

The Ambel plateau (Royans Vercors n°52)

Royans-Drôme - Léoncel



Le Plateau d'Ambel (PNRV)

For the more sporting enthusiasts of mountain bike, this complete and varied circuit is cut out for you!

Guaranteed sensations and breathtaking scenery, rolling sections interspersed with technical passages on singles, an unforgettable sporting route.

Useful information

Practice : By mountain bike

Duration : 3 h 30

Length : 22.7 km

Trek ascent : 1035 m

Difficulty : Très Difficile

Type : Boucle

Themes : Point de vue

Trek

Departure : Place name Le Grand Echaillon (parking)

Arrival : Place name Le Grand Echaillon (parking)

Markings :  PR  GR  GTV à pied

1. Departure from the parking lot of **Grand Echaillon**, take the direction of the **Col du Lion**. Always follow the MTB beacons n°52 in black and the yellow and green markings between each directional sign. Continue on the itinerary of the Grand Tour du Vercors passing by **Gampaloux** and then gradually start the beautiful descent to **Bouvante-le-Haut**.
2. From there, continue south through **Logue** before going up the Toulau creek. Beware in rainy weather, some passages can be delicate and slippery until the famous **Saut de la Truite**
3. At **Gardiol** parking lot, be careful you enter the Ambel estate, classified as a Natural Area Sensitive, regulations must be observed! Join the **Ambel Refuge** via the **Combe de la Louvaterre** and **Le Verâtre**.
4. At the **Pas du Gouillat**, bypass the Roc de Toulau to reach the **Col de la Bataille** by the GR 93. Finish this magnificent loop by driving to La **Pelouse de la Sausse** then **Echaillon sheepfold**.

On your path...



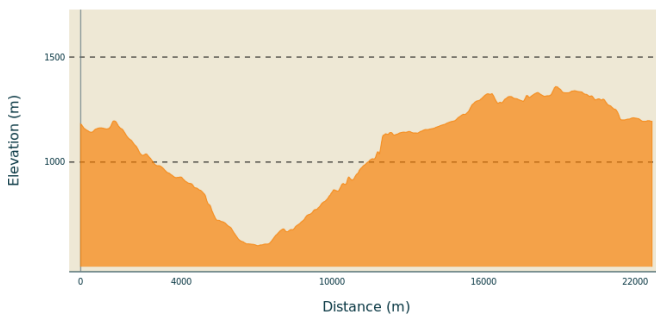
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All useful information

Advices

Be careful when crossing the cliffs. You will cross part of the regulated departmental area of Ambel, picking flowers is prohibited. Similarly on a large part of the circuit, dogs are prohibited by departmental decree from May 1 to October 30, even on a leash. Thinking about closing the gates of the parks is also to think of the shepherds and the flocks!

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 602 m
Max elevation 1359 m

Access

From Saint-Jean-Royans, follow the D70 through Oriol-en-Royans. At Léoncel, take the D199 D199 on the left towards Col de la Bataille.

Advised parking

Place name Le Grand Echaillon

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Col de la Bataille (A)

Several hypotheses exist as to the origin of the name of the Col de la Bataille. It could be that the name comes from the conflict between the monks of Leoncel and the monks of the other slope for the supremacy of the breeding Ovin. Another hypothesis evokes the confrontation between the winds of the North and the winds of the South.

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