

Marie / La Bollène-Vésubie

Route des Grandes Alpes Gravel



Départ Marie Arrivée La-Bollène-Vésubie

Durée 3 h 30 min

Niveau Difficult Distance 43,34 Km In the heart of a wooded mountain landscape, you leave the village of Marie, whose castle overlooks the Tinée valley. To reach Saint-Martin-Vésubie, you'll take a route that passes over the Col de Clamia, Saint Dalmas, the oldest of Valdeblore's three villages, and then Venanson, built on a rocky spur, a veritable eagle's nest that, at 1164m, dominates the Vésubie Valley. At Saint-Martin-Vésubie, you return to the classic Route des Grandes Alpes® route. Heading south, it passes through Roquebillière, the spa town of the Alpes-Maritimes, before reaching La Bollène-Vésubie, a magnificent village perched in a chestnut grove, on the left bank of the Vésubie.

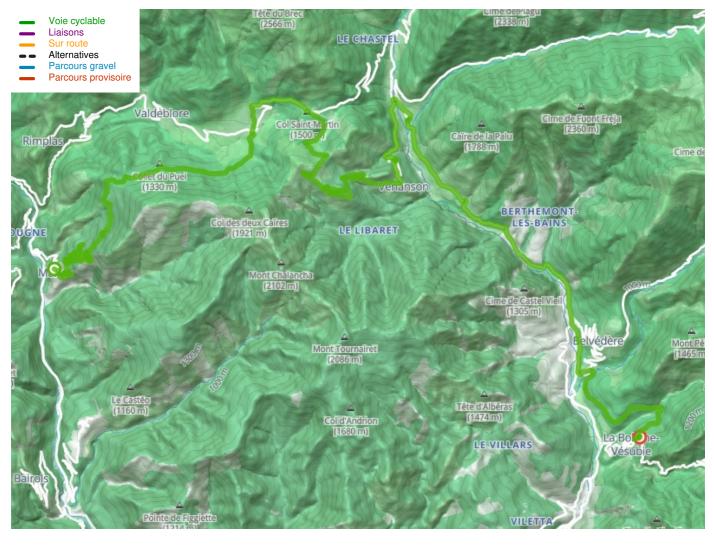
Details of the stage

Passage points

MARIE > M58 > COL DE CLAMIA > COLLET DES FOURCHES > SAINT DALMAS > CHEMIN DU SAOUN DAL PRA > LA COLMIANE > FRONT DE NEIGE > LES DAHUTS > COL DE LA COLMMIANE > PISTE DE VARAIRE > VENANSON > M31> SAINT-MARTIN-VESUBIE > M2565 > ROQUEBILLIERE (Vieux-Village) > M2565 > M71 > Pénas > La Planca > Le Seuil Soutran > La Graou > Le Serret > LA BOLLENE-VESUBIE.

Don't miss

- The Vésubie Valley : Running for some way along the edge of the Parc National du Mercantour, the Vésubie Valley is a natural gem, but it also has a rich cultural heritage. Plus, it lies close to the Vallée des Merveilles, famed for its secretive Bronze Age engravings.
- Saint-Martin-Vésubie and Vesubia Mountain Parc : Saint-Martin-Vésubie is an extremely beautiful, colourful village, but it's also worth exploring the wider area and its two parks nearby: Parc Alpha, an animal park containing several wolf packs; and Vesubia Mountain Parc, an indoor destination for mountain-related activities, such as climbing, jumping, walking on high, working at your balance, bathing, white-water-rafting, even diving...
- Storm Alex : On 02 October 2020, a devastating flood overwhelmed the Tinée, Vésubie and Roya Valleys, all in the département (French county) of Alpes-Maritimes, leaving a heavy toll, with ten people dead, eight missing and hundreds left homeless, as certain houses, as well as roads and bridges, were carried away by the waters. The inhabitants of these valleys faced up to this tragedy with courage and solidarity, reconstructing their lives. So, although when you pass through you may still find some stretches subject to disruption, please treat such relatively minor issues with respect, a sense of proportion and a dose of good humour. Remember that these magnificent valleys have also sadly become memorials for some locals.



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