

Les Nonières / Chatillon-en-Diois (stage 7)

GTV

Diois - Treschenu-Creyers



Village de Châtillon-en-Diois (OT_Diois)

At Archiane, take the time to explore the vulture discovery trail, a great opportunity to learn about these giants of the sky that soar above the massif!

The Archiane cirque is majestic, awe-inspiring and fascinating in equal measure as it unfolds its orange-hued limestone cliffs in an arc to the delight of hikers and climbers alike.

Useful information

Practice : Itinerant hike

Duration : 6 h

Length : 17.5 km

Trek ascent : 1137 m

Difficulty : Difficile

Type : Traversée

Themes : Faune, Flore, Géologie, Histoire et patrimoine, Point de vue

Trek

Departure : Les Nonières (hamlet centre)

Arrival : Châtillon-en-Diois (village)

Markings :  GTV à pied

1. This section provides the opportunity to cross the Archiane cirque, one of the most iconic sites in the Vercors. The route, which presents no major difficulties, follows a forest path from **Nonières** as far as **Bénevisse** before continuing along a pretty trail from **Bénevisse** to **Archiane**.
2. It concludes with a combination of track and path from the hamlet of **Archiane** to **Châtillon-en-Diois** via **Gorodel** pass.
3. The hamlet of **Archiane** is one of the biggest gateways to the Hauts Plateaux Nature Reserve. Archiane, which is a patch of paradise for anglers, is also a mountain stream that feeds the fish-farm ponds where brown and rainbow trout, Arctic char and cristivomer are bred.

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The circus of Archiane (A)
Châtillon-en-Diois (C)

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All useful information

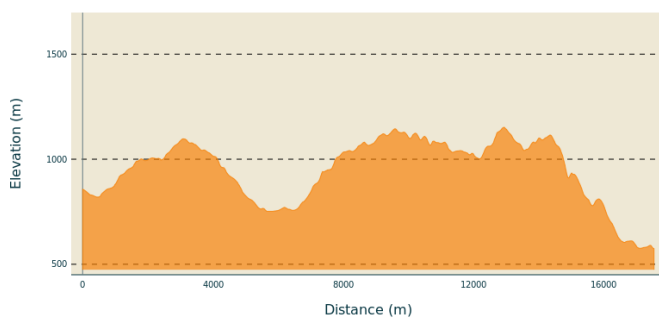
Advices

Use the installed passages to cross fences, close gates and barriers.
Stay on the marked trails and respect private property.

Collect your waste, think nature.

Please note that dogs are not allowed in most mountain pastures, even on a lead, so make arrangements before you leave!

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 574 m
Max elevation 1152 m

Transports

Die SNCF train station then transport on demand (TAD) for a journey in connection with the network: more information from ladrome.fr or oura.com, +33 810 26 26 07

Access

From Châtillon-en-Diois, take the departmental road D120 towards Menée, as far as the hamlet of Les Nonières.

From Chichilianne, take the D7 to the Col de Menée, then the D120 towards Châtillon-en-Diois, as far as the hamlet of Les Nonières.

Advised parking

Car park in the village centre

 **Information desks**

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On your path...



The circus of Archiane (A)

The impressive limestone cliffs of the circus of Archiane dominate the hamlet of the same name of more than 1000 m. More than 100 million years ago, we were here under an ocean, this one deposited the sediments that now form the plateau of the Vercors. Then, the uprising of the Alps, as well as erosion gave its current form to the site. It is a place where the fauna (Bouquetin, Chamois, Gypaète Barbu, Griffon Vulture ...) and the flora are rich there. Outdoor activities are also very present with hiking and climbing.

Attribution : PNRV



The climbing site of Archiane (B)

The circus of Archiane is one of the most beautiful natural site of the Vercors. Already in the 1950s, there were some highlights of mountaineering with openings of tracks by the great ones of the time: Jean Couzy first then Gorges Livanos, D. Leprince Ringuet, R.Flematti ...This heritage makes of Archiane a historic high place of climbing still today with more than 100 tracks. The great classics are the pillar Livanos, the way of the rising, the red paradise. In 2009, with the nesting of the griffon vultures in Archiane, a consultation on the equipment was put in place by the Park in order to manage the cohabitation as well as possible.

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Châtillon-en-Diois (C)

Nestled at the foot of the most southern cliffs of the Vercors, this medieval village has preserved from its past narrow streets called "rapes" and 17 fountains with stone basins on which climb the plants of the botanical village. Capital of canton along the river Le Bez, Châtillon-en-Diois offers all shops and services, a swimming pool and many festivities during the summer season. Its vineyard, one of the highest in France, produces red, white and rosé wines with an Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée.

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