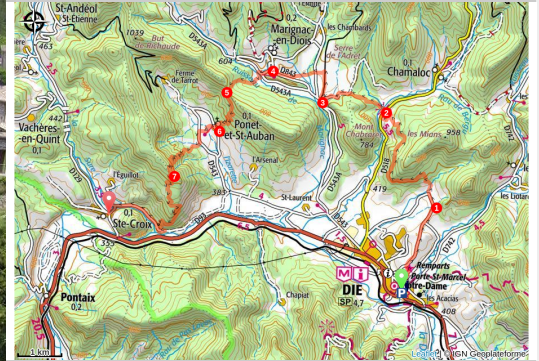


## Die / Sainte-Croix (stage 9)

Diois - Die

GTV



Village de Ponet-Saint-Auban (v\_giroutru)

Discover the pretty town of Die, steeped in history, and its pine forests that rise to the heights.

Also not to be missed are the delightful picturesque villages of Chamaloc, Marignac-en-Diois and Ponet Saint-Auban.

On this walk you will discover the "valley of the vines" with its vineyards, meadows and forests, all boasting superb panoramas of the surrounding mountains.

### Useful information

Practice : Itinerant hike

Duration : 7 h

Length : 21.8 km

Trek ascent : 1310 m

Difficulty : Difficile

Type : Traversée

Themes : Agriculture et Savoir faire, Géologie, Histoire et patrimoine

# Trek

Departure : Die tourism office

Arrival : Sainte-Croix (village centre)

Markings :  GTV à pied

The Grand Tour leaves the pretty town of **Die** and heads back towards the Vercors. It then passes close to the two delightful villages of **Chamaloc** and **Marignac-en-Diois**, which are well worth a detour (particularly via the crossroads of **Gros Chêne (1)**, **Baise** car park **(2)** and **La Roche (3)**).

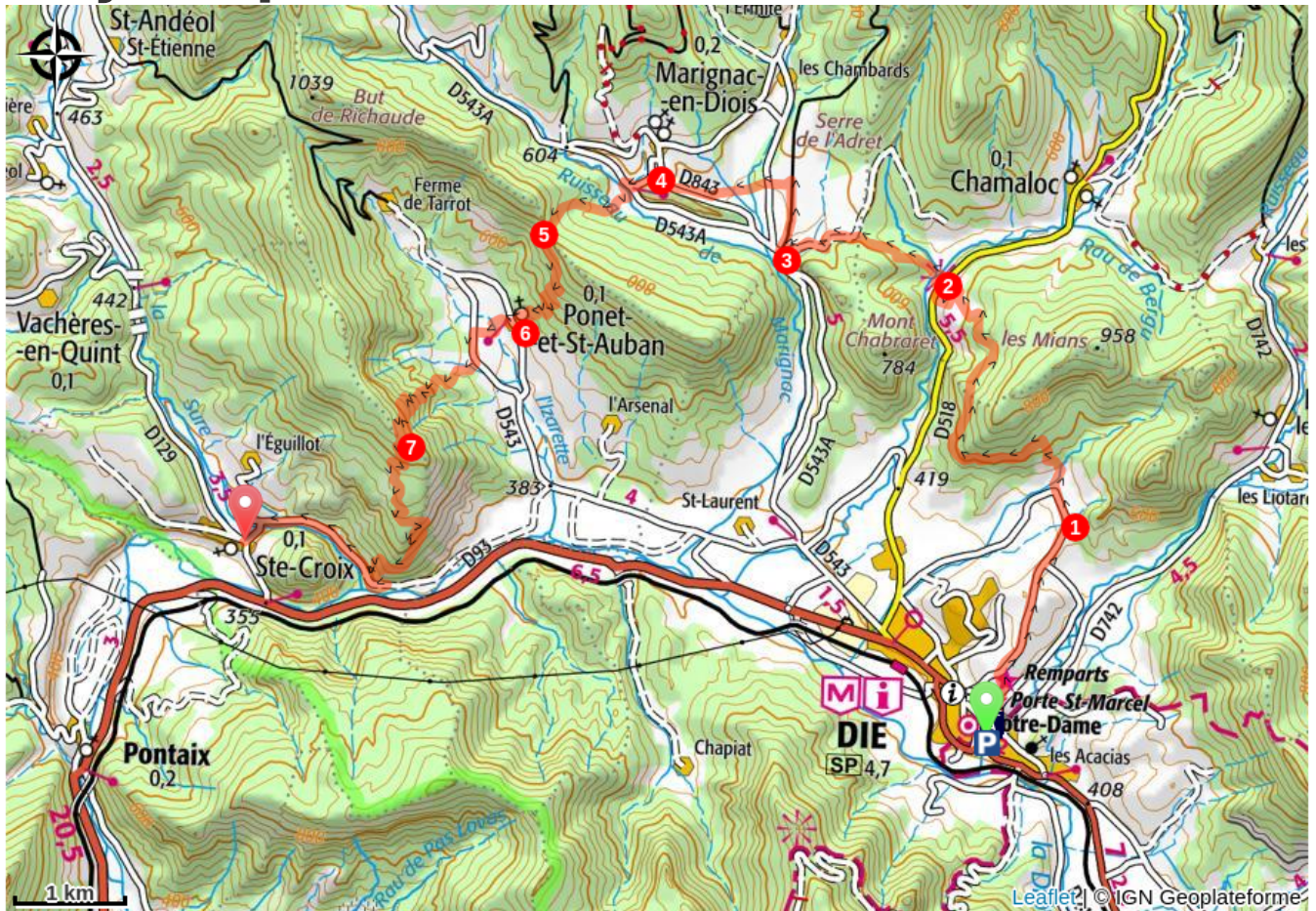
The path is straightforward and quite clear with captivating views of the cliffs of Glandasse and the foothills of the Vercors. The route then goes back up via **Col de Ponet and Marignac** pass **(5)** before descending again to the picturesque village of **Ponet-et-Saint-Auban (6)**. At the pass, a beautiful view of the southern mountain ledges of the Vercors awaits you. After the village of Ponet, you climb back up on the **Ramiat** crest via **Combe Mare (7)** to the village of **Sainte-Croix** with enchanting views of the valley and the Drôme river.

You can easily divide this stage into two by stopping off at Marignac-en-Diois or Ponet-et-Saint-Auban.

For a change of pace—and possibly to cool off—why not take a pleasant trip down the Drôme in a canoe?



# On your path...



Die (A)

The Saint-Marcel Gate (B)

# All useful information

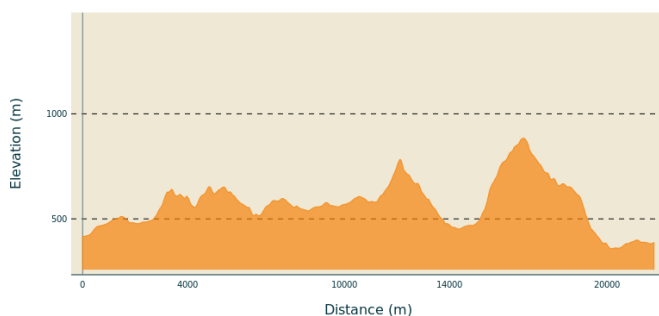
## **Advices**

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 358 m  
Max elevation 884 m

## **Transports**

**By train :** Die train station

The OûRA multimodal route planner provides information about all the connections between regional trains, urban transport and departmental bus lines : <https://www.oura.com/>

**By bus :** With Regional coaches [line 28](#) Valence-Die.

**Carpooling :**

Offer your services or book your carpooling on the regional [Mov'Ici](#) platform.

## **Access**

From Crest, follow the signs for Die on the D93 departmental road. Just before entering the town, after the roundabout, turn right towards Gap and join the tourist office car park.

## **Advised parking**

Car park near the tourist office

## **Information desks**

Office de tourisme du Pays du Diois

Rue des Jardins, 26150 Die

[contact@diois-tourisme.com](mailto:contact@diois-tourisme.com)

Tel : 04 75 22 03 03

<http://www.diois-tourisme.com/>

# On your path...

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## Die (A)

The capital of the Diois, on the banks of the river Drôme, is dominated by the Glandasse. The old center is surrounded by a rampart of the 3rd century and conceals architectural treasures: Gallo-Roman ramparts, door Saint-Marcel, Romanesque mosaic. The immense Notre-Dame Cathedral is the witness of the prestigious past of the city. On the sunny hillsides, vineyards and limestone can be heard wonderfully to give the famous Clairette de Die.

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## The Saint-Marcel Gate (B)

The Saint-Marcel gate is a fortified gate built in the 3rd century with the ramparts of Die. It was the main gateway into the city. Since 1862, it is classified as a historical monument.

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