudoux (right). **[18b]**
- Km 73.0 Place de la Fayette: end of the square: turn left into the Rue Saint-Luc.
- Km 73.4 Chateauroux (     services): church Saint-André (Place Voltaire). To the right of the church: cross the Place Voltaire and, at the end, turn right: Rue Napoléon Chaix.
- Km 73.7 SNCF railway station: walk along the station, past the bus station (HR) and continue straight on, via the Rue Bourdillon (HR).
- Km 73.9 Continue straight along the roundabout Willy Brandt, Rue Bourdillon.
- Km 74.2 At the roundabout: turn diagonally left, up. **[19]**



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- Km 74.2 At the roundabout: turn diagonally left, up [19], then turn left over the Cantrelle bridge (Avenue Charles de Gaulle).
- Km 74.3 Before the end of the bridge: turn right (use the zebra), down the Rue Pierre Gaultier. After 50m: turn left, onto the Avenue de Verdun (against the one-way system), then straight ahead.
- Km 74.6 Crossing of boulevards (traffic lights): continue straight on, always via the Avenue de Verdun.
- Km 76.4 Crossing Avenue de Verdun, using the pedestrian tunnel to the left of the Avenue de Verdun. After the tunnel: turn right and cross the Avenue Jean-Patureau Francoeur. Then straight on (left bank D920).
- Km 76.6 Leave the ring road and take the grassy path to the left, along ditches and hedges (CR15 from Châteauroux to Corbilly).
- Km 77.0 Ignore a small road (left) and continue straight on.
- Km 77.6 Cross a road (Allée de la Croix des Barres): continue straight on, via a small road between houses and then fields (CR20).
- Km 78.1 Easy crossing of a ditch.
- Km 78.3 Bifurcation (at the corner of a fence): turn right, to the urbanization of Grand Epot.
- Km 78.6 Arrival onto asphalt, at the corner of the urbanization: straight on (Allée des Vignes).
- Km 78.8 Crossing of the Route du Grand Epot: continue straight ahead, via the Allée des Chintes. After 150m: the asphalt turns into a grassy small road: straight on.
- Km 79.3 Back onto the asphalt: continue between houses.
- Km 79.4 Crossing of the D67 [*Le Poinçonnet* (🚧 !!) 1 km] (Route du petit Epot): turn right, and after 70m left (Allée de la barrière d'Arnault).
- Km 79.7 Ignore a house of the ONF (right).
- Km 79.8 Leave the road and take the grassy small road to the right (barrier).
- Km 79.8 At the height of the house of the ONF: turn left, onto the broad Allée de l'Épot and follow it straight on. (*Attention: for the sake of the environment, there is no marking in the forest of Châteauroux.*)
[Remark: "In recent years, some pilgrims have signaled that this forest, especially in the vicinity of the chapel Notre Dame du Chêne, apparently is a meeting place for homosexuals and transvestites. The slowly moving cars in the otherwise so quiet forest gave some pilgrims an uneasy feeling. But there are no reports of specific nuisance or annoyance."]
- Km 81.2 Intersection Allée Bertrand/Allée du Renard: straight ahead.
- Km 82.5 Roundabout of the Druids: continue straight on, via the Route Forestière de Beauregard, direction Notre-Dame du Chêne.
- Km 83.6 Straight on [20]. (*On the left: small road to the chapel of Notre Dame du Chêne, at 300m.*)



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La Petite Garenne

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Km 83.6 Straight on [20].

Km 83.9 'Carrefour du pèlerin' (= *crossing of the pilgrim*): straight on. On the left: sign 'Beauregard'.

Km 84.9 Roundabout du Pin: turn right, into the forest road 'Chemin noir' (gravel road).

Km 86.0 On the D40 (on the right: pond): turn left (*watch the traffic*).

Km 87.6 Château Beauregard: follow the D40 and cross the bridge over the Bouzanne.

Km 87.8 On the D14: turn left, direction Arthon and Ardentes.

Km 88.2 Turn right, into the dirt road Grand Pont.

Km 88.3 Pass a farmers' shed and continue straight along the small road. *In the distance, on the right: a water tower.*

Km 88.9 Ignore the gravel road to the water tower (right) and continue straight on, via the dirt road, between fields.

Km 89.1 Take the next small road to the right.

Km 89.5 Pass the metal gate and keep following the small road, through fields.







Km 89.9 Thick hedge on the left: continue straight on.

Km 90.0 Crossroads: straight ahead.

Km 90.5 Along a fence: keep following the small road to the right, along the lake.

Km 90.7 Arrival onto asphalt, sports field on the left. On the right a building of the municipality.

Km 91.1 Entering Velles. On the D40, left, towards the church.

Km 91.2 Velles (      *café-grocery offers simple meals*): church (Place de Verdun). Keep following the D40.

Km 92.7 Cross Vauzelles.

Km 93.0 Crossing: leave the D40 and take the C6 to the left, direction Les Bouesses/Les Loges.

Km 93.7 Etang (= pond) of Madagascar (left).

Km 94.1 Les Sapins (= firs) left: 20m before: take the dirt road to the right.

Km 94.4 Bellevue farm (on the right): continue on the paved road opposite.

Km 94.5 Junction: take the «Chaussée de César» to the right.

Km 95.0 Les Gabettes (on the left): pond on the right.

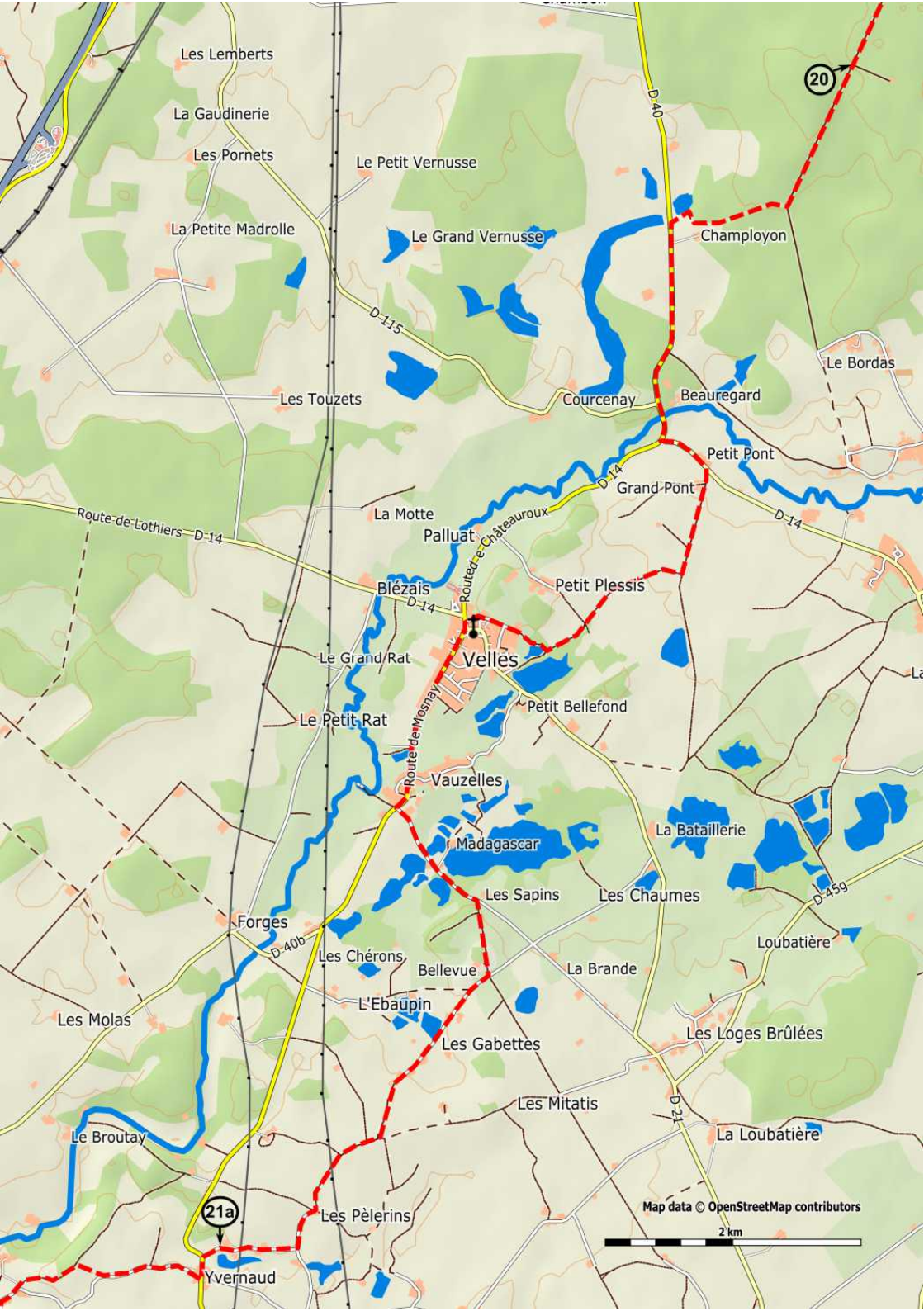
Km 95.7 End of the asphalt: continue along the gravel road.

Km 96.1 Junction: turn right. Ignore a small road (right) and pass under a high-voltage line.

Km 96.7 'Carrefour des pèlerins': take the small road to the right.

Km 96.9 Crossing (wrong sign: 'carrefour des pèlerins'): take the small road to the right. On the left: ponds, high-voltage line.

Km 97.5 A small bridge. [21a]



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Km 97.5 Over a small bridge. **[21a]**

Km 97.7 Crossing with the D40 («Stop»): turn left, up. Cross Yvernaud (ignore the Route d'Yvernaud (left)).

Km 97.9 Crossing: turn right onto the Route de la Chaise, direction Vallée de la Bouzanne.

Km 99.2 Crossing: ignore Le Terreau (left, dead end).

Km 99.6 Castle of Chaise Saint-Eloi (Museum of Saint-Eloi). Continue, up, follow La Bouzanne, right.

Km 100.9 *In the distance, right: the keep (XIIth century) of the castle of Mazières.*

Km 101.6 Moulin à Foulon: keep following the road.

Km 101.9 Mazières Castle (on the right).

Km 103.0 Junction with the D30 («Stop»): turn right, direction Tendu, along the wall of the castle of Sallerons (on the right, below).

Km 103.7 Crossing of La Maison-Dieu (*keep and castle of Prunget, XIIth century, above the river, on the right*). Leave the D 30 and turn left, up. [*For Tendu (🚗 🏠 services) at 1.7 km, stay on the D30*].

Km 103.8 Bifurcation: turn left, up.

Km 105.7 Les Gabats **[21b]**: keep following the road, through forests and fields.

Km 106.6 Continue along the road.

Km 108.1 Junction with the D137 (*Caution*): cross and take the small road opposite (Impasse du Haut des Courattes).

Km 108.4 End of the asphalt: continue to the right, along the fence along the D927.

Km 108.9 Crossroads: turn left, at the corner of a shed (opposite: the A20).

Km 109.5 Crossing with the C5: turn left, pass under the bridge of the D927 (sign 'Saint-Marcel').

Km 109.7 Crossing: straight on.

Km 110.0 Arrival via the Rue Saint-Jacques, along the chapel Saint-Marcel-Saint-André (on the right), also called: the 'Chapelle Jaune' (= yellow chapel).

Km 110.2 Crossing of the Porte de Lorette («Stop»): turn left, into Rue de Lorette, between the gate and a former hôtellerie. Junction: continue diagonally left.

Km 110.5 Saint-Marcel (🏰 🏠 🚗 🚶): church. Pass the church on the left and descend to the right, via the Avenue Sadi Carnot. Cemetery on the right, post office on the left.

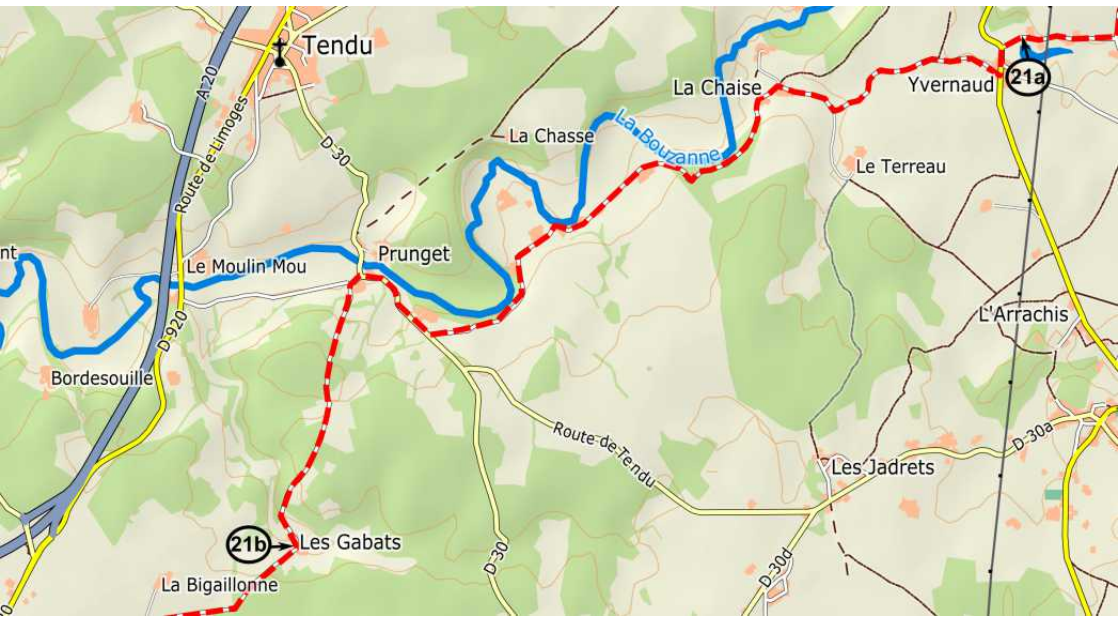
Km 110.9 Junction with the D927E: turn left, direction Argenton.

Km 111.1 Bridge over the railway: continue via the Rue Jean-Jacques Rousseau, straight ahead (camp site ▲ on the right).







Km 111.4 Place Voltaire: former church of Saint-Etienne.

Km 112.3 Place de la République (on the right: the Pont Neuf): cross the square and take opposite, to the right, the Rue Grande.

Km 112.5 Argenton-sur-Creuse (🚗 🚚 🚊 🚂 services): church of Saint-Sauveur. [22]



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- Km 112.5 Argenton-sur-Creuse: church of Saint-Sauveur. [22]
- Km 112.6 Crossing («Stop») (old bridge on the right): turn left, into the Rue d'Orjon and then the Rue Joseph Barbotin.
- Km 113.0 Champ de Foire (=market field): straight ahead, pass under the railway bridge, along the Creuse.
- Km 113.3 Crossing Petit Nice («Stop») (roadcross opposite): turn right, into the Rue Croix de Aumay (D48), direction Gargillesse.
- Km 113.9 Le Pêchereau (  ): junction: continue diagonally left, towards Château du Courbat and follow the road (Rue de Chemin Vert).
- Km 115.0 Sports fields of Chemin vert (right).
- Km 115.3 Crossing («Stop»): turn right, direction Château du Courbat. After 50m: cemetery on the left, continue straight ahead (Rue de Courbat).
- Km 115.8 Junction of Château du Courbat (town hall +  (cross 1872): take the small road to the left (walking trail SR), shooting range.
- Km 116.1 End of the asphalt: take the small road opposite, then after 50m, at the fork, towards the shooting range ('stand de Tir').
- Km 116.6 Arrival on a road: turn left, following the SR.
- Km 116.8 Leave the road, then take immediately right, the small road parallel to the SR (barrier) (former railway).
- Km 117.1 Municipal border (barrier and sign) and crossroads: continue opposite along the SR.
- Km 118.1 Arrival onto the asphalt: continue via the Rue de la Gare.
- Km 118.4 Junction: continue opposite, towards the church, via the Avenue des Marronniers.
- Km 118.7 Junction with the D54 («Stop»). Le Menoux: church, at 50m on the right (Place du Général Jean Pascaud). Cross, continue opposite via the Rue Basse, descending.
- Km 118.8 Crossing: straight on.
- Km 119.2 Intersection: turn right, direction Le Bourgoin. After 50m: leave the road and turn left, in the bend, into the Allée Saint-Antoine (marking SR). After 20m: left, the source of Saint-Antoine.
- Km 119.3 The small road turns to the right, along the Rue du Font de Penne, up: continue.
- Km 119.6 Turn right, at the corner of the fence, after some underwood: descend to the road, between fence and hedge (the small road is somewhat overgrown with grass).
- Km 119.8 Arrival on the D48: turn left.
- Km 120.1 Moulin Lasnier: continue along the D48.
- Km 120.5 Crossing: leave the D48 [*further on the D48: Badecon-le-Pin ( *)] and take the dead end road to the right, direction Barrage (= dam) de la Roche Bat l'Aigue (footpath from the Moulin du Loup).

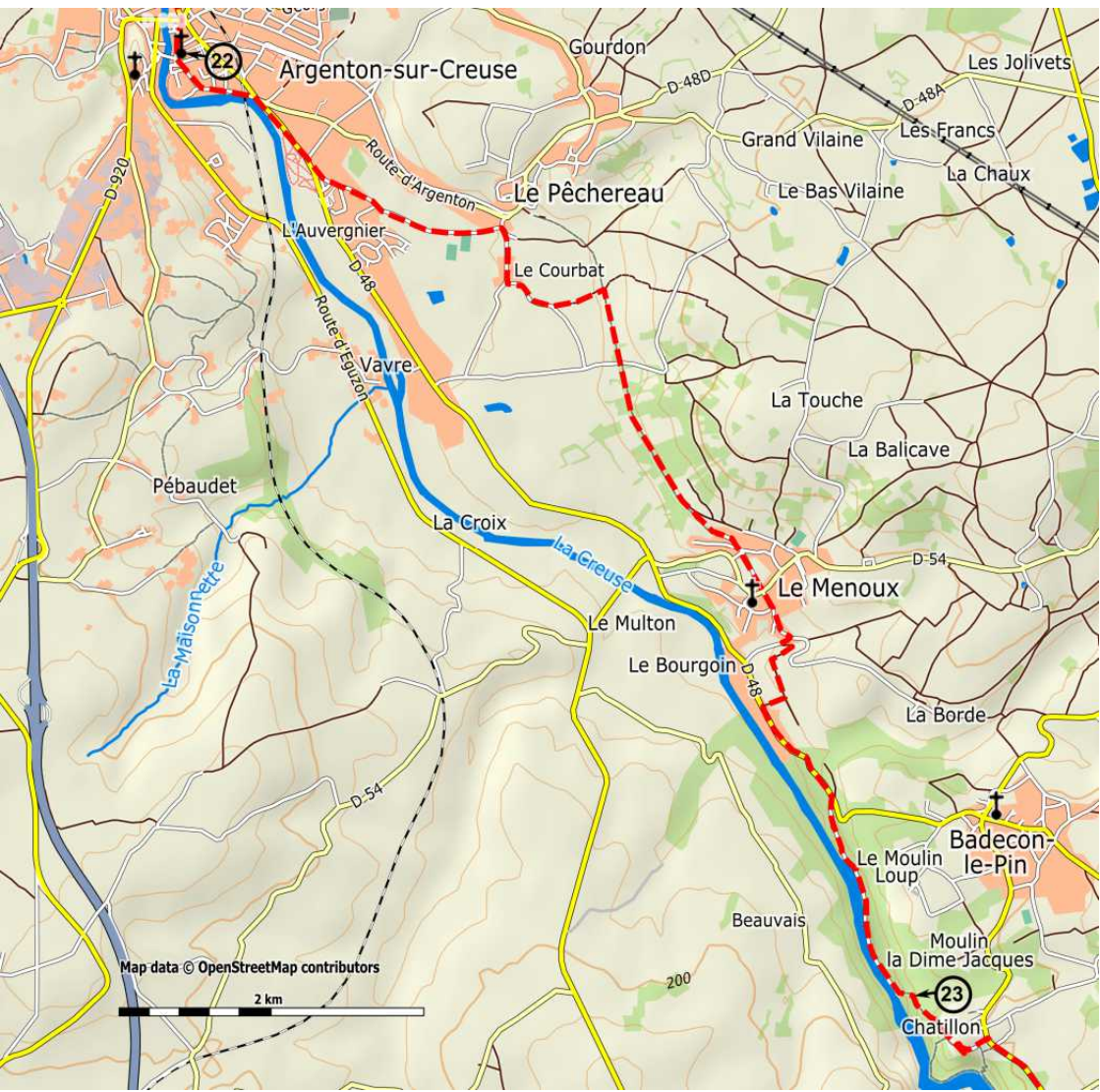
Km 120.8 Exit to the right of the path: descend to the Moulin du Loup.

Km 121.3 Le Grand Moulin.

Km 121.8 Le Moulin de la Dine Jacques (*picnic area*).

Km 122.1 Barrage de la Roche Bat l'Aigüe. End of the road: turn left, along the fence, along the stream (sign "cascade" (= waterfall), barrage) (*attention: tricky passage, like a mountain path*). After 50m: take the stairs and 'climb' between the rocks.

Km 122.2 Back along the stream (waterfall). After 50m: leave the stream and go up, hairpin turn to the right. [23]



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Km 122.3 Go up, hairpin turn. [23]

Km 122.3 Arrival on top: ignore a small road (right, towards the view over the dam) and continue, via the cobbled path through the woods, gradually up.

Km 122.7 Keep following the small road, turning left (on the right: church of Le Pin).

Km 122.9 Arrival on the road in Chatillon: straight ahead.

Km 123.1 Crossing with the D40 («Stop»): turn right.

Km 123.8 Junction with the D38 (cross): straight on, direction Les Chocats.

After 30 m: take the road diagonally to the left, up, between houses.

After 100 m: turn left, onto the gravel road, up.

Km 124.0 Crossroads: turn right. After 200 m: a curve to the right.




Km 124.5 Crossroads: turn left and descend, towards the vineyards. The road winds to the right, between vineyards, still descending.

Km 125.0 At greater path: turn sharply left.

Km 125.1 Junction: take the grassy small road (little used), descending.

Km 125.3 Arrival onto the asphalt: straight on, descending. After 50 m: take the D40, sharply left.

Km 125.4 At the corner of hotel Les Artistes: turn right, then right again, onto the D39, descending.



Km 125.5 Place du château, Gargillesse (   post office): church (left, at 50m above the castle).

1.4 Gargillesse > Crozant: 18,8 km

From this point the northern way is similar with the southern way (via Nevers).

Km 0.0 Gargillesse: church. Place du château: Walk down to the left, via the D39. After 50 m: take the small road to the right, descending along the town hall and the post office.

Km 0.2 Cross the bridge over the Gargillesse. After 50m: back on the D39. At the intersection near the cemetery: take the road to the left, up.

[(  )] in La Chaumerette 1 km]

Km 0.9 Intersection («Stop»): continue opposite.

Km 1.3 Leave the road in a bend and continue opposite via the gravel path, through fields and meadows, between hedges.

Km 1.6 The gravel path becomes a trail, between hedges and fences (sometimes overgrown).

Km 1.9 The trail becomes a wider track, between meadows and vineyards.

Km 2.0 Crossing (Le Cerisier): take the road to the right (Rue Griotte).

Km 2.1 Bifurcation: walk towards Les Chérons (Route du lac), straight ahead.

Km 3.0 Les Chérons: turn left (ignore the dead-end Route du Lac (right)), you enter a hamlet.

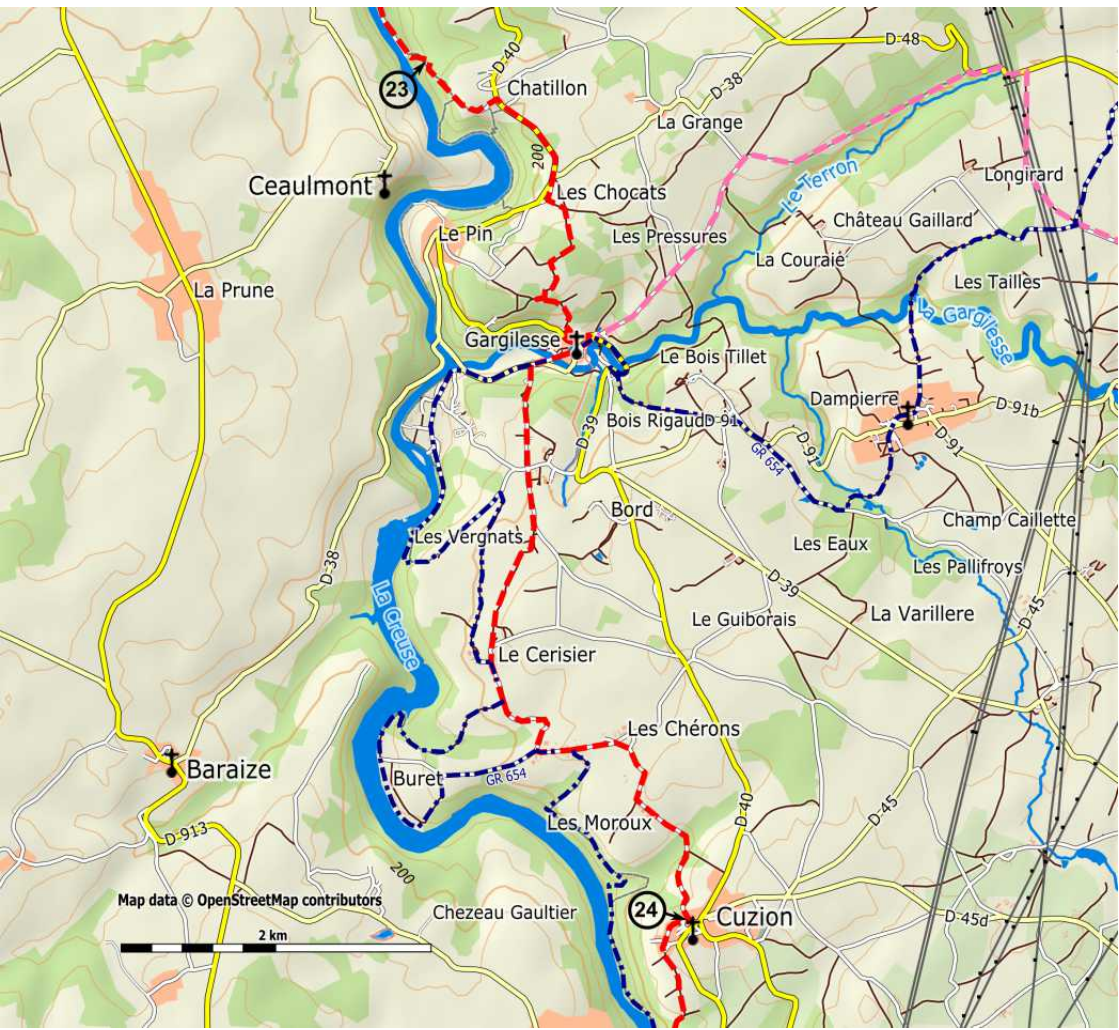
Km 3.8 Crossing: turn right, into the Rue du Carroir and follow the road until Cuzion.

Km 3.9 Bifurcation left: continue to the right, via the road.

Km 4.7 Bridge: follow the road to the right, up.

Km 5.2 You enter Cuzion via the Chemin du Gorgeat; then turn left, into the Rue du Moulin de Châteaubrun.

Km 5.3 Crossing of Cuzion (🚗): roadcross and church (right). Before the church [24]: take the main street and ignore the church (left).



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Km 5.3 Cuzion, before the church [24]: take the main street.

Km 5.4 Intersection: straight ahead.

Km 5.5 Bifurcation: turn right, into the Rue de la Peureyre. [*picnic place*]

Km 5.6 Place de la Peureyre: turn left at the end, take the main road that descends to the left (prohibited for all vehicles), first gravel, then overgrown with grass (*on the right: view towards the tower of Châteaubrun*).

Km 5.8 Bifurcation to the right: continue straight ahead.

Km 6.3 Bifurcation: ignore a gravel road (left) and turn right; second branch (*on the right: viewpoint of Roche Sainte*): take the path to the left, descending, through the forest. [*slippery when raining*]

Km 6.6 Arrival on the banks of the Creuse: turn left, cross the stream.

Km 6.7 Moulin de Châteaubrun (▲ 🏠 🚗). Ignore the rising road (left) and continue opposite via the gravel road, and then a path through undergrowth, left of the bungalows.

Km 7.0 Arrival at a gravel road from the DFCI: turn right.

Km 7.3 Turn right, a grassy path along the Creuse, follow this to the end.

Km 7.8 Arrival at the D45 at the Pont des Piles. Take the road to the right, cross the bridge, then turn left at the junction, the D45, up, towards Éguzon.

Km 8.0 Ignore the D45C (left) and continue straight on via the D45 (🚗 ||).

Km 8.8 Leave the D45; in the third turn: turn right into a small road, direction Les Vignauds (against the one-way system), up.

Km 9.2 Back on the D45 in Eguzonnet: cross after 50m and turn left into the Route du Ruisseau.

Km 9.7 Bifurcation: continue opposite via the Chemin de la Fontaine.

Km 10.0 Back on the D45: turn left, to Éguzon.

Km 10.9 Éguzon (▲ 🚗 🏠 🚗 🚗 services): church. Before the church: cross the Place de la République and, at the end, turn right onto the D913.

Km 11.0 Crossing: straight on via the D913, direction Crozant (Rue Camille Toussaints).

Km 11.4 Crossing at the Salle des fêtes: leave the D913 and turn left, direction Bousset, Messant, straight on.

Km 12.0 Bifurcation (after a curve, pond on your left): turn right, up.

Km 12.3 Bifurcation: take the paved road to the left (towards Pré Cale), descending (high-voltage line).

Km 12.6 Pré Calé: straight ahead, via the road.

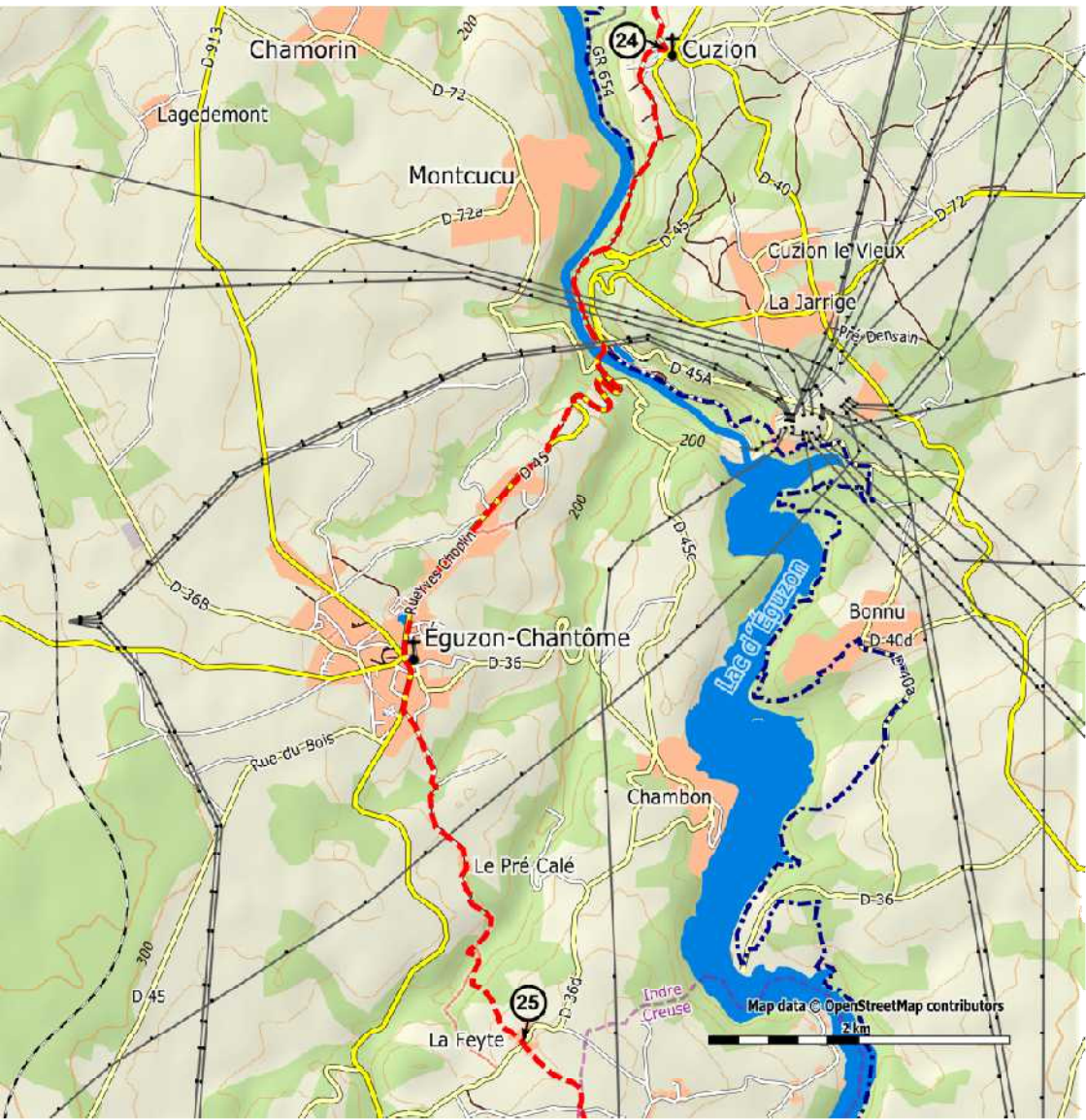
Km 13.0 In the curve, with the hamlet Charchet in sight: take the unpaved road to the left, descending.

Km 13.4 Ignore a branch (right) and continue, turning left and descending.

Km 13.5 Bridge over the Clavière (or ford, on the right): turn right, continue via the small road from the ford, up, through the forest.

Km 13.6 Junction: take the road to the left, up.

Km 13.9 The hamlet of La Feyte: arrival at the D36D. [25]



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Km 13.9 The hamlet of La Feyte: arrival at the D36D. [25] Cross the D36D and continue opposite via the small road.

Km 14.3 Bifurcation: follow the road to the right.

>>> (*Border of the Indre and Creuse departments*).

Km 14.5 Crossing: turn left, then after 10m: take a grassy path to the right, between two fences.

Km 14.8 Junction: take the paved road to the left; after 50m: take the small road to the right.

Km 15.2 Back on the road: turn right and then straight on towards Crozant. Ignore successively two roads (left) (at km 16.0 and 16.3).


Km 16.4 Bifurcation to the right: straight ahead.

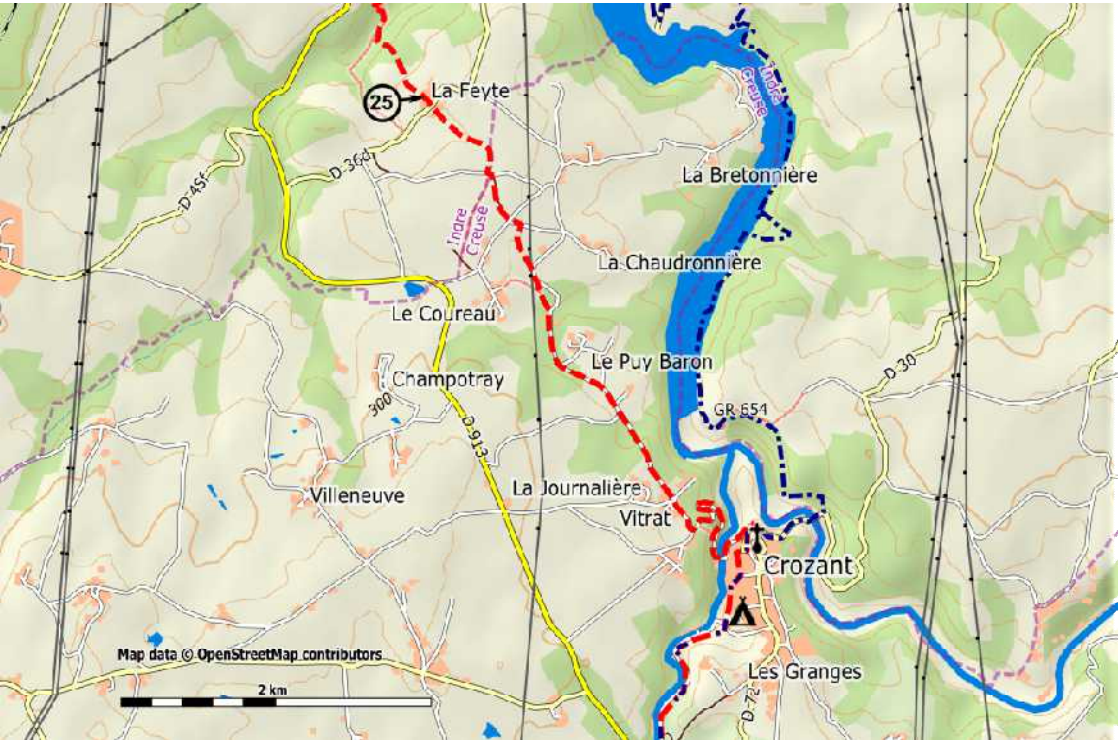
Km 17.2 Crossing of Vitrat: continue opposite (forbidden for cars/buses).

Km 17.3 New intersection: turn left, direction Crozant.

Km 18.3 Bridge over the Sédelle: follow road up to Crozant.

Km 18.6 Arrival in Crozant: walk up to the junction with the D72 (hotel) and continue via the small road opposite, up. Cross the road again and continue opposite, via the path up to the church.

Km 18.8 Crozant (      *services*): church.



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2 - Crozant > La Coquille

2.1 - Crozant > La Souterraine: 24,5 km

Km 0.0 Crozant. [1]

Return to the GR to descend into the Sedelle valley.

Keep following the road until the junction with the D913.

Turn right to cross the bridge of Charraud, then turn left onto the D72.

Pass the "Grange du Bois" (grange = barn), stay on the D72, then pass:

Coublins, Josnon, la Goux and finally:

Km 6.2 La Chapelle-Baloue (⚡ 🚗 📶). Stay on the D72, direction Saint-Germain-Beaupré and at the cemetery turn right (C6) direction Puyrajas.

Ignore the branching of Puyrajas (dead end) and continue in the direction of Bazelat.

At the next intersection: leave Mazerolles to the right and continue to the left. Continue straight on.

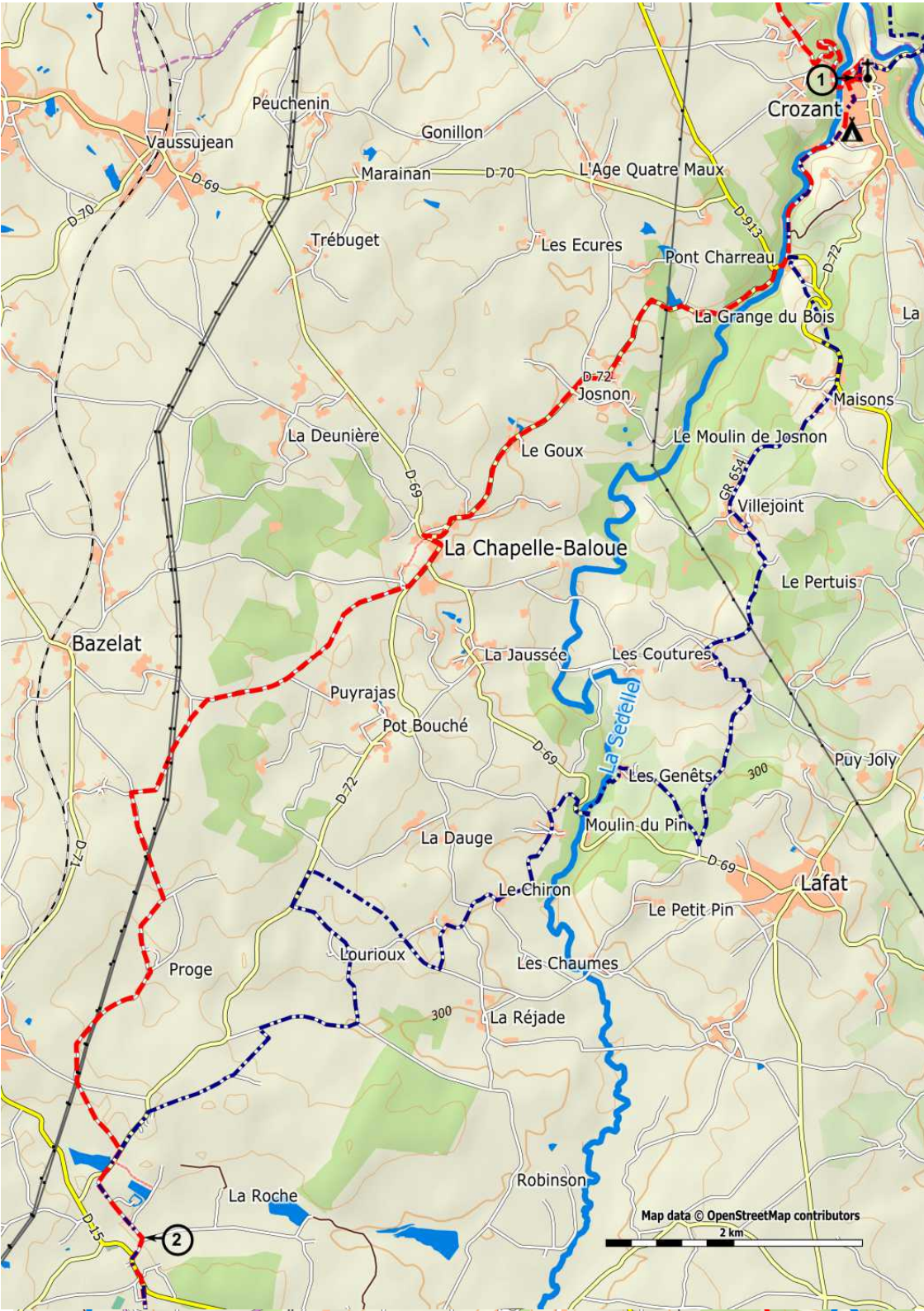
At the T-junction: turn right and at the intersection of Chézeaupion go left, due south.

After 400 meters: T-junction, turn right, cross the hamlet of Proge, the road turns to the left. At the next junction continue straight on (under the high voltage cables) to return on the D72.

There you will find the GR again. Turn right, pass in front of a pond (*with a beautiful picnic area*) and turn left, into a small road (château/castle).

At the end, near the cross, turn right and arrive at:

Km 14.2 Saint-Germain-Beaupré (🏰 🚗). [2]



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Follow the Grande Rue and at the end, at the location of the cross, turn diagonally to the right, towards Le Boucheron.

At the end of the hamlet turn left, direction La Chenedière.

After 400 meters: leave this road and take the grassy road (still the GR!).

Continue straight on and pass several crossings.

At the end of the path: turn right on a road. Continue straight on until you reach the D72. Turn left:

Km 18.7 Saint-Agnant-de-Versillat (🏠🚗). Stay on the D72 and leave the village.

Walk a little up, right next to the cemetery ('lanterne des morts'), parallel to the D72. Immediately after the cemetery, turn right on the dirt road (*beware: hard to see*) and continue straight on.

After a pond, a crossroads: continue straight on and leave the GR.

Arrival at a road: turn right and after 50 meters turn left.

Cross the hamlet of Les Chassagnes and continue straight on, pass a bridge and at the crossroads: ignore the road to Bousseresse on the left and continue straight on.

T-junction with bypass: turn right, cross the bridge over the railway.

In front of the Leclerc supermarket: turn left, into the Avenue Mermoz, then turn right into Rue Martin Nadaud.

At the «stop»: turn left, into the Boulevard Mestadier and follow the bronze shells on the ground, to reach the church of:

Km 24.5 La Souterraine (🏠🚗🚚🚲).

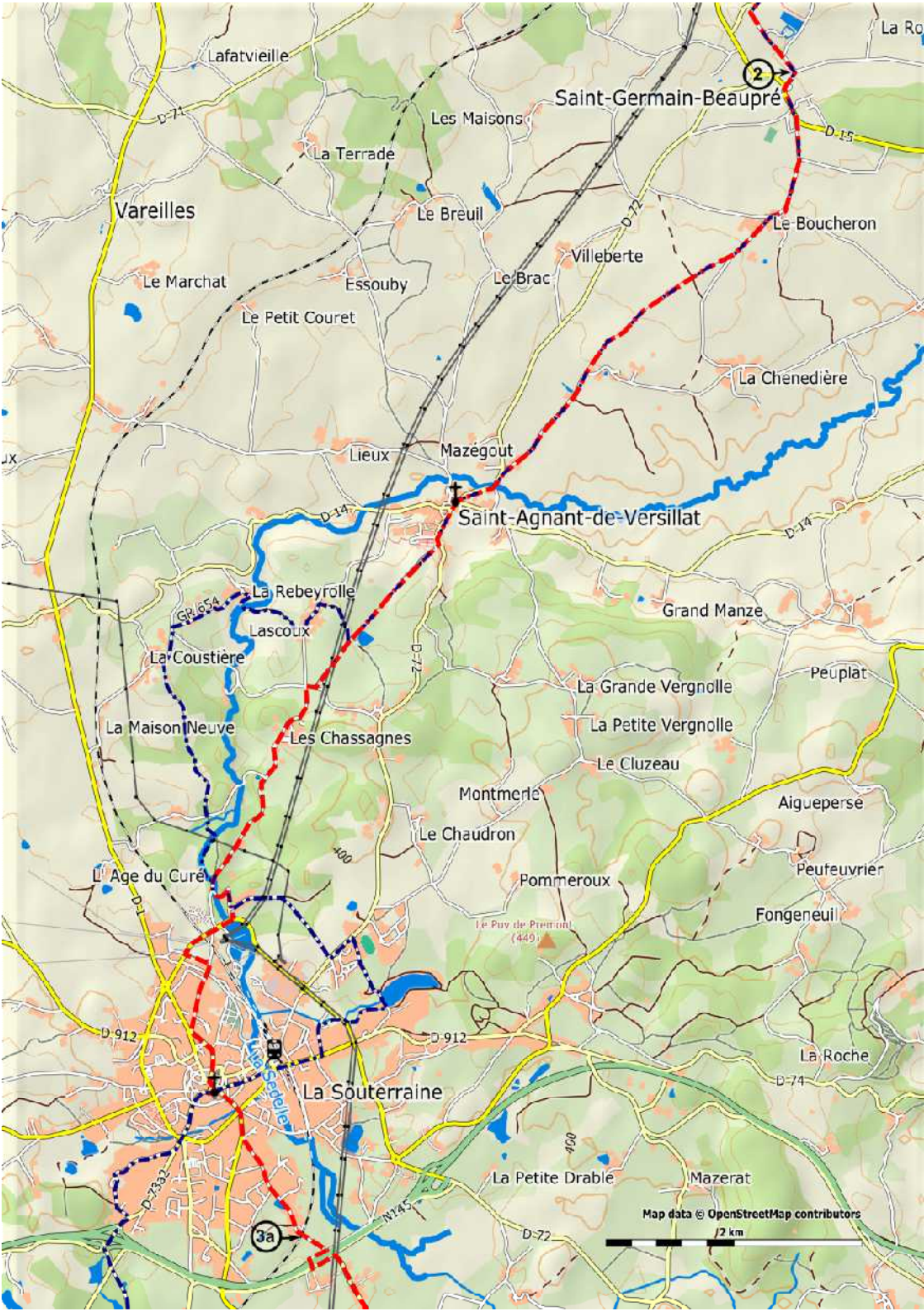
2.2 - La Souterraine > Benevent l'Abbey 21,5 km

Km 24.5 La Souterraine. From the church: cross the marketplace, pass under the Porte Saint Jean and turn right, into the rue Saint Jacques. Then turn left into the Rue de Bessereix.

At the crossroads: continue straight on, until the bend. Do not follow the GR.

Continue straight on, direction Fursac and at a split turn left into the Rue Auguste Coulon, then continue straight on.

You reach the bridge over the railway. [3a]



Lafatville

Saint-Germain-Beaupré

Vareilles

Les Maisons

Le Marchat

La Terrade

Le Breuil

Le Petit Couret

Essouby

Le Brac

Villeberte

Le Boucheron

Lieux

Mazegout

Saint-Agnant-de-Versillat

La Chenedière

La Rebeyrolle

Grand Manze

La Coustière

Lasoux

Peuplat

La Maison Neuve

Les Chassagnes

La Grande Vergnolle

La Petite Vergnolle

Le Cluzeau

Montmerlé

Le Chaudron

Aigueperse

L'Age du Curé

Pommeroux

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La Souterraine

La Roche

La Petite Drable

Mazerat

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Km 26.2 Cross the bridge over the railway. **[3a]**

Arrive at the dual motorway: turn right, to pass under the motorway.

At the end of the tunnel: turn left and at the end turn right, onto the D10, direction Saint-Priest-la-Feuille (be careful, traffic).

Continue along this road for about 2km and then arrive in

Km 28.5 Sagnemoussouse. Cross the village, following the D10 until

Km 31.0 Saint-Priest-la-Feuille (↖). Past the church: diagonally to the right, still on the D10, direction Chamborand.

At the crossroads: do not take the D74 (Fursac), but stay a while on the D10. After 300 meters: turn right, into the small Route du Bec.

At the intersection of Bec: turn left and cross this hamlet. After 100 meters: turn right, into a small road (Laisse-Dire) that soon becomes a dirt road.

At a junction: go diagonally to the left, up, and then again to the left, into a small road that joins the D10 again. Turn right and cross the bridge:

Km 35.0 Pont sur la Gartempe **[3b]**. Past the river, at the crossroads, leave the D-road and turn right into the small road, up, to Puy Beaumas.

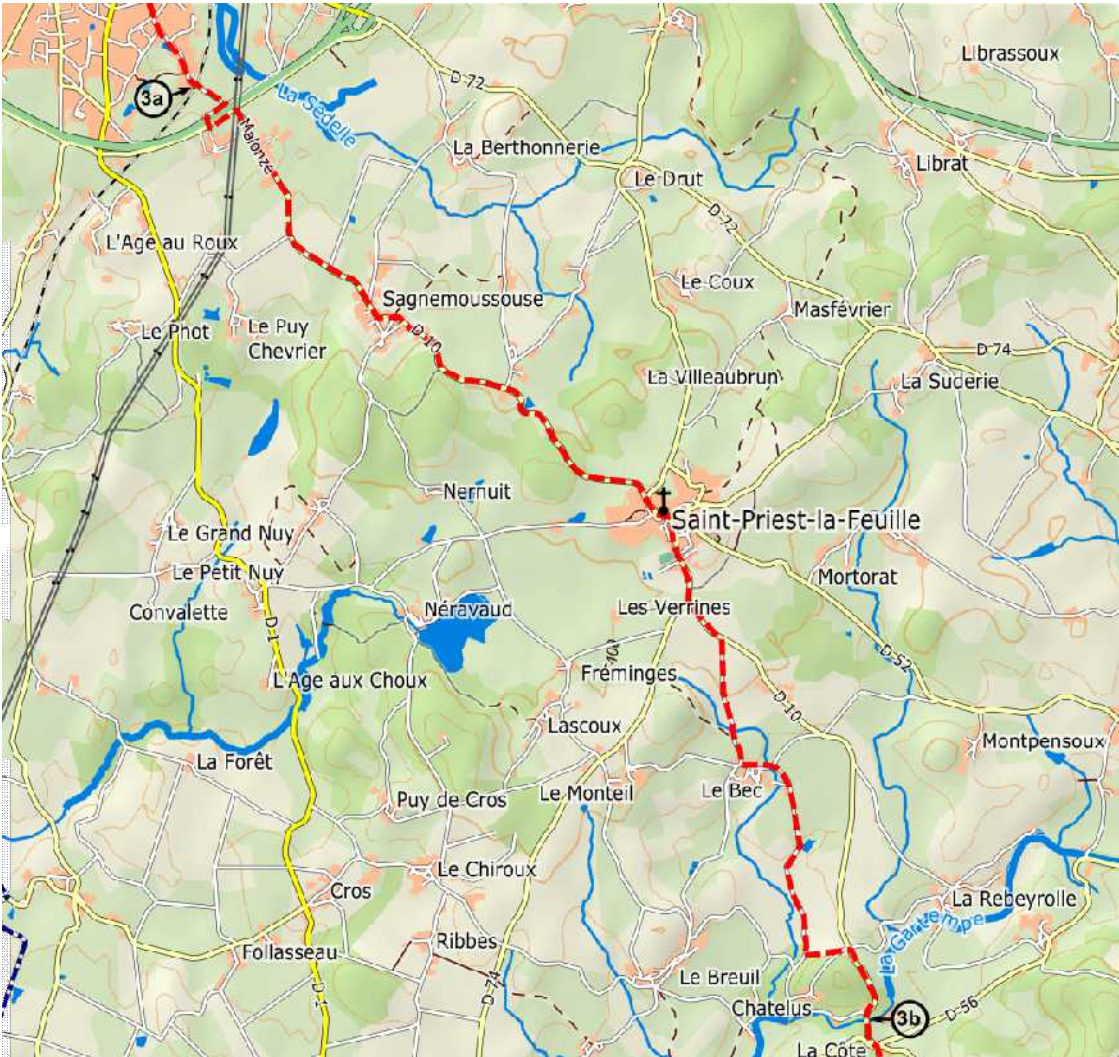
Ignore a road to the left and at the junction go diagonally left (back on the GR), towards houses.

Cross this hamlet, the asphalt gives way to stones. T-junction: turn left and arrive on the D10 again.

Follow the D10 for 100 meters, cross, and continue along a road that descends. Crossroads: turn right, pass a pond and then a cemetery.

Turn right onto the D49, cross the D4, and then turn left to the church of:

Km 38.5 Chamborand. Follow the D10 again, direction Bénévent. Cross the hamlet of Bellivier. **[4]**





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Km 39.8 Cross the hamlet of Bellivier [4], and continue along the D10.

Ignore the roads to the left. Cross the bridge and arrive at the crossing with the D48.

Turn left, and then turn right after 750 meters, at the intersection of La Toueille (GR). Continue along the ponds to reach the hamlet of Le Bourale. In the hamlet: take the second road on the left. After 1.5 km the road is covered with asphalt. Arrive in the hamlet of Sauzet.

Leave the GR to the left, and continue straight on to the D10. Take the D10 to the left, to:

Km 46.0 Bénévent-l'Abbaye (, ).

2.3 - Bénévent > Châtelus-le-Marcheix: 19,4 km

Km 46.0 Bénévent-l'Abbaye. From the church: follow the D10 again, direction Fursac.

Then turn left towards college, past the stadium.

After the stadium: turn left and immediately turn right and continue to the crossing of the D914.




At the «stop»: turn right, direction Marsac, Cross Les Coultures and ignore the road to La Betouille to the right. After 350 meters: leave the D-road and turn left into a dirt road, up, through a forest.

At the crossroads: continue straight on.

At the main road: turn left and then immediately turn right, direction Souliers, Lagémard.

At the junction: continue direction Lagémard. After 100 meters: turn right, into a wide stone road which leads to the corner of a cemetery.

Turn right, into the road leading to

Km 50.6 Marsac (, , ). At the crossing of the D914: turn left and then continue straight on, railway crossing, straight on, wastewater treatment, straight on, direction Limoges.

After 200 meters: turn left, direction Les Rorgues.

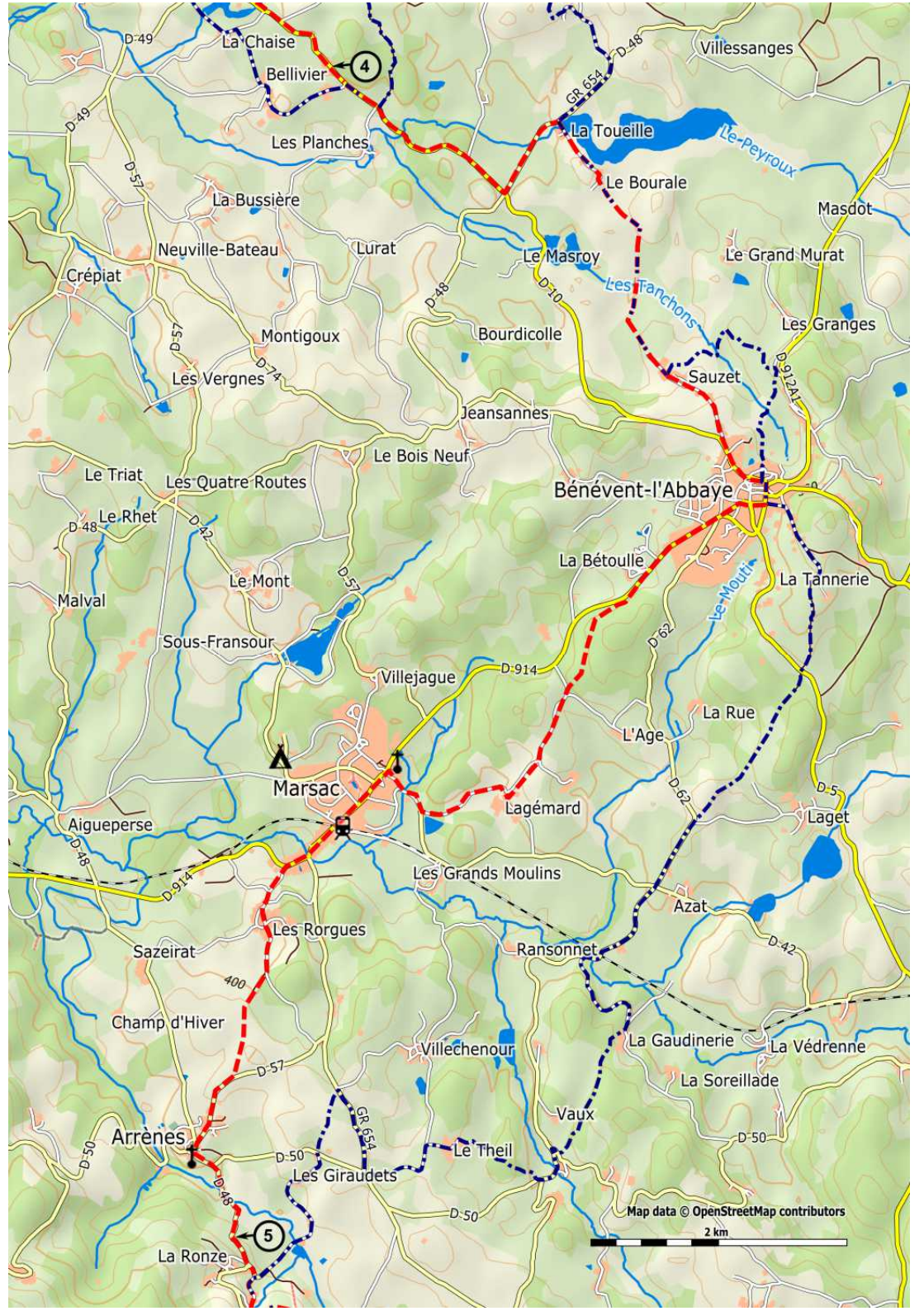
At the first intersection: turn left, at the second continue straight on (up), at the third intersection turn left (still rising).

At the sign 'Chapel' go straight on at the crossing.

After the hamlet, descend to the right via a road that then goes up again to a forest, to return to the D 57.

Turn right and follow this road to the church of

Km 55.1 Arrènes. Take the D48 again, direction Saint-Goussaud. Crossing with the D50: stay on the D48. After 600 meters: [5].



Km 56.0 [5].

After 300 meters, at the crossing of La Ronze, take the small road to the left, which descends to the hamlet of Abbaye.

In the bend: leave (after the brook) the road and take a path (GR).

At a crossing: continue straight on, through the forest. At the main road: turn to the right, to the crossing of Champégaud.

There we take the path that goes from the right corner of the house.

Continue straight on, to come back to the D48.

Turn left and arrive in

Km 59.5 Saint-Goussaud (🚗)

(Possibility to go directly to Les Billanges along the GR654 - 13km).

Cross the village and continue along the D48, direction Chatelus-le-Marcheix.

At the first crossing: leave the paved road to take a dirt road (GR4) at the junction of the road to Chatain. The road descends between undergrowth.

At the junction: continue straight on and arrive on the D62: cross it and take the road opposite.

Crossing: continue straight on.

Crossing of Villechabrole: take the road opposite.

Once back on the road you just crossed, follow it for 150 meters and then take the road (left) which goes into the forest (up).

At crossings: remain on the road with the GR markings.

Km 65.4 At the D8: turn right.

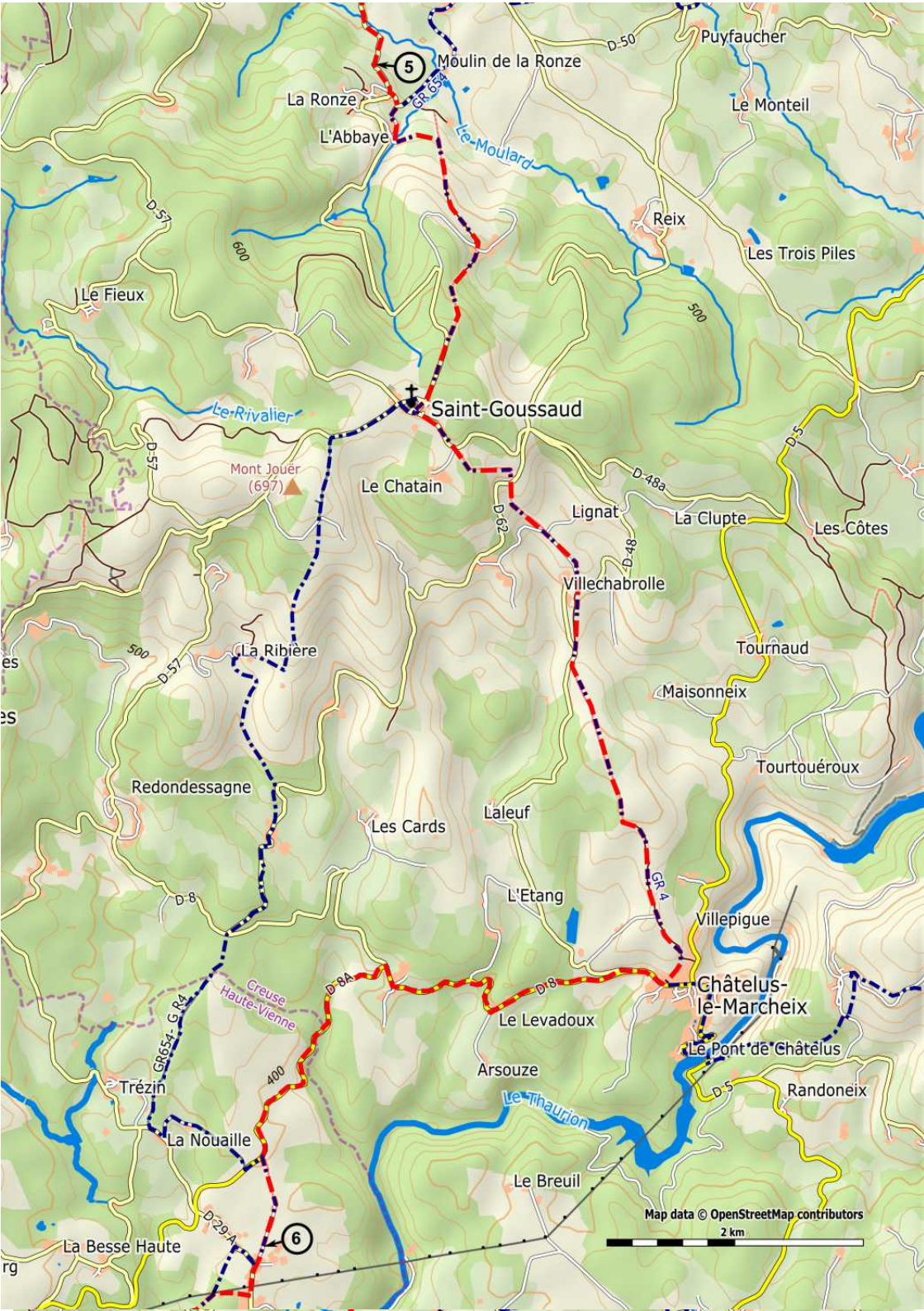
(For Châtelus-le-Marcheix (🏠 🚗 🚲) turn left).

2.4 - Châtelus > Saint-Leonard-de-Noblat: 29,5 km

Km 65.4 Châtelus-le-Marcheix. Leave Châtelus along the D8 direction Les Billanges. Crossing with the D48: stay on the D8.

Cross Le Levadoux, continue straight on, (🚗 in Beaumont) then cross Villemaumy: straight on. Crossing of the D8 and the D8a: take the D8a to the left, which later in the Vienne becomes the D29.

After 1.3 km on this road, while leaving the forest, turn left on the narrow path between fields (*meeting with GR from the other side, moderate signaling of the way*). After 750m [6].



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Km 71.4 [6].

After 150m you reach the D29a, continue straight on, through the hamlet of:

Km 71.5 Vivareix. (🚧 in La Besse, 2.5 km off the route). While leaving this hamlet: take the dirt road to the right, which runs between the houses. Crossing: continue straight on, via the GR.

Pass several crossings but remain on the GR.

After about 3km reach the D29. Turn left and further on leave the GR to the right. Arrive at the church of:

Km 74.9 Les Billanges (🚧). Follow the D29. Intersection with the D50: stay on the D29. Cross the bridge over the Gance, and reach the D5.

Take that road to the left (careful: lots of traffic!), direction Saint-Léonard-de-Noblat. Pass the camp ground and arrive on

Km 79.7 Le Pont du Dognon. Cross the river Le Taurion and turn left, into an ascending path with pebbles, pass between the houses, cross a road, and stay on the GR.

Arrival at the D5: cross it and continue straight on via the GR. Hamlet of Orgnac: the road becomes asphalted, (for 🚧 in La Gasnerie, turn right after 150m). Pass holiday settlement.

100m after Orgnac turn right (90 degrees) into a stone road, which descends and then rises through a forest and ends up at the cross of La Maléterie (restored). Continue opposite, via a grassy road (the GR turns right), to the D19 and continue to:

Km 84.2 Le Châtenet-en-Dognon. Pass the church and follow the D19.

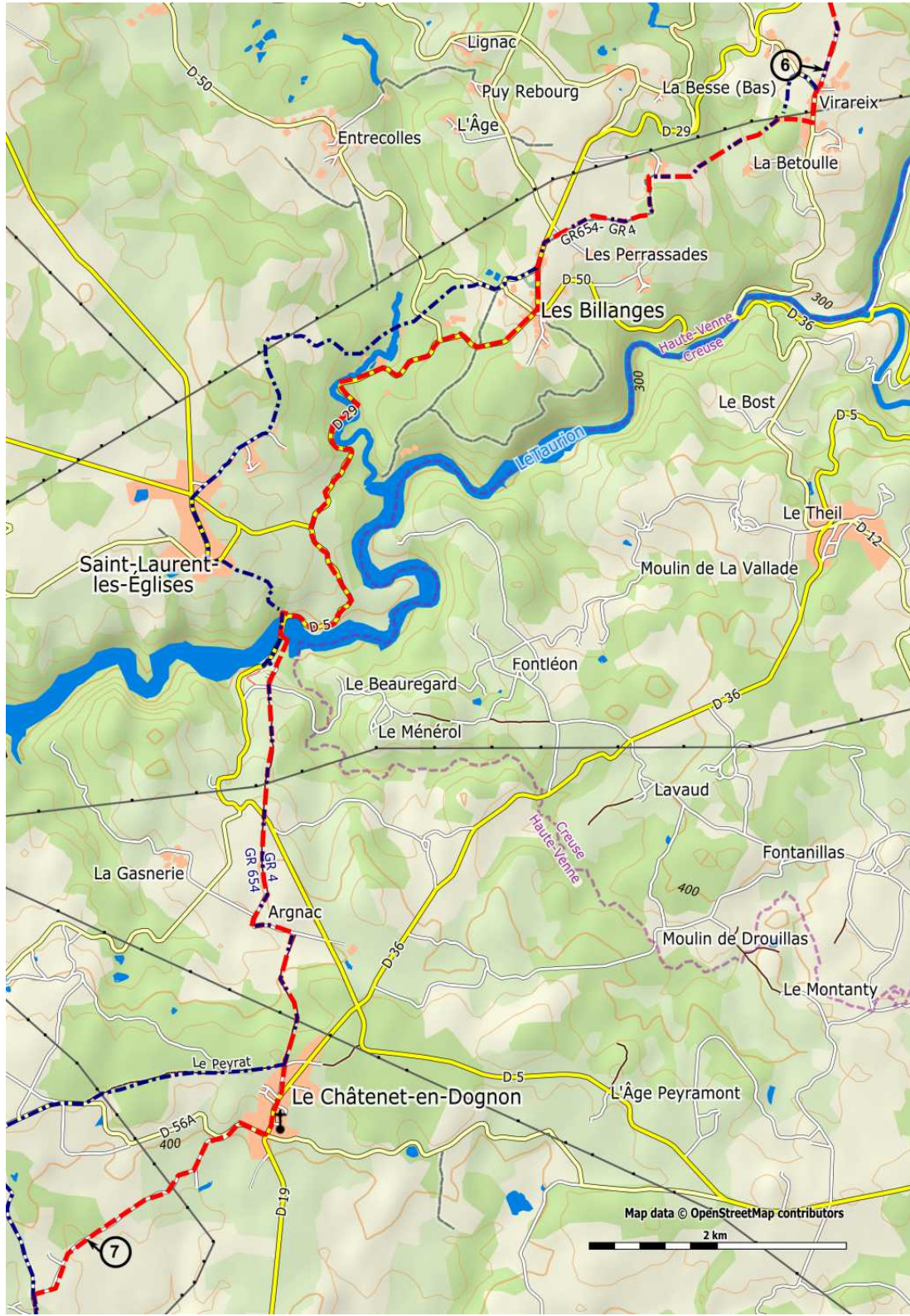
Crossing: turn right onto the D58a and after 300 meters: turn left, to Lachenaud then Lourdes. After 1,5km: small bridge. [7]

Km 87.2 – Short cut to Foyer Jean XXIII in Lussac (see the green dotted line on the map opposite page 72):

100 m after the side road left to Clémensanne-Sud, in the bend after the pylon, leave the road and the GR and take a path on the left that goes through the fields. You will pass the old mill Lajoumard. Go left on asphalt road (C8). Cross the bridge over the Galamache (on your left side the old mill of La Roche). Follow the road (rising) to the cross road to Lussac. Turn sharp right direction Lussac. At the fork: choose left and follow the signs, showing the way to Lussac (🏠).

The next day: Go back to the fork. Go sharp left. Follow this small road up to the T-junction (<Stop>) with the D39. Turn left on the D39. This becomes later the rue Dr Jagot Lacoussière. Follow this road until the intersection of Saint-Léonard-de-Noblat.

Continue from Km 94.9 of the route.



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Km 86.2 Small bridge. [7] After 500m arrive on a small road. Turn left (*from here follow the GR654 to Saint-Leonard-de-Noblat*) Straight ahead. Pass Clémensanne-Nord (on your right) and Clémensanne-Sud (on your left) [*for Lussac (†), see page 70*].

Km 87.2 The road turns first to the right, then left. At a junction, go sharp right towards 'Les Boutonnes'.

Km 87.6 Turn left at the crossing gravel roads. From here always 'straight-through' via dirt road along/between vegetation (*this part was difficult to mark!*). Go straight on arable land between fields, till an asphalt road (C17).

Km 90.6 Turn right. Follow this road till T-junction with D39 (Marsac).

Km 91.1 Turn left on D39. After 800m, go right towards Le Puy Faucher. After 100m: turn left on gravel road (descending). Arrive again on D39, turn right. Before the bridge (Le Pont au Puy) leave the D39 to the right. Cross the stream the Tard, and follow the path up to a plateau. Pass Maisonneuve, go at the end of the path to the right (Le Haut Dandalais). Cross the asphalt road and go straight ahead, through a dirt road, to Dandalais. There, go right twice. The GR looks over the valley of the Vienne and then opens onto a paved road. Turn left and continue this road - which further on is paved - through Puy Lassaud. Then arrive in Saint-Léonard, on the ring road. Here you leave the GR.

Km 94.9 Cross and walk along Rue Jean Jaures, Place de la Republique and Rue Gay-Lussac to the collegiate church of Saint-Léonard-de-Noblat (🏰🏠🚶🚲🚂).

2.5 - Saint-Léonard-de-Noblat > Limoges: 22,3km

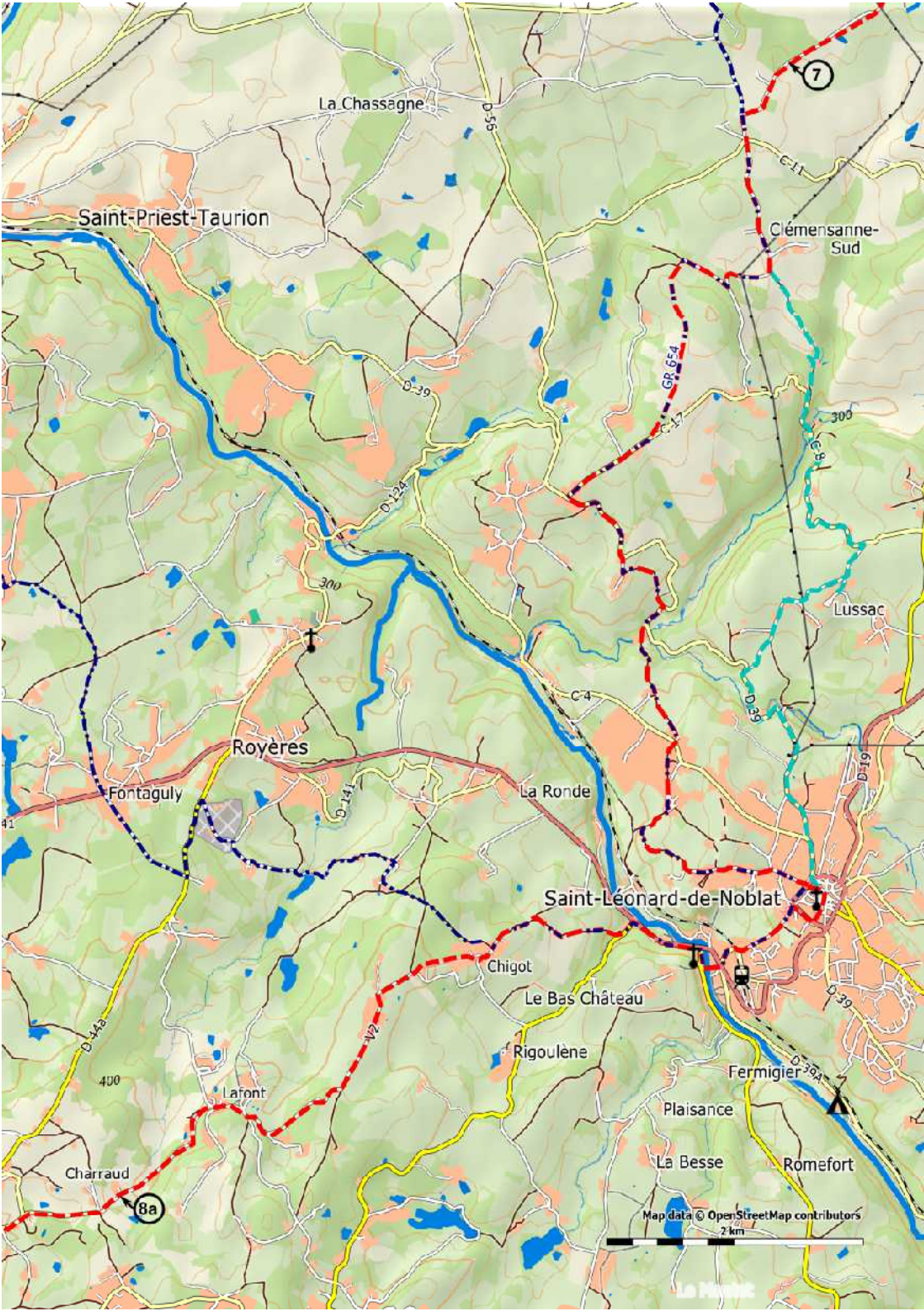
Km 94.9 Saint-Léonard-de-Noblat. From the collegiate church: consecutively take the Rue Lamazière, the Rue G.Perrin, the Chemin de Pavé. At the end turn right: Avenue du Général de Gaulle.

Pass under the railway bridge and cross the Avenue de Limoges diagonally left. Go up the Rue du Vieux Pont, then cross the river Vienne, using the historic bridge (Pont Noblat). Turn right and then turn left onto the D941, and again turn left onto the D65. After the porcelain factory: take the road to the right (GR), up, to the hamlet of:

Km 98.2 Chigot. Continue straight on (so leave the GR).

In the hamlet: at the house with the sign 'Menuiserie' (=carpentry) (on the left side), turn right into a small road that becomes a dirt road. This leads to the V2, turn right, the hamlet of La Chapelle, keep following the road and arrive in the hamlet of:

Km 101.4 Lafont. Stay on the V2 (changes in C2), direction Aureil, pass Les Charrauds. [8a]



La Chassagne

Saint-Priest-Taurion

Clémensanne-Sud

Royères

Fontaguly

La Ronde

Saint-Leonard-de-Noblat

Chigot

Le Bas Château

Rigoulène

la Font

Charraud

Fermigier

Plaisance

La Besse

Romefort

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Km 102.5 Les Charrauds **[8a]**. Ignore various branches and continue to the D44a1.

Turn left onto this road.

Crossing with the D44: cross and arrive at the church of:

Km 105.1 Aureil ( .

Before the cemetery: take the path to the left, to Bost.

In the hamlet: keep following the road. Take the 'Impasse du Monastère.

This changes into a grassy track and arrive on the D979.

Turn right and at the crossing with the D44 turn left, direction Laubaudie.

At the end of this hamlet turn right: into a gravel road.

Follow it for 800 meters and then turn left, direction Crouseix.

When you reach the road, turn right to arrive in:

Km 108.4 Crouseix **[8b]**.

Turn left and follow the road through the village which makes a right turn. Turn right onto the D98. Cross the bridge, pass a pond.

Stay on the D-road and after 600 meters: bend to the left, into a path to the church of:

Km 110.9 Feytiat.

Turn right, into the Avenue Winston Churchill, then left the Avenue Georges Clemenceau. At the roundabout: continue straight on via the Avenue Frederic Legrand.

At the roundabout: turn left, onto the D979. Crossing of Crézin: continue straight on.

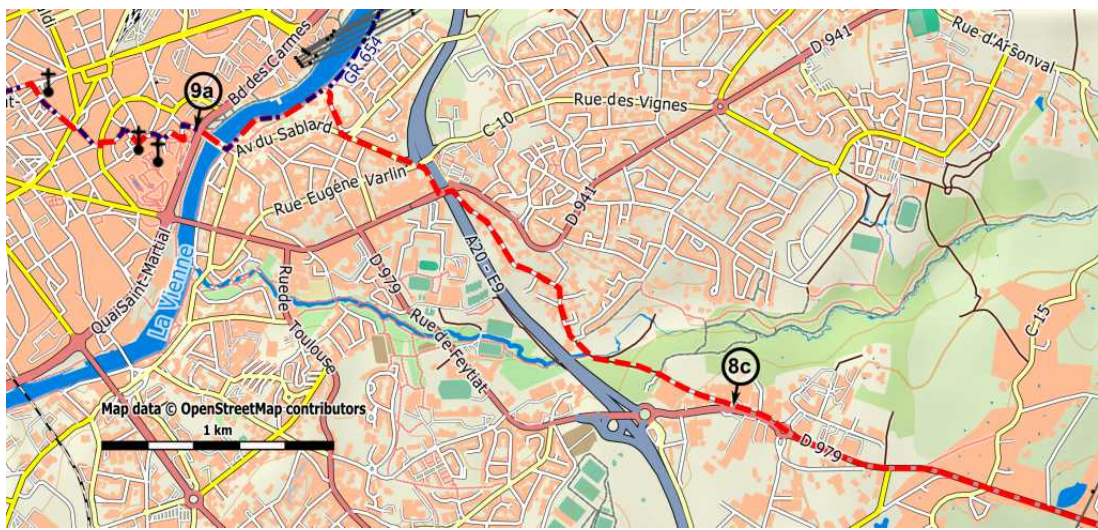
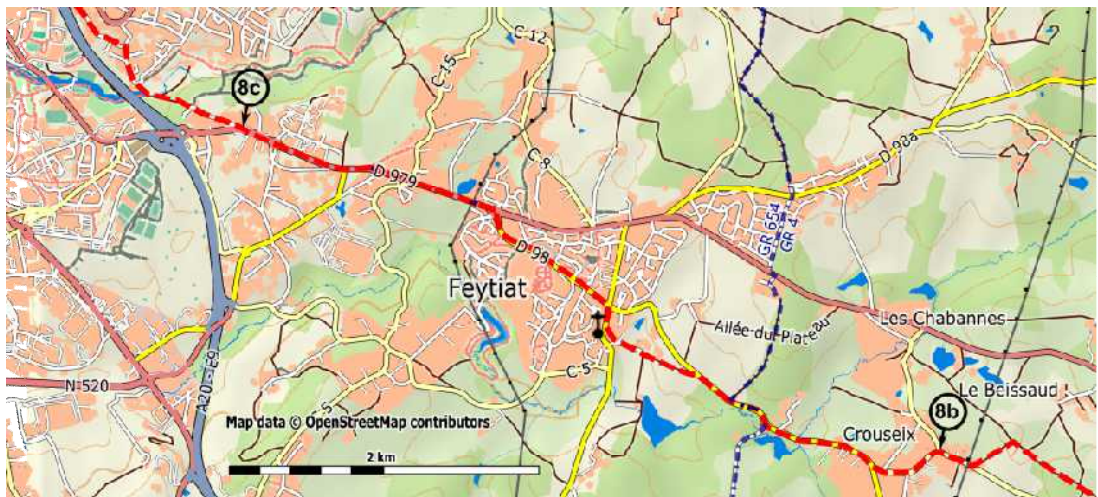
At the crossing with the D55a also: continue straight on.

After the roundabout of the industrial area: bend to the right, into the Rue Malinvaud [8c].

At the end of this street: follow the grassy road, then take the Rue Bas Fargeas, up.

At the end of this street: turn left, into the Avenue de Lattre de Tassigny. Cross the highway, follow the bronze shells on the ground, and take the Avenue du Sablard. At the second crossing: cross, descend the stairs and continue along the footpath.

Cross the Vienne via the bridge St-Etienne and go up, into the Rue du Pont. **[9a]**



Section 2

Km 117.0 Rue du Pont [9a], then left, into the Rue Saint-Domnolet and at the end turn right, into Rue de la Regle to arrive at the Place de la Cathédrale Saint-Etienne in:

Km 117.2 Limoges (🏠 🏛️ 🚶 🚲).

2.6 - Limoges > Flavignac: 28,4 km

Km 117.2 Limoges. From the Place Saint-Etienne follow the Rue des Allois, the Rue de la Haute Cité, the Rue de la Cité, the Place de la Cité, the Rue Raspail, the Place Wilson, the Rue du Collège, the Place Saint-Pierre, the Rue Dalesme, and the Rue Saint-Martial.

Then, the Place de la République, again the Rue Saint-Martial, cross the Rue Jean Jaurès and take the Rue du Clocher.

At the Place Saint-Michel, turn left into the Rue Ferrerie, cross the Place des Bancs, then turn right onto the Place du Poids Public and turn right again, into the Rue de la Boucherie.

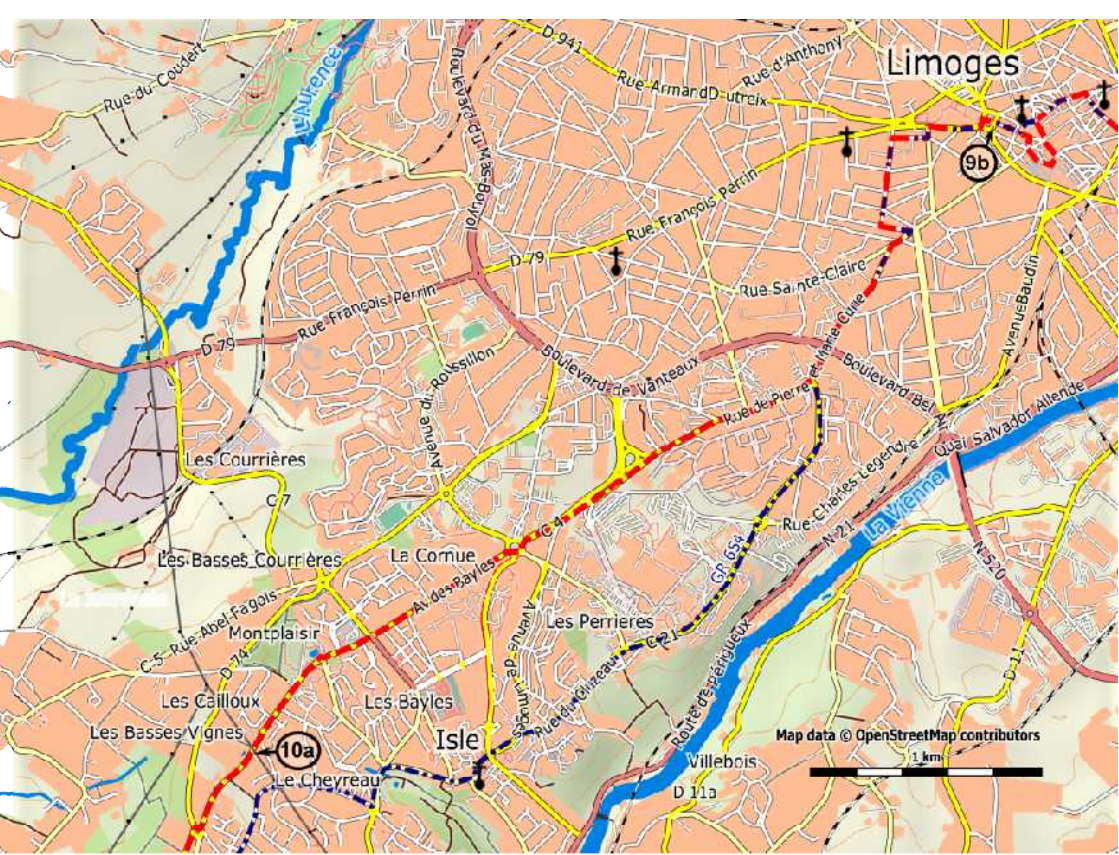
Place de la Motte and across into the Rue Othon Péconnet. Cross the Place d'Aine [9b] and turn left into the Rue des Arènes.

Place des Carmes, turn left into the Avenue Jean Foucaud and immediately turn right into the Rue Neuve des Carmes and again turn left into the Rue Saint-Eloi.

At the end turn left onto the Cours Jean Pénicaud, then sharply right into the Rue Pétiniaud-Beaupeyrat.

At the crossing: diagonally left into the Rue Pierre et Marie Curie, which you follow to the end, in the meantime crossing several intersections. Then continue via the Rue Bourneville.

Km 121.8 Roundabout of La Cornue, continue straight on through the Avenue des Bayles and at a crossing continue straight on via the Avenue du Château, which becomes the Avenue de Vignes Basses. (🏠 in Isle, SW of Limoges) [10a]



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Avenue de Basses Vignes. **[10a]**

Km 123.8 Roundabout of La Croix Bachaud: Take the D74 to Merignac. At the next roundabout: leave the D74 and take the road opposite (C9). At the crossing: continue straight on and enter:

Km 127.2 Mérignac.

Turn left into the Avenue de Mérignac then, at the end of the village, go left and take the Rue du Vignoble to continue via a dirt road that becomes an asphalt road: Chemin de Puy Panard, which leads to the N21.

Turn right, cross the railway bridge, pass the train station and turn left, into the Rue de l'Abreuvoir.

Cross the bridge over the river Vienne, take the stairs and turn left into the Rue Rochefroide, then the Rue Sadi-Carnot, to the church of:

Km 130.4 Aix-sur-Vienne (🚗 🚲). **[10b]**

Take the Rue Saboterie and the Rue Victor Hugo, then the D20, direction Les Cars, Flavignac. Follow the Rue Pichenaud, pass in front of the supermarket and take after 300m the C203 to the left. Descend the Rue du Mas Neuf and pass the mills of: Moreau, David, Le Mas Neuf and Japaud, while following the Aixette.

Arrive on the D110, turn left, pass the bridge and continue to the crossing of Le Breuil.

Turn right to Mardaloux, cross this hamlet, always straight on. La Judie, keep following this road until the D17.

There turn right and arrive in:




Km 139.5 Saint-Martin-le-Vieux.

Near the church: turn left, to Bord, and cross this hamlet. **[11a]**



Km 140.2 Cross Bord [11a] and keep following the road, to the hamlet of Domarias. There turn left, to Lavignac.

At the crossing with the D46: turn right and stay on this D-road. At the end: turn right and arrive at the church of:


Km 145.6 Flavignac (  .

2.7 - Flavignac > La Coquille: 29,5 km

Km 145.6 Flavignac.

Opposite the church: take the Rue Pasteur (D46).

Crossing with the D20: turn left. Crossing with the C224 to Beyrand: continue straight on to the church of:

Km 149.1 Les Cars (). Take the D15, then turn right on the D21. After 400 meters: turn left, to Le Valois [11b].

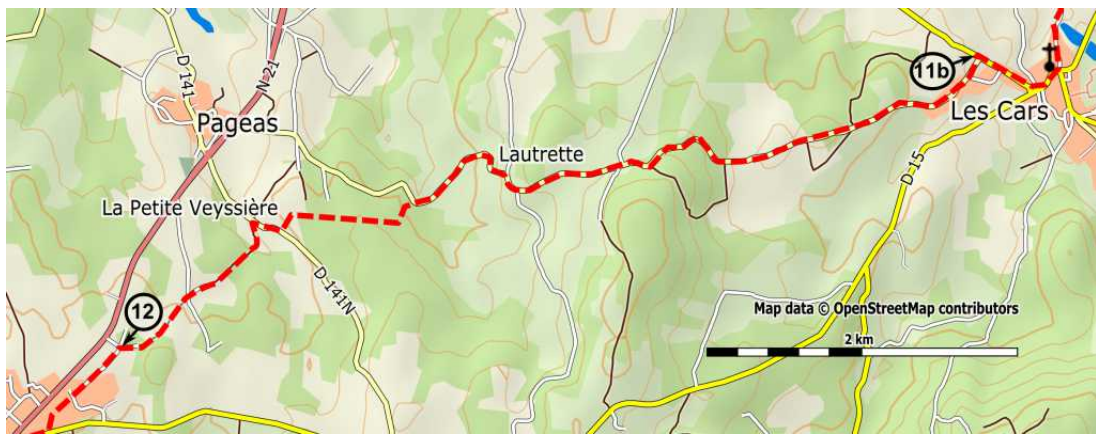
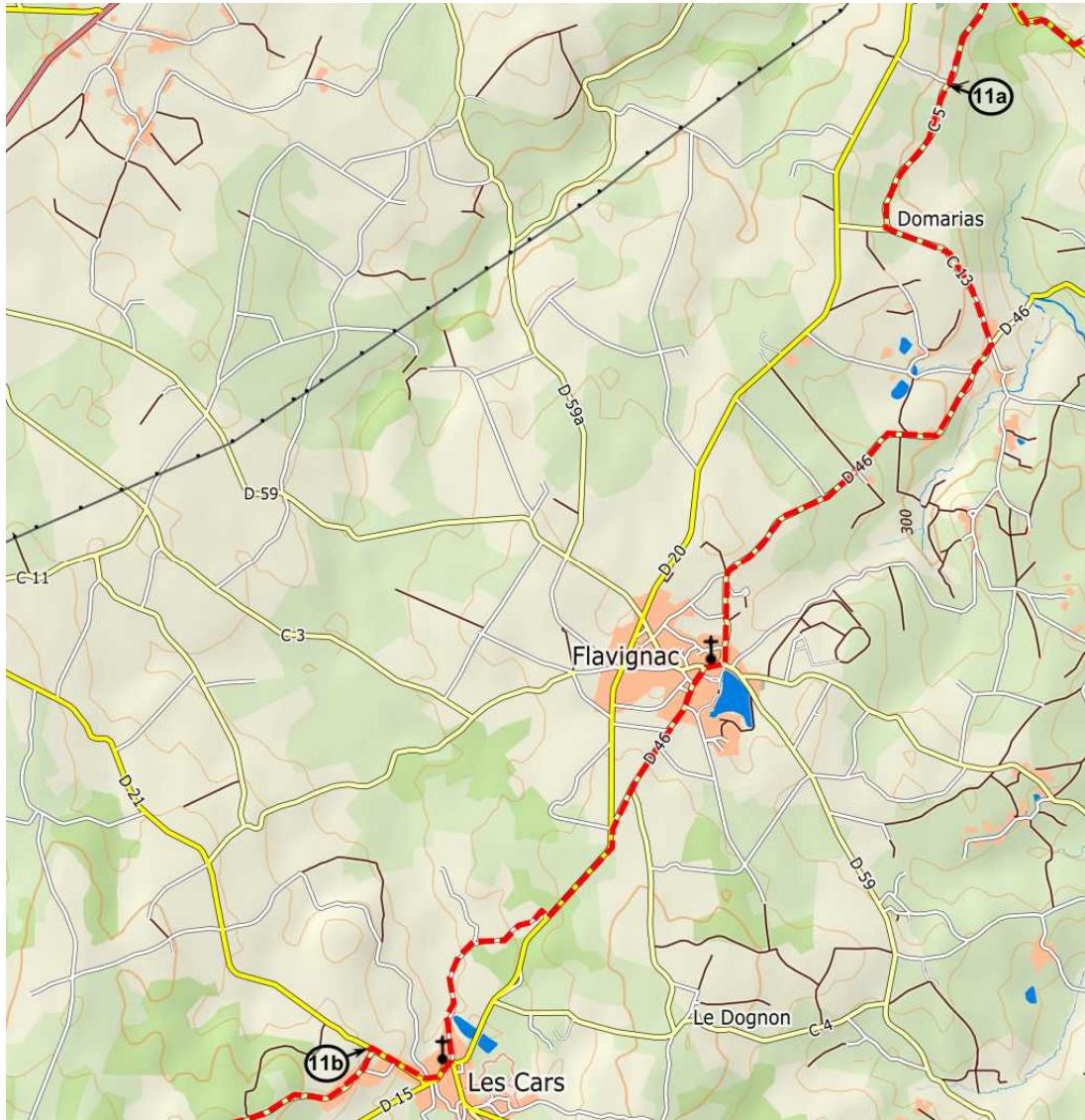
Cross this hamlet and pass La Maison Blanche (the white house), la Teyssière, les Fosses. At the crossing: continue straight on and arrive in Lautrette.

Cross this hamlet, Route de Pageas, pass a pond, and at the end of a bend: turn left, into a dirt road, up, through a forest, to La Petite Veyssière.

At a junction: first turn right, then turn left. At two crossings: continue straight on and arrive at the D141n. Turn right and then immediately turn left, into a new road, descending.

Cross a small bridge and go up to a place called Maître Antony.

Follow the asphalt, cross a road, and continue straight on via a path that leads to the D15, parallel to the N21 (at the fence go left). [12]



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Km 156.5 Path to the D15. **[12]** Along a small industrial estate. The road becomes a grassy path.

There turn right, cross at the traffic lights and continue via the Rue Chabrol, then the Rue Mardochee, and the Rue Côte de la Minoterie. Cross the D901 and continue straight on.

Cross the Tardoise and take the Boulevard du Fort rise, up, to arrive at the church of:

Km 158.3 Châlus (🏰).

There, take the Rue du Clocher, the Rue Salardine, the Rue de l'Europe. Cross the Place Cardailhac and turn right, direction Dounazac, into the Avenue du 11 novembre.

At the end: turn left, pass under the (former) railway bridge. After 500 meters: turn left, to Mettes, and continue via the sunken road that is most to the left. Upon reaching the asphalt road: continue straight on to:

Km 161.0 Le Lac.

Turn left and then turn right onto the D64a1, to arrive at the «stop» sign of the D64. Turn right, onto the D64 and after 200 meters take a dirt road which leads into a forest.

Cross a small bridge and continue along the road that passes the pond of Maison Neuve, to:

Km 163.9 Monchaty.

At the crossing: continue straight on, via the Chemin de la Forge.

Before the bridge: turn right and walk along a pond.

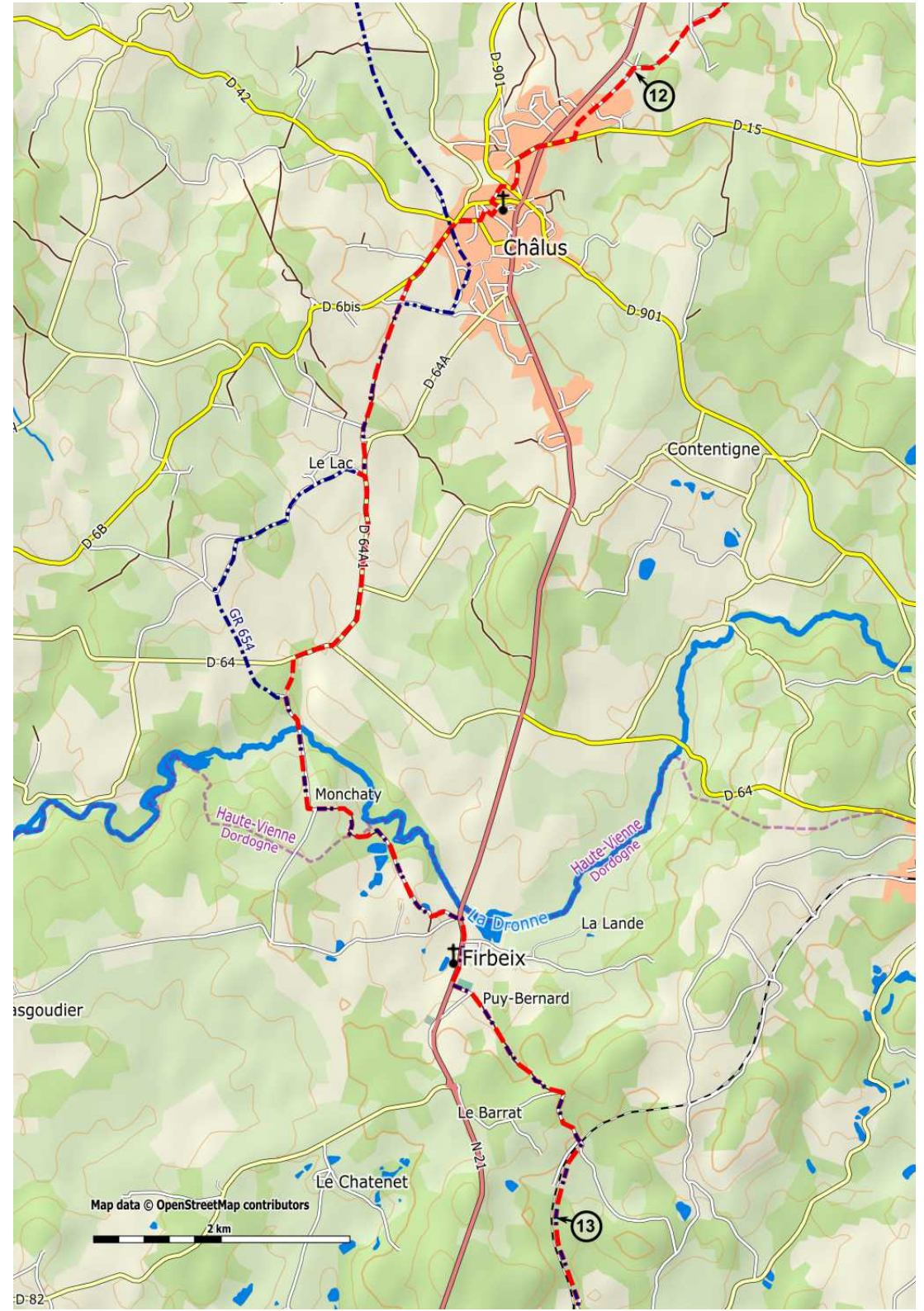
Beyond the castle: left. At homes: left and immediately right on the N2.

Km 166.2 Firbeix (🏰).

After the church turn left towards Puybernard.

The road soon turns into a forest road, which leads to the Route d'Aillac. Take the left road. Descend, cross the railway, and take a path to the right, that runs along the tracks.

After 700 meters **[13]**.



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Km 168.7 Path along the tracks [13].

Km 169.7 At La Lande du Puy leave the tracks and continue along asphalt.

Km 170.2 At the crossing: turn left and after 100 meters, at the next crossing, turn right. Leave Saint-Pierre-de-Frugie (🏠🗺️) on the left.

Km 170.9 At the end of the hamlet of Vervenville: turn left, onto a road. After 300 meters, at a crossing: turn right, to La Roche.

Km 171.6 T-junction, La Roche: turn right, onto a road, up. After 200 meters: turn left, onto a path that first descends along a forest and then rises to Sainte Marie de Frugie.

Km 173.1 At the wooden signpost after the pond, follow direction 'La Coquille 2km'.

Go right past a house on a small asphalt road.

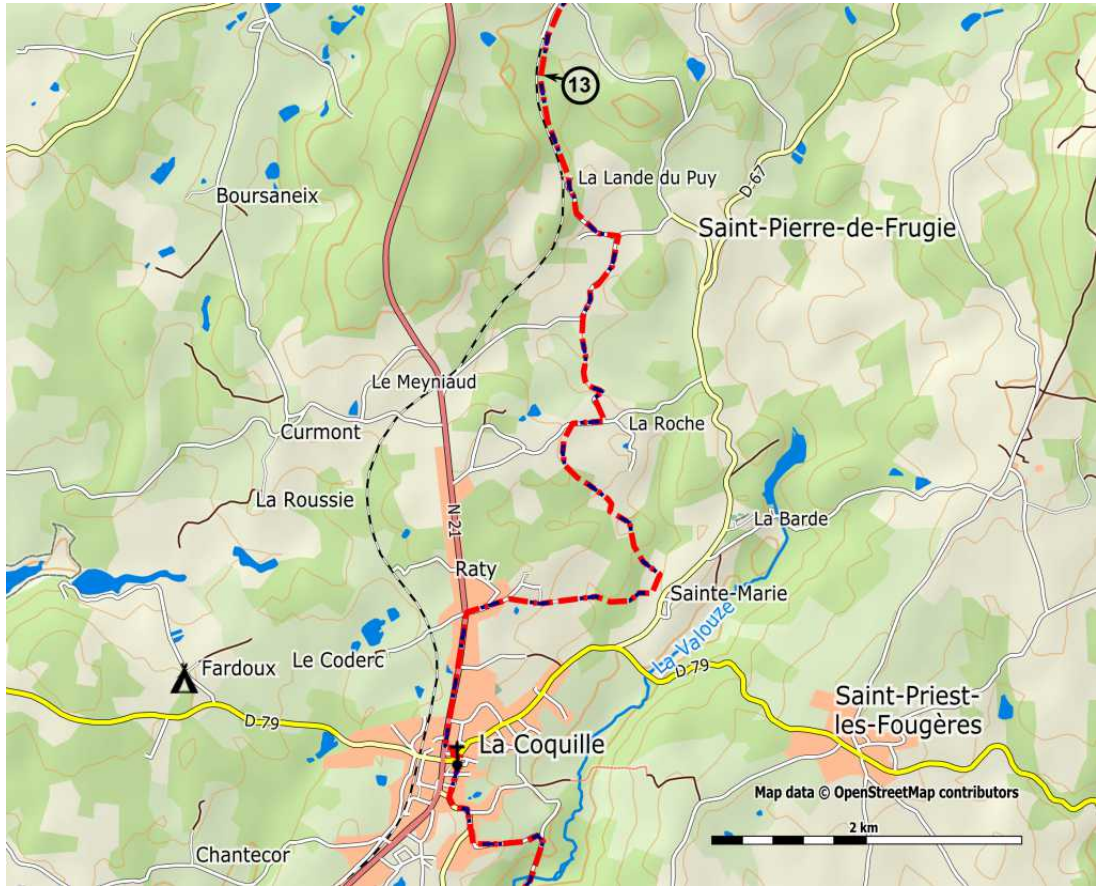
Take in the bend to the left a dirt road straight ahead.

Arriving at the houses, turn left.

Arriving on the N21, turn left and, along the roadside, walk to:

Km 175.1 La Coquille (🏠🗺️ 🏠 🚲 🚲).

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3 - La Coquille > Sainte-Foy-La-Grande

3.1 - La Coquille > Thiviers: 18,5 km

Km 0.0 La Coquille. [1]

From the church: take the rue La Boétie, descending.

Turn left at the end, into the D67, direction Saint-Paul-la-Roche.

Then go left again: the Route du Moulin de Margaud.

At the crossing: turn right, Moulin de Margaud. Continue, up, to Les Rivailles.

Km 1.5 Les Rivailles. Keep following the road, which turns to the right, up, into the forest.

At the crossing: take the path to the right, cross the plateau, straight on, through woods and fields.

Crossing: continue straight on, along a grassy path. Keep going straight on, through undergrowth.

Km 3.5 Arriving on the D67: turn left.

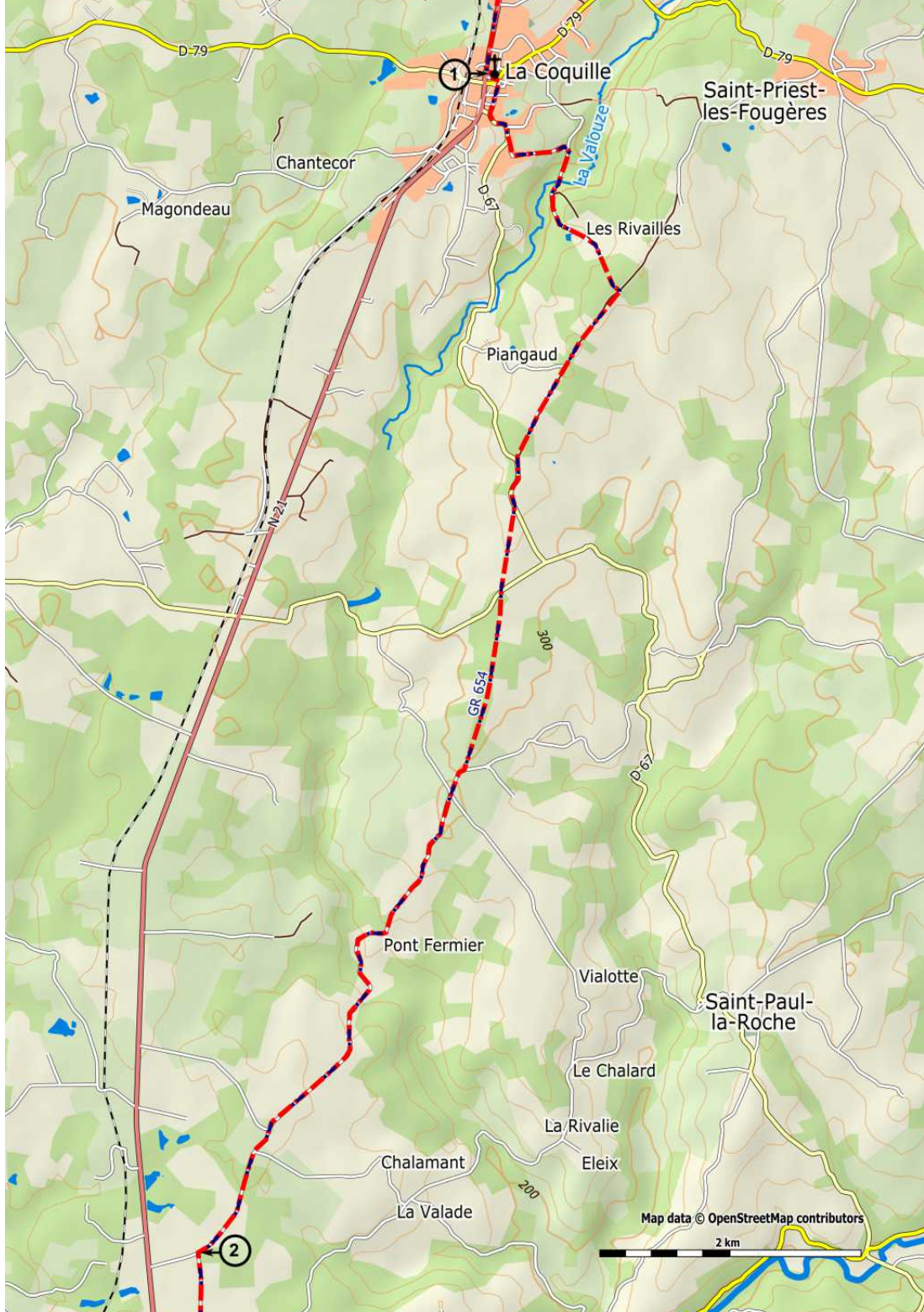
Then, at the intersection with the Route de la Bussiere: continue in the middle, along a dirt path, through the fields.

Arriving on a road. Continue opposite, via the Chemin des Cupules.

Again arriving on a road. Continue straight on.

Km 6.1 Crossing: continue straight on, via a small road, to

Km 7.6 Pont Fermier. Follow the road for about 3 km. Then, at the sign 'Coderc', turn left at a crossroads. [2]



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La Coquille

Saint-Priest-les-Fougères

Magondeau

Chantecor

Les Rivailles

Piangaud

GR 654

300

Pont Fermier

Vialotte

Saint-Paul-la-Roche

Le Chalard

La Rivalie

Eleix

Chalamant

200

La Valade

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Km 10.6 At a junction [2], continue to the left.







Km 11.8 At the next crossing (du Petit Clos): Turn right and cross the road (D78): continue straight on, via a path, which leads to a paved road. Turn right there:

Km 13.2 water tower, crossing. Turn left, into a road which leads in a straight line towards Thiviers.

Before the N 21: take a small one-way road to the left and at the next crossing turn left again. Continue to the D81, near the hamlet of:

Km 15.6 Bouilloux: turn right at the "stop". Another crossing. Continue straight on, via the Avenue Eugène Leroy.

Km 18.0 Roundabout of Saint Roch: cross it (be careful), and take the Rue du Général Lamy to the left, then the Rue Jean Jaurès.

Km 18.5 Thiviers (     ). Church and tourist office on the square opposite the church (*pilgrims seat*).

3.2 - Thiviers > Sorges: 18,2 km

Km 18.5 Thiviers, from the church: follow the Rue Jean Jaurès and then the Avenue A. Croizat. Cross the N21, take the VC2, and then the VC 6 to the right (Corgnac).

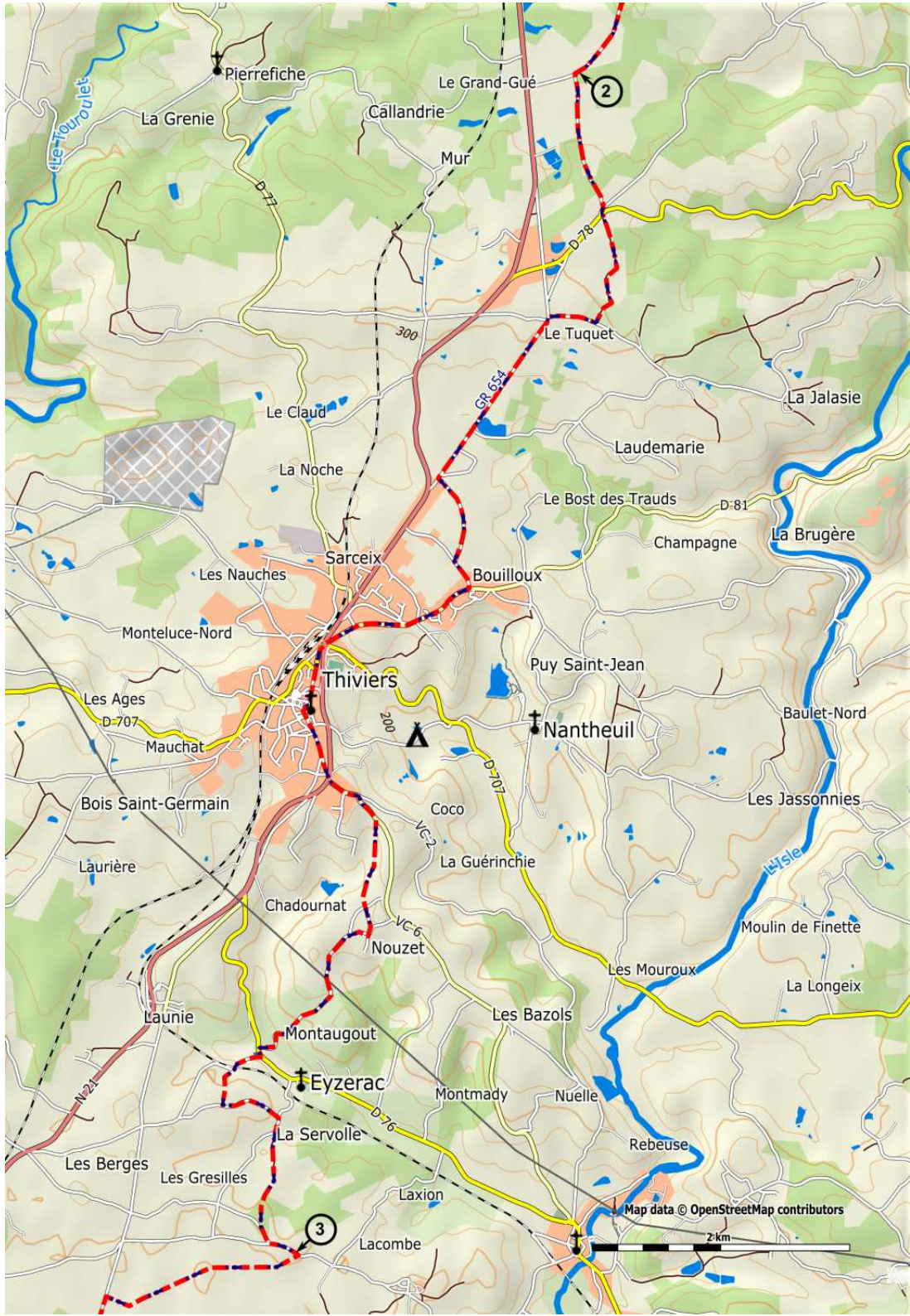
After 100 meters: turn right, into a small hollow road, descending. A bit further this road is asphalted.

Turn right at the next T-junction (the hamlet of Nouzet). Keep following the small road, descending, and then cross the hamlet of Montaugout, to arrive at

Km 22.0 Crossing D76: turn left and after 100 meters turn right, and then turn left again, to pass under the railway bridge.

Continue opposite, via a small road with rubble, up. Arriving on an asphalt road, turn left here.

Km 23.2 La Servolle. In the village: descend to the left, along a small road, which leads to a slightly larger road. Turn left and after 150 meters turn left again. After 250 meters: turn sharply right, on to a path. [3]



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Km 23.8 On to a path [3]. Continue straight on.

Km 25.5 Boslalégue.

Crossing: continue straight on, to the Route Napoléon. There turn left and follow this road for 1.5 km.

Then turn right to

Km 28.0 Le Pic.

Cross the village and on the intersection (road cross) turn right and immediately after turn left, on to a small road through the forest.

Crossing: turn left and then immediately right, on to a grassy road.

Km 30.0 Lauzelie.

Turn left and then turn right. Then turn right, onto the D73.

Cross the N21, then continue straight on and cross:

Km 31.3 Négrondes (🏰 🚶 🚲).

Walk past the church and leave the village. Crossing (road cross): continue opposite, direction Chez Theves, at first via a road, then a small road, which after turns to the left.

Crossing: turn right, into a small road, towards a small forest. At the end: take the road to the left.

Km 33.7 Crossing of Pouyer: turn right, the road becomes a small road.

When leaving a forest, after 1 km, turn left along the forest.

After 150 meters turn right, through fields, towards the farm of Les Contissoux.

Crossing: turn left, via the road to.

Km 36.0 Les Palissoux.

Cross the D8 and continue straight on to

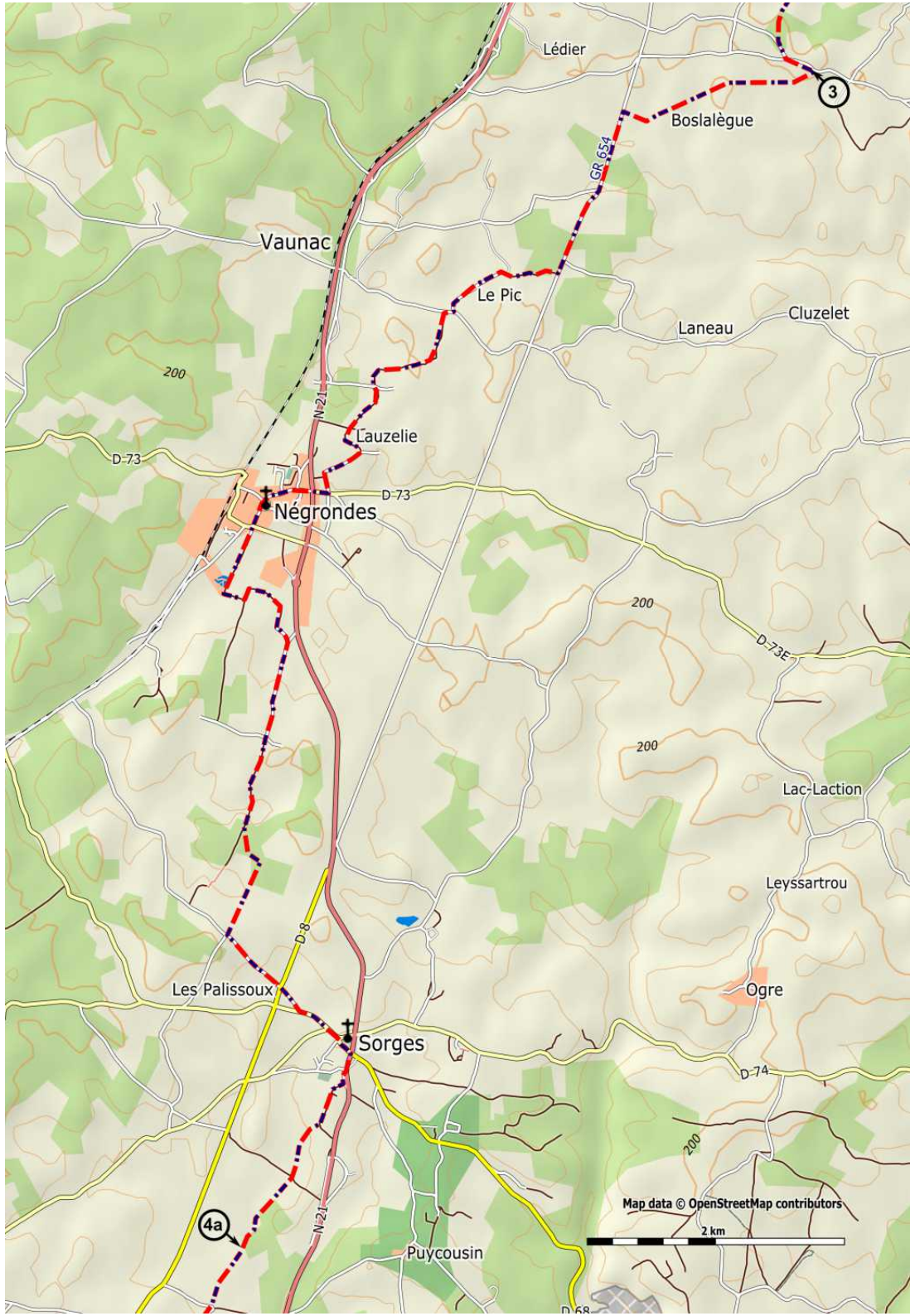
Km 36.7 Sorges (🏰 🏰 🚶).

3.3 - Sorges > Périgueux: 22,8 km

Km 36.7 Sorges. From the church: go to the N21.

Turn right, continue through the small park and the picnic area along the N21, and take the smaller road to the right, which becomes a path. Pass a house, while following the path to the right.

Crossing: continue straight on, after 600m. [4a]



Lédier

3

Boslalgue

Vaunac

Le Pic

Laneau

Cluzelet

200

D-73

Lauzelie

D-73

Négrondes

200

D-73E

200

Lac-Laction

Leyssartrou

Les Palissoux

D-8

Sorges

D-74

Ogre

200

4a

Puycousin

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2 km

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Km 38.6 From **[4a]** continue straight on, then arrive in

Km 39.2 Bizol.

Turn left and then right. After 150 meters: turn left and follow this road which runs 90 °, to the village of:

Km 41.0 Rebeyrie.

Keep following the road. At the end of the village: turn left, via a paved path.

Ignore paths from the left and the right, and arrive at a road. Take it to the right and after 100 meters turn left (special fountain) to the village of:

Km 42.9 Fonniovas (*here pay attention !*).

Turn left at the second grassy path between the houses. Then turn right at the next intersection and continue straight on.

The small road splits. Keep right, to a larger road. There turn left and immediately after turn right.

At the sign "Forêt Domaniale": take the small road to the left and continue straight on, to the

Km 45.4 Piste forestière (forest road) DFCI. Follow it to the left, turn right at the T-junction, pass the forester's house and descend to the D69

Km 46.8 Crossing D69: turn left and immediately after turn right.

Near in a small wooden house: take the path to the left.

T-junction **[4b]**: turn right and continue straight on to

Km 48.7 La Croix du Rat, meanwhile ignoring small roads from the right and the left.

Cross the road and continue along a small road. T-junction: turn left.

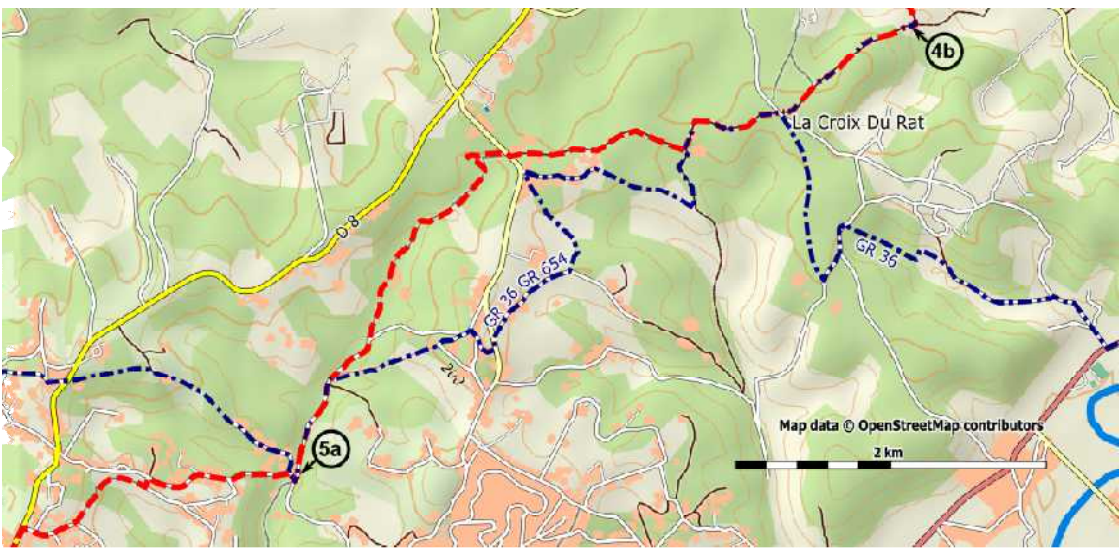
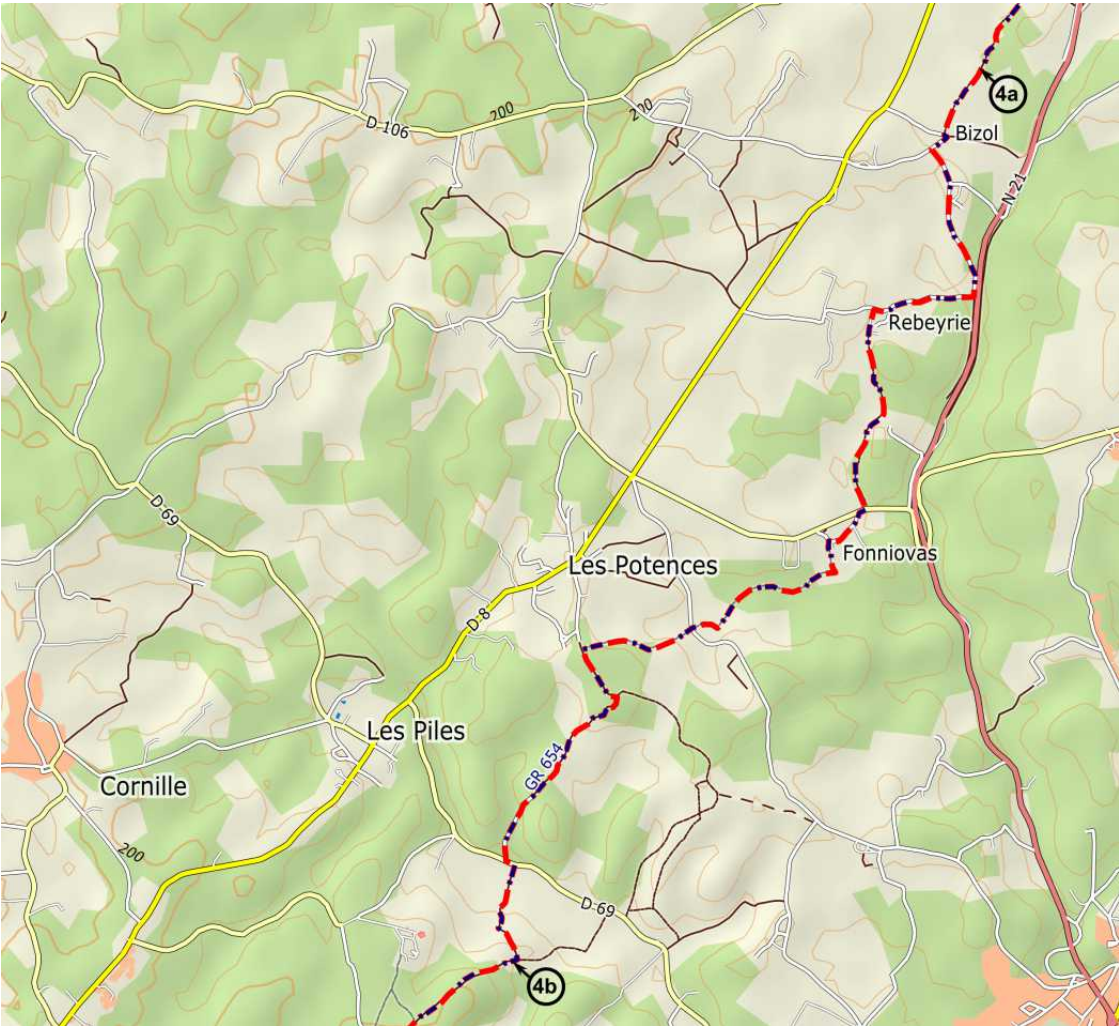
At the Château de Caussade: crossing, turn right (thus no longer follow the GR).

Follow this wide path, which later -near houses- is paved and then arrives at a larger road.

Km 50.7 Cross the road, turn right, and shortly after take a small road to the left, which winds through forests. Keep at the first fork left, and then ignore all paths to the left and right.

Continue straight on until

Km 53.5 the crossing of Chaumardie: turn right (be careful, traffic). **[5a]**



Km 53.5 After crossing [5a] ignore a road to the right (GR).

Walk along the side of the road, up, to the hamlet of

Km 54.5 Les Maisons. Upon leaving it, at a crossing, turn left and then right, on to a dirt road.

Hamlet of La Meynie: after house no. 17, turn right and continue straight on to the D8.

Km 55.6 Turn left, along the roadside (careful) and continue straight on.

Km 57.0 Continue straight on (Intermarché on your left).

Km 58.1 Roundabout near the hospital: descend straight on, past the Maison Diocésaine (the home of the diocese). At the roundabout, stay on the sidewalk to the left to go around, to the Rue Limogeanne. Then continue via the Rue Salinière (pedestrians).

Km 59.5 Périgueux, Cathedrale Saint Front: (🏠🏰🏰🏰).

3.4 - Périgueux > Château de Puyferrat: 25,6 km

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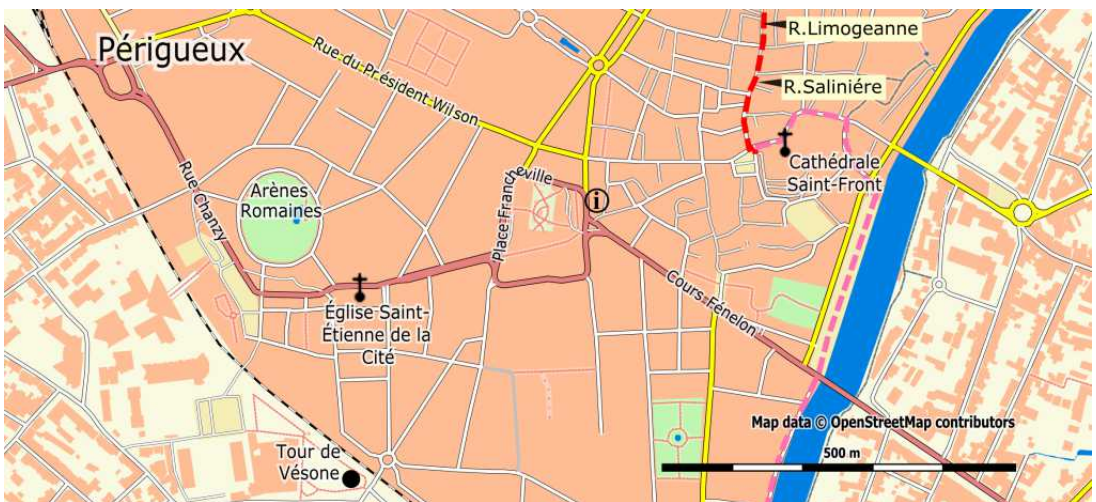
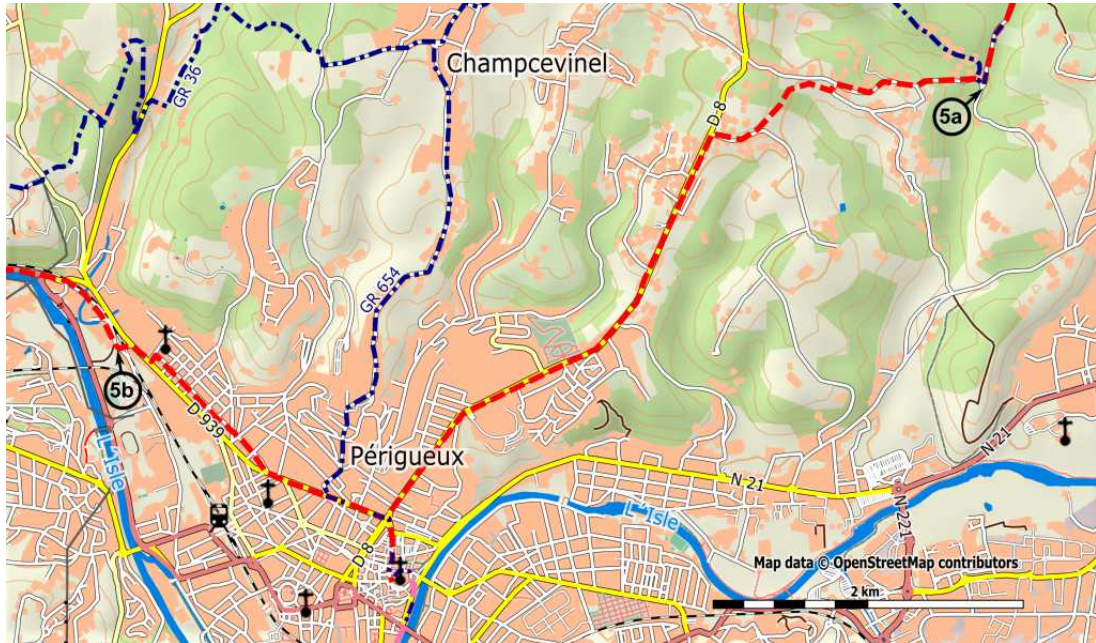
Km 59.5 Périgueux. From the cathedral: walk back to the roundabout and take the Rue Victor Hugo. After 800 meters, turn right into the Rue Lagrange Chancel. At the end, turn left and immediately right, into the Rue Pierre Semard. After 150 meters, cross and turn left, to pass under the railway bridge. Turn right, into the Chemin Feutres de Toulon [5b]. Follow this until the

Km 61.9 roundabout. Cross and take the path, upstream, along the river. Turn left at the traffic light and then turn right, on to the Rue Pierre de Brantome. At the end turn right, another roundabout. Keep left and continue until a third roundabout (golf). Cross and on the opposite side go in the direction of

Km 65.8 Abbaye de Chancelade (🏰). At the location of the abbey square turn left, on to a small road (GR). Cross the road and take the Rue des Maines. At the height of the square take the small street to the right. At the crossing: turn left. At the next one continue straight on, via Chemin des Gérauds. Crossing, Rue E. Manet, then turn left on to the Chemin des Pruniers. Arrive at a road, turn left and, after 50 meters, at an intersection, continue straight on, direction Terrassonie (leaving the GR).

Km 67.5 Crossing, take opposite the Chemin de Terrassonie, pass two intersections, always straight on, to (quiet road)

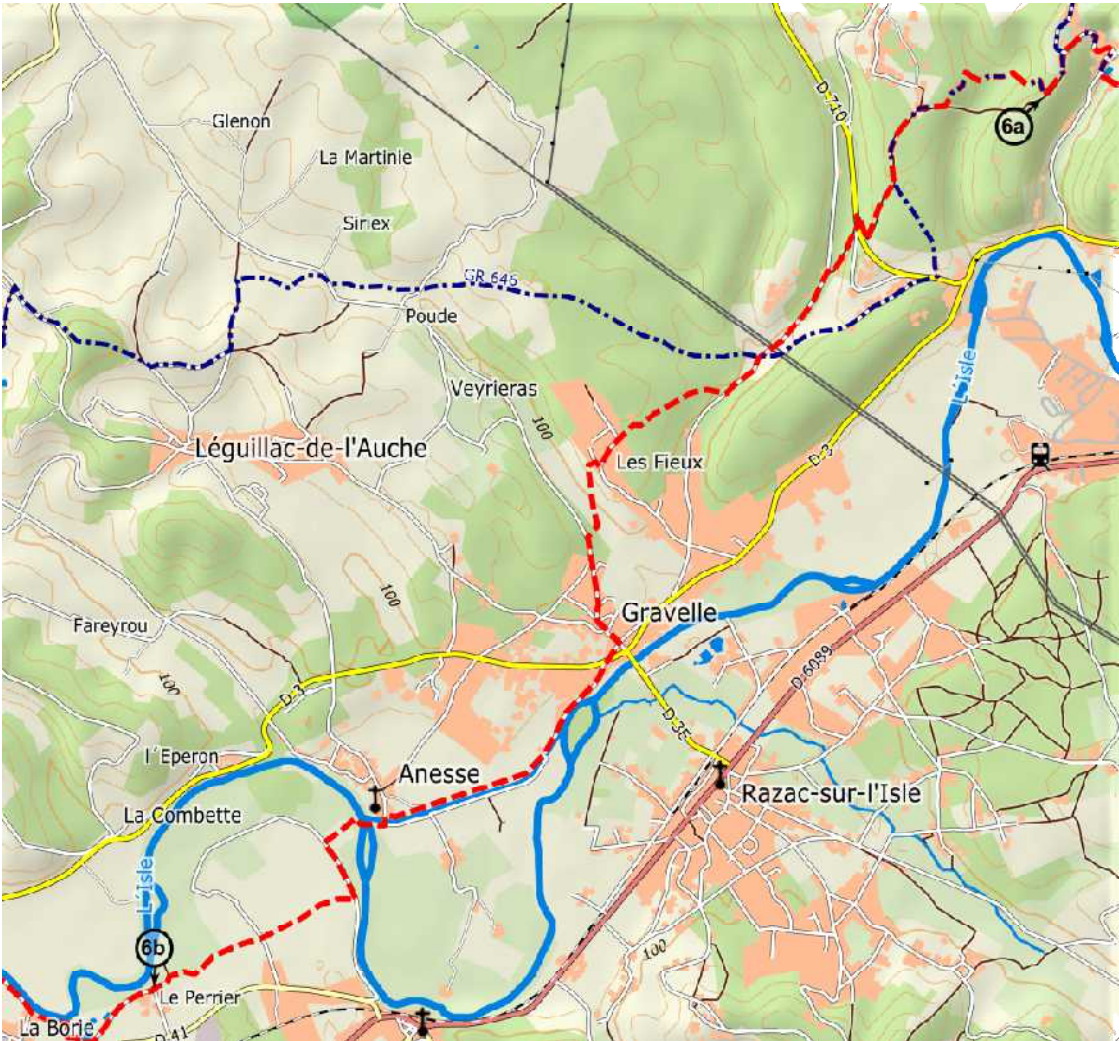
Km 68.8 Les Andrivaux. Turn right at the T-junction, then left into the Rue de la Commanderie, then Chemin Templiers. Walk through the village, quite bullish. About 300 meters after leaving the village: turn left, via a path through undergrowth (GR). Follow the GR through the woods (highest point). [6a]



- Km 70.0 Highest point [6a]. Descent and ascent. Arriving at homes and chalets (new highest point), turn left onto a small road. After 300m:
- Km 71.5 Leave the GR, turning right (90 °). First up, and then descend to the D710. Cross it, follow it 50 meters to the left, and then turn right into a one-way road. At a bigger road, turn left.
After 1 km, turn right into a path, up.
- Km 73.6 In the hamlet of Les Fieux: turn right and then immediately turn left, between houses, and continue straight on, via a small road, down. Arrive at a road: turn left, towards
- Km 75.9 Gravelle (🏰). 100 meters before the roundabout: turn right and cross the D3. Continue opposite, via the road along the river and then along the Canal. At the first bridge: do not cross it, but continue straight on, into a small unpaved road.
- Km 78.0 Annesse (🏰 *in l'Eperon 1,6 km off the route*) Near the power plant: turn left, cross the canal and then immediately turn right, to cross the River Isle via the bicycle bridge. Follow the «voie verte» track, which turns left at the first T-junction and turns right at the next.
- Km 80.4 le Perrier [6b] Keep following the «voie verte» along the Lac Bleue, then along the river, and then along the canal.
- Km 82.5 Turn right onto the D41 turn right, across the canal, direction Camping and then turn right again across the river.
- Km 83.1 Saint-Astier (🏰 ▲ 🏰). After the bridge a bend to the left and then immediately turn right, up, passing the church, to the Place de l'Eglise. Continue straight on via Rue Jules Guesde and Rue Maréchal Foch. At the end of it, turn right on to the Rue Amiral Courbet. At the roundabout: turn left, on to the Rue Maréchal Leclerc, direction Château de Puyferrat.
Take the second road to the right, the Rue Eugène Leroy.
At a right bend: continue straight on via path.
- Km 85.1 Château de Puyferrat (🏰).

3.5 – Château de Puyferrat > Mussidan: 23.8 km

- Km 85.1 Château de Puyferrat. Pass the castle on the right and after it turn right (GR). After 400 meters on to asphalt road: turn right and then turn left to Davalant. Before the hamlet: take the small unpaved road to the left.
- Km 86.9 In Rougerie (tarmac) turn right, up. After 500 meters, at a T-junction: turn right [7a].



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Km 87.4 T-junction: turn right. [7a].

After 300 meters: turn left, on to a small unpaved road, to Les Brousses. Cross the hamlet and keep following the small road.

Km 89.1 Chassaing: turn left onto the D41 (leave the GR), descending. After 100 meters: turn right on to a small unpaved road and follow it along the forest edge.

In Guibaudie: cross the road and continue, passing a house. This small road leads through the woods to "Treillou». Pass the farm, continue to the D41E2, cross it and cross the village of

Km 90.4 Saumonie. At the end, take the second small road to the left and continue for 1 km through meadows. Upon arriving at a forest: take the small road to the left, to

Km 92.7 Planéze. Turn left and then take the first road right, through the village. Keep following this road straight on (do not cross the railroad tracks), up. After 1 km you will see the GR again [7b]. Continue to Puy de Pont, cross it and at the end turn left, then cross

Km 95.1 the D44. Then continue towards Jaumarie and follow the GR via the DFCI (forest road).

Km 97.9 Arriving at a bigger road. Turn left.

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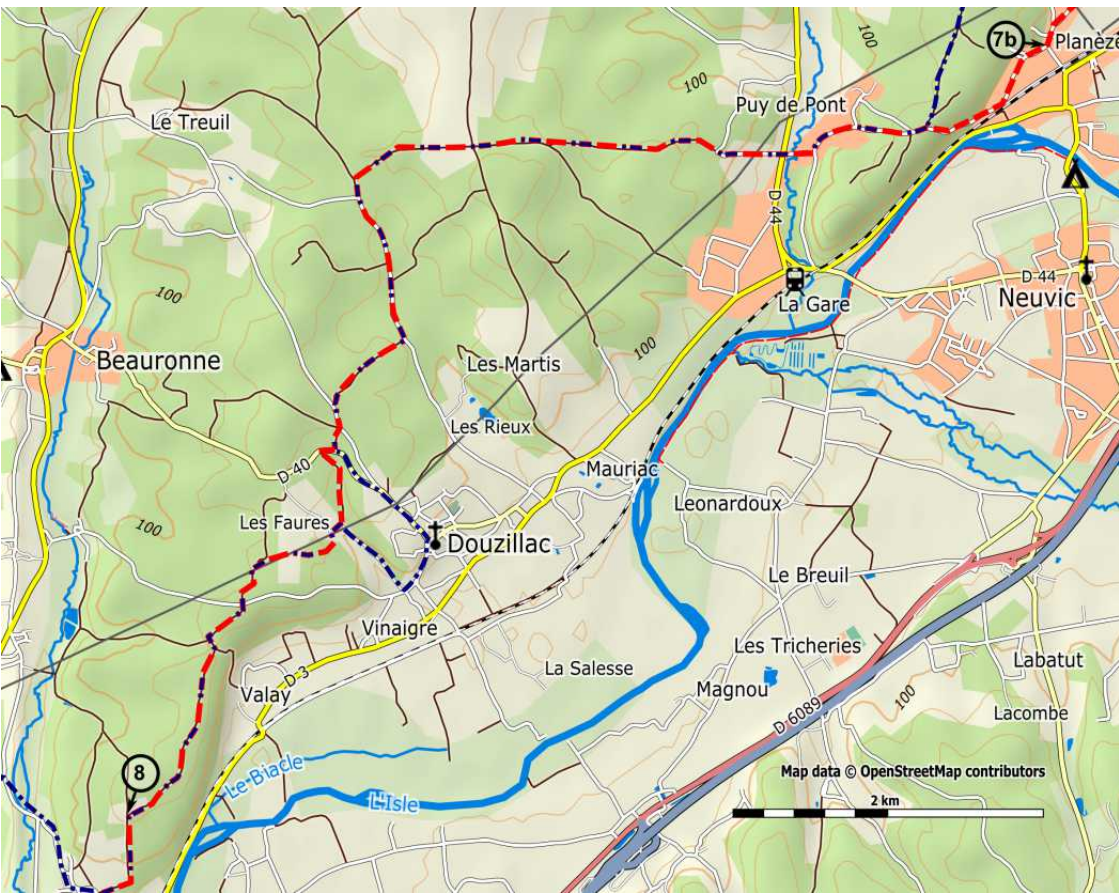
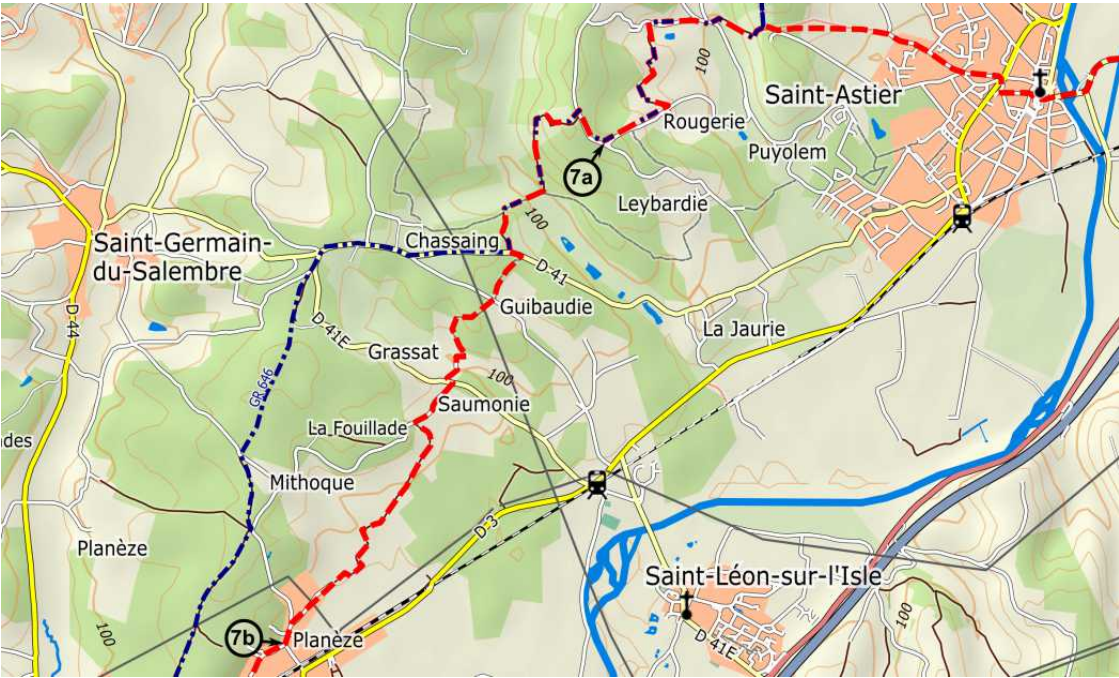
After 1 km, turn right on to the DFCI (forest road), follow it 700 meters, to another road. Follow this road for 150 meters. At the junction, turn right (leave the GR),

<<< It is possible to walk from here via the GR to Douzillac (🏰) (1 km) >>>.

After 150 meters: turn right on the D40, for 100 meters, and then take the small road to the left, descending to

Km 100.7 Les Faures. Turn right and then turn left in the village, onto a small road. T-junction (DFCI): turn left, to arrive on a bigger road.

Km 101.7 Continue opposite, along a new road (DFCI). After 400 meters: intersection. Turn left, then right, and do not leave the DFCI until you reach a larger intersection. After 1 km [8].



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Km 103.5 [8], Keep following the DFCI until a bigger crossing.

Km 104.1 Turn left to the D3 (leave the GR again).

After 400 meters: turn left, on to the D3 and then right after the railway crossing. Enter St Louis en l'Isle. Opposite the church: turn right, in the direction l'Hopital.

<<At 1 km, straight on, Sourzac (🏰). Historical pilgrims place>>

Follow again the Voie verte, along the railway and then along the river Isle.

Km 106.1 Saint Front de Pradoux. Keep following the Voie verte, cross the D709, then turn right through the hamlet of Tendou. Bend to the left.

Near the camp site turn right on the D709 to cross the bridge.

Km 108.6 Mussidan (🏰 🚶 🚲 🚂). After the bridge: turn left and then immediately turn right onto the Place Morant. Continue straight on via the Rue St. George. Pass the Place Victor Hugo (hostel). After 300 meters: cross the Avenue Gambetta and arrive at the church of Saint Georges.

3.6 - Mussidan > Sainte-Foy-la-Grande: 33 km

Km 108.9 Mussidan. Church: take the Rue St Agnan, cross the Route de Bergerac and take the street opposite, up.

At the end: turn left, into the Rue Beaupuy, then the Rue des anciens d'AFN.

Junction: turn right into the Rue de Séguinou, up.

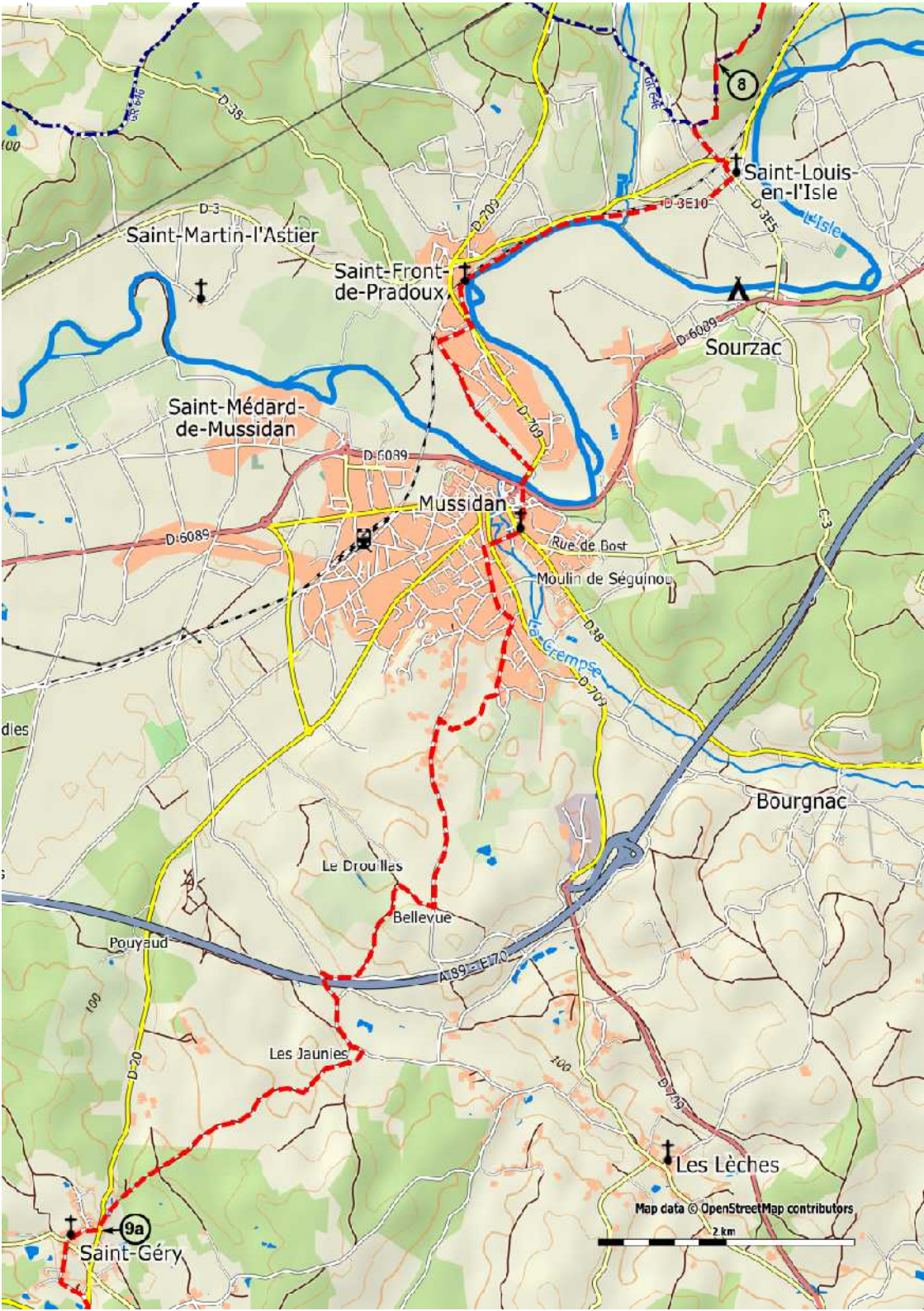
Km 110.5 Small road to the right, which arrives at a somewhat bigger road. There turn left.

Pass the Cumy farm. The road turns into a forest road (DFCI).

Km 112.7 Crossing: turn right and at the next intersection turn left. The unpaved road turns into an asphalt road.

Km 114.2 Road. Turn left, pass under the motorway, continue, pass the bridge and then turn right, into the hamlet of Les Jaunies. At the bend: follow the small road, 2.5 km, which leads to the D20.

Turn left and then immediately turn right. [9a]



Section 3

Km 117.6 Leave the D20. **[9a]**

Km 117.8 Saint-Géry: church, direction Les Roches.

Crossing of the D20. Cross and take the C3.

Pass La Caty (ferme auberge / farm accommodation), continue straight on.

Km 121.9 La Gratade (⛪ at 500 meters): Continue straight on to the D13.

Cross it, turn left and then immediately turn right, to the village of

Km 125.1 Fraise. **[9b]**

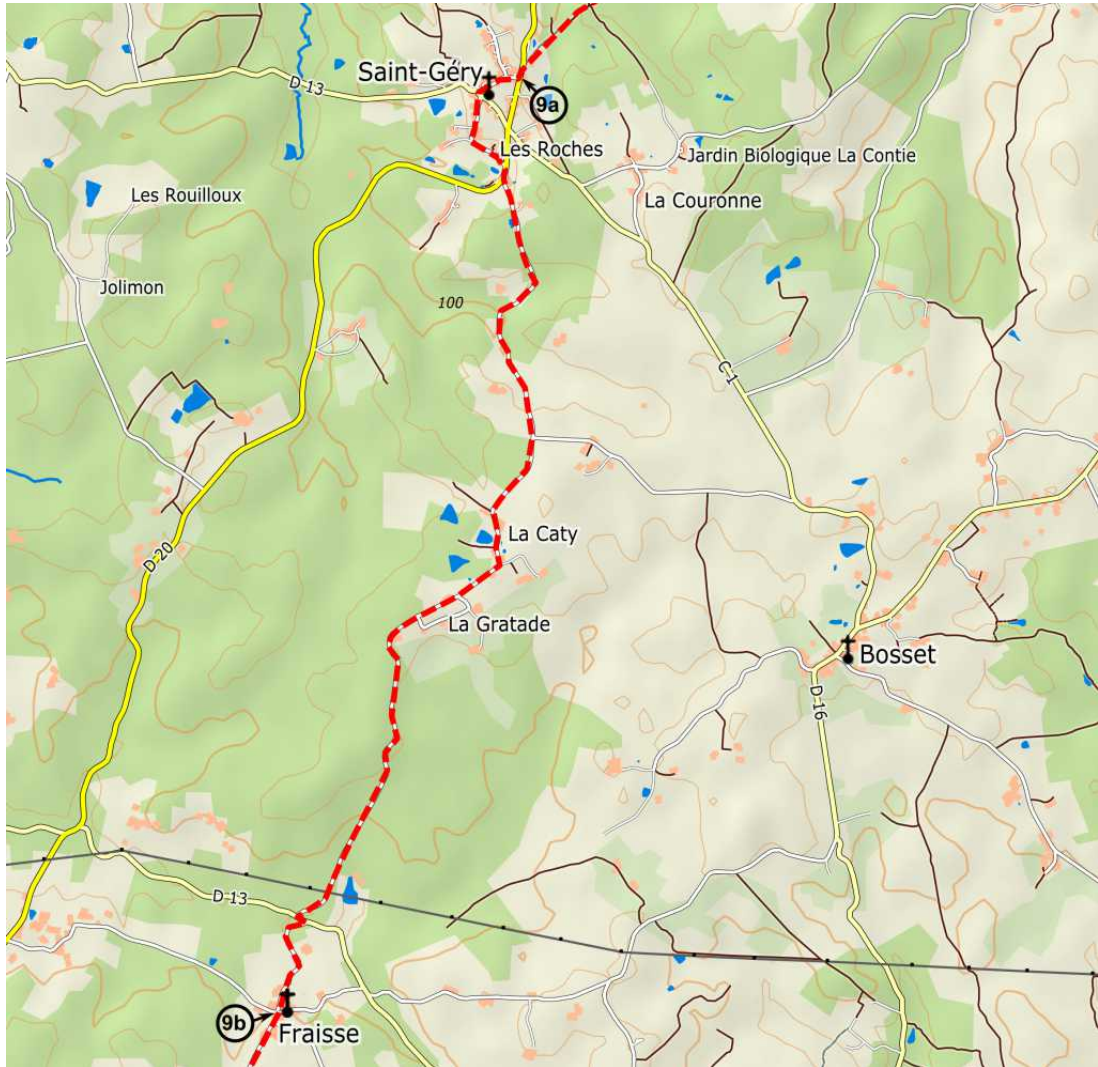
Near the church: continue straight on, via the C202.

Km 127.8 Crossing of the D20: turn left (careful).

After 500 meters, at a crossing: turn right and then turn left, direction Cap Blanc.

Keep following this road straight on. Pass a campground, then arrive in the village of

Km 131.7 Monfaucon. **[10]**



Section 3

Km 131.7 Monfaucon. [10]

After the church: turn right and then immediately turn left.

After 1 km: turn left, pass a small bridge, and then turn right at the intersection of

Km 134.1 Virolle.

Cross the hamlet of Moncazeau, then cross the D32 and continue opposite via a forest road (DFCI).

Crossing of the GR: continue straight on (do not leave the GR until Port Sainte Foy), to

Km 136.3 Cap de Fer.

Continue along the asphalt road, for about 500 meters. At the crossing: turn right (⛶ at the first road to the right: Puy Servain).

After 1 km: turn left (90°), into a small grassy road, to the La Rouquette mill (ruin).

Km 138.6 Crossing: turn left, past vineyards. At the end: turn right, descending.

Pass a house and branch off to the left, to arrive at a road. Then turn right, up, to the hamlet of

Km 140.1 Briat.

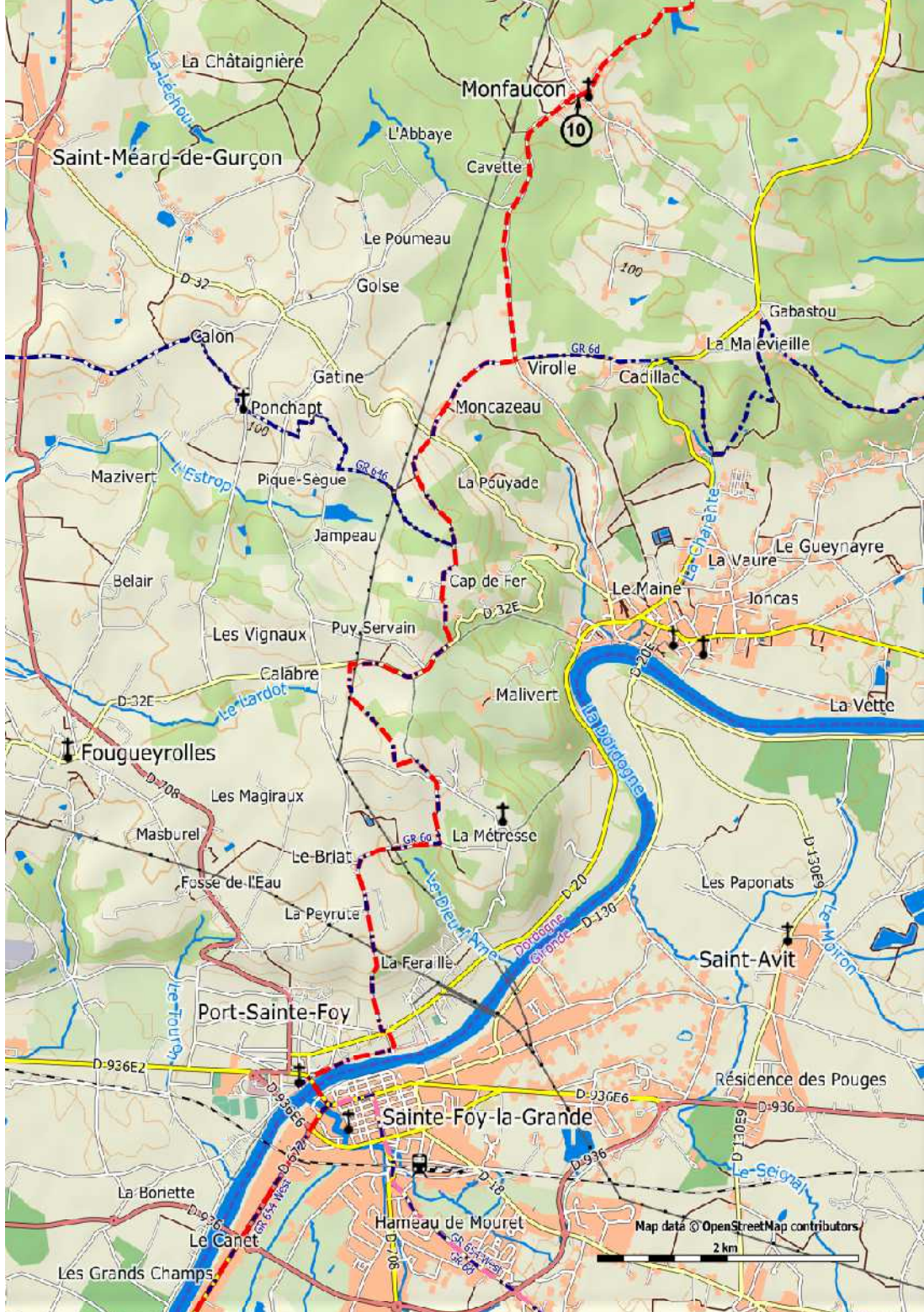
Crossing: continue straight on, for about 350 meters. At the bend, opposite: take a small grassy road, descending, between vineyards, to the mill of

Km 140.7 La Feraille (ruin, viewpoint). Continue along the small road.

Careful. Steep and dangerous descent to the D20. Cross it, then first turn left, then turn right. Near the Dordogne: turn right, continue along the river, pass under the bridge, and then walk up to the church (next to it is a hostel).

Km 141.9 Port-Sainte-Foy church (✚ ⛶). On the other side of the Dordogne is Sainte-Foy-la-Grande.

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Monfaucon

Saint-Méard-de-Gurçon

L'Abbaye

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Le Poumeau

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Gabastou

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Cadillac

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Moncazeau

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Résidence des Pouges

La Bonette

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Les Grands Champs

2 km

4 - Sainte-Foy-la-Grande >Captieux

4.1 - Sainte-Foy-la-Grande > Saint-Ferme: 27,8 km

The waymarking of this part of the Way of Saint James is provided by the Conseil Général and is fine. Sometimes, a local or departmental walking route is used. In the Gironde, you will see markings on the heads of poles in various colors. You can ignore these different colors and focus on the logo of the Way of Saint James (the European shell: yellow on a blue background), which is fixed on poles and other places. You will also find bronze shells, in cities like Pellegrue, La Réole and Bazas.

Km 0.0 Sainte-Foy-la-Grande (📍 🏠 🚗 🚲 🚶 🏠 🚗 🚲). Cross the Dordogne via the D20 [1], the Pont Michel de Montaigne.

Here you cross the departmental border of Dordogne and Gironde. Halfway a sign of the 'Voie de Vézelay' indicates: "Compostelle (Santiago) 1100 km". Continue via the Allée M. de Montaigne.

Km 0.2 The Allée leads to the Avenue Ithier Gorin (D130). (To the left is the center with the town hall, the tourist office and a church). Turn right. Near the cemetery the Avenue becomes the Avenue du Maréchal Leclerc and leads to a crossing with the D936 E6 (Castillon La Bataille - Bergerac), traffic light.

Km 0.4 Follow this avenue (D672) for 2.7 km, direction La Réole, South West. (Good, wide shoulder). Pass under the railway bridge (0.65 km), and then under the ring road around Sainte Foy la Grande (1.4 km). Leave Pineuilh (🚗 🚲), cross the hamlet of Le Chantier (2.2 km).

Km 2.8 Arriving in Pont-de-la-Beauze (municipality of Saint-André-et-Appelles) (Eynesse 🏠 🏠).

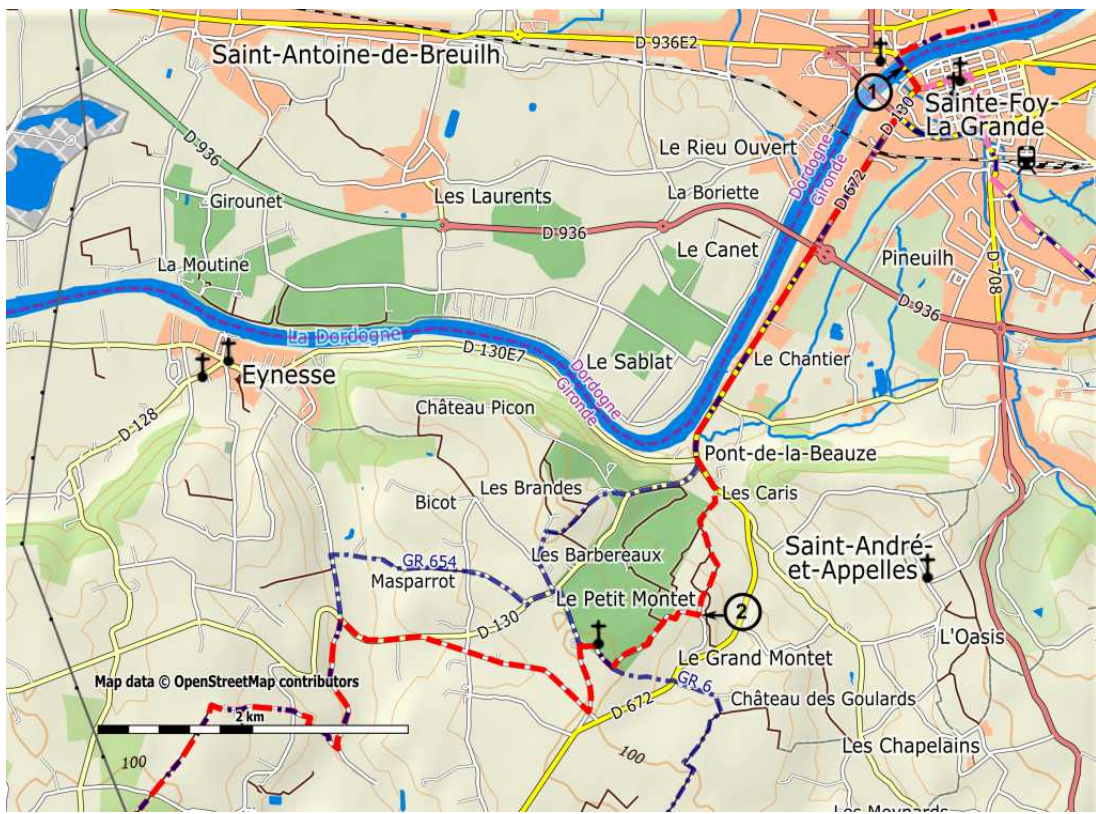
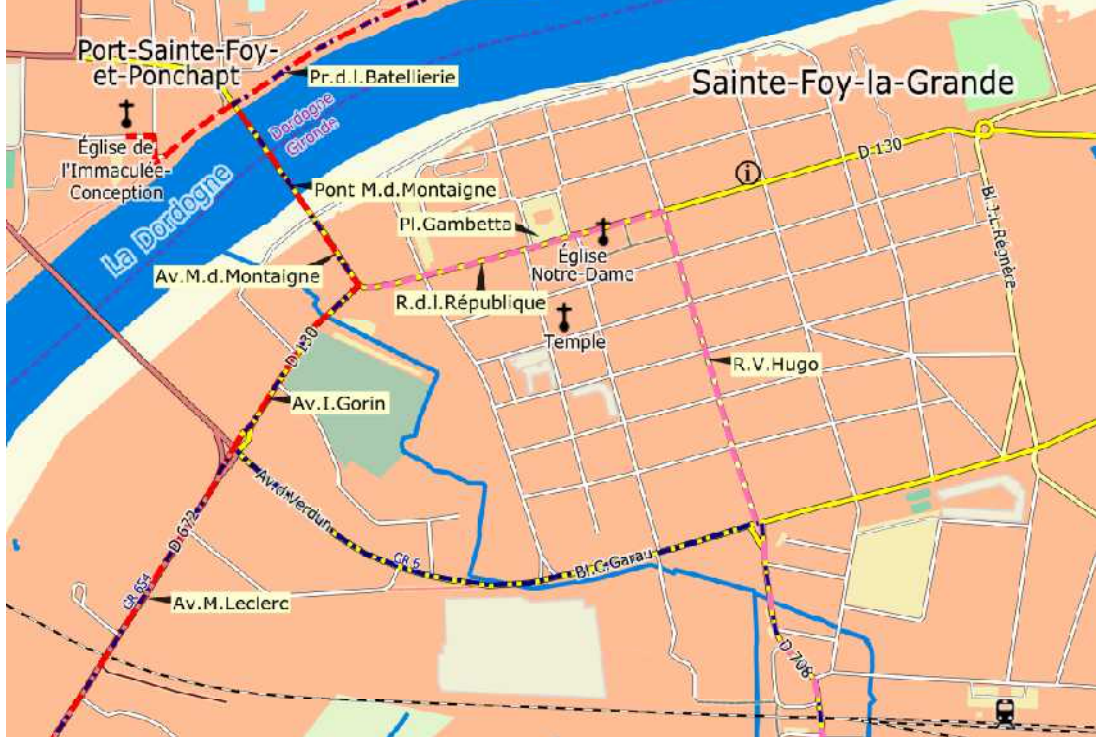
Km 3.0 Keep following the D672, direction South East. Along the town hall and a monument to Jean Blondel. *Careful: the road is busy and the roadside narrow.*

Km 3.2 Arriving in the hamlet of Les Caris: leave the D672 and take a small gravel road to the right, up (dead end). (🚗 in Les Chapelains - 2,5 km not on the route).

Km 3.3 Keep following the small road, which becomes grassy (direction south-southwest).

At the top: small curve to the left, down. Then a curve to the right (direction south-south-west), up, to the hamlet of Le petit Montet, where the small road is paved.

Km 4.2 T-junction: turn right (due west). [2]



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Km 4.2 T-junction: turn right (due west) [2] and follow the small winding road between villas (ignore various roads from the right), and continue through vineyards and orchards.

Km 4.9 T-junction: follow the small asphalt road to the right, direction St.-Quentin-de-Caplong (sign of the Way of Saint James), west-north-west.

Km 5.1 Church of Appelles, surrounded by a cemetery, curve to the left (direction west). Magnificent views over the Dordogne and the slopes on the right bank.

Km 5.2 The small road leads to the D130 E8 (wooden road cross), height 103 meters. Turn left, direction due south.

Km 5.7 At the next junction: take the D18 to the right (direction north-west, to Gensac).

Km 6.9 At the «stop»: go diagonally left (D18, direction due west, to Gensac and Pujols) and follow this road for 0.6 km.

Km 7.5 After crossing the river: leave the D18 and turn left, onto the D235, direction Lèves and Thoumeyragues (GR 654), due south.

Note: the sign with a Saint James marking, to the right after the bridge, indicates: «St Quentin Caplong at 4.7 km». Do not follow this, as this route is not well marked.

Follow this road for 900 meters, through the valley of the Gravouse, along the river (on your left).

Km 8.4 Take the first road to the right, direction La Bonnetie and Les Saurins: sinuous, up (30 meters), no views (direction northwest), to the first-mentioned hamlet (visible from the bottom of the valley). Keep following the small road.

Km 8.8 At the crossing: continue opposite (due west), direction the castle of Bonnetie haute (GR marking, Saint James marking: Saint-Quentinde-Caplong at 3.8 km). After the castle: continue straight on, cross the yard, take the dirt road and after 20 meters:

Km 9.3 Turn to the left, along the power line (direction south-south-west). A soggy road between vineyards. Keep following this direction, pass under the power line, which branches off to the west.

Km 10.1 Cross a small asphalt road, continue straight on. The small road becomes stony. A mast of a power line on your right.

The small road becomes soggy again, leads through a small grove, turns left along a vineyard and then along buildings, and then arrives at a small asphalt road to Vergnet, Les Saurins and the Château Lagrange. Keep following this direction for about 50 meters, south-west.

Km 10.8 Crossing with the D128: turn left to La Taillade, direction due south; leave La Tour rouge, Monlar and Belair to the right. Keep following the D128, which is now heading south-west.

Km 11.5 At the «stop», roadcross to the left, continue in the same direction

(Saint-Quentin-de-Caplong 1 km), with the church tower of Saint-Quentin in sight. Leave La Taillade on your left.

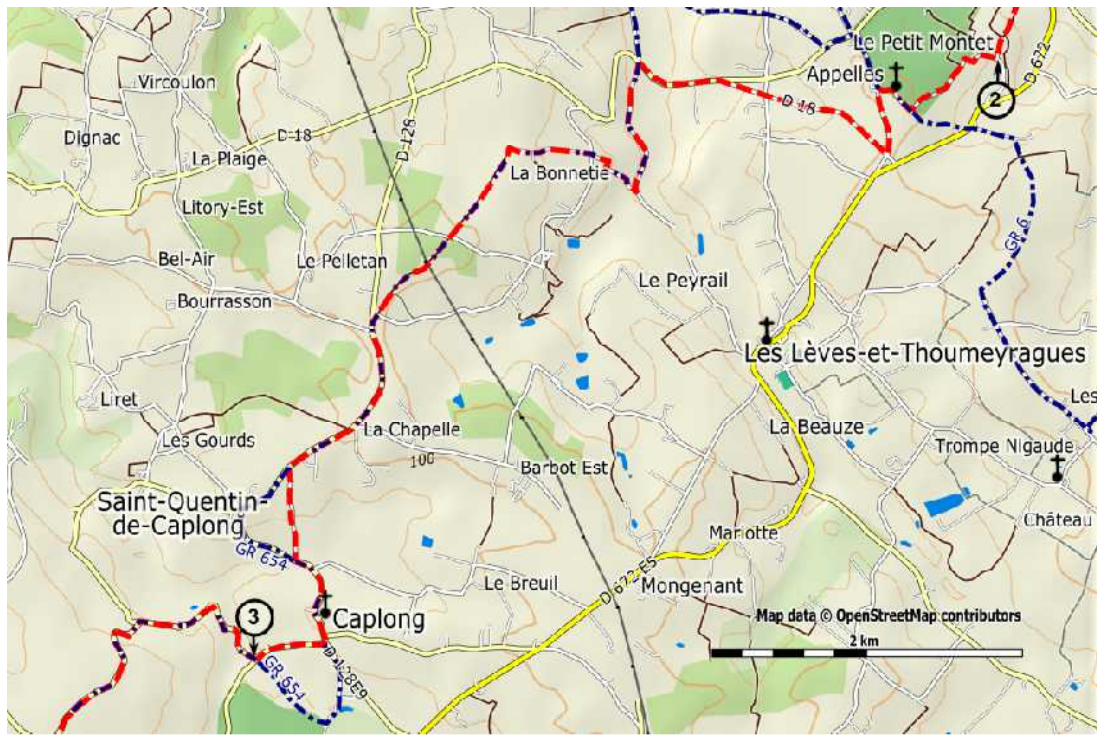
Km 11.9 Before the village of Saint-Quentin-de-Caplong: turn left, towards Les Foucauds and Saint Pierre. Follow this small asphalt road to the end, at the D128 E9. While descending, leave the GR654 near Les Foucauds, by branching to the right, (unless you want to enjoy the beautiful view of the Valley of the Soulège, near the church of Saint-Quentin).

Km 12.6 At the "stop": turn left. Here you'll also find the GR654 again, which has gone around Saint-Quentin. Cross the small stream, leave Le Breuil on your left, and walk up to Caplong.

Km 13.0 Arriving at the kerk of Caplong (🏰, in *La Tour*, not on the route), keep following the D128.

Km 13.2 At the stone roadcross: take the road to the right (direction west, to Le Tertre, La Roque and Massugas) [3], thus leaving the GR654, which again makes a small detour). Leave Le Tertre to the right.

Km 13.7 Before the poplars and the small bridge: branch right via a small asphalt road (marked with a shell and an outdated plate «Gîte Roquebrune»), direction north-west. [3] (You'll see the GR again).



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Km 13.7 Before the small bridge head north-west. [3]

Ignore the yellow cross, remnant of an outdated marking. Walk along the stream (the Soulège), cross it, and go up, along farms (first left, then right).

Km 14.7 At the next crossing: leave the direction Courret Sud and turn left, up (direction south-south-west). You arrive at vineyards. Keep following this small, winding road, which bends to the south-west. Leave Le Grand Plantier on the left.

Km 15.9 At the "stop" (= D233): continue opposite (direction Vignobles Cardarelli, Château Pierron). Leave the hamlet of «Lieutenant» to the right, and then the Vignobles Cardarelli to the left, and continue straight on. << Sign « Halte pèlerins » (accommodation for pilgrims), near the crossing of Borne Nord: this is not correct. >>

Km 17.3 At the «céder le passage» (yield) (= D233 E1): keep following the direction west-south-west, to the castle of Cazette. Leave that at your right. Leave Chazelle to the left.

Km 18.9 At the «stop»: leave the direction Massugas and descend to the left (sign GR654 and marking Saint James: Pellegrue 3 km), direction south-south-west, which you keep following to Pellegrue. Leave Cutour to the left, and then Cansac to the right. Ignore yellow markings. Leave «Les Bailloux» to the left.

Km 20.8 Sign Pellegrue.

Km 21.2 Crossing with the D16 E1 (direction Gensac, Castillon): continue opposite, up, into the Rue de la Poste, to the post office. Take the Rue du Vallon to the left.

Km 21.3 Pellegrue (📍 🏠 🍴 🗺️ 🚰) Place du 8 mai, with a remarkable hall.

Km 21.4 Pass the church, walk around it and turn right.

Km 21.5 Take the Rue du Champ d'Eymet to the left (follow the sign «Chemin de Compostelle»), pass the cemetery, then turn right, a nice descent.

Km 22.0 Continue straight on. << for variant via GR see box >>

Variant via GR after Pellegrue, 700 meters longer, but along dirt roads and more shade.

Km 22.0 The GR turns left, via a grassy path.

Km 22.6 Bridge over a creek, then up through woods and vineyards.

Km 23.6 The path becomes a road.

Km 24.8 T-junction, follow the GR marking to the right.

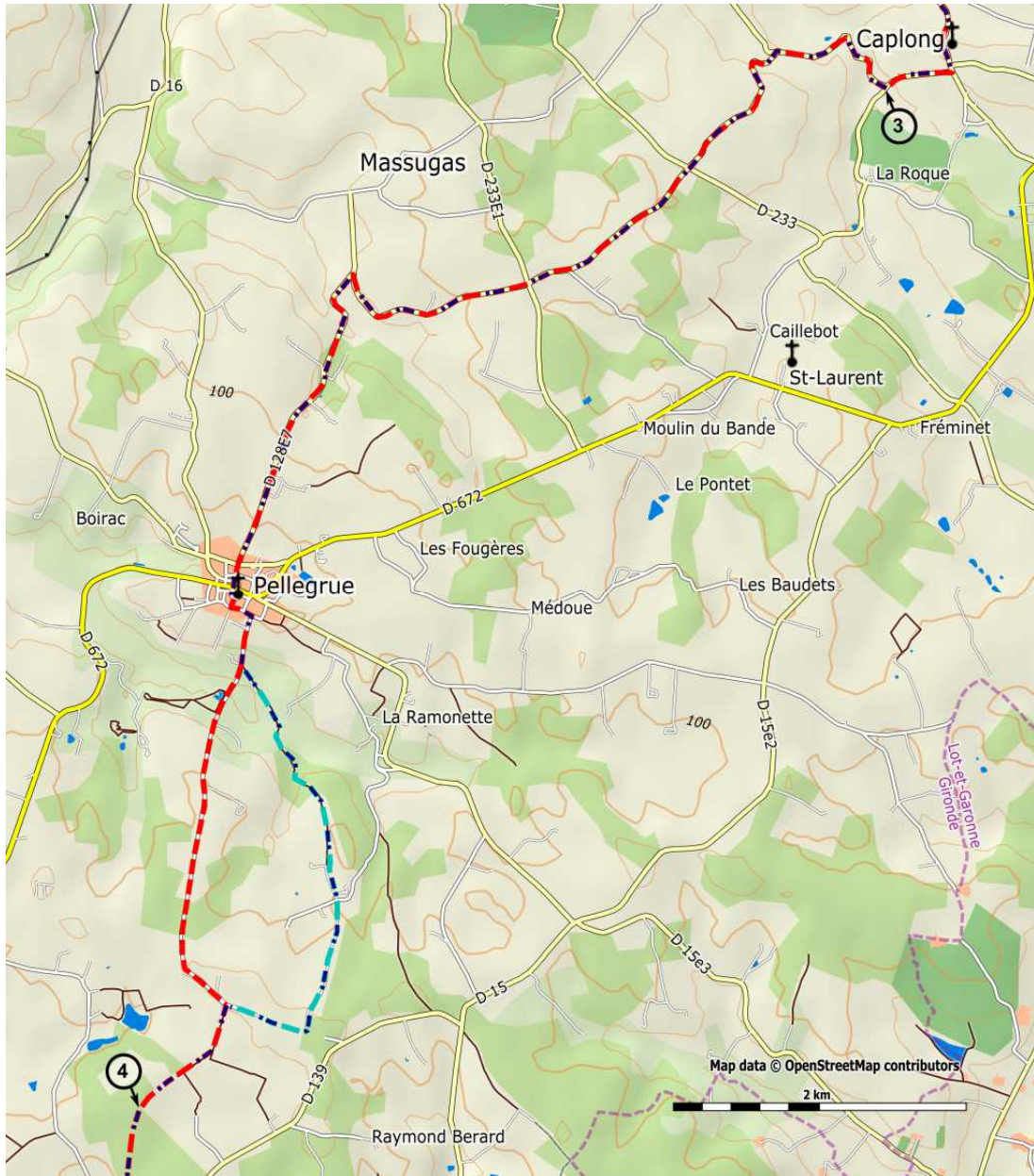
Km 25.3 You are back on the main route at Km 24.6.

Warning: the way marking can be confusing!

Km 22.2 Cross a kind of a stream. The road goes up again.

Km 24.6 Leave the road and take a path to the right, through the vineyards.

You are back on the GR. Continue straight on, into a small forest. [4]



Section 4

Km 25.5 Cross the small forest [4] and leave it via a small road.

Km 26.4 Turn left to the hamlet of La Vergne.

Km 26.9 Crossing with the D139: turn right.

Km 27.8 Crossing with the D127: continue straight on, for around 30 meters and then turn left (follow the sign Way of Saint James). [(🏰🗺️ 🚗 🚗) in Saint-Ferme, at 200 meters]

<<The nearby former Benedictine Abbey of Saint-Ferme is worth visiting >>

4.2 - Saint-Ferme > La Réole: 19.2 km

Km 28.2 Leave the road and take a small road to the right, marked by a sign of the Way of Saint James and a stone road cross. (If it rains this small road is rather slippery).

Km 29.0 The small road goes between two hedges and then through vineyards. Continue straight on. At the end: turn right on the D16.

Km 29.2 Soon after: turn left, onto the D126, direction Couture.

Km 31.1 << To the left is a variant via Monségur - see box. >>

Km 33.3 Cross the D230.

Km 34.5 Cross the D15, to the church.

Km 34.7 Coutures (🚗🗺️) Pass the church and the cemetery. [5a]

Variant via the fortified bastide Monségur, with all services, along the GR

Km 31.1 Turn left, into a small road with GR marking, towards a wind mill.

Km 31.9 Near houses: take the small road to the left.

Km 32.1 Take the small road to the right, which later is asphalted.

Km 33.2 At the junction: turn right.

Km 33.5 At the crossing («stop»): turn left.

Km 34.1 Bordepaille. At the «stop»: turn right onto the D16. Careful: fast driving cars.

Km 35.0 Cross the Dropt.

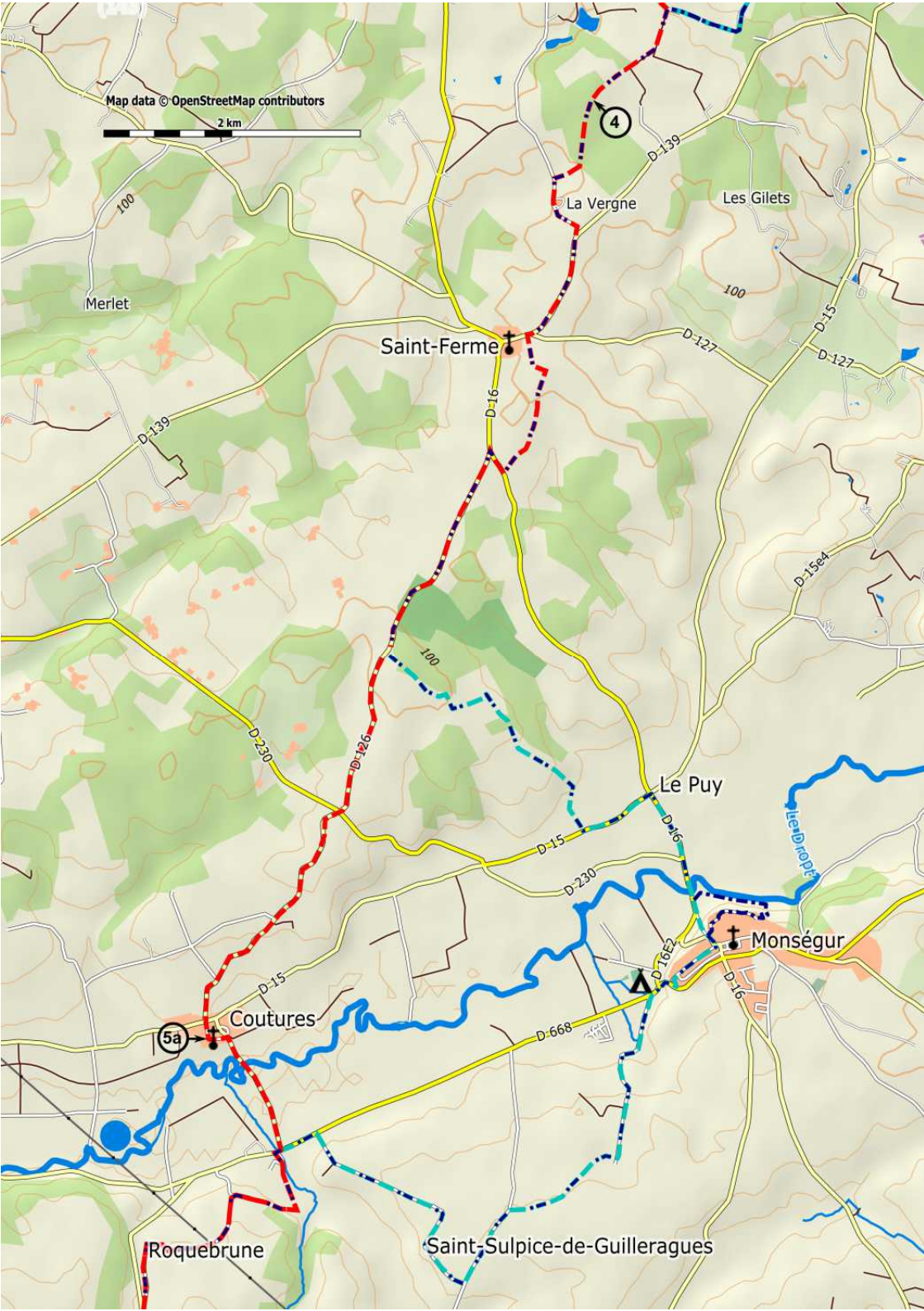
Km 35.2 Do not follow the GR to the left, but continue to the "escalier the verdure" (a path, with beams as stairs, to the left of the road): take that, up. At the top: take the street opposite. The main square of Monségur is on your left.

Km 35.5 Monségur (📍 🏰🗺️ 🚗 🗺️ 🗺️ 🗺️) All shops and services. Take into account the Sunday closure!

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La Vergne

Les Gilets

Saint-Ferme

Le Puy

Monségur

Coutures

Roquebrune

Saint-Sulpice-de-Guilleragues

Km 34.7 Church and cemetery of Coutures (☞ ☛ ☛). [5a]

Km 34.8 Follow again the D126 and cross the bridge over the Dropt.

Km 35.9 Cross the D668 and follow it for about 30 meters to the right. You then leave the ruins of Cazes castle behind you (on the left). After crossing the bridge over the Andouille: take a small road to the left. After 500 meters, at a crossing: turn right and walk to Roquebrune.

Km 37.9 Roquebrune (☞ ☛ ☛). T-junction: turn left. <<100m to the right is the church and the town hall (a former Commandery of Knights Templar) >>

Km 38.5 Crossing: take the road opposite, direction Lage (yellow marking behind a traffic sign). The road goes up, through a small forest.

Km 39.5 Continue straight on. The GR turns left here, to make a big detour.

Km 39.9 Sign of the hamlet of Bigat. [5b]

The road still goes up. Continue straight on, following the marking Way of Saint James (shell on blue background).

Km 41.5 Arrival in Saint-Hilaire-de-la-Noaille. (☞ ☛ ☛ ☛)

Km 41.8 At a bigger crossing («stop»), near the hamlet of Le Pont: turn right (D129).

Sequel variant via Monségur

Km 35.5 To leave Monségur: take the Rue Porte de La Réole. Follow it to the end.

Km 36.0 You arrive at the ring road around Monségur. Be careful: little visibility to the left and speeding cars!

Km 36.1 Cross the crossing.

Km 36.3 Take the road to the left to Bénézit, Neujons, with GR marking, slightly up. Hospital on your left.

Km 37.7 At the top: note, take the small road to the right, along vineyards. You will see a yellow marking about 10m before this small road and a marking «change of direction» about 10m after you entered the small road. So, actually, these two markings are interchanged. Continue straight on, through meadows and vineyards.

Km 38.7 At the crossing (road cross): turn left.

Km 39.4 Farguet. At the crossing: turn right.

Km 39.5 Arrival in Saint-Sulpice-de-Guilleragues.

Km 39.6 Leave the castle of Saint-Sulpice to the left.

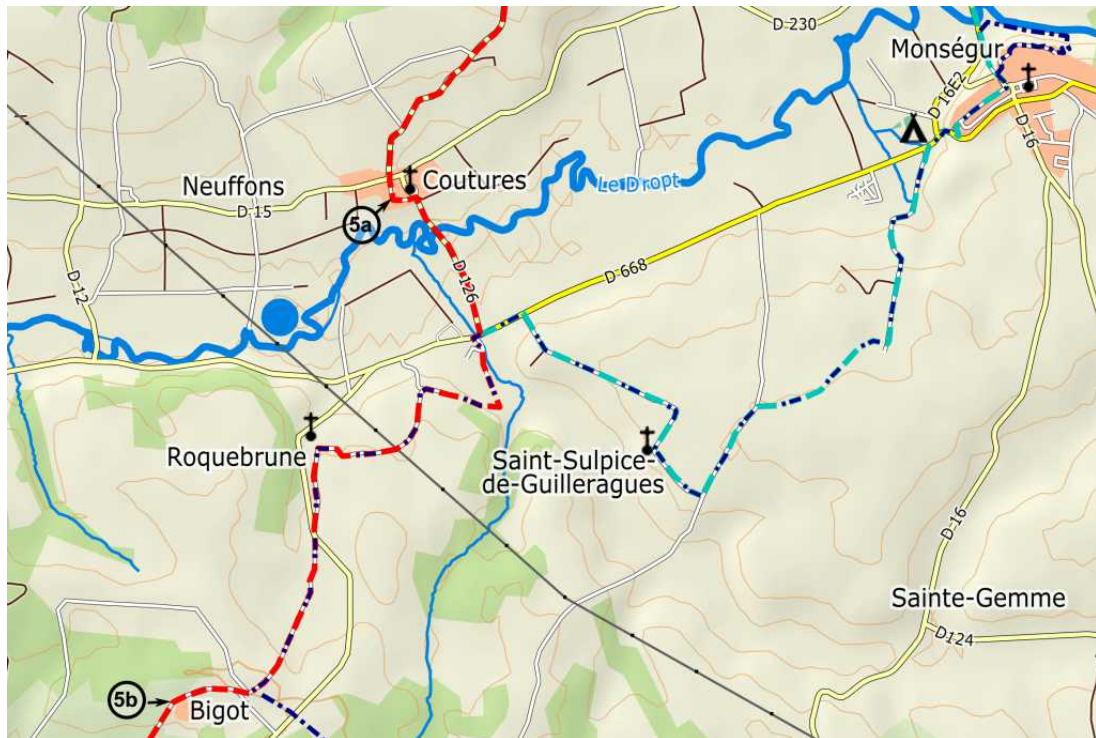
Km 39.9 Turn 90° right, leave the church and the cemetery to the left.

Km 40.2 At the crossing: turn left and descend to the D668.

Km 41.4 Follow the D668 to the left, for about 250 meters, and turn left after the small bridge.

Km 41.7 You are back on the main route, at Km 35.9

Km 42.4 The gîte of La Peyrière is on your right (↖). Take the small road opposite, which soon afterwards turns right. On a larger road: turn left.
[6]



Km 43.1 Follow that larger road, direction south-west. [6]

Km 45.1 Follow the marking Way of Saint James (big bend to the right, then to the left) to the access road to La Réole, which you follow to the right, to a roundabout at the entrance of La Réole.

Km 45.6 At the roundabout: take the second road (wooden sign with shell). Continue straight on, entering La Réole.

Km 47.0 La Réole (🏰 | 🗺️ | 🚗 | 🚲 | 🚶 | 🏠) Church and town hall.

4.3 - La Réole > Bazas: 36,8 km

Km 47.0 La Réole. From the church: Walk along the park and the lyceum and then go down the stairs to the quay of the Garonne and the bridge.

Km 47.7 Cross the Garonne (marking Way of Saint James).

Km 47.9 Stairs to the right, descend and follow the dike.

Km 48.1 Arrive at the D12. Leave the dike.

Km 48.3 Marking Way of Saint James, indication «Moulin de Piis» (🏰). Turn right.

Km 50.8 Floudès. Turn left, direction Bassanne (marking Way of Saint James).

Km 51.1 At the church: continue straight on, ignore small roads from the left.

Km 53.0 T-junction. Turn right (*RP at 500 meters*) and enter Bassanne (🏰 on 500m).

Km 53.2 Bassanne. Roundabout: take the D226 E1 to the left, direction Puybarban.

Km 53.8 Cross the canal. Fountain on your left, before the bridge.

Km 54.0 Arrival at the D224, continue straight on, direction Pondaurat.

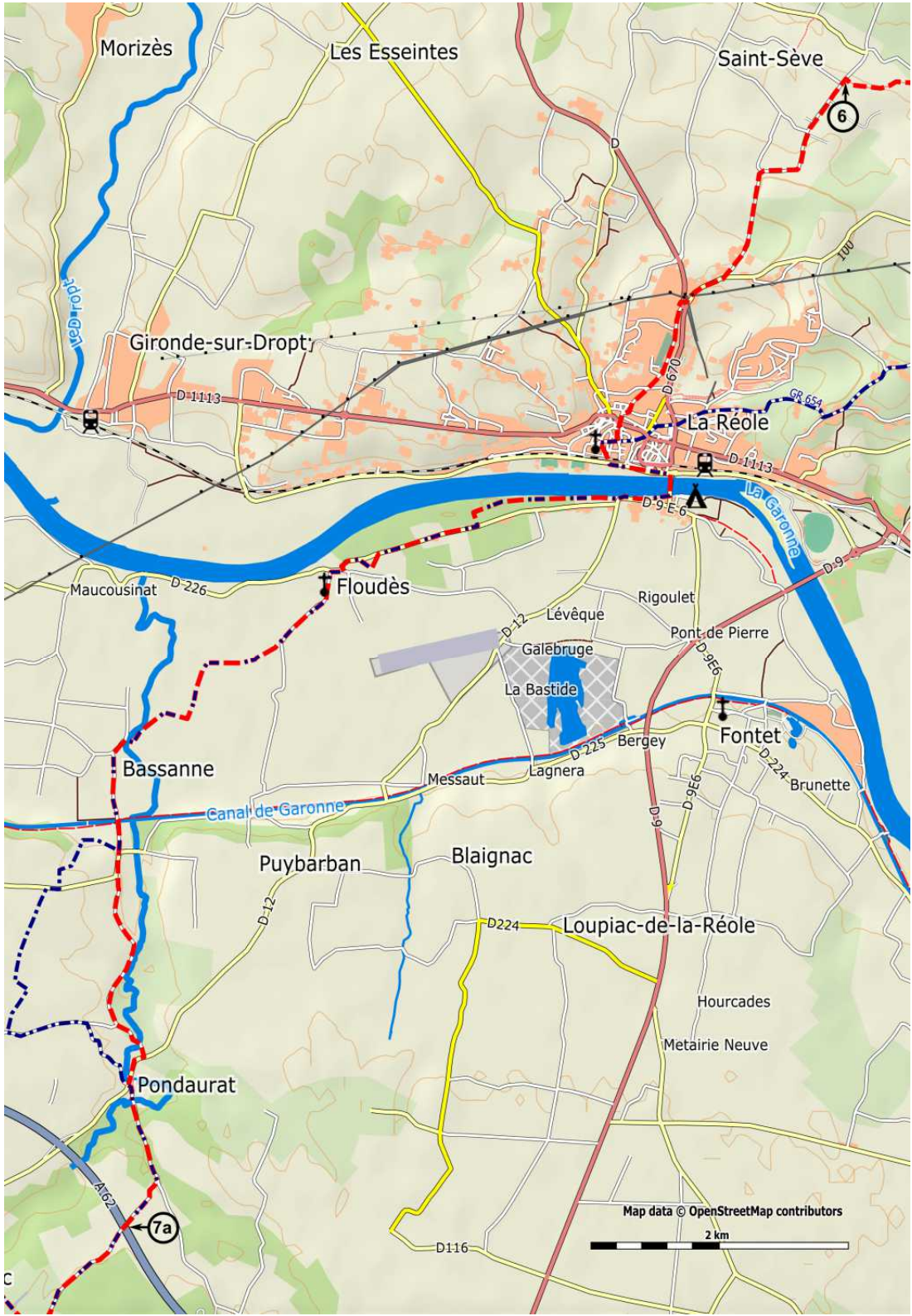
Km 54.2 Arrival at the D225: take the small road to Pondaurat (🏰).

Km 55.9 T-junction. Fountain (drinking water). Take the D12 to the right, direction Auros.

Km 56.1 Pondaurat. Turn right after the bridge and follow the marking Way of Saint James.

Km 57.0 Turn right, direction Bardasse (marking Way of Saint James).

Km 57.5 Cross the bridge over the highway. [7a]



Section 4

Km 57.5 Bridge over the highway. [7a]

Km 58.6 At the sign «Espagnoulet»: turn right. After 300 meters, near the hamlet of Hum, in a right-hand bend: leave the road and continue straight on, via a small grassy road.

Km 59.7 Near the castle of Bonnegarde: turn left, towards a T-junction with the D9. Turn right.

Km 60.1 Savignac (🏰). Turn left and walk up to the church, following the marking Way of Saint James. *Not along the route: after 4 km, direction Langan, via the D 116, is the Abbey of Sainte Marie du Rivet. (🏠 🏰).* Follow this small road.

Km 62.9 Near the hamlet of Le Juge: leave the small road and turn right, up, via a small path through the undergrowth.

Km 63.7 Leave the forest, marking Way of Saint James, hamlet of Haubet. Turn left.

Km 65.2 Small asphalt road, hamlet of Canteloup.

Km 66.0 Hamlet of Mussac.

Km 66.8 Arrive at the D15. T-junction, turn left.

Km 67.4 Auros (🏰 🏠 🏰) pass the church to the right and follow the small road.

Km 67.7 Just before the cemetery (water tap left after the entrance): turn left, down, via a small earthen road, pass the pigeon tower.

Km 68.6 Small bridge over the Beuve.

If it rains a lot, parts of the path are underwater. If that's the case: avoid this part, by following the stream to the left, to the road.

Turn right into a small road.

Km 68.9 Pass a small road to the left, to the hamlet of Le Parc.

Km 69.2 T-junction: turn left. Marking Way of Saint James, follow the small road. At the first T-junction: turn right (hazel bush) [Pruera (🏰) at a little more than 1km]. [7b]

Km 72.0 Brouqueyran (🏰 🏠). Turn left onto the D125.

Km 72.6 Turn right, to the lake and walk around it on the right side (marking).

Km 73.5 A small bridge, turn left: after the bridge you are back on the (marked) path, which you follow along the lake. If it rains a lot parts of it are underwater.

Km 73.9 Turn right, up.

Km 74.1 Pass a pigeon tower. (Careful during the hunting season from 1/10 until 20/11, make sure people hear you coming).

Km 74.2 Pass the corridors of the pigeon tower.

Km 74.8 Hamlet of La Borde.

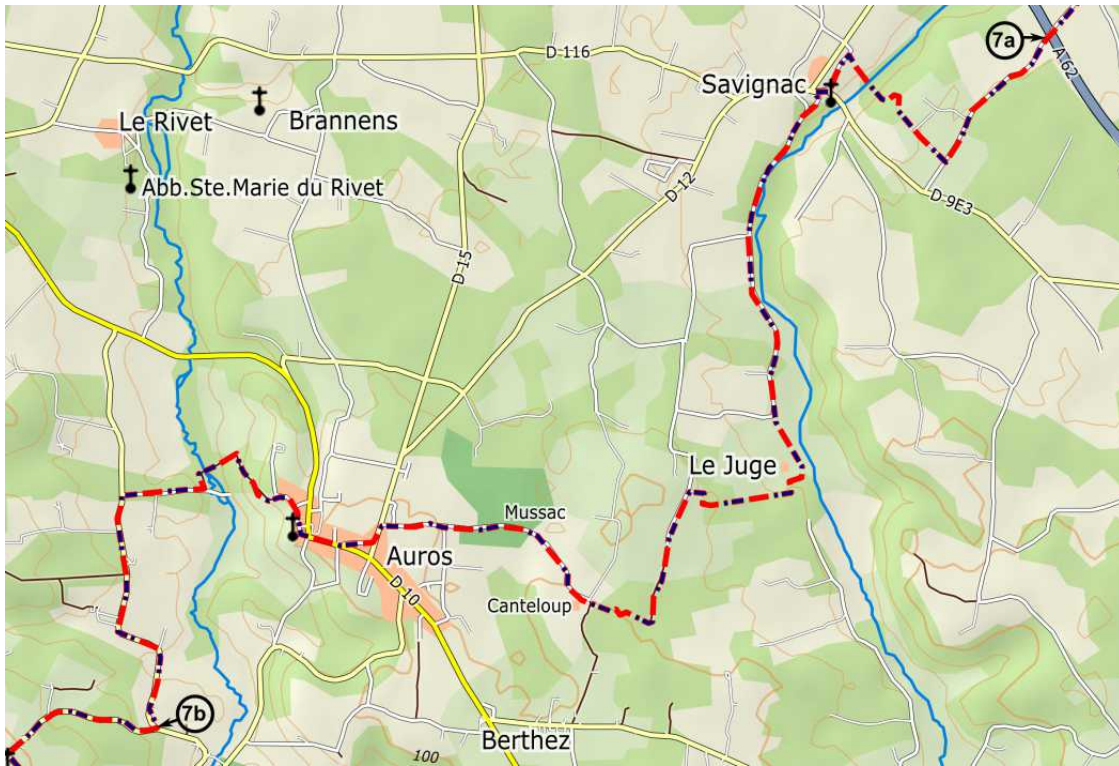
Km 75.0 Asphalt road. Hamlet of La Mongie. Keep following the road.

Km 75.3 At the crossing: turn left. (Markings Way of Saint James and GR654).

Km 76.4 Hamlet of La Niac.

Km 77.3 Turn sharply right, onto a small road.

Km 78.2 On the D123: turn left. [8]



Km 78.2 D123. [8]

Km 80.0 Small road, turn right. Hamlet of Lagardère.

Km 80.9 Turn left (follow the sign «Voie Verte»).

Km 82.2 Hamlet of La Serre: turn left, a bike path (marking).

Km 83.1 Arrive on the D655. Turn left, towards the cathedral of Bazas.

Km 83.5 Cross the D655. Rue Pallas, towards the cathedral.

Km 83.8 Bazas (📍 🏰 🏰 🚶 ⚠️ 🚦 🚦). Cathedral.

4.4 - Bazas > Captieux: 17,3 km

Km 83.8 Bazas. With your back to the cathedral: cross the square, pass the Tourist Office, and take the Rue Saint Martin to the left (bronze shells on the ground). Continue via the Rue du pont des Arches, following the markings Way of Saint James.

Km 84.4 Cross the D932 E9 and take opposite the Avenue Franck Cazenave, towards the school and the college Ausone.

Km 84.9 After the gymnasium: cross the former railroad crossing. (GT) Follow this former railroad to the left (markings Way of Saint James).

<< For variant via Bernos-Beaulac see box >>

Keep following this railway almost always, until Captieux.

Km 85.4 Obstacle: the former railroad is cut, there is no bridge. A marked passage to the right leads down to a trickle and then up again (very slippery when it rains, but a wooden handrail ensures safety).

Km 85.8 Junction with the N 524 cross carefully and go straight across from there on.

Variant Bernos-Beaulac, 3 km longer, but less monotonous.

Km 84.9 After the gymnasium: crossing with the former railroad. Leave the marking by the Conseil Général and continue straight on. At the right you see a yellow marker, left the gîte of Claire-Feuille. (🚶).

Keep following this road and cross a little bridge (km 1.6). You arrive at a T-junction, indicated by a "stop" sign and a yellow marker.

Km 85.5 Turn left.

Km 85.9 At the left you see a small statue of Mary. Continue, pass under the ringroad around Bazas.

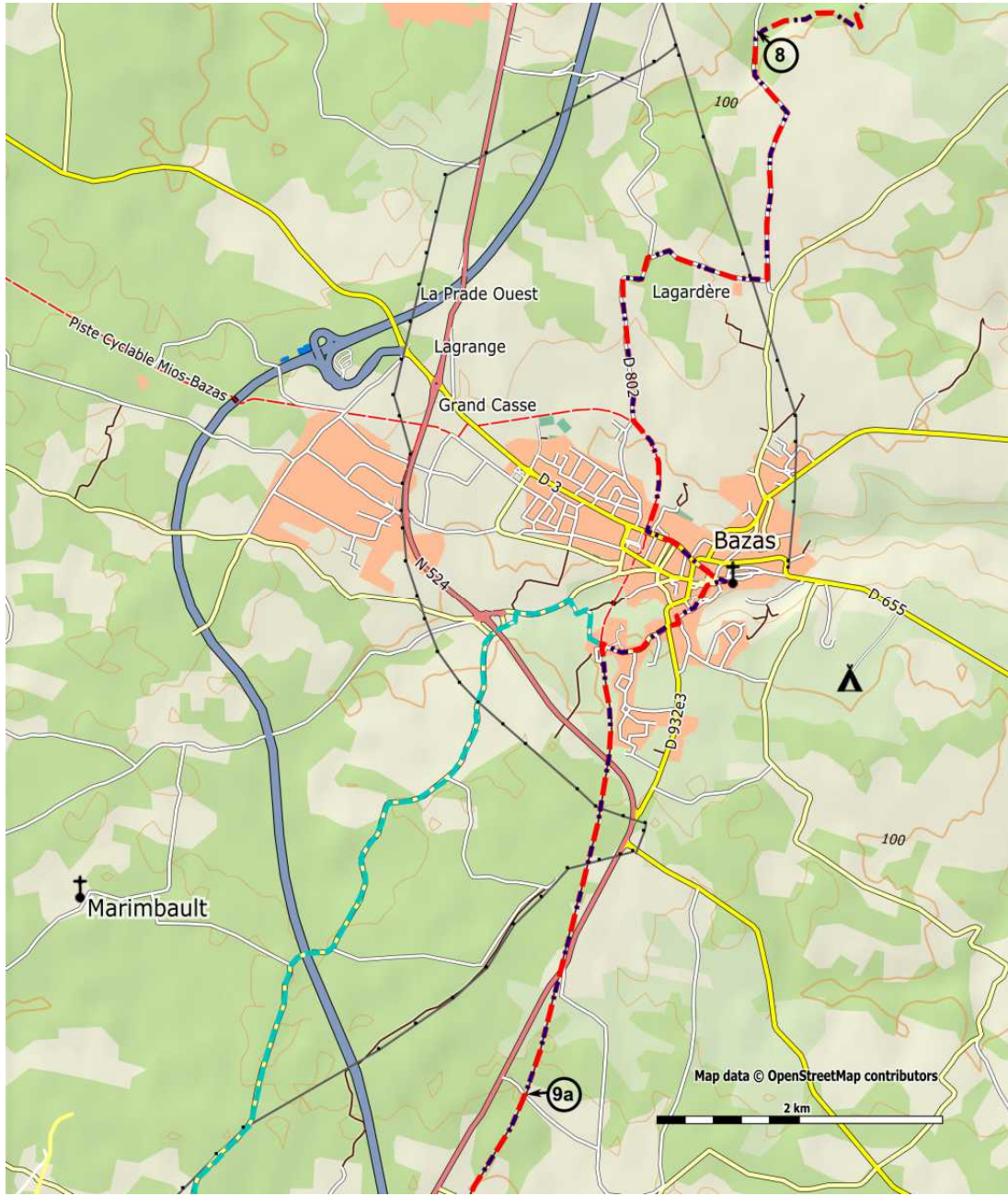
Km 86.2 Keep following this smaller road, which bends to the left, direction Calonge-Les Charmettes

Km 89.1 After the bridge over the highway: continue towards Bernos, the road bends to the left. Leave the direction Marimbault to the right. Keep following this smaller road for 1 km, to power lines.

See further the box at the next page.

Km 87.3 Again junction with the N524 (carefully).

Km 88.3 Crossing, markings, go straight across from there on. [9a]



Section 4

Km 88.3 Crossing. [9a]

Km 89.1 Crossing, markings, continue opposite straight on .

Km 89.5 Obstacle: the former railroad is cut, there is no bridge. A marked passage to the left leads first down and then up again (very slippery when it rains, but a wooden handrail ensures safety).

Km 91.1 Bridge over the highway A65: turn left after the bridge, then a bend to the right.

Km 91.8 Obstacle: the former railroad is cut, there is no bridge. A marked passage to the left leads first down and then up again (*very slippery when it rains, but a wooden handrail ensures safety*). A few meters further: bridge over the Ciron.

Km 92.6 Crossing the N524: cross carefully and continue opposite straight on. (*The variant from Beaulac arrives here on the main route*). After 2 km [9b].

Km 97.4 First crossing of Londeix, small road to the left.

Km 97.5 Second crossing of Londeix, small road to the left (↔).

Km 99.0 Crossing the N 524 (carefully): Follow the emergency lane and, after a wooden squirrel, cross the N-road.
Continue opposite via the former railway (marking).

Sequel variant Bernos-Beaulac

Km 90.1 Power lines. Follow this road another 1,8 km.

Km 91.9 T-junction, marked by a watertower on the left. Turn left, 200 meter, until a T-junction.

Km 92.1 T-junction: turn left. A little further is the entrance to Bernos (km 8.6). Right you see the church tower of Bernos.

Km 92.8 Bernos (☸ || 🚗 🚗) T-junction: turn right, towards the church square. Keep following the road, along the hill, until a crossing marked by a "stop" and a small road cross on a stone pedestal.

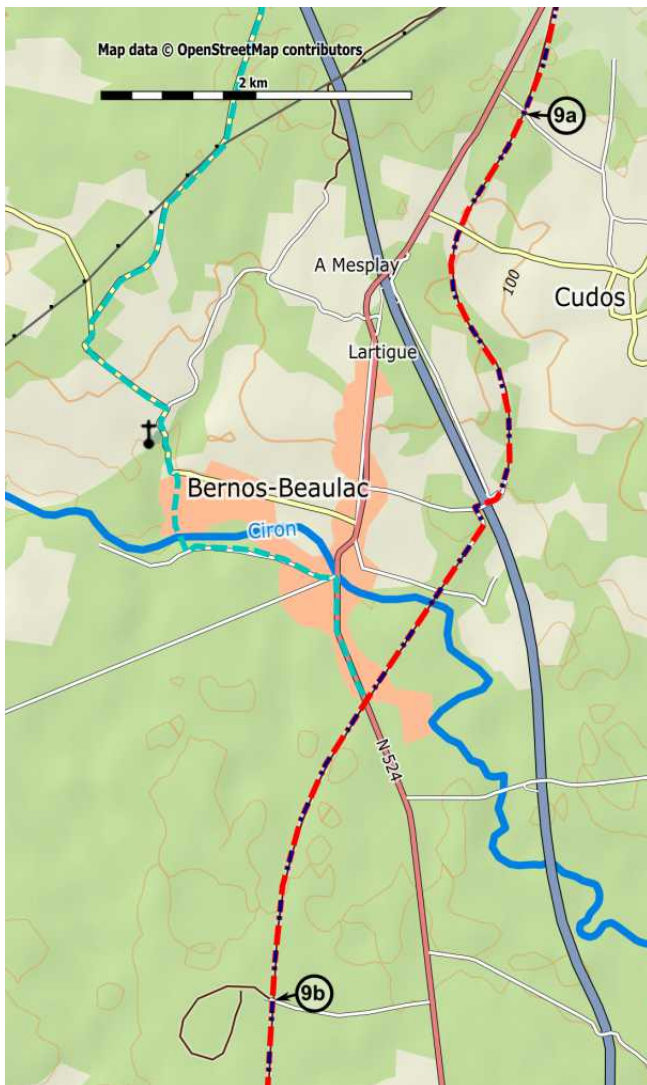
Km 93.3 At this crossing: continue opposite, direction the gîte of Bacourey (☸). After 270 meters: pass the barrier ("barrière") and descend to the gîte and the Ciron. Cross the small bridge over the Ciron and walk through undergrowth, up, to an asphalt road.

Km 93.9 Take this asphalt road to the left, to Beaulac.

Km 94.2 arrival on the N524, with the bridge over the Ciron on the left and a bakery on the right (open from 6:30 to 13:30 and from 15:00 to 17:00). Turn right, pass the pharmacy and the bus stop of the Trans-Gironde and continue carefully along the N-way.

Km 95.1 Opposite a former railroad crossing and the exit of a cardboard factory you are back on the main route of the 'Voie de Vézelay', at Km 92.6.

- Km 100.0 Arriving at a gravel road, follow this [west of the D524 (🚗 🍴)].
- Km 100.4 In the bend to the right: continue opposite, via the small road.
- Km 100.8 Take the earthen track to the right, towards buildings, leave the station of Captieux to the left, and then turn right, towards the church tower.
- Km 101.1 Church and town hall of Captieux (🏠 🚗 🍴 🍷 🚲).



5 - Captieux > Sault de Navailles

5.1 - Captieux > border of Les Landes: 12,5 km

Km 0.0 Church of Captieux: follow the direction of Maillas N524. [1a]

Km 0.6 Turn right before the former railway guard house N ° 41 and keep following this unpaved road straight on (former railroad).

Km 3.0 Hamlet of Rivedieu to the right (↘).

Km 6.0 Cross an unpaved road Le Billon. After 3 km [1b].

Km 9.9 Arrive on an asphalt road, turn left.

Km 10.8 Cross the highway via a bridge, turn right and follow the unpaved road along the highway.

Km 12.5 Arrive in Les Landes, near the sign of the «Voie de Vézelay». Take the unpaved road to the left.

5.2 – border of Les Landes > Bourriot: 8,5 km

Km 12.5 Near the sign of the «Voie de Vézelay»: take the unpaved road to the left (former railway).

Km 14.1 Careful: arrival on an asphalt road. Follow this 300 meters to the right.

Km 14.4 Near the big barn of Saus de Bas: take the road to the left, before the transformer.

Km 17.0 Pass the farm of La Plante, after 500 meters the farm of Grand Loucaucous, and after another 500 meters the poultry farm of Petit Loucaucous. The road makes a right turn here.

Km 18.3 Careful, in this bend: leave the road to the left and take the dirt road through the forest, direction south. After 400 m you arrive at the farm of Petit Bétéra.

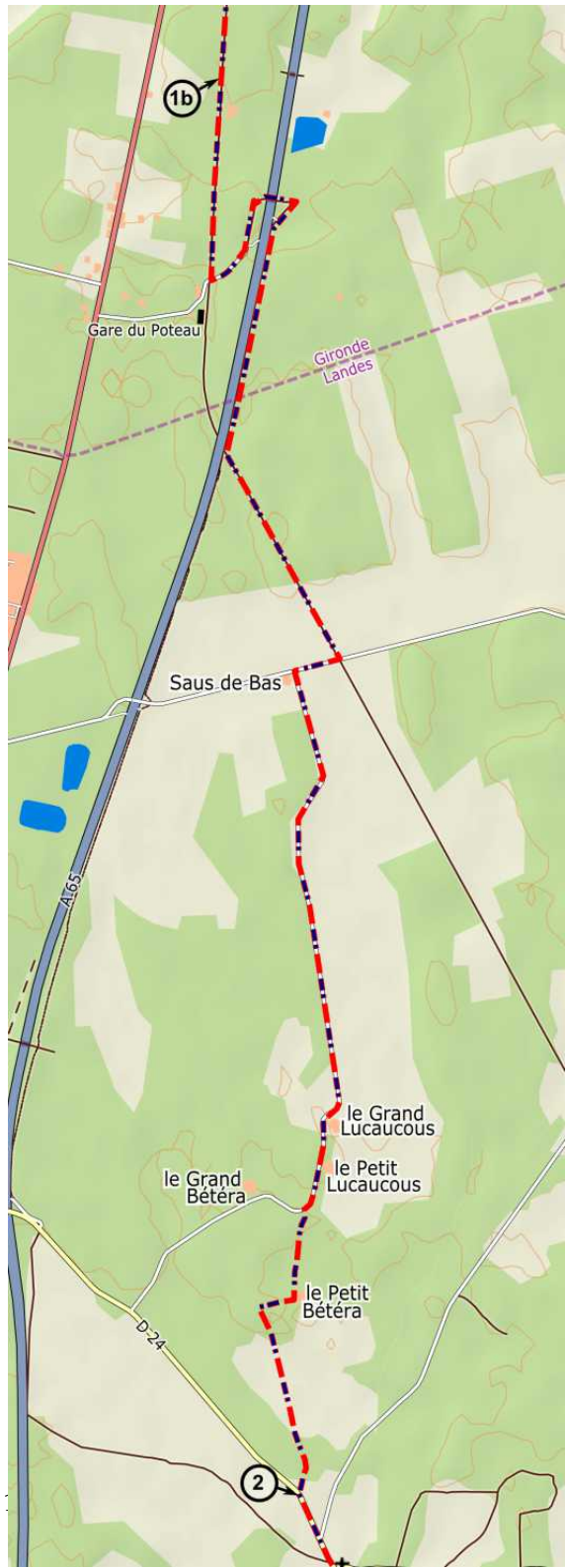
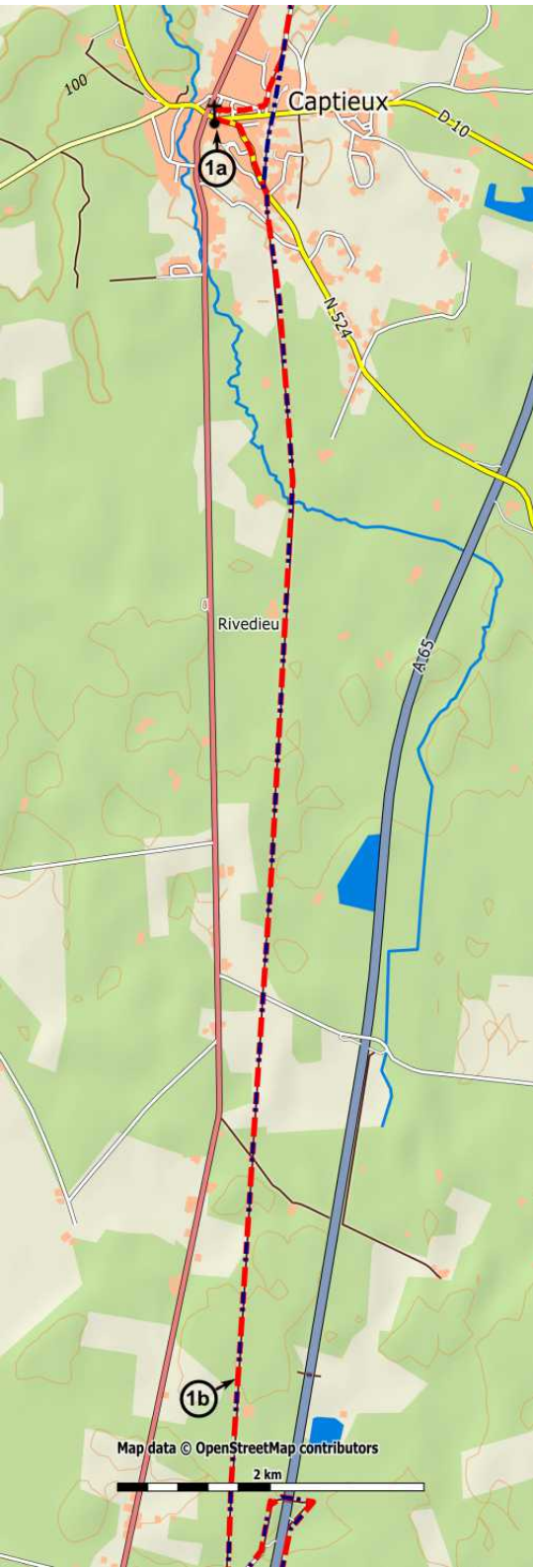
Km 18.9 You walk on private property. Beyond the houses: turn right on to the dirt road to the stream Pouchiou, a little further.

Approximately 20 meters before the stream, at the right, is a source and a small statue of Mary. After crossing the stream you see a beautiful water reservoir.

50 meters after the stream: take the dirt road to the left, Chemin du Pouchiou.

Follow this south south-west. Pass a poultry farm.

Km 21.0 Arrive on the D24. [2]



Km 21.0 On the D24: turn left [2], to the village of Bourriot.

5.3 - Bourriot > former station of Retjon: 5,9 km

Km 21.0 Church of Bourriot (☞): Take the D224 to the right, direction Retjons. After 200 meters: turn left on the CD 379, towards Saint-Gor. After 500 meters, down, you cross the stream Le Lugaut. After the stream the road goes back up again, for about 400 meters.

Km 22.2 Attention, at the top: leave the road, to the right, and take a dirt road. After 1 km this takes you to a junction: take the road to the left (south-east).

Km 23.8 House on your right. Crossing: take the dirt road to the right, former railway.

Km 24.6 Cross the bridge over the stream Le Lugaut.

Km 25.2 You arrive at a major, very well signposted, crossing.

To the left is a small chapel, a visit is certainly worthwhile.

Continue direction Roquefort, along the former railway.

Km 26.2 Cross the stream Le Retjons via the bridge La Moulasse (along the stream is a picnic area).

Km 26.9 You pass the former railway station of Retjons (☞) (possibility of tap water).

Immediately after the building: cross an asphalt road. Continue straight on via the dirt road.

5.4 - Former station of Retjons > Roquefort: 7,3 km

Km 26.9 Cross the stream Ribarrouy. Continue straight on.

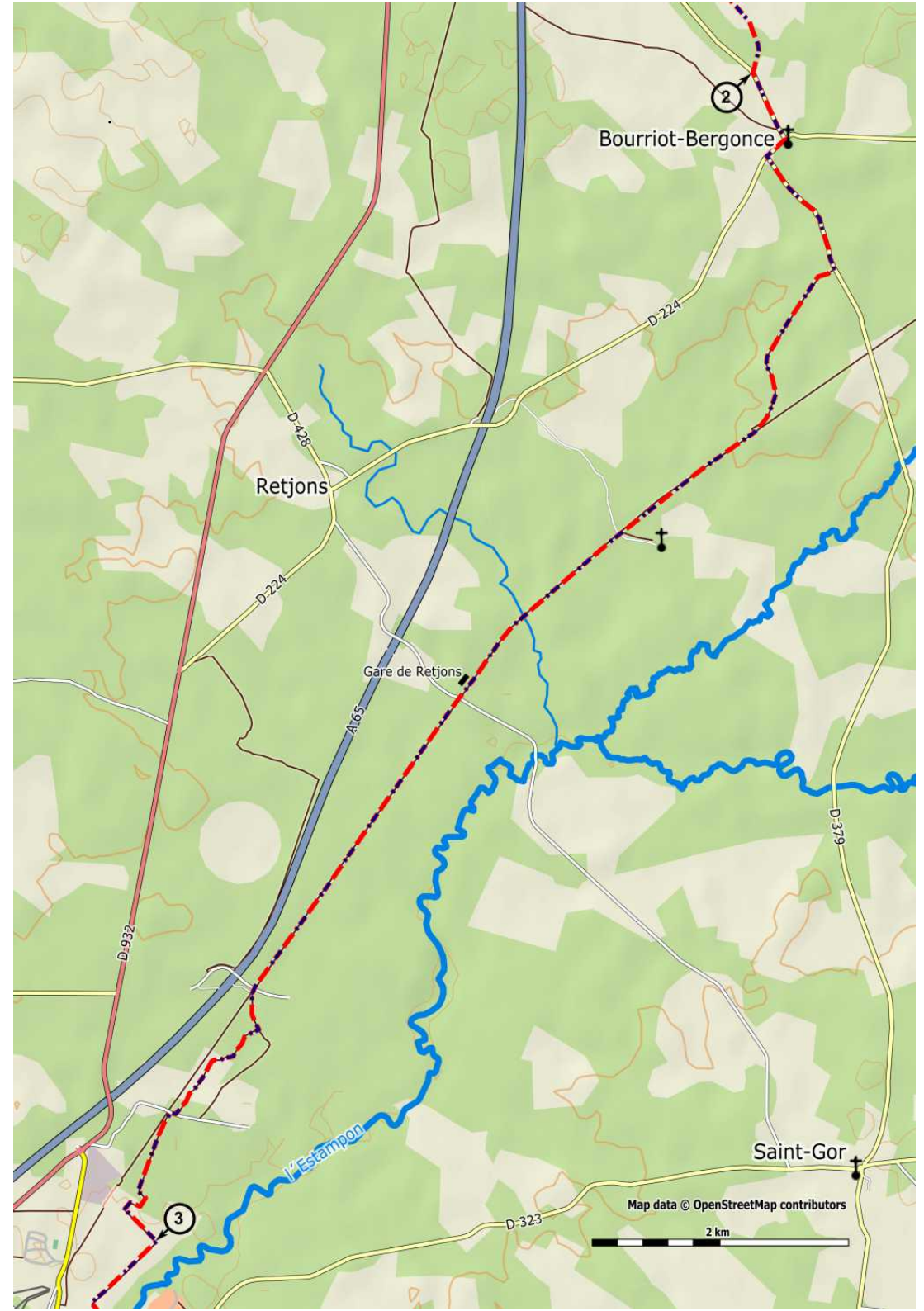
Km 28.9 Arriving on an asphalt road. Continue opposite, diagonally left, direction Lagune de Nabias.

Km 29.2 Turn right, on to a grassy path..

Km 30.3 Arriving on an asphalt road. Follow it for 20 meters and then, before the railway guard house, take the dirt road to the left.

Km 31.3 Take the dirt road to the left.

Km 31.7 Opposite an empty hangar: take the dirt road to the right. [3]



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Bourriot-Bergonce

Retjons

Gare de Retjons

Saint-Gor

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2 km

Km 31.7 Opposite an empty hangar: take the dirt road to the right. [3]

Km 32.4 Take the dirt road to the left.

Km 32.7 After the «base nautique»: arriving on an asphalt road (opposite: a small building), turn right.

Km 33.1 Turn left and then immediately turn right, into a dirt road.

Km 33.5 Arriving on the D932. Turn left at the «stop» and after 50 meters turn left again: Chemin de Coupet.

Km 33.7 Cross the small bridge over the stream L'Estampon. Once back at the top: arriving in Roquefort, Place Georges Lapios. Continue, straight on, via the Rue Port Lang.

Km 34.2 Arriving at the church of Roquefort, Rue Gambetta (🏰).

5.5 - Roquefort > Bostens: 8,3 km

Km 34.2 From the porch of the church, go through the gate. Then turn right, into the Rue C. Hubert Crohare.

Slightly further is the Place des Cagots. Descend from there to the bridge over the Douze (the so called «pont gothique» = Gothic bridge).

Nearby, right, on a tower of the former castle, is a beautiful view point.

Continue via the Rue Penecadet up, for about 100 meters, to the big bend to the right. After the bend: take the the stairs left, called "Boque": several steps, to the D932. (*The pilgrim in a hurry can walk straight ahead and save 500m*).

Cross this road and take the dirt road, called "Brunot." Follow it for about 40 meters, up.

You arrive at a small asphalt road (Chemin du Pouy). Take that to the right, and follow it for 200 meters, to a junction called "caserne".

Take the D 934 to the left: Route de Pau. Follow it for about 100 meters, cross and take the small asphalt road to the right (Chemin de Bostens). Follow this until a bridge over the ring road around Roquefort.

Turn immediately right, along the ring road. Just before the big road: turn left, into the Chemin de Balloche, which becomes a dirt road and then joins the D932. Take the D932 to the left. After 300 meters: arriving at a former railway crossing. (*Here the pilgrim in a hurry joins the route*).

There is not much left, except the railway guard house.

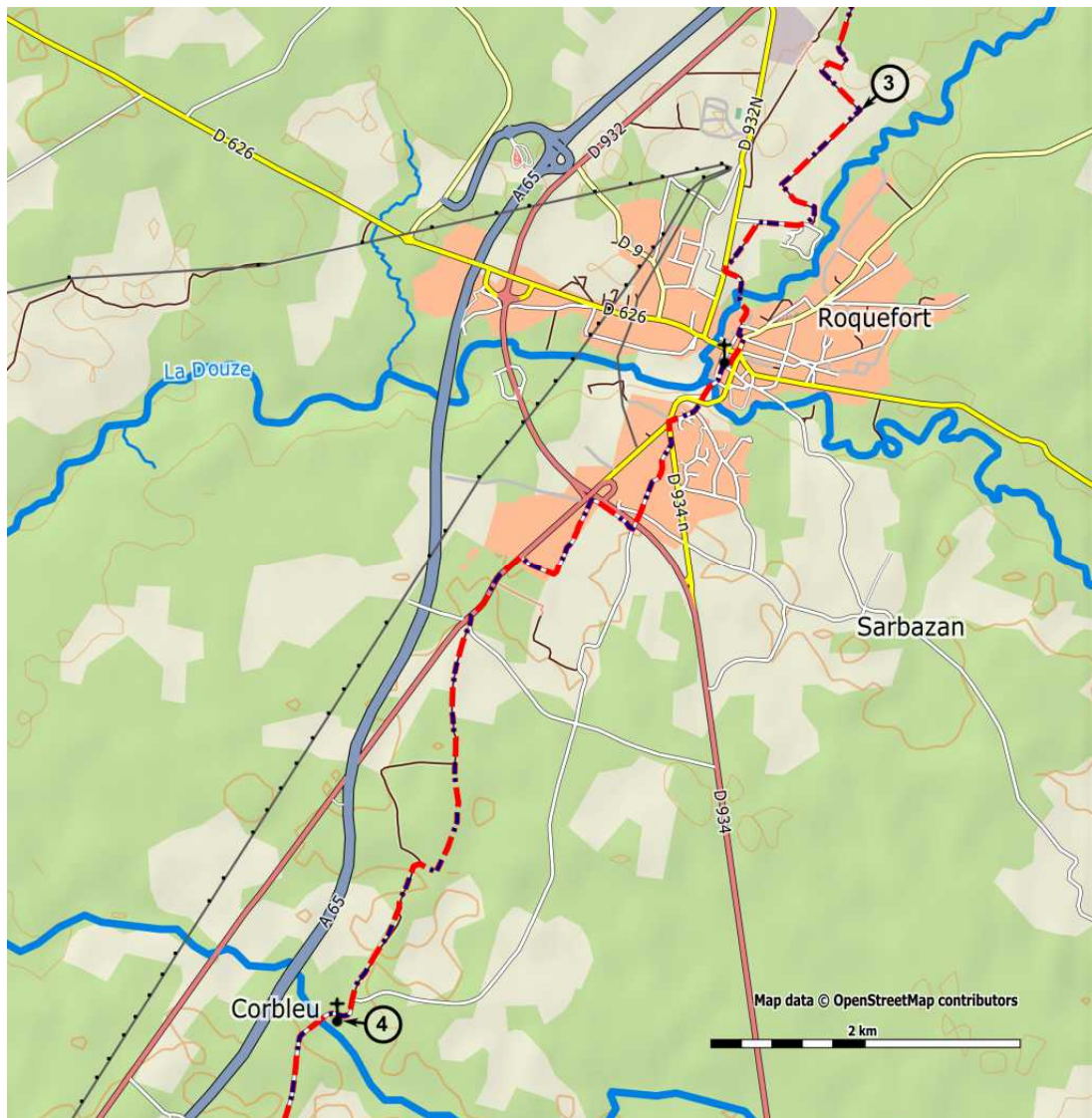
Km 36.9 Just before the former railway guard house: turn left onto the C101.

After 30 meters: turn right, into a dirt road through the woods.

Continue straight on (south), ignore paths from the left and right. The road becomes more and more overgrown with grass. At a junction: keep left. Arrive at some sort of dike. Follow this for 300 meters, to a small road which is perpendicular to the dike. On the left: the gate of a private property. Turn right.

Km 38.7 Attention; after 50 meters: turn left (south), into a small road that goes up very slightly. The small road very soon becomes more of a dirt road and passes a house (on your left). The road descends, following a power line, and increasingly becomes a dirt road. Soon after you see the houses of Corbleu.

Km 39.7 Arriving on the asphalt road: continue straight on (south), to the church of Corbleu. Pass the cemetery. Descend to the small bridge. [4]




Km 40.1 Cross the small bridge [4], ignore the road to the right, and continue, up. (In fact, you continue on this road until Gaillères).
At the crossing of Garroua: continue straight on, through the pine forest.

Km 41.5 Crossing over the Route de Pouydesseaux: continue straight on, direction Bostens. (After 80m turn right for  in Larousse).

Km 42.5 The church of Bostens. Well worth a visit! In the church is a place for pilgrims with coffee/tea. Ask for the key at the house opposite.

5.6 - Bostens > Bougue: 9,5 km

Km 44.8 In Bostens: continue straight on, direction Gaillères. 800 meters after Bostens: a crucifix (left), and very nice and old oak trees along the road. Continue in the direction of Gaillères, approaching the Route de Mont de Marsan near Houeillès (D933), while leaving the forest behind.
Crossing over the D933.

Watch out ! Take the D933 to the left, but then immediately turn right, direction Gaillères (.

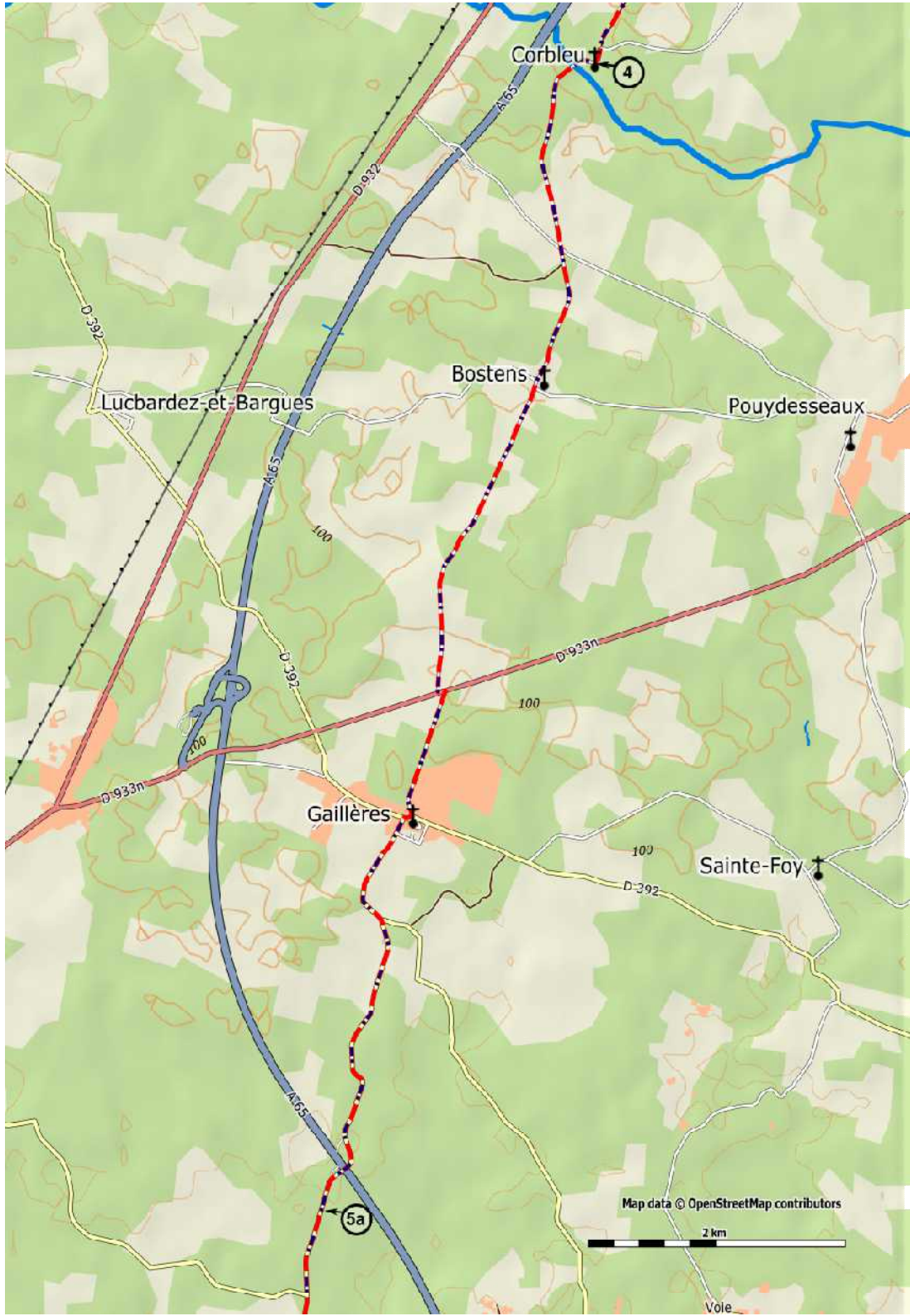
Km 45.8 Church in Gaillères: on the wall of the church is a route marking.
The window above it represents Saint-Jacques (Saint James).

At the junction at the church: turn right and immediately left, direction Bougue (passing the water tower).

After 500 meters: Le Chemin Vert (.

Km 48.9 Cross the highway. Continue southbound direction, Bougue. So do not turn right, towards St-Avit.

Km 49.2 [5a].



Corbleu

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Lucbardez-et-Bargues

Bostens

Pouydesseaux

Gaillères

Sainte-Foy


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2 km

Vole

Km 49.2 [5a].

Km 51.2 Cross the bridge over the Midou.

Km 52.0 Arriving in Bougue () , descending. At the crossing with the Route Mont-de-Marsan, near the wash-house: turn left, towards the promenade between the "salle des fêtes" (= feast hall) and the church. Please ask at the bar for access to the gîte (hostel).

5.7 - Bougue > Mont-de-Marsan: 10 km

Km 52.0 Depart from the village square of Bougue. Head towards Laglorieuse (sign Michelin). After about 500 meters: a crossing with a bike path (railway guard house on the left).



Km 52.5 Turn right onto the bike path, which you follow to Mont-de-Marsan, ignoring all kinds of roads from the right and the left. Keep left, in relation to cyclists coming from behind.

Km 55.3 After 2,8 km on this bike path: a crossing (direction Beaussiet to the right and direction Mazerolles to the left). Continue straight on. After 1,2 km: pass under the ring road. [5b]

Km 58.0 Arriving at another crossing (direction St-Médard to the left). Continue straight on, you cross a suburb of Mont-de-Marsan, with villas on both sides of the bike path.

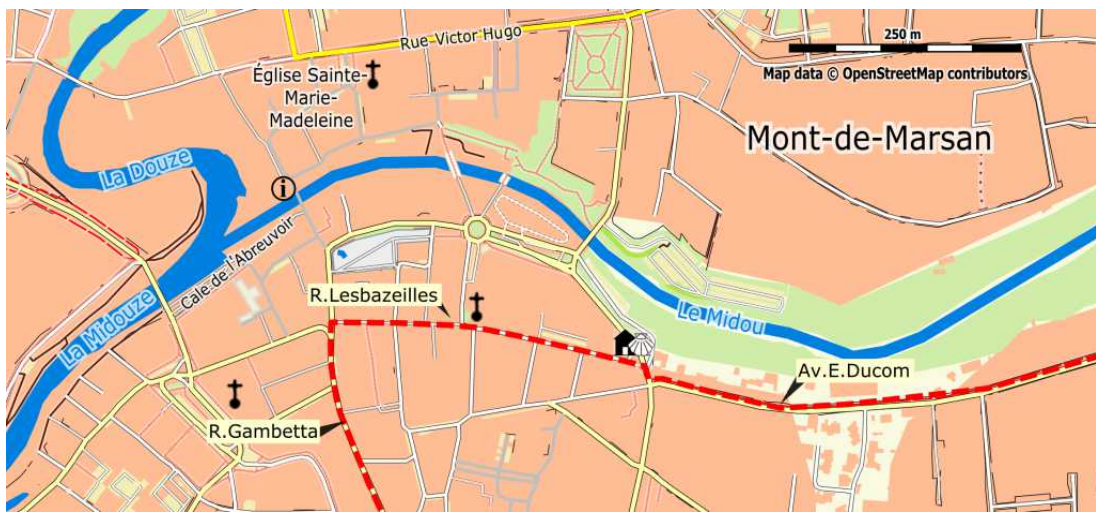
Km 58.8 After passing two more crossings, you arrive at another crossing, with the Avenue de Lacrouts. From this crossing you will see the bell tower of the Romanesque church of Saint-Médard. Keep following the bike path.

Km 60.5 Crossing with traffic lights (Boulevard du Chemin Creux). Turn right, cross this boulevard and then cross the Boulevard d'Alingsas. Continue straight on via the Boulevard Jean Larrieu, to the Avenue Eloi Ducom. Turn left there. Continue towards the center. At traffic lights: turn diagonally right, into the Rue Lesbazeilles.

Km 61.0 In front of the pilgrims' hostel ( ). Follow the information on the door for the key. A pilgrims pass is obligatory. To leave the city, from the hostel: continue along the Rue Lesbazeilles, to the Rue Gambetta. Take this road to the left. Further on the Avenue Sadi Carnot. After the roundabout of Avenue Kennedy: continue straight on, direction Grenade-sur-Adour.

Km 62.0 Cross the Boulevard Antoine Lacaze and the railway. [6]

The oldest part of the city is located north of the route, between the Le Midou and La Douze rivers, which come together here in La Midouze. Definitely worth a short visit!



5.8 - Mont-de-Marsan > Benquet: 7,3 km

Km 62.0 After the railway [6]: continue along Avenue Kennedy, straight on, gradually leaving the center.

Km 64.0 Roundabout (after 100 meters you see another roundabout): Turn right, into the road direction Saint-Pierre-du-Mont (D 321).

After 150 meters: take a road to the left, with a sign "Lareigne".

You pass under the ringroad. Keep following this road.

Km 65.3 After passing two houses on your left and then a house on your right, you arrive at the end of the road. Continue straight on, via a gravel road and then a dirt road through a forest.

After 600 meters: arriving at a cross road, turn right.

Attention: after about 250 meters, take the first dirt road to the left.

Keep walking through a pine forest.

Km 67.0 Arriving at an asphalt road: turn left, and keep following this road straight on. At a crossing: again straight on. You pass a pharmacy and then the church of Benquet village. Continue straight on.

Km 69.3 Benquet.

5.9 - Benquet > Saint-Sever: 12,7 km

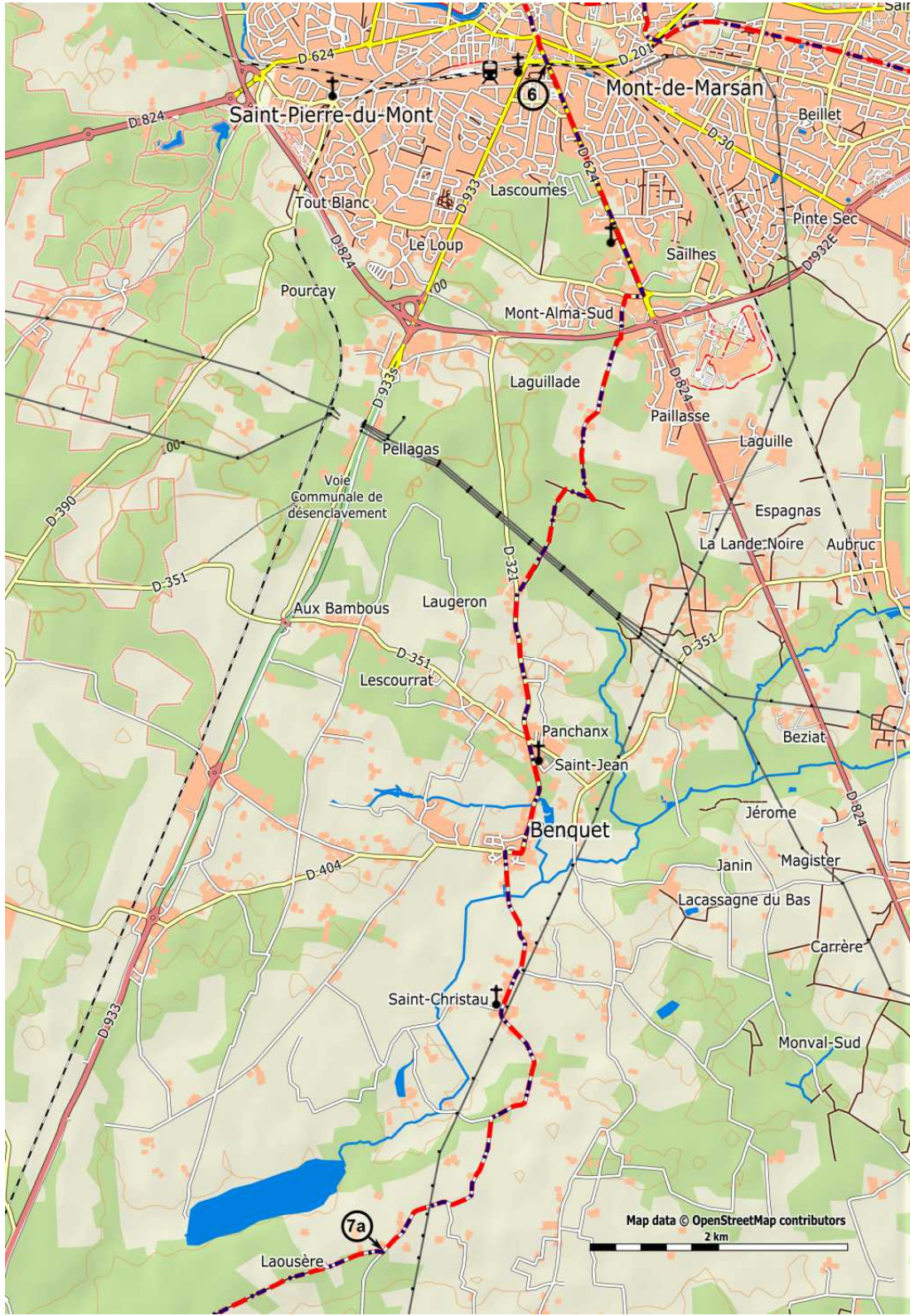
Km 69.3 At the end of the village, you pass the schools. A bend, then a roundabout: turn left, direction Saint-Maurice. After 900 meters: a crossing (Route Loustaou), continue straight on.

After 300 meters: pass the church of Saint-Christau, and after 1.3 km another crossing (Route du Catalan). Continue in the direction of Saint-Sever.

After 700 meters: another crossing (Chemin du Parroc). Keep following in the direction of Saint-Sever.

Km 73.3 Crossing (Chemin du Coye): continue straight on, after 700 meters another crossing (Chemin de Laouzère).

Attention: turn right, into the Chemin de Laouzère in. [7a]



Saint-Pierre-du-Mont

Mont-de-Marsan

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Tout Blanc

Lascombes

Beillet

Le Loup

Sailhes

Pinte Sec

Pourcay

Mont-Alma-Sud

Laguillade

Paillasse

Laguille

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Aux Bambous

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Lescourrat

Panchanx

Saint-Jean

Beziat

Benquet

Jérôme

Janin

Magister

Lacassagne du Bas

Carrère

Saint-Christau

Monval-Sud

7a

Laousère

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2 km

Km 74.0 Chemin de la Louzère. **[7a]** Keep following this small asphalt road.

After 400 meters, in a sharp turn right: take the dirt road opposite and follow this for about 2 km, to a cross road with gravel. Take this to the left and continue until an asphalt road (house).

Km 77.3 (*Attention, unclear indicated!*). Take the small asphalt road to the right and follow it for about 1.5 km. Then you see a roundabout. 200 meter before it: take a small, marked road to the left, which leads to a new road. There turn right. Cross the D924 (careful, a lot of traffic). After 150 meters: arrive in Sainte- Eulalie.

Km 78.8 In Sainte-Eulalie: continue along by the church, toward the terraces of Sainte-Eulalie. Follow this road along the river, passes under a railway bridge, and arrive at the bridge over the Adour.

From the bridge the route through Saint-Sever is marked with bronze shells on the ground.

Cross the bridge. Follow the shells, up to Saint-Sever, and its abbey from the X century.

At the abbey (opposite the Tourist Office): take the Rue des Arceaux to the left and continue straight on via Rue du Général to Lamarque to the Cloître des Jacobins, where the pilgrims' hostel () is.

5.10 - Saint-Sever > Hagetmau: 16 km

Km 82.0 From the Cloître des Jacobins: continue via Rue du Général Lamarque and then Rue de la Guillerie. At the end: turn right, to arrive at the crossing with Route de Montaut (traffic lights). Turn right, onto Boulevard de l'Espérance. After 300 meters: turn left (at the «centre de loisirs»), follow Chemin de Laburthe.

After 900 meters: turn left into Chemin de Laboye (gravel road), near a water tower. Follow this Chemin. After 1km **[7b]**. After 300 meters: a cross road, Chemin du Barthe. Turn right here.

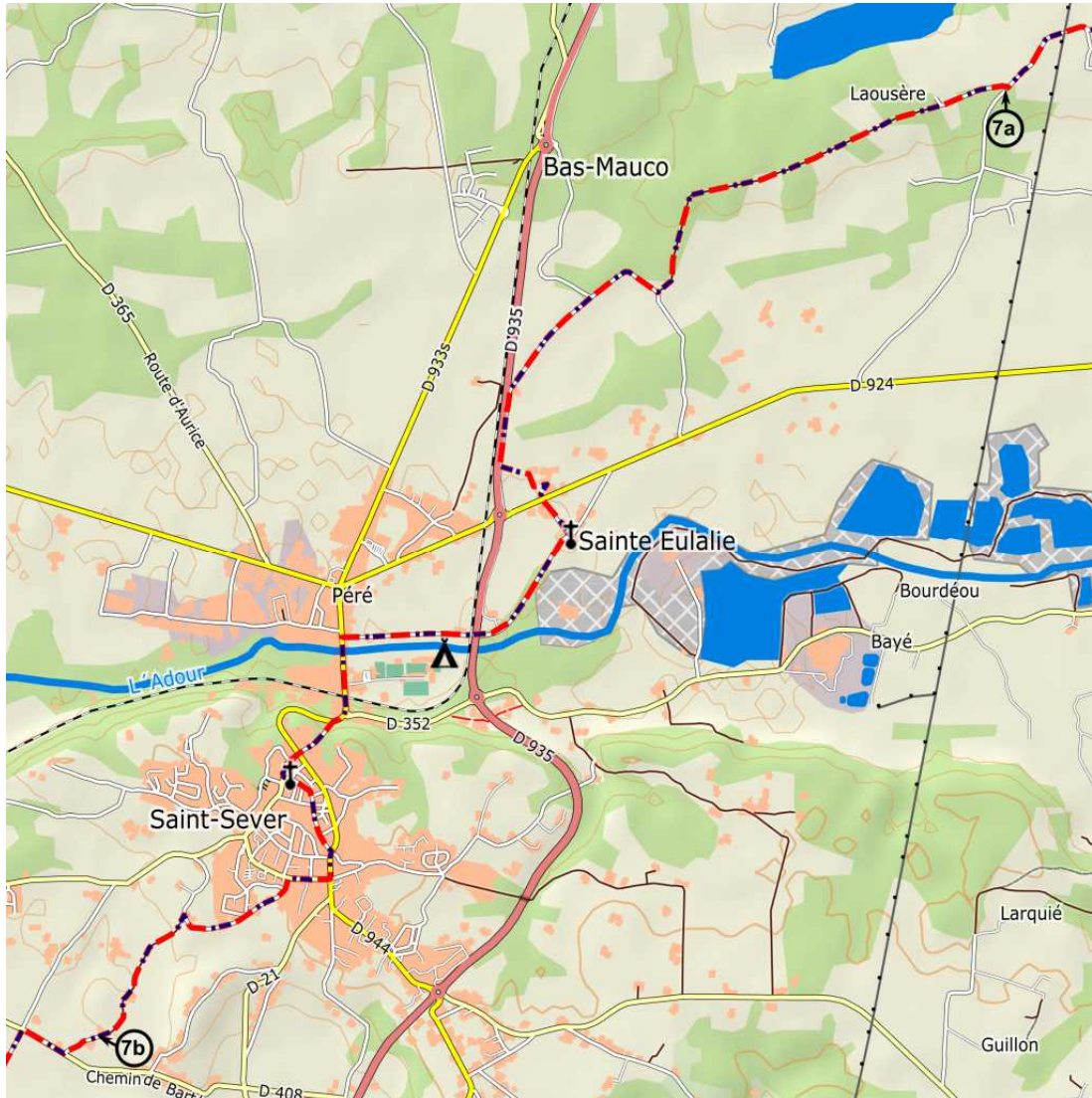
After 300 meters: arrive at another crossing. Turn left here, direction Chemin the Pugnerette.

Km 84.0 Keep following this road, until a bridge over the stream Gabas.

Km 86.0 Cross the bridge. Continue along the asphalt road, which heads south, and leave a nice mill and then a pump station at your right.

After about 200 meters: the road crosses the (mill) stream. After 100 meters: leave the road, turn right, cross the railway and then take immediately left the small road along the railroad. The road is first asphalted.

Attention: leave the tarmac at the zone of the first house and take the dirt road along the railroad. Shortly after the small road passes along the stone railway bridge. **[8]**



Section 5

Km 87.7 Near the stone railway bridge [8] the small road runs along a stream (the Laudon), and then crosses it near Audignon.

Km 88.0 Arriving on the D21, Place Compostella (roadcross left).


Follow the D21 and D78 in the direction of Horsarrieu or. . .

Turn left, cross the railway and immediately turn right on to a small road (Chemin du Carrerot). After 50 meters, at a junction: take the road to the right (Chemin du Campagnon). Shortly after the small road is unpaved, and continues along a ditch. After 400 meters: arrive on a small asphalt road. Take that road to the right, towards the railway. Cross it and then the stream (the Laudon), and continue to Route d'Horsarrieu, after 50 meters.

Km 89.0 Take this road to the left (D78). The railway remains in sight, to your left. The road goes up slowly and serves some farms. At the top of the hill, at the location of a crucifix: turn left, direction Chemin du Camps, via a small road that descends to the railroad.

Km 91.0 Pass under the railway bridge. The small road goes up again, to a crossing with a crucifix. Continue straight on, again passing under the railroad. The road gradually descends. You will see Horsarrieu, on the hill, in front of you. A crossing: continue straight on, up, against the one-way traffic. Arriving almost near the village church.

Km 93.0 Cross Horsarrieu, via the Rue St.Blaise, direction the D78. This road brings you to Hagetmau.

Km 95.0 On the roundabout at the entrance of Hagetmau (): turn right, direction Orthez. << For a shorter route through the center, see box. >>

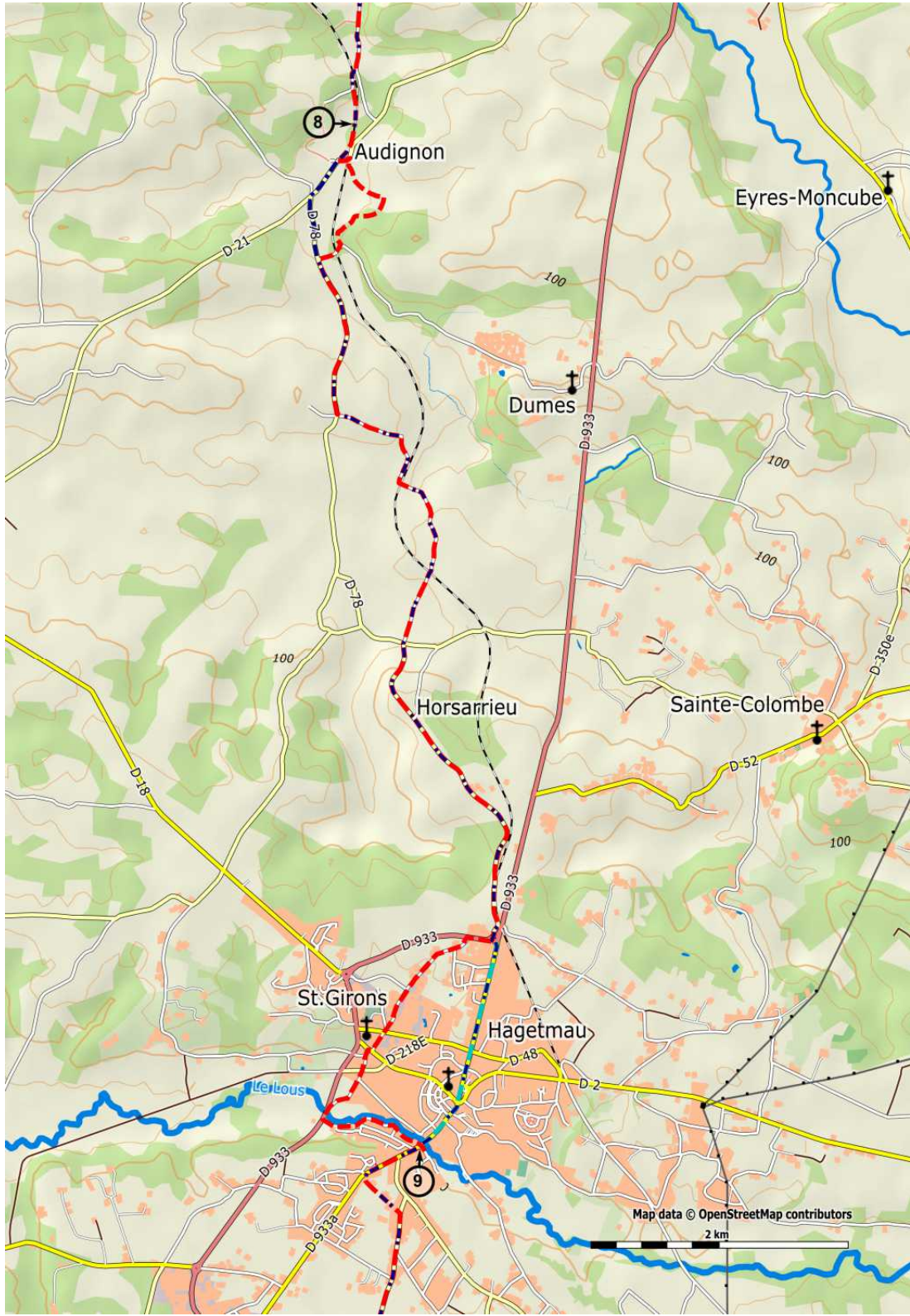
Attention: 100 meters after the roundabout turn left (Ets Capdevielle). The road descends towards the crypt of St.Girons.

At a «Stop» << 150 meters on the left: the crypt of Saint Girons >> continue straight on, via a small road, that descends to a second "Stop" (near a bakery). Turn right and then turn left immediately (direction industrial zone). Then continue straight on, passing the municipal slaughterhouses and then Etablissements Muller, to arrive on the main road, near the bridge over the Louts. Immediately after the bridge: take the path along the river (upstream).

Km 98.0 After almost 1km: arrive at the bridge of the D933, at the exit of the small town. [9]

From the roundabout at Km 91.8 you can also continue straight through the center to the bridge of the D933. Then you will pass shops. This variant is not marked and 1.2 km shorter.

If you intend to get the key to the hostel by the swimming pool: the pool is in the center and the hostel direction Saint Girons.



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Audignon

Eyres-Moncube

Dumes

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Sainte-Colombe

St. Girons

Hagetmau


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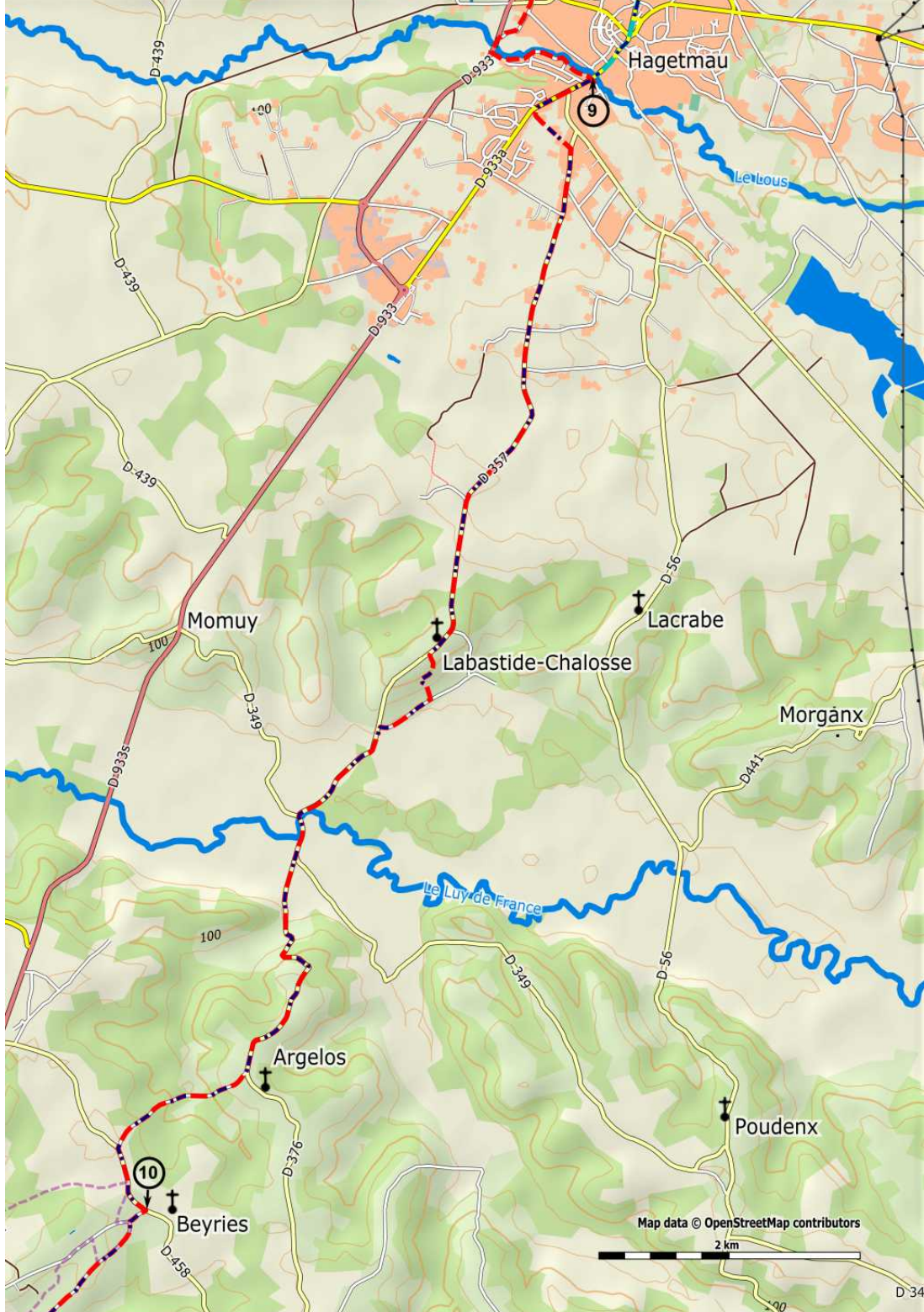
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5.11 - Hagetmau > Sault-de-Navailles: 14 km

- Km 98.0 Bridge of the D933 Bridge over the River Louts [9], leaving Hagetmau: continue along the D933, slightly up, to the top of the hill. There take the small road to the left (Chemin de Lafargue), which after 300 meters crosses the D357 (Route de Labastide-Chalosse). Take the D357 to the right.
- Km 99.0 From that crossing to Argelos you mostly follow the D357, except the shortcut in Labastide-Chalosse. Continue heading south, direction Labastide-Chalosse.
At a junction (indication "quartier de Coupés«): keep to the right. Continue along the D357.
- Km 101.0 Crossing of a stream. Continue along de D357.
- Km 101.8 Arriving at the crossing with the Route de Momuy. Continue along the D357. Soon you will see the church tower of Labastide-Chalosse.
- Km 102.8 Church of Labastide. 200 meters after the church: take the small road to the left, windy, significantly descending. After 400 meters through forest: arrive on a wider road. Take that road to the right and arrive again on the D357, left, direction Argelos. The road follows the bottom of the valley; forest left, fields right, until the bridge over the Luy de France.
- Km 104.8 Bridge of Luy de France. Cross the bridge. The road goes along a sidestream of the Luy. Ignore the Route de Poudenx on the left, and continue via the D357, along the stream. Attention: a little further, on the right, is the start a yellow marked route. Do not follow that, but keep following the D357, which goes up steeper and with more windings. At the top: a crossing with a crucifix. Continue to the right, to Argelos. Continue to the "Mairie" (town hall).
- Km 106.8 (Old) town hall of Argelos. Attention: before the town hall: take the small road to the right, descending. Down in the valley, the road rises again significantly, through a forest, to the crossing with the Route de Soulens. Take that road to the left, until the sign of Beyries, near a crossing with a road cross.
- Km 108.8 At the crossing with road cross just before Beyries () [10]: turn right, heading south-west. << see box below >>

If you want to stay in the municipal hostel of Beyries or if you want to visit the charming chapel of the village: continue straight on, to the town hall, at 300 meters.



Hagetmau

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Momuy

Labastide-Chalosse

Lacrabe

Morgänx

Argelos

Poudenx

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Beyries

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2 km

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Section 5

Km 108.8 Near the roadcross: direction south-west [10], and then -after 50 meters- turn left, direction Lahitte. The small road leads between scattered houses, including the Castle of Beyries. In good weather you can see the Pyrenees. Attention: 200 meters after the castle: do not continue along the road but take the small road with white pebbles, straight on, descending through woods, to a small asphalt road (Chemin du moulin). Take the road to the right, cross the small bridge.

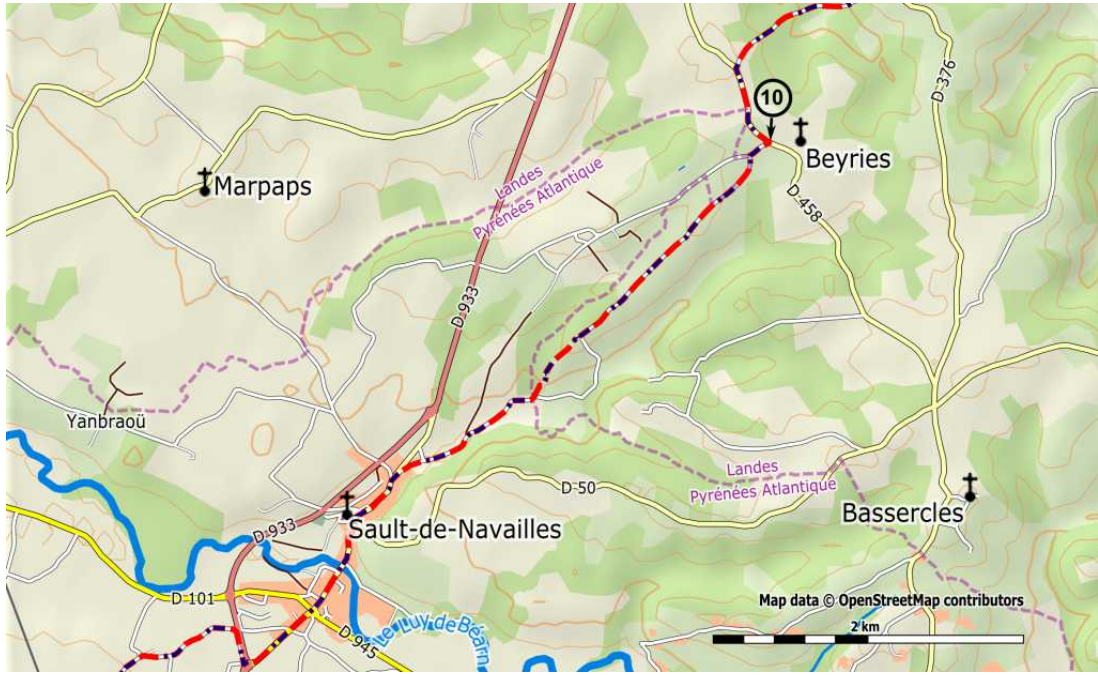
>>> Here you cross the border of the department. <<<

After 300 meter you enter Sault-de-Navailles.

Km 112.0 Sault-de-Navailles (🏠 🚧), department of Pyrénées-Atlantiques.

From Hagetmau (border Landes and Pyrénées Atlantique) the route is poorly marked with shells. The GR-route (white/red) however, is indicated excellent here. This follows exactly the Pilgrims way into Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port.

To pass on your remarks etc., see
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6 Sault-de-Navailles > Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port

6.1 Sault-de-Navailles > Orthez: 12,7 km

- Km 0.0 Church of Sault-de-Navailles. [1a] Follow the D933 until the crossing with the D945.
- Km 0.7 Take the D933 direction Orthez and follow it 400 meters, until the roundabout with the ringroad around Sault. Here head direction West: the access to the industrial area, and immediately turn right, into the road parallel to the ringroad. Follow it for 400 meters. Then turn left (direction SW), into an asphalt road. Follow this until a junction and then turn left (left of a house on the corner). After about 100 meters: turn left again, via a small (asphalt) road (direction SW).
- Km 2.8 After 300 meters it crosses another (asphalt) road. Continue straight on, via a dirt road. Keep following this straight on. After more than 600 meters the path enters a forest and crosses a stream (small bridge). After that it arrives at a small, nice road, in open terrain. This road is flat at first, and then goes up, through a small forest
- Km 4.6 << *Near a small group of houses you can follow a variant. See box>>*
- Km 5.2 Arrive at a small road. Turn left, towards a crossing with a crucifix, behind the castle of Sallespisse.
- Km 5.4 Near the crucifix: turn right, walk past the new cemetery, and then through a 'new' neighborhood. Continue straight on, via a small asphalt road, along the side of a hill, first direction W but soon after turning to the SW (ignore paths to the left and right).
- Km 8.2 After about 2.5 km [1b] the small road goes through a small forest. (The part through the forest is not asphalted, then it's paved again). Leave the technical lyceum to the left. Arriving at the «suburb» of Orthez (about 5 km from Sallespisse), via Rue de la Trinité (remains of a hospital).
Arrive in Orthez (🏠🍴🗺️🚶🚰🚶), near the Tour Moncade (tower) and then continue along Rue Moncade to Pont Vieux. [2]
<< *See small city map on the next page* >>

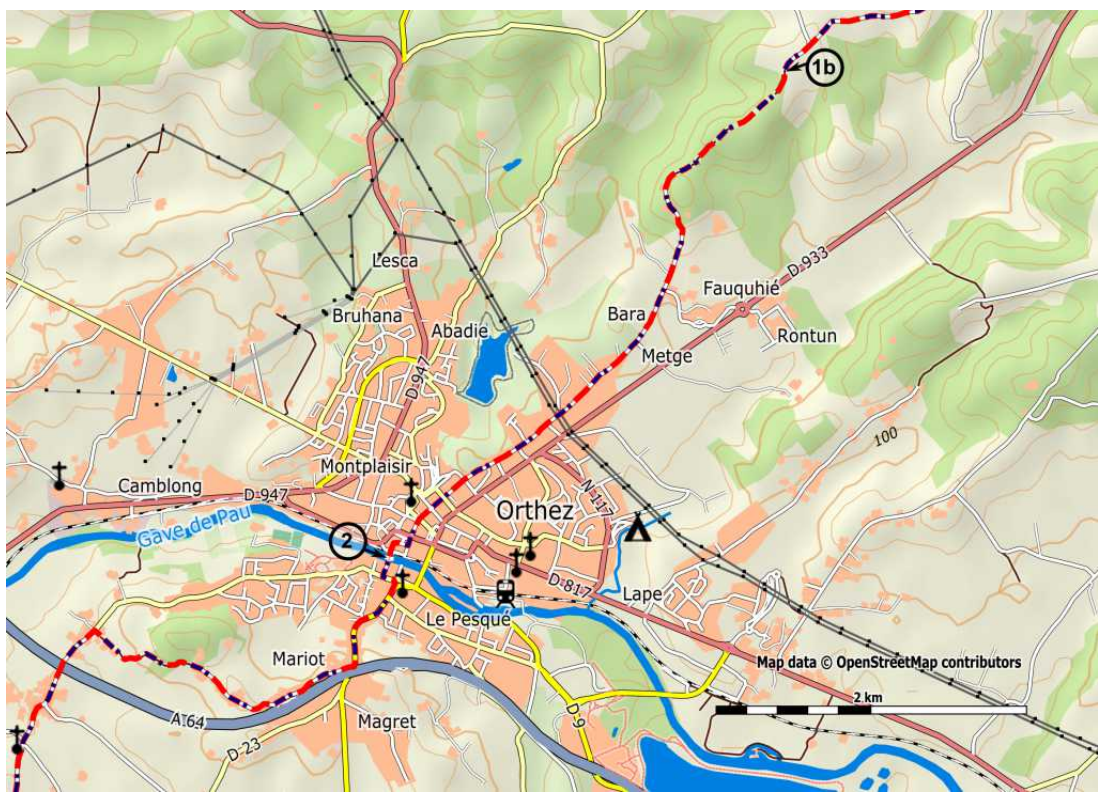
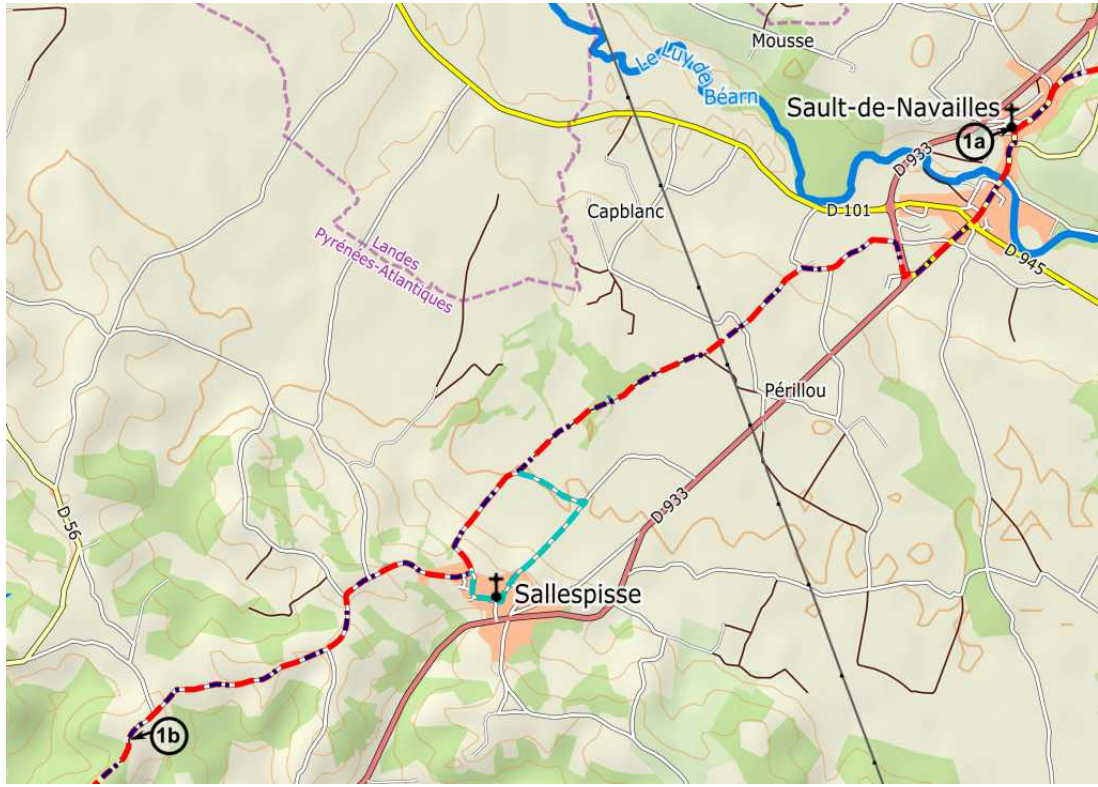
Variant via the centre of the village of Sallespisse and along the castle.

Km 4.6 On a small asphalt road near some houses: turn left.

Km 5.1 Arrive on a small (asphalt) road. Turn right, up, to the center of the village.

Km 5.9 Pass the entrance to the castle, and walk around the castle and the cemetery.

Km 6.3 At the crucifix: turn left. This is point Km 5.4 of the main route.



6.2 Orthez > Sauveterre-de-Béarn: 22,8 km

Km 12.7. Cross the Pont Vieux. [2]

You arrive on the left bank of the Gave de Pau, in the neighborhood «Départ». At the end of the Rue du Pont Vieux: turn left, direction E/SE, towards Sauveterre.

Km 13.7 After 1 km (before the motorway): turn right, into a small asphalt road and follow it for 1.2 km and then continue via an unpaved forest road.

Km 15.7 Arrive on the asphalt road which connects Orthez and Sauveterre. Here turn left. After 1 km cross the highway and then arrive in Sainte Suzanne.

Km 16.2 Cross the village, past the church (*with a window on which Saint James is represented*) and follow the small asphalt road, direction SW, to Lanneplaa, at 2 km.

Km 18.4 At the crossing before the entrance of Lanneplaa: turn left.

After 500 meters you reach a junction near a road cross and a former Protestant cemetery: here turn (slightly) right, into the Chemin de Saint-Jacques and follow this for 200 meters.

Km 18.9 Then turn right into Chemin Lacabanne (a small asphalt road).

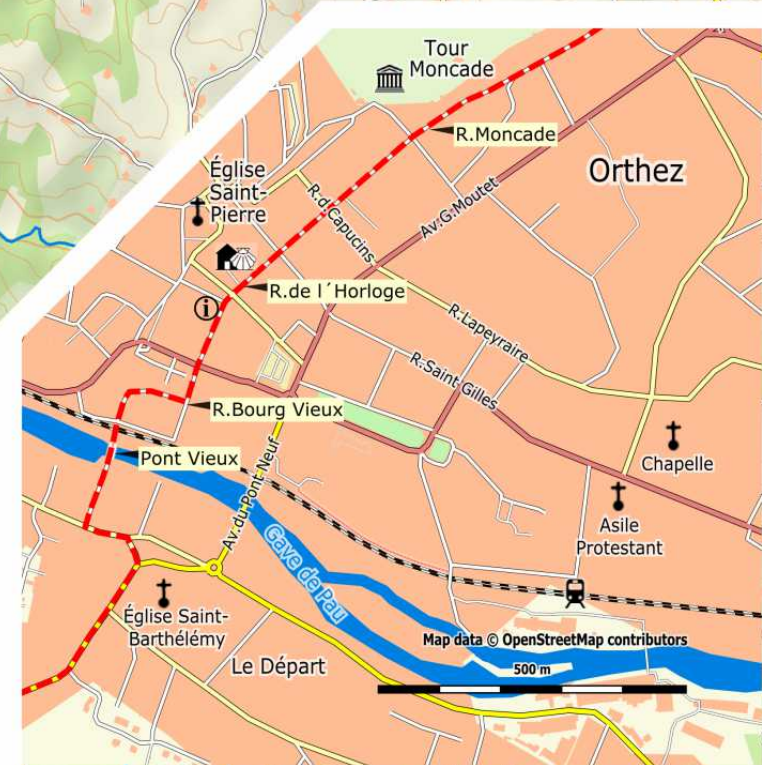
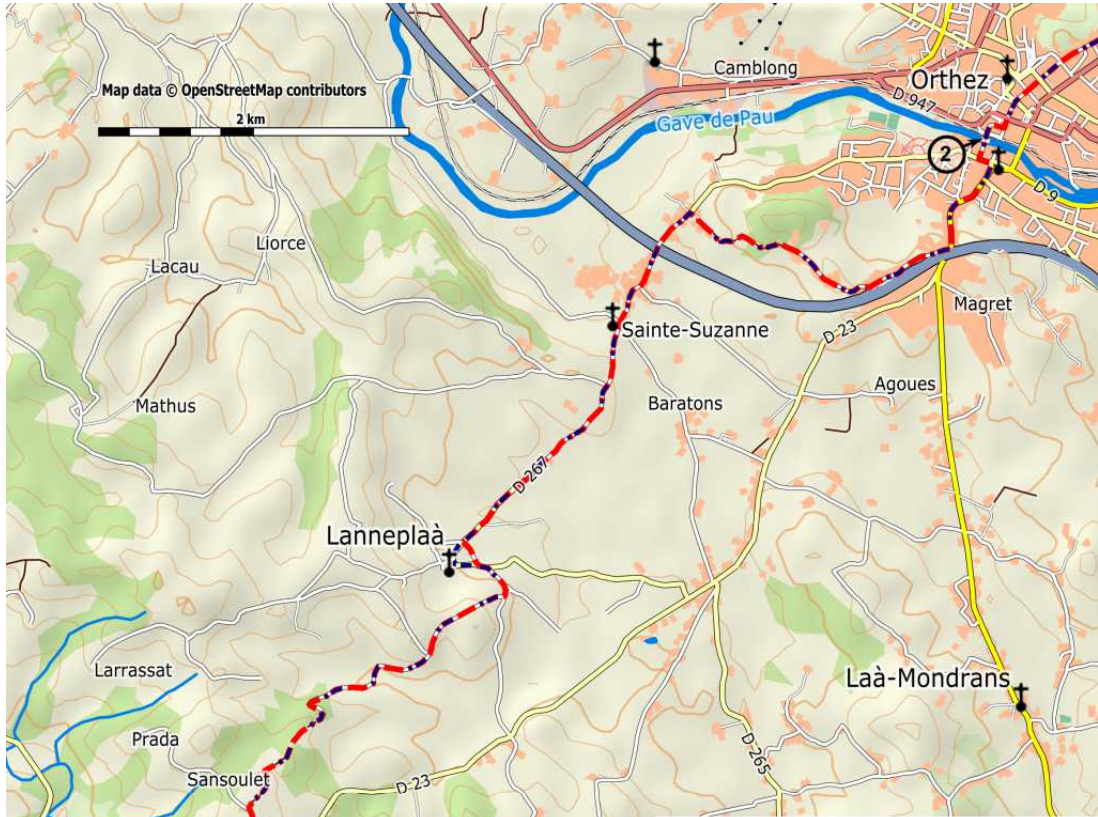
After 600 meters: continue straight on, descending, direction S/SE, to the farm of Camdeborde and then continue to the house Lacabanne. (Along the way you pass the stream Les Moulins).

Km 20.7 Walk past the house and continue via a dirt road. At the end of it: pass a wooden barrier. Continue along the fence of the field.

After 500 meters: you reach a second wooden barrier. Turn left here, direction S, to the house Trescoigt. After 100 meters:

Km 21.8 Cross the D23 (Orthez - Sauveterre). After another 100 meters, take the road to the right, direction S / SE, descending, to L'Hôpital-d'Orion, at 1 km.

Km 23.3 Cross the bridge over Le Saleix. [3a]



Km 23.3 Bridge over Le Saleix. [3a] After 100 meters: turn left, into a small (asphalt) road and follow it for 150 meters. Then turn right, on to a small road that is first asphalted, then dirt, and then asphalted again. After 1 km: arrive on the D266, then on the D30.

Km 25.1 Follow the D30 to the left, for 200 meters, and then near a small sawmill in the hamlet of Morlane turn right, on to a dirt road, direction S/SW, on the right side of a hedge.

Descend to the stream Hourcabe and cross it via a stone bridge. Then walk up again on the left side of the pasture and continue. After 1 km: arrive on a small asphalt road. (*The center of the village Orion is at 1 km away, to the left*).

Km 26.4 Cross it and take, straight on, the small (unpaved) road, which descends to the abandoned farm Lambezat. Continue through the meadow and cross the stream Lasgoubère via an old bridge.

Continue via the small road opposite, up.

At a crossing: take the dirt road that goes up to the left. At the top the small road turns to the right, to arrive on the D23.

Km 28.4 Follow the D23 to the right and after 400 meters take the small (asphalt) road (direction S / SW) [3b] that descends to Andrein, at about 2 km. The town hall is at the crossing with the D27. Here you can get tap water. Cross the D27 and take the small (asphalt) road opposite, that slightly descends to the Romanesque church on the bank of the Gave d'Oloron.

Km 31.8 Arrive again on the D27. Follow it for 1.5 km, direction W, to the Romanesque chapel of Sunarthe. Just before it: turn left, on to a small (unpaved) road that winds through the fields, to the right bank of the Gave d'Oloron. Follow this bank to the right, toward the walls of Sauveterre (🏰).

6.3 Sauveterre-de-Béarn > Ostabat: 26.3 km

Km 35.5 Depart from the church Saint André: descend the stairs to the shore of the Gave d'Oloron, at the foot of the Tour Monreal, and follow the small road to the right, along the Gave, to the "Pont Vieux" (Old Bridge).

Cross the Gave via the modern bridge. Walk, up, along the D933.

After 1 km: arrive at the crossing with the D936. Cross it and continue along the D 933 for 750 m, Saint Palais, to Gunarthe.

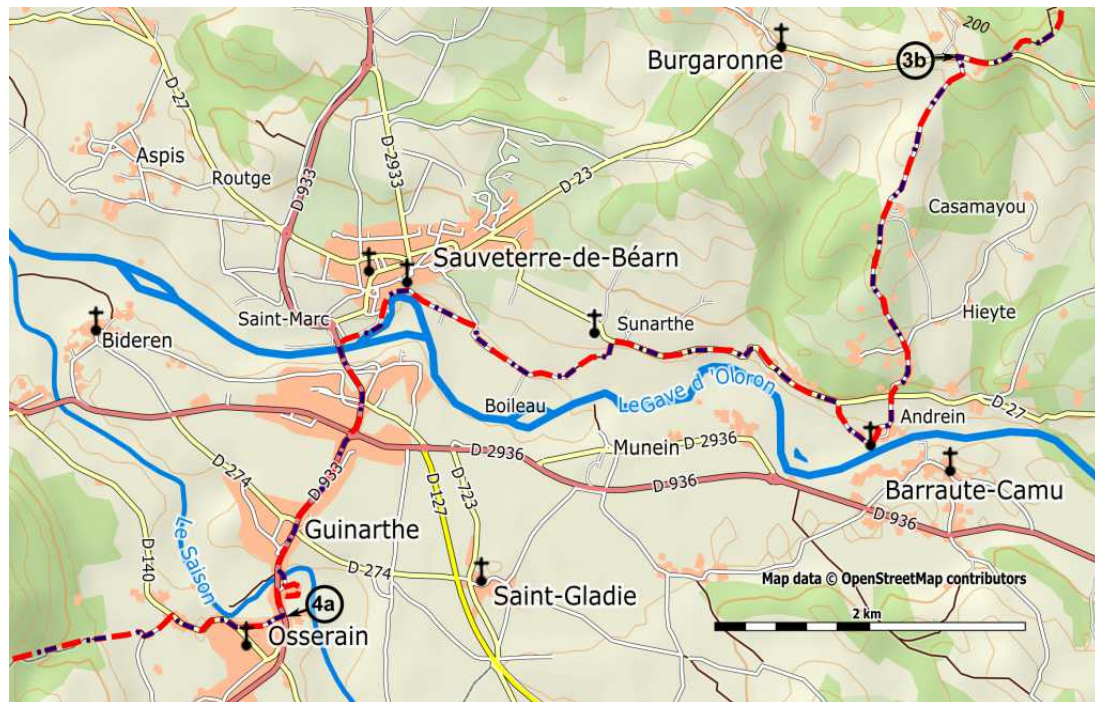
Cross this village and descend to the bridge over the Saison.

Just before the bridge: turn left and then cross the old bridge of Osserain. Immediately after the bridge: turn left, pass the Auberge du Priou, and then make a small tour through the former neighbourhood

of the old hospital (remains of a chapel).



Then arrive again on the D933, direction Saint Palais. Follow it for 200m.

Km 38.0 km At the crossing with a road cross: turn right [4a]



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Km 38.0 Crossing with road cross **[4a]**.

Cross the village of Osserain ( ) , cross the bridge over the Laurihesse, then walk slightly up to reach, after 500 meters, the 'quartier' (neighborhood) St Elix.

Take the asphalt road to the left, and after 200 meters take the small dirt road towards a forest.

Km 39.4 Arriving at a junction of three small roads: take the one most to the left, along a stream, and follow it for 250 meters. Then turn right, on to a grassy and sometimes muddy small road.

Continue through a forest, up, direction W/SW. You pass a junction with the boundary stone of Pausasac, that indicates the border between Béarn, Navarre and Soule.

Km 40.4 Arrive on a small asphalt road, which leads to the D134.

Km 42.5 Follow the D134 for 200 meters to the left and then, in the bend, take the small earthen road to the right, which descends gradually (direction SW) through fields. Past a grove this road is grassy. After 1 km it reaches the Copaenia farm.

Km 44.0 There, turn right, on to a small paved road to the right, which after 250 meters reaches a larger (asphalt) road, which descends to the left and after 600 meters reaches a junction, near the farm Errecaldia.


Km 44.8 There, turn right, on to a small (asphalt) road, direction W/NW, to the hamlet of Suhast. Continue 200 meters to a crossing with a cross, and then turn left (direction S), on to a small (asphalt) road and follow it for 600 meters.

Km 46.7 Turn right **[4b]** on to another small (asphalt) road, which passes the house Jauberria and, after 700 meters, reaches the D29.

Take the D29 to the left, for 50 meters, and then take the small asphalt road to the right, which, after 100 meters, reaches a former railroad.

Km 47.7 Follow it to the left and continue straight on. Cross La Bidouze via a metal bridge.

Km 49.3 Arriving at a junction where the railway track is shut off by large blocks. Here, take the dirt road to the left, past the old house Lamerens, to the D29, after 200 meters.

Follow the D29 400 meters to the right, and then bend slightly to the left, on to Rue de la Bidouze, to reach, after 500 meters, Place des Allées, in the center of Saint-Palais ( near the town exit), opposite the town hall and the Musée de Basse Navarre et des Chemins de Saint Jacques.

>>> *From this point on the route is identical to the pilgrim's road from Tours.* <<<

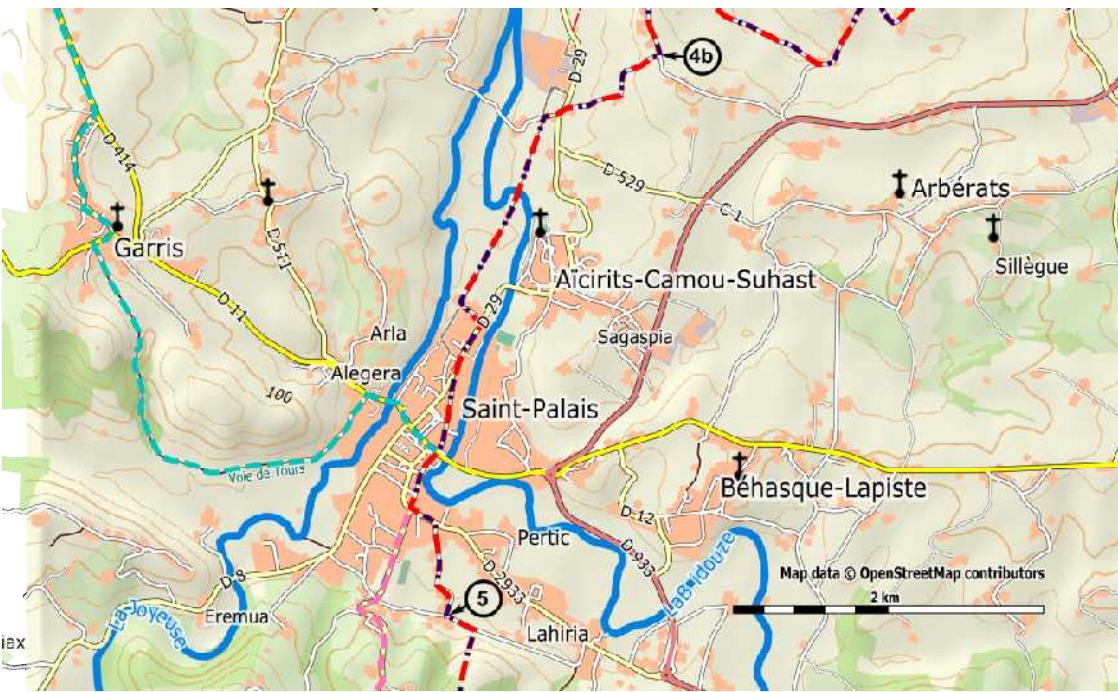
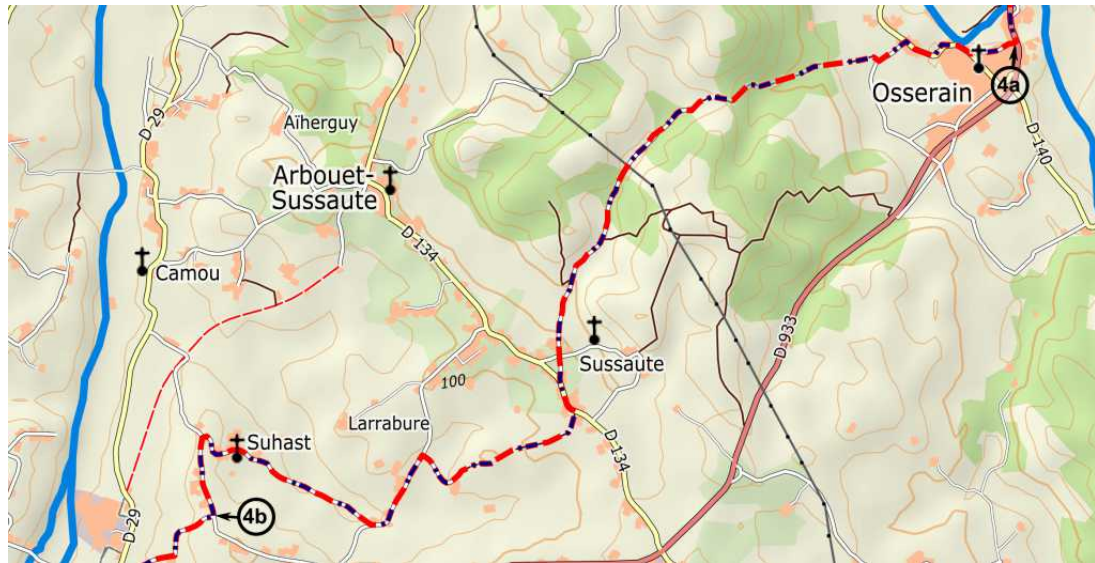
Km 49.7 Opposite Place des Allées: continue via Rue du Palais de Justice, fringed by old buildings.

Km 50.1 Junction with the D933. Here is a (former) Franciscan monastery

(today a pilgrims'gîte). (From this point on a shorter route is available to the 'Stèle de Gibraltar'. See box next page.)

Turn left onto Avenue de Navarre, Sauveterre direction. After 200m turn right into the Rue de Mont Saint-Sauveur.

Km 51.0 At the T-junction turn left. [5]



51.0 km T-junction [5]. After 200 meters turn right on a rising concrete pad (with explanation about trees). Climb up into the woods and go left at a double fence. Stay on the ridge along the forest track and arrive at the top (268 m) (*panorama, and statues of Christian Lapie 'the reflection of the sky'*). Descend (southwest) by a path along the meadow, between two fences to reach the small road. Turn right and reach a crossroads.

Km 54.5 Turn left onto the 'Stèle de Gibraltar', in the hamlet Hiriburria.

At this crossing, the three great pilgrimage routes named by Aimery Picaud in the 12th century come together. These roads continue via Roncevaux to Santiago: the way of Tours, the way of Vézelay and the way of Le Puy. The 'stèle the Gibraltar' marks the coming together of these three roads.

>>> *Please note that the sequel is described very succinctly. You then follow the GR65 which is particularly well marked (red/white and yellow shells).*

After the stèle: keep following the small road until you are back on the D302 (soon).

Km 54.8 From the crossing with the D302: continue straight on, via the dirt road (GR65), up, to the chapel of Soyharce, direction S/SW.

Km 56.9 After the chapel: descend via a small dirt road, about 1 km. After a disc-shaped stone: turn right, to the hamlet of

Km 58.4 Harambeltz. Continue along the GR65 via a path through the forest of Ostabat, which arrives at a small (asphalt) road to the village to Ostabat (🏠🚗🚲🚶), 3 km from Harambeltz (this part generally follows direction SW).

6.4 Ostabat > Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port: 22,5 km

Km 61.8 Leave Ostabat via the D508, which you leave shortly afterwards via a small (asphalt) road to the right, direction SW. (After 300 meters you cross another small (asphalt) road which leads, to the Château de Laxague, on the right). Continue heading SW. The small road gets narrower (and unpaved), and -after 2 km, near a group of houses- arrives at a small (asphalt) road.

Continue, for 250 meters, and then turn left, to the D933.

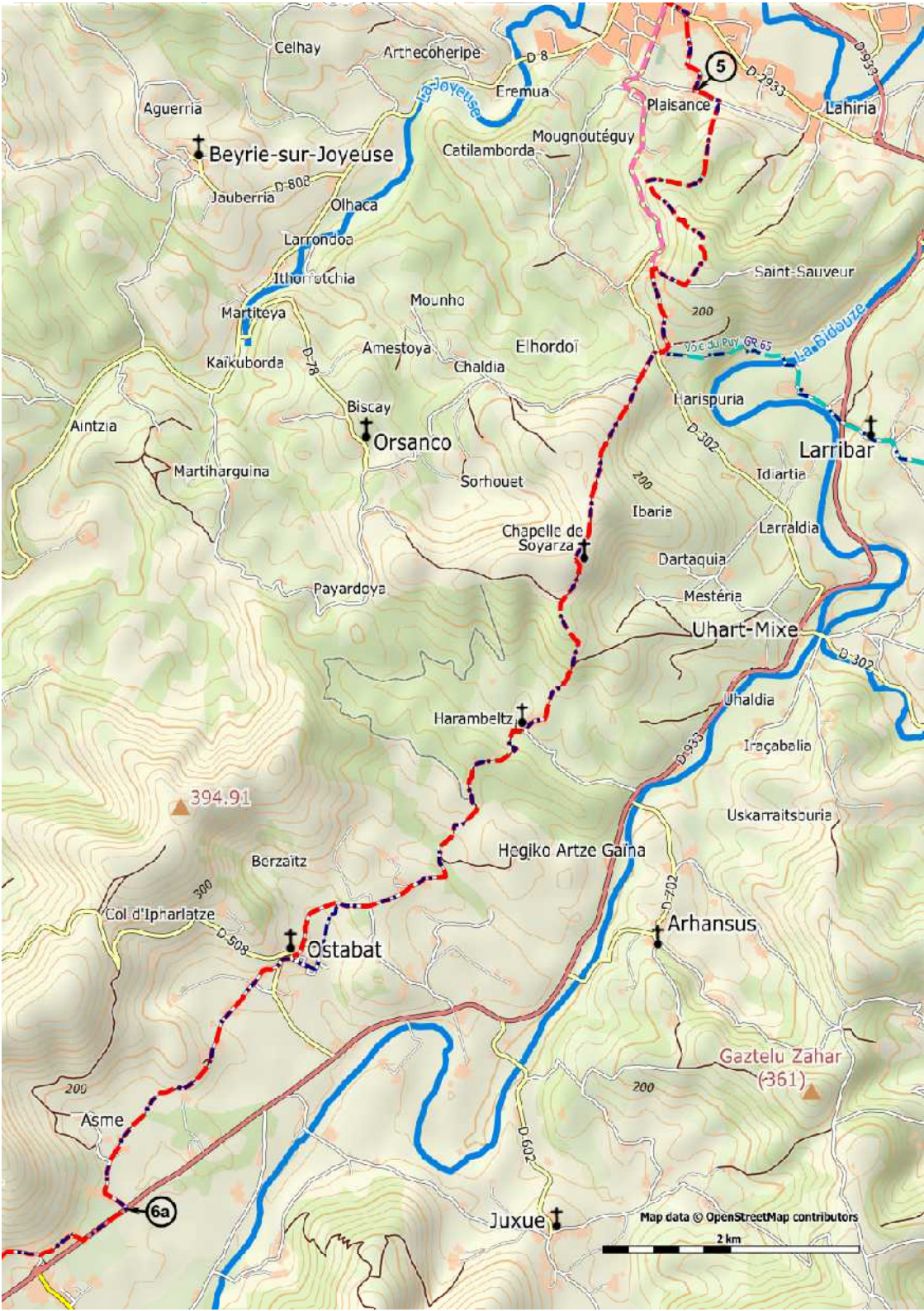
Km 64.6 Turn right onto the D933. [6a]

Shorter route to the 'stèle de Gibraltar'. (Attention: dangerous road. Keep on the roadside and follow the outside bends if possible.).

50.1 km Continue straight on via the D302, direction 'Gibraltar', up.

51.2 km Crossing: straight up (the road makes a big curve to the left).

52.8 km Take the shortcut to the left (Rue de la Stèle, in a bend of the D302 that turns right). This leads to a crossing (first up, then down). After 600m you reach the 'stèle de Gibraltar'.



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Km 63.3 D933 [6a].

Follow this for 500 meters, then turn right into a small (asphalt) road (just before the Gendarmerie). Shortly after: turn left.

Km 64.1 On T-junction: turn right. (*The center of Larceveau is to the left*). [After 1km ↙ ¶].

The small road shortly after turns to the left and continues -partly paved, partly not- parallel to the D933, for about 2 km.

Km 66.8 The small road bends to the left, and continues -a bit further- above (just) and along the D933. Pass the former priory of Utxiat (the mill was restored recently).

After 100 meters you arrive -via a bend to the right- on a path above and along the D933.

Km 69.3 Arrive on the D933, near the watershed of Gatzetaburu, with a beautiful stone cross from the 18th century. Cross the D933 and take the asphalt road (D522) to the left, which brings you to Gamarthe.

Km 70.4 Continue straight on, again to the D933, near the hamlet of Mongelos. Follow the D933 to the left, for 200 meters. Then turn left, on to a small (asphalt) road, direction SE. Follow this for 600 meters.

Km 72.2 Then turn right [6b], direction SW, via another small (asphalt) road, descending.

Km 73.4 Turn left, direction S (before the road turns to the D933 and to Lacarre), via a small (asphalt) road. The small road goes up, along the side of the hill, and then bends to the right, direction SW. Follow this small road for about 1 km.

Km 74.6 Before you reach the D933: turn sharply left, on to a small (asphalt) road, up, to a small pass.

Km 75.5 At the top.

>>> *Here the Chemin de Piémont (GR79), from St Just-Ibarre, joins the GR65.*

Continue, descending, straight on.

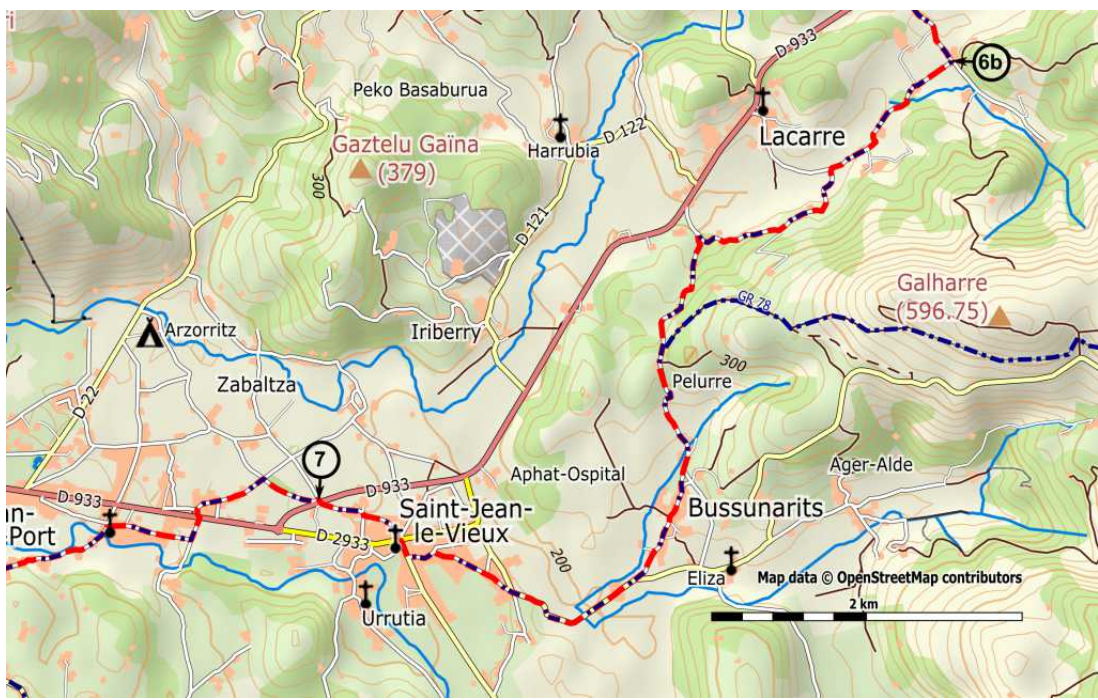
Km 76.7 In the village of Bussunarits: keep following the small road.

After 200 meters, on the D120: turn diagonally to the right, pass the castle Apat and arrive on a crossing.

Here continue straight on (leaving the D120), between some houses, to Saint-Jean-le-Vieux (↙ ▲).

Km 78.9 Cross the D 933 and, at the end of the square, turn left, on to a small (asphalt) road, direction W. (↙ ¶ in *Bustince/Iriberry*)

Km 79.7 Pass under the ring road around Saint-Jean-le-Vieux. [7]









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Km 81.0 Pass under the ring road [7]. Immediately turn left and, at the next crossing, turn left again to arrive on the D933.

Follow it to the right and, soon after, turn left on to a small asphalt road.

After 100 meters: turn right, on to another small asphalt road, to the small church of Sainte Marie-Madeleine (Mary Magdalene).

Km 82.7 Then turn left, pass the stream Laurhibar, then -after 1km- arrive at the D401.

Cross it and continue, up, past the entrance to the citadelle, then enter Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port (     ) through the

Km 84.3 Porte Saint Jacques (the gate of Saint James). About 100 meters further you find the pilgrims office, to the right.

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Route via Bergerac

3.4a - Périgueux > Les Trois Frères: 27,5 km

Km 59.5 Périgueux. With your back towards the Cathedral [1], turn right and descend the stairs of Rue de Tourville. Cross the boulevard Saumade, turn right and descend to the quays. Follow the Voie Verte Berges de l'Isle. Pass under the bridge Saint Georges, continue straight on via Rue Nouvelle des Quais. Cross the river at the small bridge Japhet and continue along the road with the same name.

After 100m bear right on to Chemin de La Fontaine des Malades.

Km 60.5 Follow the roundabout near the railway bridge on the right side and continue straight on via Chemin de la Maladrerie, beside a former pilgrims' hospital. Turn right and continue along the river. Near a small ferry (at a former ford), follow the asphalt road to the left.

Km 62.5 km Near a transformer, turn left on to a path through the forest. Keep climbing on the rightmost path. Back on asphalt, continue straight on. Turn right on to a dirt road and then follow a path through the forest around the Chateau de Beaufort. After 1 km through forest and undergrowth, turn right onto the D113, up.

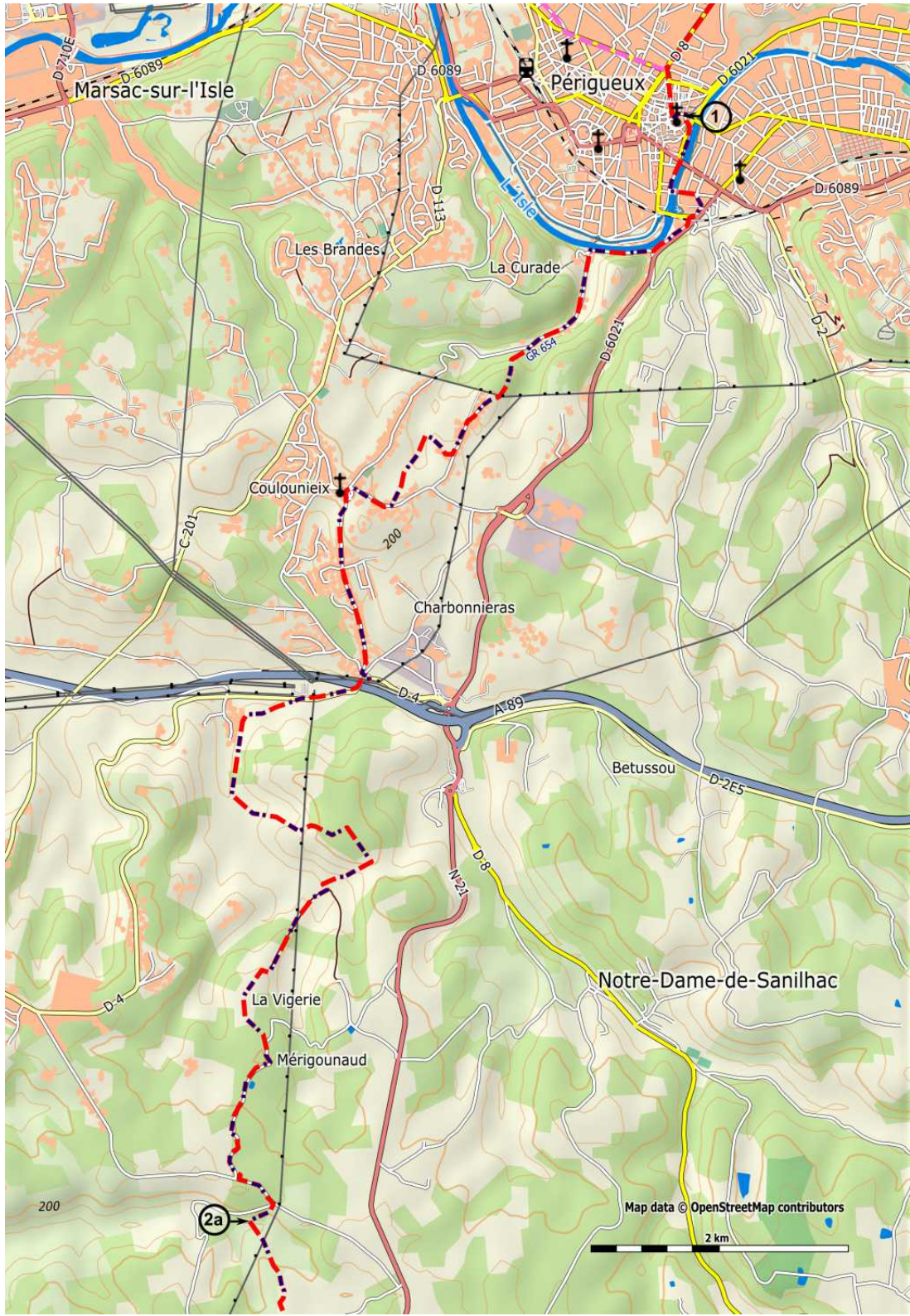
Km 65.0 Coulounieix. (🚶) Before the church, follow the roundabout on the left side (bar, bakery). Turn left on to Rue des Eglantiers and descend. After 1.5 km, cross the highway and continue beside a power plant. Immediately after, turn left, on to a half-paved road, up, at first parallel to the road you just left.

Km 67.0 km At a hamlet, turn left on to a half paved road, which turns into a paved road.

After 700 meters turn left on to a dirt road. You climb to a forest clearing.

Km 69.5 T-junction. Turn right, pass an estate. Go a quarter turn to the right, on to a grassy path which becomes stony afterwards and runs along a forest. Descend to a beautiful valley. At a crossing, turn right, direction

Km 71.5 La Vigerie. Cross the hamlet via an asphalt road and arrive at the hamlet of Mérigounaud. The road becomes a wide half-paved path, which you follow for 1.3 km, to arrive at an asphalt road. Turn left and then right at a junction, on to a deep grassy path on the left side of the asphalt road. Descend and at a junction turn sharply to the left. The path has become narrow and runs through dense undergrowth of brambles amongst others [2a].



Marsac-sur-l'Isle

Périgueux

Les Brandes

La Curade

Coulounieix

Charbonnières

Betussou

Notre-Dame-de-Sanilhac

La Vigerie

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Km 73.9 Turn sharply left **[2a]** to climb to the hamlet of Biternat. Cross the hamlet, turn right at the crossing and continue straight on at the next crossing.

Km 75.5 Chalagnac.

Pass the church on the left and then go left and right, between the houses. The path descends and follows a valley with undergrowth. Near a house, the path becomes a dirt road. Turn left at the crossing of La Rancie and then immediately right, up, through the forest. After 1.7 km turn right, on to a road.

Km 79.0 Cross the road and continue straight via the asphalt road for 1.3 km and cross the road from Les Bourboux/les Clèdes.

Cross a plateau and the walk through a forest. The road descends to the D43. Cross the D43 and continue, to arrive at the village of:

Km 82.5 Grun (🏠)

Turn right in the village, climb 150 meters and turn left on to a path through undergrowth. Turn to the right at a road and continue straight on at a crossing.

Descend along the tarmac road, at the bottom take the dirt road to the left **[2b]**, through a forest, to arrive at a

Km 85.3 Plantation of fruit trees. Continue along the lake and on the corner turn right on to a long straight road that crosses the entire plantation/fields.

After passing another lake, the road curves to the left and then to the right.

Pass an abandoned building on the right, the path arrives at a road near a transmitter.

Turn left and then left again, on to the D42.

Km 87.0 km Les Trois Frères. Camping Orphéo Négro (🏠 ▲ 🚰).

3.5a - Les Trois Frères > Bergerac: 30,3 km

Km 87.0 Les Trois Frères.

Rejoin the D42, direction Villamblard.

After 1 km, turn left on to the half paved road DFCI (*'Défense des Forêts Contre l'Incendie' - access road in case of fire*).

After 400 meters turn left, direction l'Abbayot. **[3]**



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Km 87.3 Direction l'Abbayot [3]. At the end of the hamlet, turn right and take the half-paved road to a

Km 90.0 Crossing. Continue straight ahead on the asphalt road until the end of the village:

Km 92.0 Douville. At the crossing with the D39, turn left. At the next crossing turn right, direction:

Km 94.1 Pont Saint Mamet (← ⓘ ↘).

Follow the paved road (D38) which crosses the village. At a crossing, turn right on to the road to Montagnac La Crempse.

After 400 meters, turn left on to a half-paved road, up.

Cross the hamlet of La Devinie and continue along the half-paved road to the hamlet of Le Pinier.

At the T-junction, take the road to the right, down towards a tarmac road.

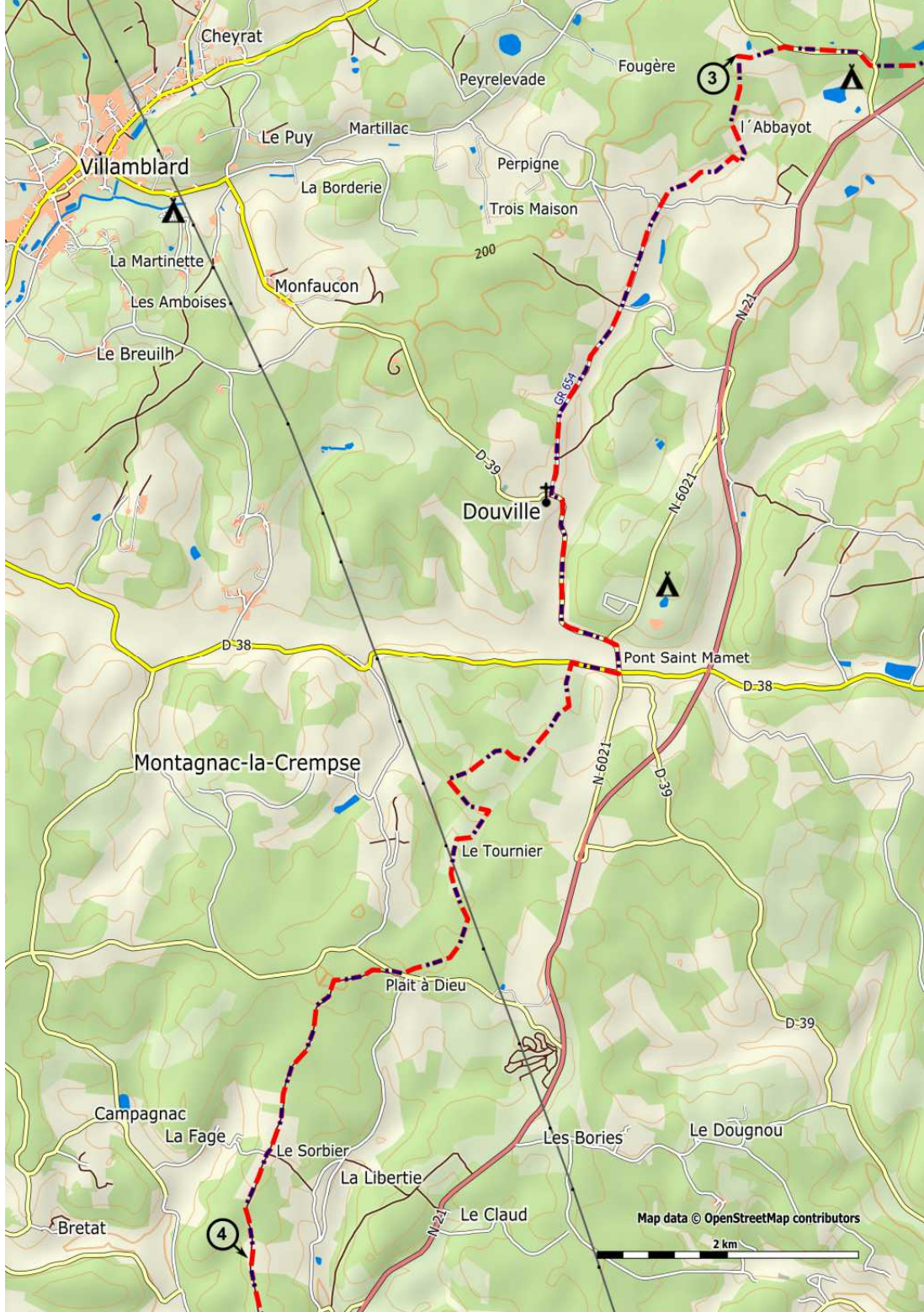
Turn left and after 400 meters turn right, up, direction

Km 97.0 Le Tournier.

Keep following the road and arrive at the hamlet of Plait à Dieu, keep following the road, then turn right on an asphalt road and after 50 meters turn to the left (DFCI) and arrive at the hamlet of:

Km 100.4 Le Sorbier.

At the crossing: continue straight on. At the hamlet of Le Mas de la Pin [4]: straight on again.



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Peyrelevalde

Fougère

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l'Abbayot

Villablard

Le Puy

Martillac

Perpigne

La Borderie

Trois Maison

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La Martinette

Monfaucon

Les Amboises

Le Breuilh

Douville

Pont Saint Mamet

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

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Km 101.2 Le Mas de la Pin [4]: continue straight on. Then leave the paved road, to descend, to the right via a grassy path towards

Km 102.6 Campsegret ( .

Turn right at the church and then turn left at the first crossing. Walk along the lake of Beau Soleil and at the crossing go straight on. After 200 meters, near allotments, turn left on to a grassy path. Cross a road, then resume the path, that climbs towards Parouty.

Pass between two barns, keeping to the left, and arrive at a small road. Turn right and cross the hamlet, up. At a crossing, turn left into an asphalt road that descends to the village of:

Km 106.3 Queyssac.

Continue walking, between the church and the market hall, and follow the road passing the cemetery on the left, out of the village.

After climbing 800 meters there is a second cemetery on the right. After 100 meters, turn left onto the asphalt road Chemin de la Ribeyrie.

After 700 meters, at a crossing, turn right on the asphalt road Chemin des Greloux.

After another 700m, just before a curve to the left (the road ends soon after), turn sharply right, on to a forest path.

You arrive at vineyards. Follow the grassy path, a forest to the left and the vines to the right.

Before the path curves to the right, take the second forest path to the left and descend through the forest.

You arrive again at vineyards. Go right, through the vineyards. At the small road of the castle of Le Renaudie (crucifix) you descend to the left, towards the N21. Follow this by the roadside in order to arrive at the village of

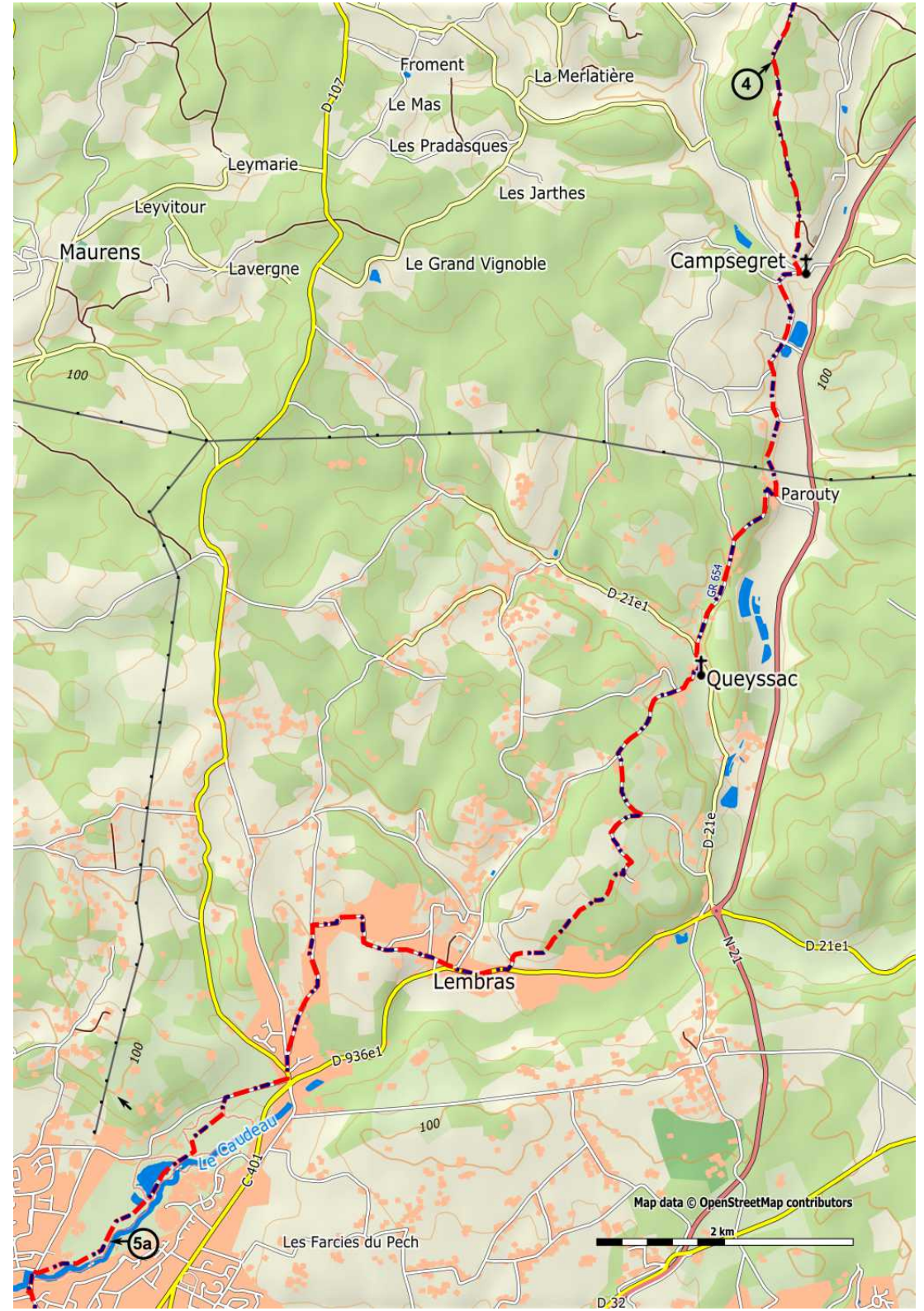
Km 110.3 Lembras ( .

Pass in front of the stadium and climb towards the town hall (Mairie). At the junction, turn left and follow this road until the end.

Then turn left and descend to the roundabout of Pombonne.

Before the roundabout, turn right and arrive in the

Km 113.5 city park. Turn left and follow the road that winds through the park. After 1500 meters [5a].



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Km 115.0 Park [5a]. After 500 meters: turn on to "Route de Brunetière", turn left and then take Rue Montesquieu and Rue Saint Martin. Walk along the Gambetta square and at the end turn left.

Km 117.0 Bergerac (🏰🏰🚶🚲) Church of Notre Dame.

Opposite the church, continue along the Grand Rue (pedestrian area) for 300 meters and arrive at the Church of Saint James (Saint Jacques).

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Km 117.3 Bergerac.

From the Church of Saint James, leave the square of Pélissière, to arrive at the Dordogne river. Then continue in the direction of the old bridge.

Cross it and turn right between houses on to Rue Barbacanne. Then follow the quay of la Pelouse, and Rue J.J. Rousseau.

Walk along the river to Rue J. Martheille. Turn left into that street.

Km 119.8 Roundabout. [5b]

Continue straight on, via Route de St Laurent des Vignes, which leads to a bypass. Cross the bypass (watch out, dangerous).

At the fountain of Gabanelle (former pilgrims' hospital), turn right.

After 200 meters and then turn right again.

Follow this road for 700 meters and at the junction continue straight on.

Near a house you bend to the left, on to the path that arrives at the road.

Km 123.3 Turn left, into the vineyards.

At a junction between the vineyards, turn left.

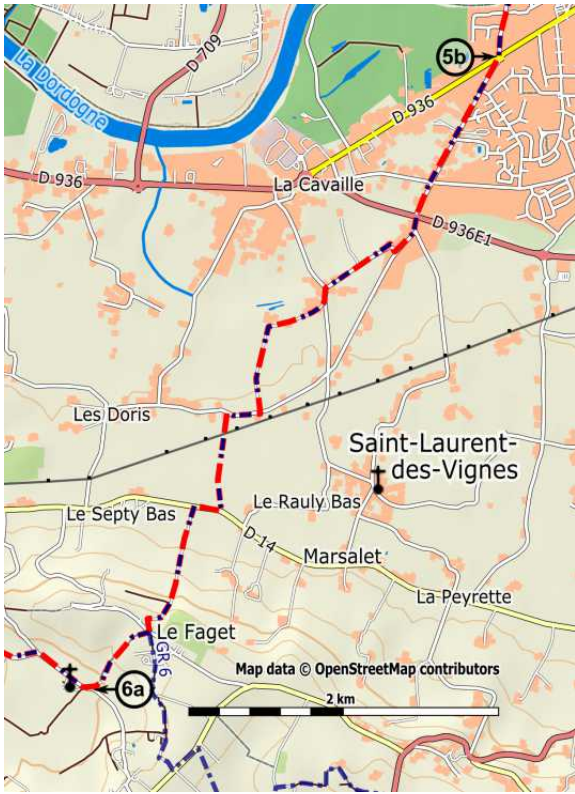
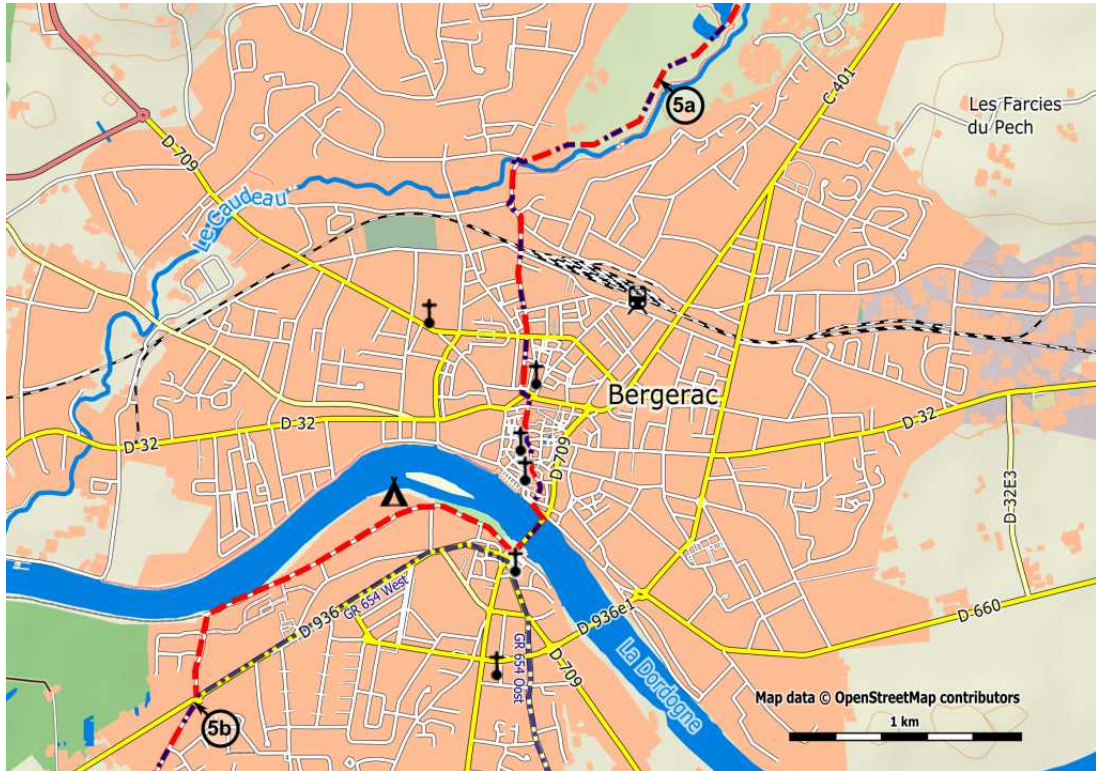
Continue again towards the D 14.

Cross this road, and follow it to the right for 100 meters, along vineyards, then turn left towards the castle of

Km 125.0 Le Faget.

Cross the road and continue straight on, via the overgrown path that descends towards the chapel Saint Mayme. Pass in front of the chapel.

[6a]



Km 125.6 Along the chapel **[6a]** and keep following the road.

At the first crossing, turn left, and continue for 1 km. Then turn left, and after 150 meters turn right. Follow this road to arrive at the hamlet of Gamarde.

Cross the road and continue straight on, up. Pass in front of the house and keep following the road, up. At the top, turn right. At the corner of a vineyard, descend, and at the crossing, continue straight on, up, between the vineyards. Arrive at a road and turn right, direction:

Km 129.3 Malveyrin (*Community of Pomport*). [(⛔) in Pomport]

In this hamlet, turn left, then turn right at the crossing. Near the crucifix, go left, direction Larchère and continue along the hill (Tertre) of Larchère. The road turns into a path that descends and then follows a stream.

At the end of the path (muddy), turn left and cross the bridge. This road leads to the D15. **[6b]**

Turn right and after a few dozen meters turn left again, on to the path at the corner of a house.

Km 132.3 Follow this road for 600 meters and then turn right, on to a path that crosses a small stream and then climbs to reach a small road. Turn right direction:

Km 134.3 Gageac-Rouillac.

Continue straight on, pass in front of the castle and after 100 meters, turn left, continue between the houses and arrive at a path, that descends first and then climbs up to the village of

Km 136.3 Saussignac (🏠).

At the «Stop», turn left. Pass in front of the church and then turn right on to the first street. Follow this road for one kilometer. In a bend, continue straight on **[6c]** on to a road that descends first and then climbs towards a plateau, to arrive at a road which you follow to the right, to arrive at the village of

Km 140.0 Razac-de-Saussignac.

Cross the village, keep left at the crossing and arrive at the D18.

Turn right and after 300 meters, turn left. Before the hamlet of Petit Fonsalade, in a bend, turn to the right on to the road of Grand Fonsalade.

Pass in front of the farm (beware, unfriendly owners).

Km 143.3 Continue straight on. Turn right at a road and after 300 meters, turn left, passing in front of a house. **[7]**



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Km 144.2 Pass beside a house [7], then follow the path through the vineyards.

At the T junction, turn right, up, and then to the left, walking along a forest.

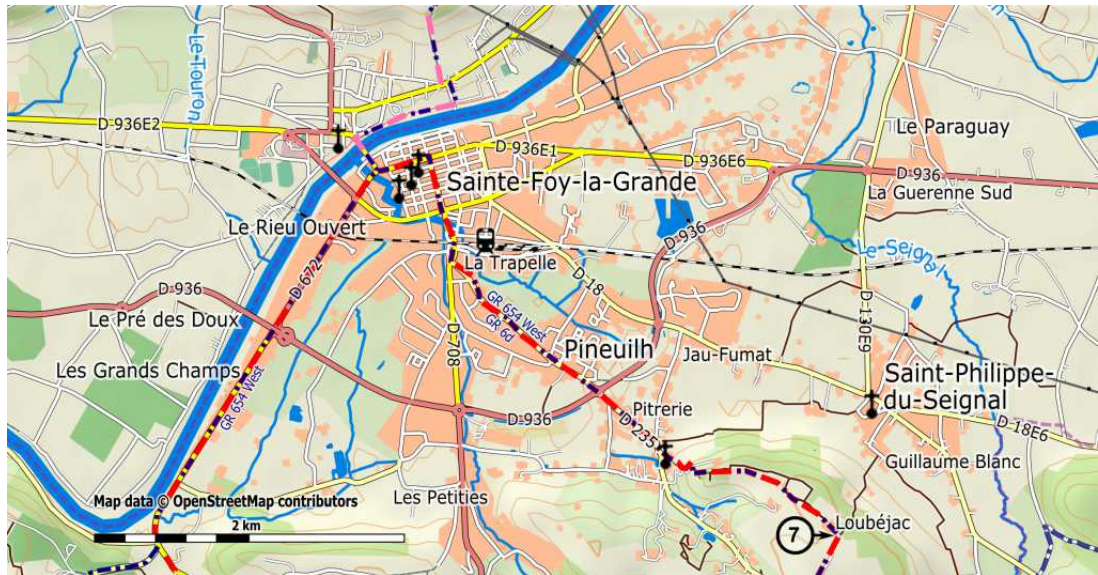
At the end of it you turn onto a small road that descends towards a crucifix. Get back on the road in the curve, descend again, to the church of

Km 145.3 Pineuilh.

Follow Rue de L'Eglise, go straight ahead at the roundabout, turn left opposite the bus stop.

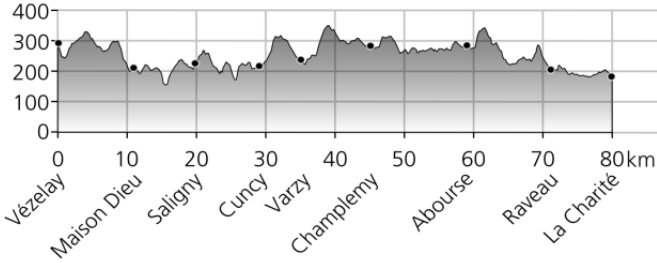
Km 148.3 Sainte-Foy-la-Grande (i)     church.
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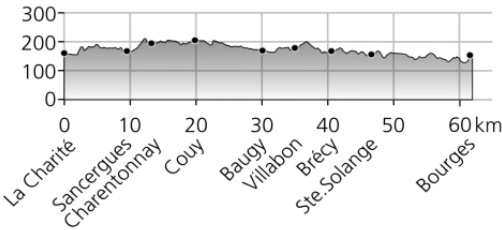


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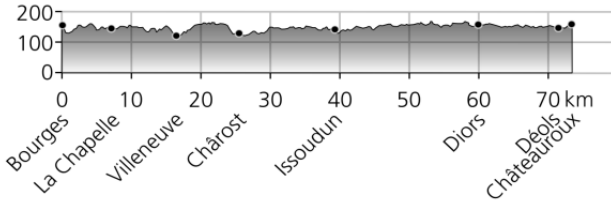
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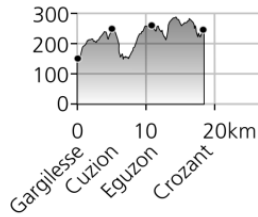
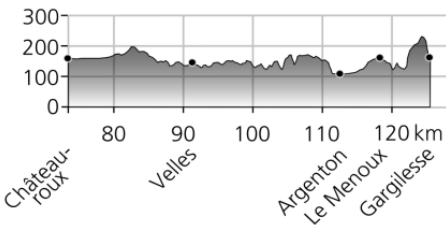


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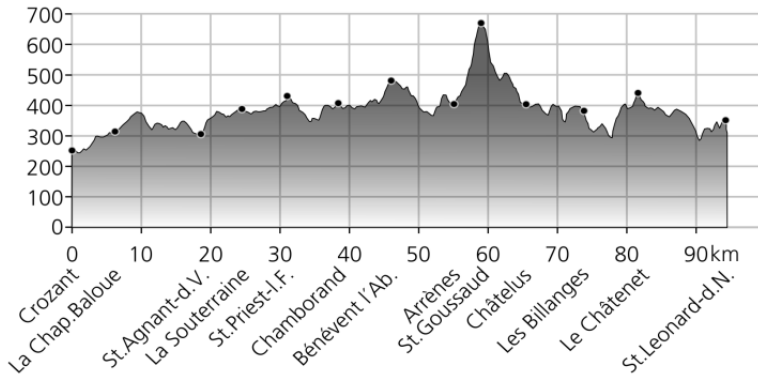


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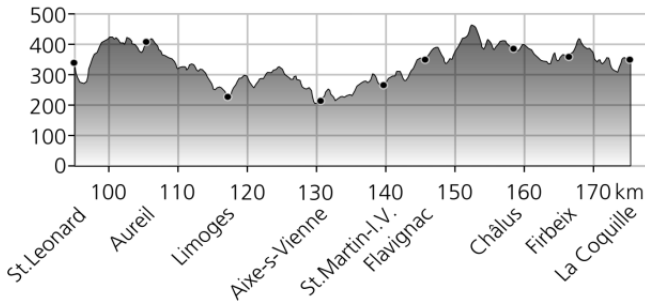
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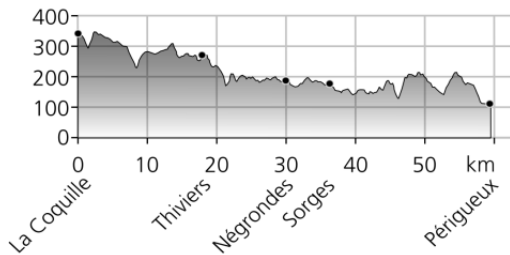
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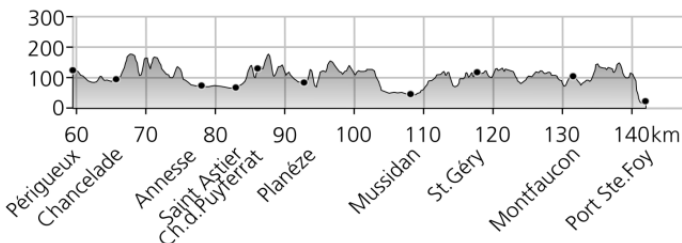
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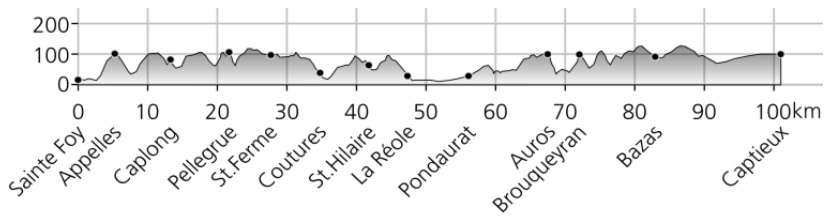
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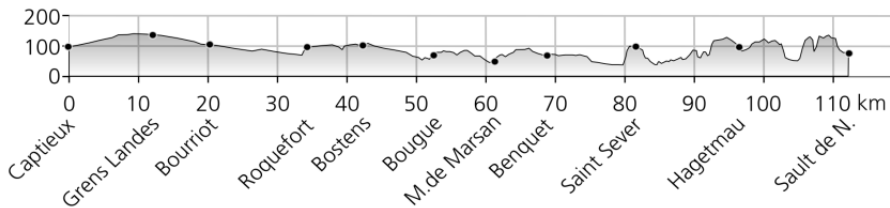
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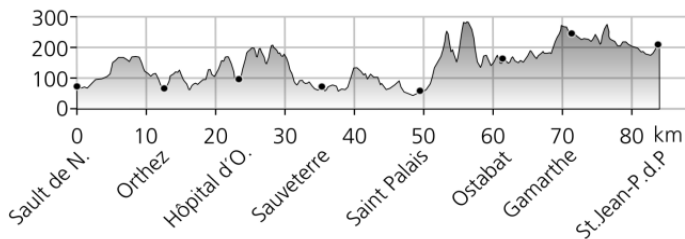
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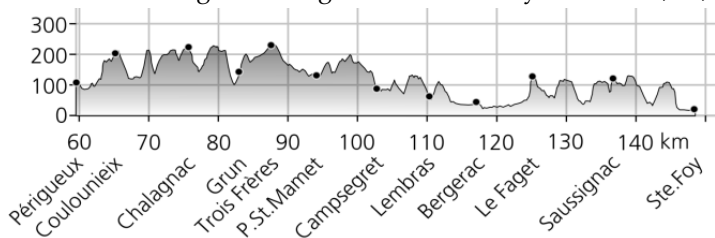
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