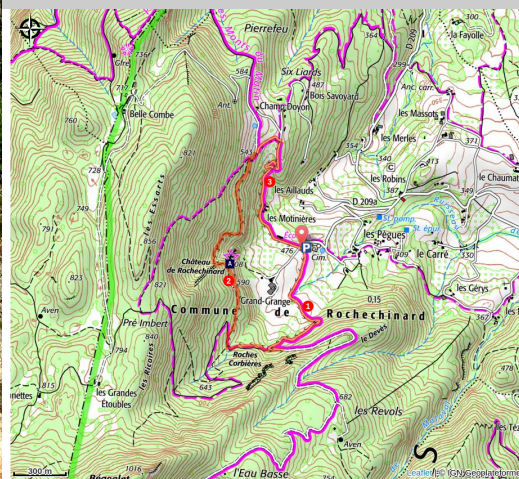


# The feudal castel ruins

Royans-Drôme - Rochechinard



Ruines de Château de Rochechinard (OT Royans)

*This short but pleasant stroll takes you to discover the ruins of the feudal castle of Rochechinard. From the Château, a magnificent panorama over the whole valley of the Royans is offered to you.*

In a few kilometers, part of which is undergrowth, imagine for a moment in the Middle Ages, when the castle now in ruins defended the entrance of the Royans!

## Useful information

Practice : By walk

Duration : 1 h

Length : 4.0 km

Trek ascent : 230 m

Difficulty : Facile

Type : Boucle

Themes : Histoire et patrimoine, Point de vue

# Trek

Departure : Rochechinard (museum of the Royans)

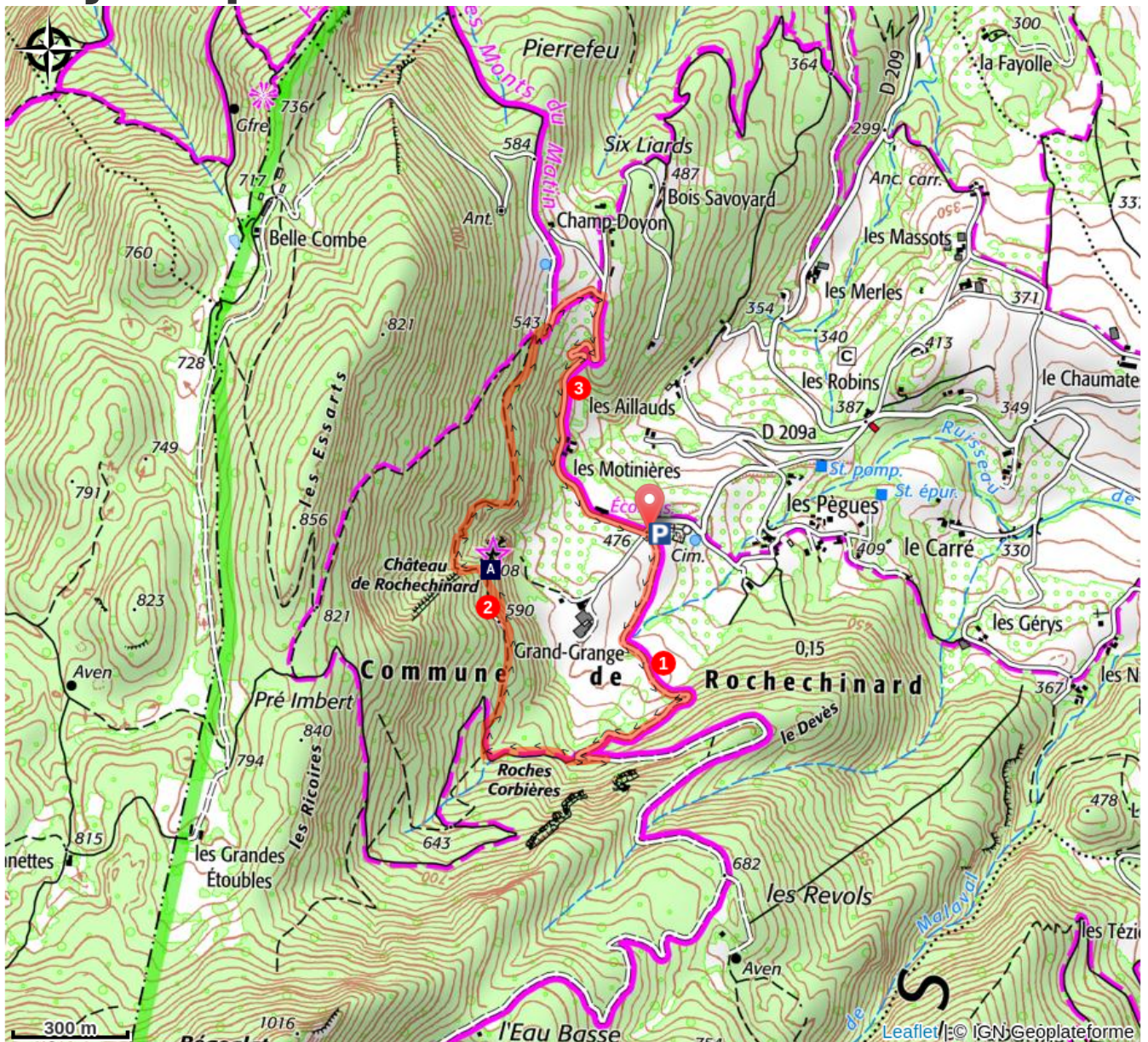
Arrival : Rochechinard (museum of the Royans)

Markings :  GRP  GTV à pied

Departure from Rochechinard (parking du musée du Royans), direction Le Château 3. Take the path that also serves as a support for the route of the Grand Tour du Vercors à pied through Roches Corbières 1 then Les Cartelats 2. At the ruins of the castle, after admiring the view over the valley, continue towards Rochechinard museum by a nice little path through the boxwoods to join Les Côtes 4. The Grand Tour du Vercors à pied continues north towards Saint-Nazaire-en-Royans, while the GR of Pays des Monts du Matin arrives from the same village. From there, go down to Bois Savoyard 5 to return to the museum car park, starting point of the walk.



# On your path...



The castle of Rochechinard (A)

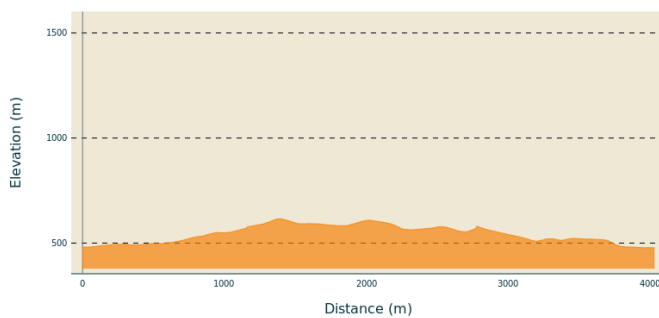
# All useful information

## **Advices**

Use the passageways to cross the fences, close the gates and barriers, stay on the marked paths.

Stay on the marked paths is also respect private property.

## **Altimetric profile**



Min elevation 478 m  
Max elevation 616 m

## **Transports**

La ligne de [bus 05](#) (Valence-Vassieux) passe par la gare et peut vous emmener jusqu'à Saint-Jean-en-Royans, mais il n'y a pas de transports en commun jusqu'à Rochechinard

**En Autostop** : Retrouvez tous les arrêts pour aller ou repartir, sur [www.rezopouce.fr](http://www.rezopouce.fr) en autostop

**En covoiturage** : Partagez ou réservez votre covoiturage avec [Mov' Ici](#), la plateforme de covoiturage régionale.

## **Access**

From Saint-Nazaire-en-Royans, follow the D209 towards Rochechinard, park in the parking du Musée du Royans.

## **Advised parking**

Parking of the museum of the Royans

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## The castle of Rochechinard (A)

The ruins of the castle stand on a rocky platform remaining partially visible despite the vegetation that densifies over the years. In 1340, Rochechinard was sold to Aymard 1er Allemand de Beauvoir. It was probably between 1420 and 1482 that the great majority of buildings were built. Its function was essentially to defend the access roads of the Royans. In 1547, the Allemand family ceded its fief of Rochechinard to the master of the Mint of Romans, Claude Mosnier. During the wars of religion, this one is distinguished by making its castle an islet of catholic resistance. In the course of the seventeenth century, the castle is no longer inhabited and degrades gradually. Nowadays, the ruins of the castle are not visitable, as it is a private property.  
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