



Brahic (n°1)

Departure : Les Vans, Tourist Office



Markings :  GR  Yellow markup

Difficulty Medium

Duration : 3 h 30

Length : 10.4 km

Trek ascent : 418 m

Type : Loop



The Naves cirques or craters have been listed as a geosite since 2014 as part of the UNESCO Global Geoparks programme.

As you climb the foothills of the Serre de Barre, you'll come across the villages of Naves and Brahic. You'll notice three very different landscapes: white limestone with olive trees, thyme and juniper trees, the greenish and very crumbly marl (cirques below) and the dark schist where pine and chestnut trees grow. Such geological diversity in a small area is very rare.

## Environmental sensitive areas

Along your trek, you will go through sensitive areas related to the presence of a specific species or environment. In these areas, an appropriate behaviour allows to contribute to their preservation. For detailed information, specific forms are accessible for each area.

### Natura 2000 et ENS Landes et forêts du bois des Bartres

Sensitivity period:

## Information desks

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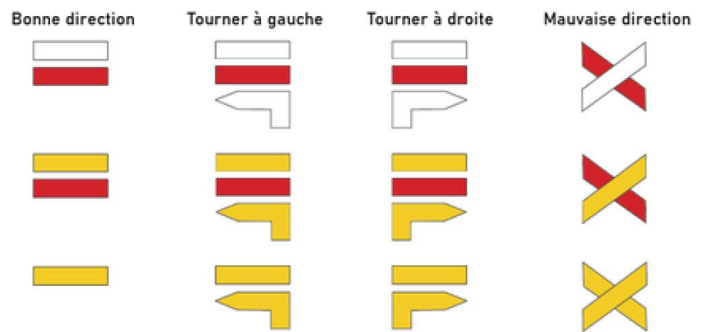
<https://www.cevennes-ardeche.com/>



## Source

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## Markings



## All useful information

### ! Advices

Be careful when walking on the limestone cliffs. Do not go too close to the edge.



### Gear

Carte IGN 2839OT

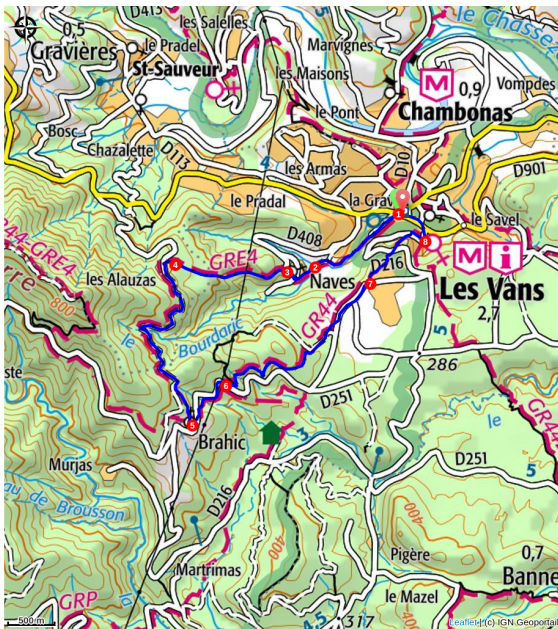
### Access

From Joyeuse (15 km), follow the D104 and the D104a to Les Vans.

### Advised parking

Les Vans, parking lot at place Ollier





## Trek

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**Arrival** : Les Vans, Tourist Office

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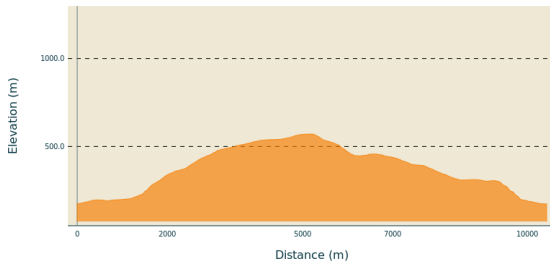
**Cities** : 1. LES VANS

2. GRAVIERES

P – Return to the café almost opposite the post office.

1.  **Le Bourdaric** - Follow Naves 1,7 km (). Take the lane to the left of the café, which becomes a path that winds through vineyards and olive trees. A pretty stone path then leads to the bottom of the village of Naves. Go up to the church.
2.  Follow Naves via the stone path for 0.5km
3.  **Naves** - Follow Les Alauzas 1,4 km. Head down towards the middle of the village. After an archway, take the steps on the left that soon lead to a steep, stony path (this is also part of the Naves Geological Trail). The path climbs to the limestone cliffs and continues in a forest of oaks and chestnut trees. For your safety, stay on the path. 100m before you reach the hamlet of Alauzas, leave the geological trail on the right and continue until you reach the houses.
4.  **Les Alauzas** - Follow Brahic 2,7 km. When you reach the forest track, turn left and follow it for more than 3 km until it widens and a sign on the left indicates a dead end. Leave the track and go down the path that leads to the village of Brahic.
5.  **Brahic** - Follow Jaroussière 0,8 km (). In the village, take the alley that goes down towards the left. As you leave the village, take the road on the left for about 20m (past the picnic tables). The path that returns to Les Vans starts on your right.
6.  **Jaroussière** - Follow Les Gras 2,5 km. After a pleasant walk through chestnut groves, crossing the road (D251) several times, the path leads to a limestone area called the Plateau des Gras.
7.  **Les Gras** - Follow Combe Escure 2,5 km (). This is followed by a succession of paths and small roads to reach Les Vans. Follow Les Vans Place Ollier ().

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 174 m Max elevation 571 m

