Chemins de la Liberté – The Path to Freedom: Valchevrière

4 Montagnes

Valchevrière (S&M Booth)

This walk will take you to one of the most noteworthy sites of remembrance in the massif. Tucked away in the forest, the Resistance used the village of Valchevrière as a camp. Violent clashes broke out in July 1944: members of the Resistance died with their weapons in their hands as the village was razed to the ground. Only the chapel remained standing.

A 100% forest loop that invites contemplation.

Useful information

Practice : By walk

Duration : 1 h 30

Length : 1.5 km

Trek ascent : 94 m

Difficulty : Facile

Type : Boucle

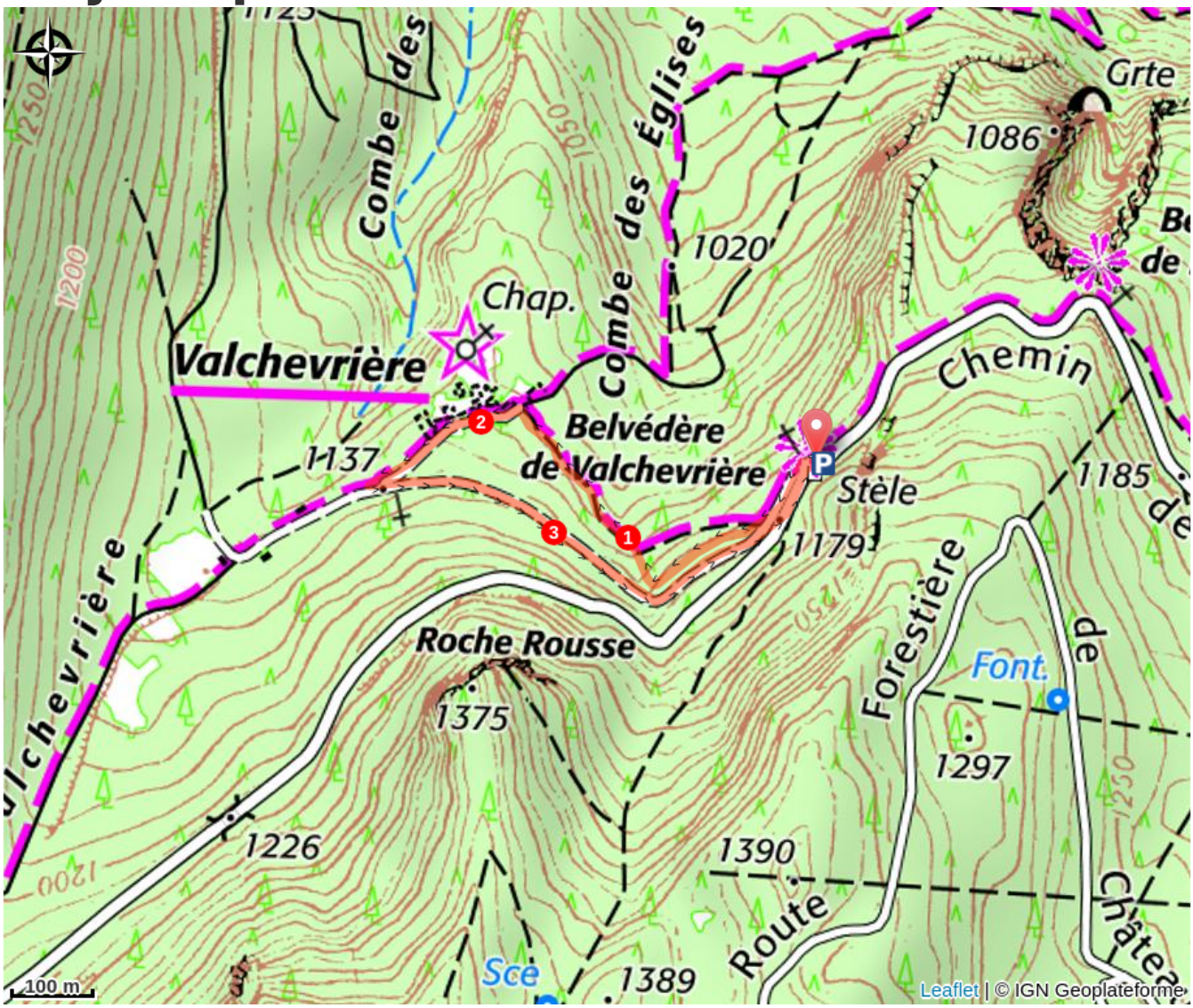
Themes : Histoire et patrimoine, Point de vue, Résistance

Trek

Departure : the Valchevrière belvedere
Arrival : the Valchevrière belvedere

1. Starting from the **Valchevrière belvedere**, follow the path that drops into the forest towards the **site of Valchevrière**, where you will find information panels dotted along the route that recall life in the village before the events of 1944.
2. At the end of the path, the scenery opens up onto the landscape and village of Valchevrière. You can walk around the ruined houses, visit the chapel and explore the history of the village thanks to the information panels above the site.
3. Now carry on a little further (200 m) along the signposted path leading towards **Baraque de Chalimont**, and follow the forest track that heads back towards the starting point, **the Valchevrière belvedere**.

On your path...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All useful information

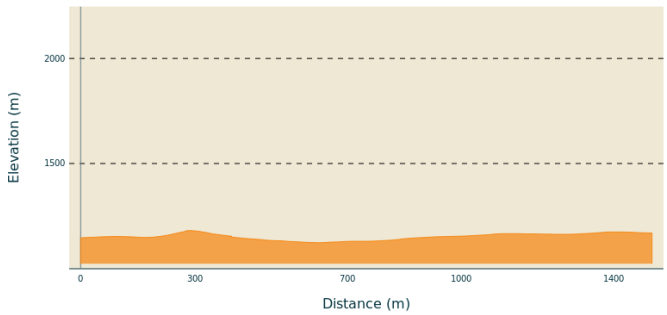
⚠ Advices

Use the purpose-built throughways to cross fences; shut gates and barriers behind you.

Keeping to the signposted paths means you'll respect private property.

Please note: the belvedere is inaccessible in winter (the road is closed).

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 1123 m
Max elevation 1181 m

Transports

By bus : With Regional coaches T65 or T64 for Lans-en-Vercors to Villard de Lans. Please note that you will have to reach the start in Bois barbu by hitchhike or carpooling.

By hitch hiking : You can get there / get back by hitching a lift with the Rezo Pouce network from Autrans-Méaudre, Lans-en-Vercors, Grenoble and Royans-Vercors (you can find all the stops in the Vercors on www.rezopouce.fr).

Carpooling :
Offer your services or book your carpooling on the regional Mov'Ici platform.

Access

From Villard-de-Lans, take the D215C towards the Bois Barbu ski resort, and carry on to the start of the walk.

From Col de Rousset, follow the signs for Saint-Martin-en-Vercors. After the village, take the D221 on the right towards the Herbouilly ski resort before carrying on to the start of the walk.

Advised parking

the Valchevrière belvedere

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