

Aiguebelette-le-Lac / Grenoble

P'tites Routes du Soleil Gravel

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Départ
Aiguebelette-le-Lac**Arrivée**
Grenoble**Durée**
3 h 00 min**Distance**
53,85 Km**Niveau**
Medium

This is the beautiful Chartreuse stage, which crosses the western part of the massif and the regional nature park. The first part of the route is on road, from Lépin-le-Lac to Les Échelles. You then drive below the massif de l'Épine, rising on quiet country roads above Lac d'Aiguebelette.

After passing through Attignat-Oncin, a rural, forested commune, you join the D921, which is a little busier as far as Les Échelles and Entre-Deux-Guiers. Here, you leave the P'tites Routes du Soleil® by road, which leads to Saint-Pierre-d'Entremont via the Col de Couz (626 m) and the Col des Égaux (958 m). This is an option that the more athletic and/or motivated can take to reach the heart of the Chartreuse massif. Instead, you can take the Via Chartreuse, linking Saint-Christophe-la-Grotte to Saint-Joseph-de-Rivière: a 17 km greenway, mainly made up of white paths, with numerous stops (natural areas, heritage, tastes) to discover the area.

From Saint-Joseph-de-Rivière to Voreppe and Grenoble, a dozen kilometers remain via the Col de la Placette (587 m). Not a very nasty climb, but on a fairly busy road. In Voreppe, join the pleasant cycle path along the banks of the Isère, where it's easy going. You can then return to Grenoble and your accommodation, unless you've decided to tackle the Vercors climb from Seyssinet-Pariset.

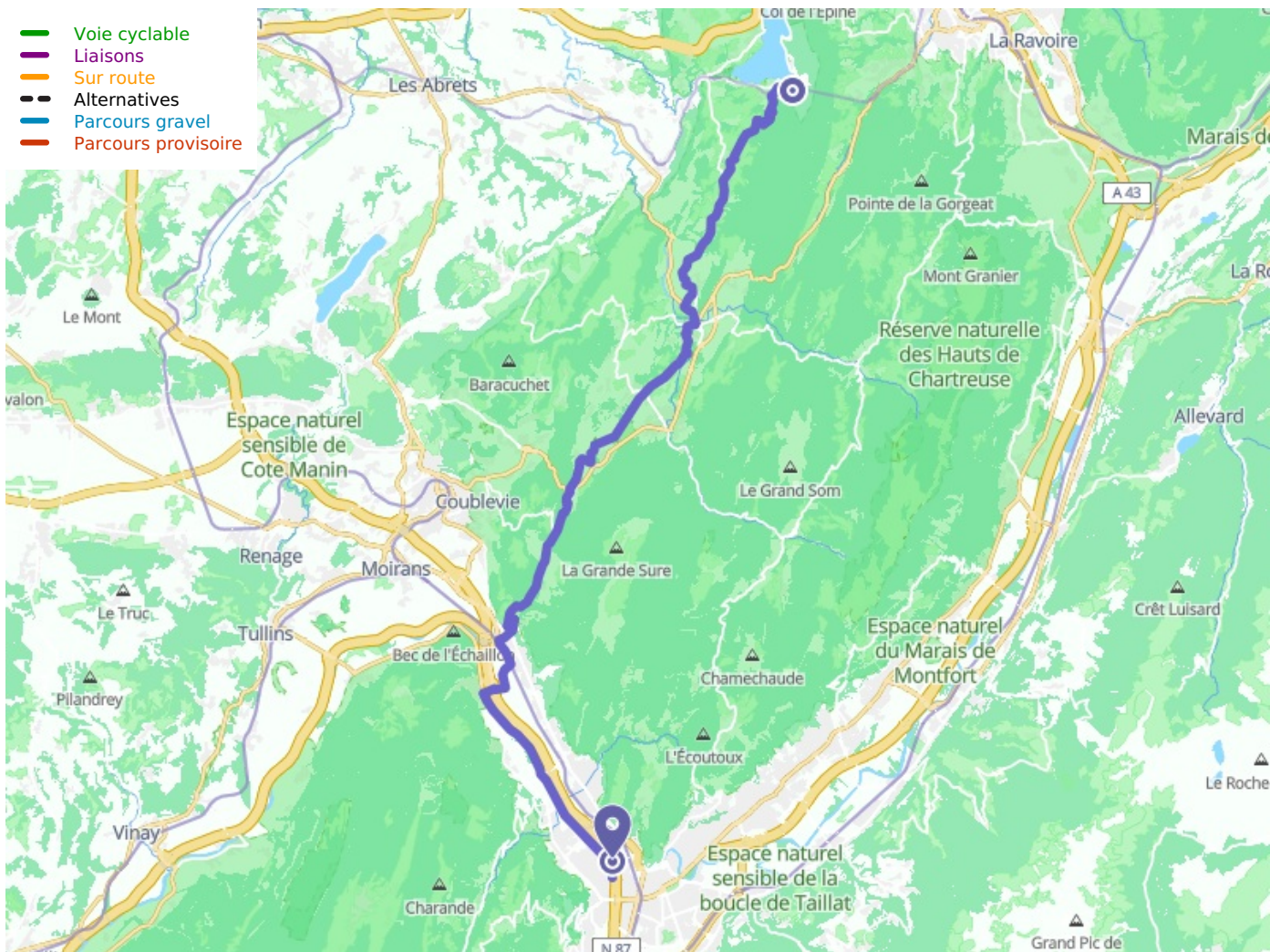
496 m / ↗ 695 m

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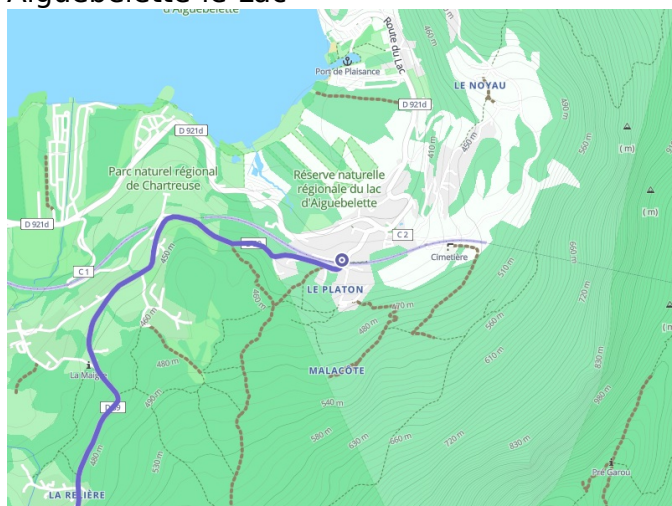
Parc naturel régional de Chartreuse: it encompasses the Chartreuse massif, a green jewel case haloed by white limestone cliffs, in the geographical area bounded by the towns of Chambéry, Voiron and Grenoble (Savoie and Isère).

The two Saint-Christophe: Saint-Christophe-la-Grotte and Saint-Christophe-sur-Guiers, two neighbouring villages in Savoie and Isère, separated by the Guiers River. In the former, you can visit two caves linked by the Voie Sarde. The second is a spot of unspoilt nature, climbing to 1165 meters to become a Nordic ski mecca in winter.

La Via Chartreuse: a 17-kilometer greenway, mainly made up of white paths. It is part of the Lac d'Aiguebelette - Lac de Paladru section of the future Via 5 lacs, the cycle route that will soon link the 5 grands alpins, in Haute-Savoie, Savoie and Isère.



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