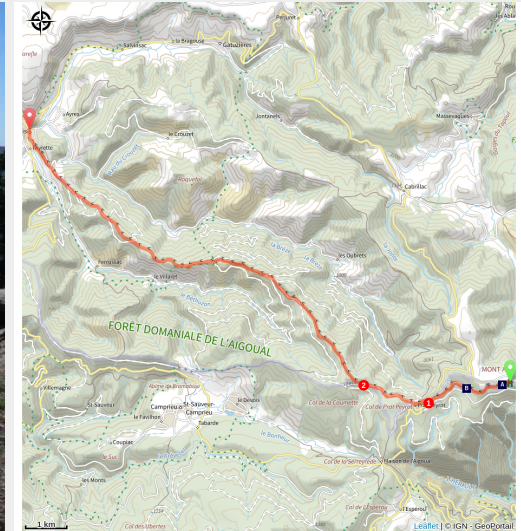


From Meyrueis to the summit of Mont Aigoual (Day 2).

Aigoual - Bassurels



Le sommet de l'Aigoual vue sur Valleraugue (Nathalie Thomas)



From the top of Mont Aigoual with its panoramic views, you return to Meyrueis through the forest.

You walk steeply downhill to the small ski resort of Prat Peyrot, before descending more steadily to Meyrueis on the ridge between the Brèze and Béthuzon valleys.

Useful information

Practice : Hiking on foot

Duration : 5 h

Length : 16.4 km

Trek ascent : 151 m

Difficulty : Medium


Type : Roaming

Themes : Agriculture and livestock farming, Architecture and village, Causses and Cévennes / UNESCO, Fauna and flora, Forest, History and culture, Water and geology

Trek

Departure : Mont Aigoual

Arrival : Meyrueis

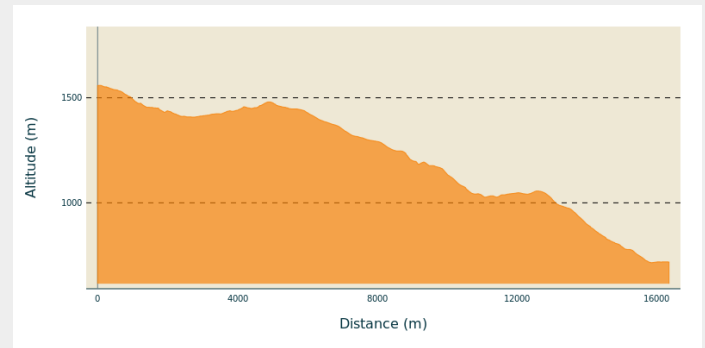
Markings :  GR (long-distance hiking path)

Cities : 1. Bassurels

2. Val-d'Aigoual

3. Meyrueis

Altimetric profile



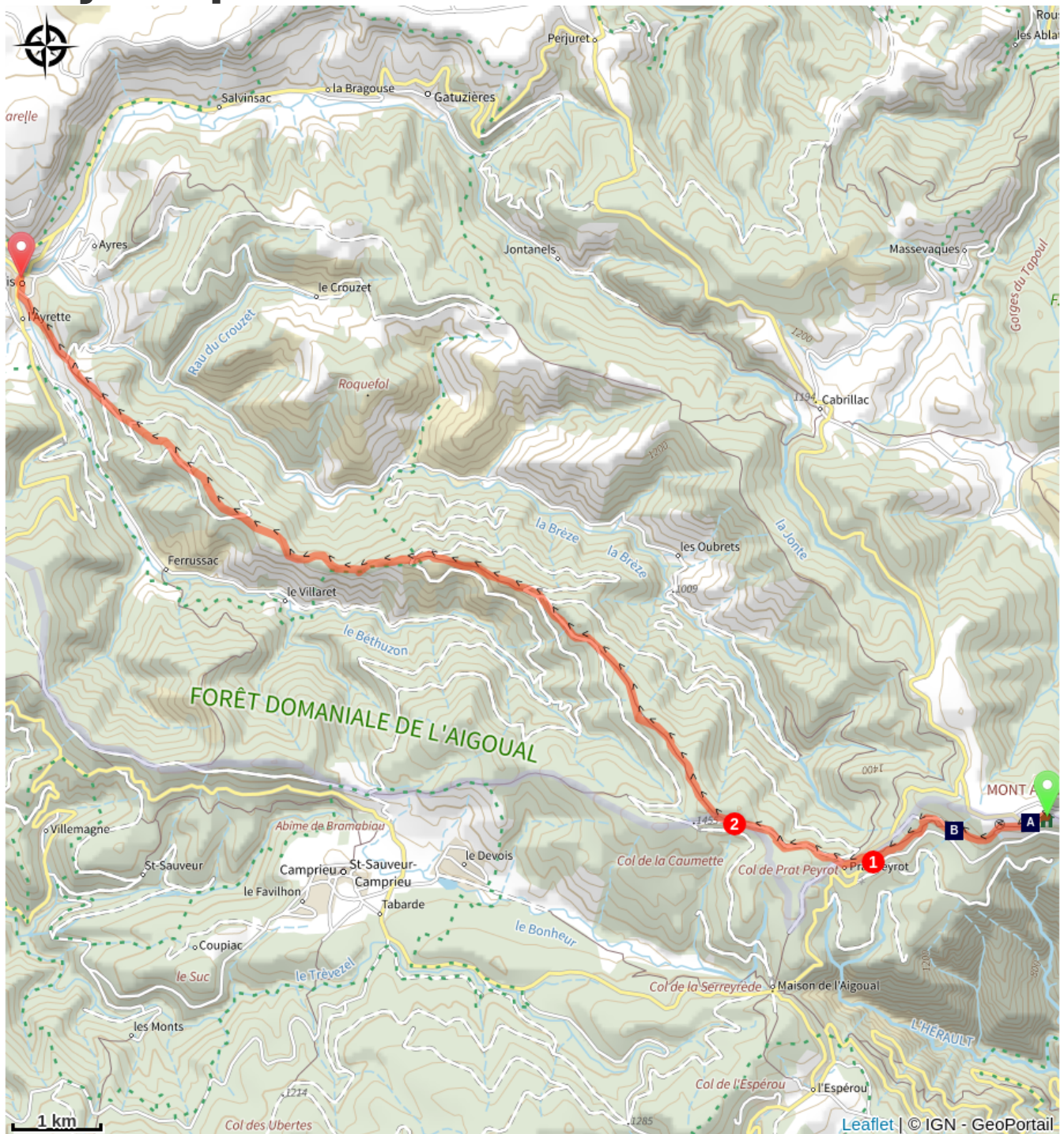
Min elevation 715 m Max elevation 1559 m




From the summit, take the RD 118 road to the signpost “Sommet du Mont Aigoual”, where you take the GR®66/ 7 / 6 long-distance hiking path on the left towards “Station de Prat Peyrot” via “La Source”, “Le Pontet”, “La Baraquette”, “Balcons de l’Aigoual”.



1 – At “Balcons de l’Aigoual”, cross the road and continue straight ahead alongside the RD 18 to reach “Station de Prat Peyrot”. At the small resort, take on your right the GR®6/6A, towards “Les Fayards”.

2 – At the signpost for “Les Fayards”, take on the right the GR®6A towards “Meyrueis” via “Forêt de Pourcarès”, “La Clède”, “Col du Tribe”.

On your path...



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All useful information



Is in the midst of the park

The national park is an unrestricted natural area but subjected to regulations which must be known by all visitors.



Advices

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. Please close all gates and barriers behind you.

How to come ?

Access

Sommet du Mont Aigoual, RD 118.

Advised parking

Car park at the top of Mont Aigoual



Information desks

Tourism'house and national Parc at Florac

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Florac-trois-rivières

info@cevennes-parcnational.fr

Tel : 04 66 45 01 14

<https://www.cevennes-gorges-du-tarn.com>



Source



Comité départemental de la randonnée pédestre 48

<http://lozere.ffrandonnee.fr/>

Maison du tourisme et du Parc national, Florac

<http://www.cevennes-parcnational.fr/>

On your path...



Summit of Mont Aigoual (A)

At an altitude of 1,565 m, the climate is harsh: weather conditions are the same as they would be at 2,000 m elsewhere, with only four “frost-free” months a year. Winds of above 60 kph blow on 265 days a year, and the average annual temperature is 4.8°C. Trees do not have enough time to complete their life cycle. Local plant formations are those of the montane zone: subalpine short-grass prairies.

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Archeosmart (Marc Limousin) (B)

Smartphone imprints appear on the rocks: fossils of the present that will become mysterious in the future. This carved stone, like the cup-shaped marks and other rock art of the region, discloses history revealed in matter and resonates with Malraux's phrase: “The future is a present given to us by the past”.

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Pôle Nature 4 Saisons (C)

The Pôle Nature 4 Saisons of the Aigoual massif offers outdoor activities in all seasons in the central zone of the Cévennes National Park, overlooked by the legendary summit of Mont Aigoual (1,570 m). Discover our network of trails on foot, on horseback, by bike, or else by mountain-bike or with a donkey, as the fancy takes you!

Children can explore the orienteering circuit or geocaching. For the sportier among you we have laid out trail running circuits!

Prefer road biking? We have created circuits of varying difficulty levels so you can discover our villages and valleys.

Try not to make any noise! Wildlife enthusiasts can spot mouflons and other animals.

And if you would just like a gentle walk on the massif, the discovery trail “The cliffs of Mont Aigoual” is for you. There are various rest stops over its 4.5 km, with only 150 m in height difference.

We look forward to seeing you on our paths.

Attribution : Béatrice Galzin



The Nests (Céline Pialot) (D)

Little by little, the bird makes its nest, its cosy nest, baby cocoon, wasps' nest...

Like a bird, the artist has gathered materials offered by nature and has arranged them to build three nests, three refuges, three circles that reference perfection and invite meditation.

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On the Verge (Yoann Crépin) (E)

A doorway to a circuit of art within the natural environment.

To fuse and interact with the environment and play with the seasons, time, light and weightlessness. To let humanity express itself through nature and nature express itself through humanity – a necessary interaction, a symbiotic interaction that inspires us to discover another world.

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