

The Molière plateau

4 Montagnes - Engins





(S&M Booth)

This family walk brings you to discover the Molière alpine pastures, an emblematic place of the Vercors which offers magnificent panoramas over the entire Alps.

A great classic of the Vercors but so unavoidable!

Between undergrowth and meadows, the Molière mountain pasture welcomes numerous heifers during the summer period. In this bucolic atmosphere, admire stunning views of the nearby Alpine massifs and the Mont-Blanc on a clear day.

Useful information

Practice: By walk

Duration: 1 h 30

Length: 4.9 km

Trek ascent: 176 m

Difficulty: Facile

Type: Boucle

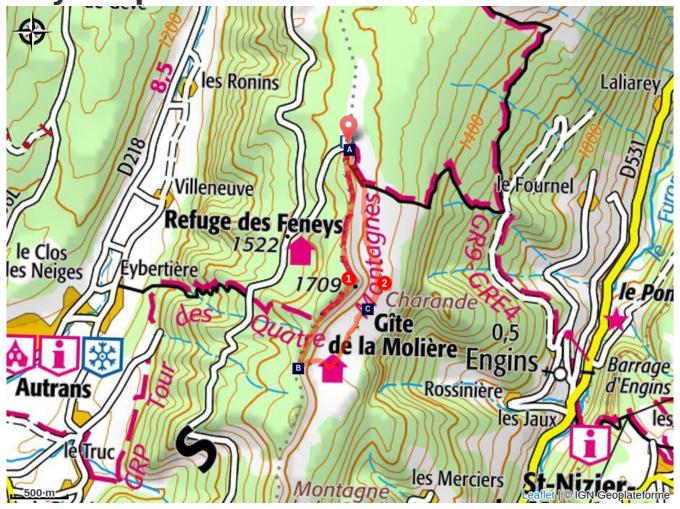
Themes: Agriculture et Savoir faire, Flore, Pastoralisme, Point de vue, espaces naturels

Trek

Departure: Parking de la Molière, Autrans Arrival: Parking de la Molière, Autrans Markings: — GRP — PR III GTV à pied

From La Molière, in the car park, take the Col de la Croix Perrin passing through the Pas du Tracollet 1. At Charande 2, you arrive at a remarkable lookout point at the highest point of Autrans (1709 m). Continue to Pas de l'Ours 3 passing by Sous Charande 4 then get off at Gîte de la Molière 5. Continue to La Molière, crossing the alpine pastures where hundreds of young cows graze every summer, go under the Tracollet 6 and join the starting car park.

On your path...



Viewpoint of the Molière (A) Alpage of the Molière (C) Bear Footprints (B)

All useful information

A Advices

You cross a Sensitive Natural Area with a specific regulation to respect (information panel at the entrance of the site).

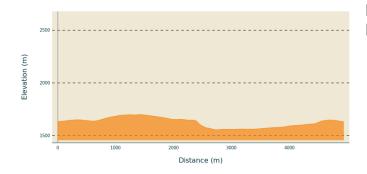
You're going to go through the summer pastures, maybe you'll meet protective dogs and herd guards.

Always be sure to bypass the animals while remaining calm while the dog identifies you. Do not caress or threaten them.

If you have a dog, keep it on a leash!

Use the passageways to cross the fences, close the gates and barriers, stay on the marked paths. Thinking about closing the gates of the parks is also to think of the shepherds and the flocks.

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 1556 m Max elevation 1700 m

Transports

By bus: With regional coaches <u>T65</u> or T64 for Lans-en-Vercors and then with the line T66 to Autrans. Please note that line T66 does not go further than Autrans. There is the option of reaching the walk at the car park by hitchhiking or carpooling.

By hitch hiking: You can get there / get back by hitching a lift with the Rezo Pouce network from Autrans-Méaudre. Lans-en-Vercors, Grenoble and Royans-Vercors (you can find all the stops in the Vercors on <u>www.rezopouce.fr</u>).

Access

From Grenoble, take the D531 towards Villard-de-Lans to Lans-en-Vercors.

Then take the direction of Autrans by the D106 then the D218 towards La Sure then La Molière.

Advised parking

Parking of the Molière (at the end of the forest road)

Carpooling:

Offer your services or book your carpooling on the regional Mov'lci platform.

1 Information desks

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On your path...



Viewpoint of the Molière (A)

The viewpoint of the Molière offers one of the most beautiful panoramas of the Vercors. A large part of the Alps is offered to you as far as Mont Blanc, passing by the Chartreuse, Belledonne or Oisans.

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Bear Footprints (B)

Many places in the Vercors testify to the old presence of the Bear. It is here that it has remained the longest in the French Alps. The last was reportedly killed at the Col de l'Arc in 1901, and the last sighting took place in St Martin-en-Vercors in 1937. A reintroduction project was carried out in 1990, when the Vercors was identified as one of the most suitable sites in France.Catch a trace (carved) hides in the gap of the Pas de l'Ours!

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Alpage of the Molière (C)

The Molière alpine pasture (probably millstone because a former grinding quarry exists nearby), represents a traditional pasture place for the 280 heifers belonging to 25 different owners. The different cattle breeds raised on the Vercors are there: the montbéliarde, in the white and red dress; Abondance, white with dark brown eyes; The blonde of Aquitaine in the plain dress, very similar to the local star, the Villarde. The Molière alpine pasture is classified as a sensitive natural area by the departmental council of Isère, its management is entrusted to the Regional Natural Park of Vercors.

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