

Dargilan

Causses Gorges - Meyrueis



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*A plateau path through typical hamlets
and a magnificent section with views
onto the Jonte Gorge.*

Useful information

Practice : Hiking on foot

Duration : 2 h 45

Length : 9.7 km

Trek ascent : 223 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Loop

Themes : Water and geology

Trek

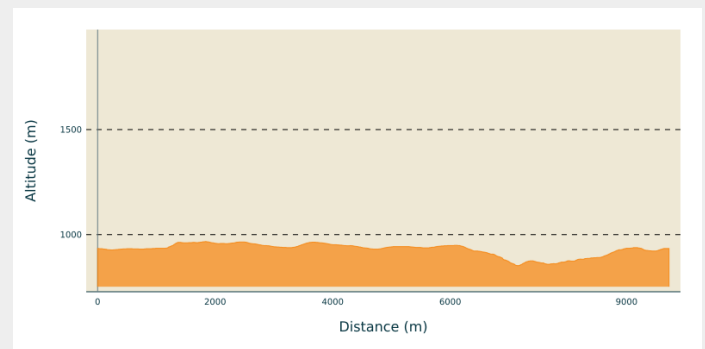
Departure : Sérigas (Causse Noir plateau)

Arrival : Sérigas (Causse Noir plateau)

Markings :  Yellow waymarks

Cities : 1. Meyrueis

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 852 m Max elevation 967 m

Take the road towards Dargilan for 500 m.

1) At the water reservoir, leave the road and take a track just below it, on the left. The track runs past the farm of Les Brousses.

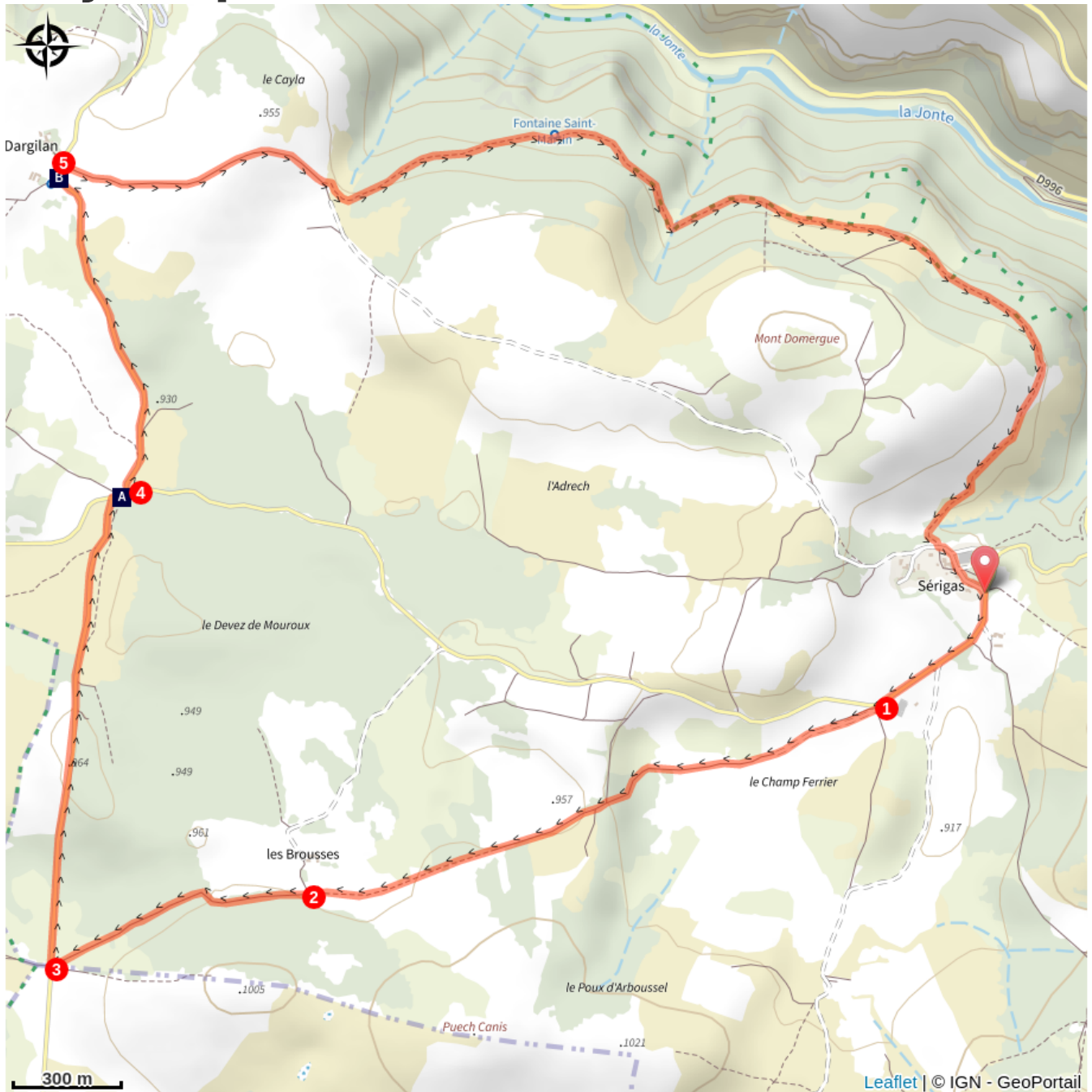
2) Ignore the left-hand track and continue straight ahead on the track that goes through pine plantations before coming out onto the D 47c road, the border between the Gard and Lozère departments.

3) Turn right onto the road and walk to the crossroads of the Croix des Trois Evêques (Three Bishops' Cross).

4) At the crossroads, continue straight ahead on the D139 towards Dargilan.

5) In the hamlet of Dargilan, take the track on the right for 800 m. At the bottom of the slope, leave the track and take a path on the left that runs along the ledge of the Causse Noir until Sérigas.

On your path...



▲ Three Bishops' Stone (A)

▲ Edouard-Alfred Martel (B)

All useful information

Advices

NB: On this walk, you will need to close several barriers behind you.
Make sure your equipment is appropriate for the day's weather conditions.
Remember that the weather changes quickly in the mountains. Take enough water, wear sturdy shoes and put on a hat.

How to come ?

Access

From Meyrueis, drive onto the Causse Noir via the D 39 towards Sérigas

Advised parking

Sérigas

Information desks

Tourism'house and national Parc at Florac

Place de l'ancienne gare, N106, 48400
Florac-trois-rivières

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Source

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On your path...



⚠ Three Bishops' Stone (A)

At the crossroads of the D39 and D139 is a standing stone topped by a stone cross. Today the monument symbolises the exact spot where three departments meet: Aveyron, Gard and Lozère. At the times the cross was erected, it indicated the limits of the dioceses of Vabres in the Aveyron, Nîmes in the Gard and Mende in the Lozère.

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⚠ Edouard-Alfred Martel (B)

The marvellous caves in this area were discovered thanks to the efforts of one man, Edouard-Alfred Martel. This caving pioneer notably discovered Dargilan Cave and the Abîme de Bramabiau in 1888, as well as Aven Armand cave in 1897. He fought to make them better known through articles and conferences. According to Jacques Fountes "Martel was a combination of tourist office and travel agency all by himself. It is not an exaggeration to say that Martel lifted Lozère out of anonymity." He was convinced that tourism could create economic growth in the Grands Causses region.

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