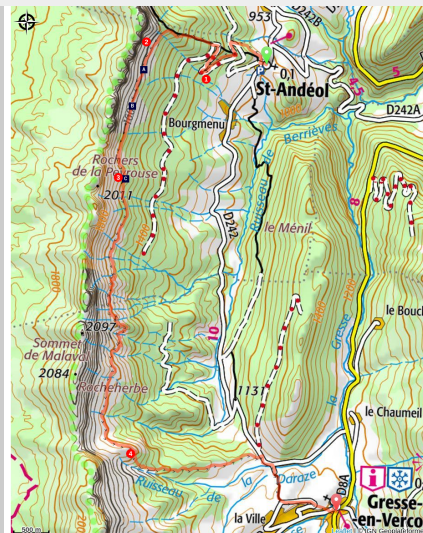


# Saint-Andéol / Gresse-en-Vercors (stage 4)

GTV

Trièves - Saint-Andéol



Sentier du balcon Est vers Gresse (s\_fayollat)

*An unforgettable stretch of the Grand Tour! But always look carefully where you're putting your feet...*

A spectacular stretch with staggering landscapes. Keep your eyes peeled: an ibex, marmot or eagle might be spying on you!

## Useful information

Practice : Itinerant hike

Duration : 5 h 30

Length : 15.0 km

Trek ascent : 1100 m

Difficulty : Difficile

Type : Traversée

Themes : Agriculture et Savoir faire, Faune, Flore, Géologie, Point de vue

# Trek

Departure : Saint-Andéol (village)

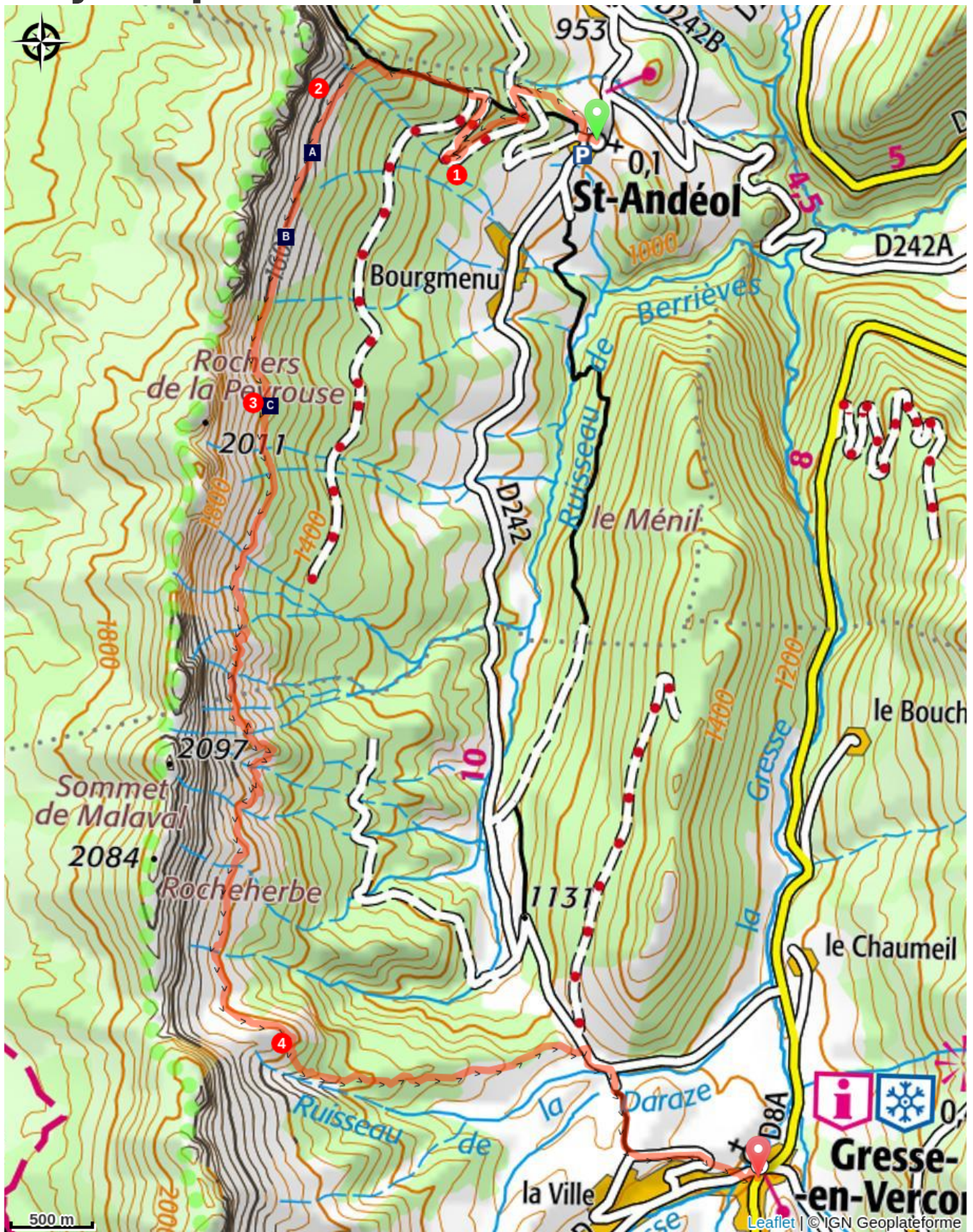
Arrival : Gresse-en-Vercors (village)

Markings :  GTV à pied

1. Bid farewell to the village of **Saint-Andéol** as you go back up the Estearn cliff trail, passing through **Grandes Tartices** and **Tours du Playnet**.
2. Carry on towards **Gresse-en-Vercors**, the highest village in the massif (1,240m). The path is narrow at first but always well signposted. Take a breather at the **Peyrouse** hut, a mountain shelter open to the public that boasts stunning views over the eastern barrier of the Vercors.
3. The path from here is eroded at times and can be tricky in places.
4. From **Côte Joubert**, it goes back down towards **Col des Deux** through a mix of forest and meadows. The final part of the stage follows a track and then a small road to the village of **Gresse-en-Vercors**, before joining a pleasant path once more.



# On your path...



Sous la Tûne de l'Ours (A)  
Abri de la Peyrouse (C)

Barrier East of Vercors (B)



# All useful information

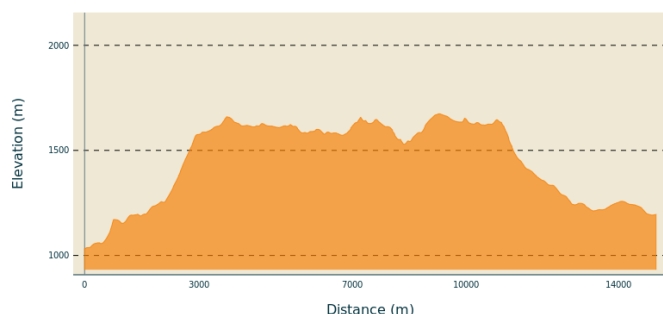
## ⚠️ Advices

An opportunity to bivouac at the **Peyrouse** mountain shelter.

**Be careful in winter: the route is impassable; in spring it is very tricky due to snow slides.**

A section of the trail (between the Peyrouse shelter and Berrieves pass) is often difficult due to extensive gully erosion. Feel free to take the alternative route for this section: at the Peyrouse mountain shelter, the trail leaves the Eastern cliff trail and descends through forest and scree to Grands Clots. Now head towards Serre de la Terre. From here, the route follows a forest track before descending through woods and pastures to the D242 departmental road at Rif-Clar. After the bridge, the path crosses the road and heads towards the Clos de Ménil, where it meets the alternative route (3 Bis) of the Grand Tour du Vercors.

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 1032 m

Max elevation 1674 m

## Transports

**By train:** Monestier-de-Clermont SNCF station: [Route planner](#)

**then Bus:** transisère line Monestier de Clermont-Gresse en Vercors [MON07](#) (morning timetable only). Stop at Saint-Andéol town hall.

### Car pooling:

Offer or book your carpool with the regional platform [Mov'Ici](#).

## Advised parking

Saint-Andéol (village)

## Access

From Grenoble, take the A84 motorway then the A51 south, exit at junction 12 towards Sisteron/Vif.

At Vif, take the departmental road D8 towards Miribel-Lanchâtre then Saint-Guillaume. Then take the D242a to Saint-Andéol.

From Monestier-de-Clermont, follow the D8 to the village of Saint-Guillaume. Take the D242a as far as Saint-Andéol.

## **Information desks**

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## Sous la Tune de l'Ours (A)

Many place names refer to the presence of the bear in the Vercors. The mountains thus preserve forever the memory of the plantigrade now disappeared. In the Trièves, the last of them was shot down in 1898 near the Pas de la Ville, in the territory of Gresse-en-Vercors. The "Tune de l'Ours" is on the eastern balcony of the Vercors. This shelter under rock is thus baptized because it was to serve as shelter to him.

Attribution : E. Charron

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## Barrier East of Vercors (B)

The impressive east gate of the Vercors rises vertically above the Trièves. For nearly 50 km, this crest line, composed of relatively strong Eryonian limestone, extends from north to south at an altitude of about 2000 m (highest point 2341 m with the Grand Veymont). This barrier is difficult to cross, there are only a dozen of Pas to reach the plateau of Vercors.

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## Abri de la Peyrouse (C)

The shelter of Peyrouse (Abri de la Peyrouse) located on the balconies East of the Vercors is an unguarded stone hut, 2 places are planned to sleep there, but you will not find there water nor stove to warm you.

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