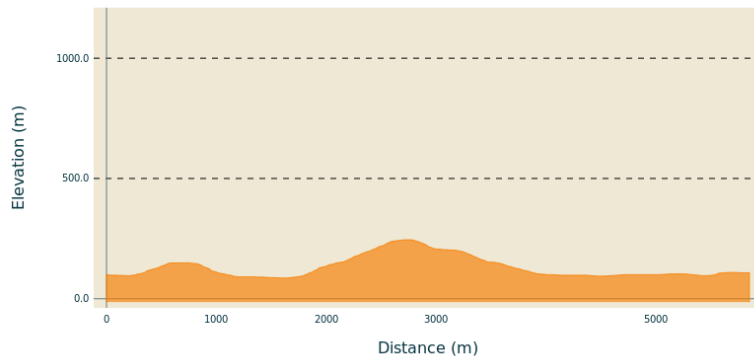


The Pont d'Arc stone arch from Vallon (1st part of the Ardèche's Gorge Trail)

Gorges de l'Ardèche - VALLON-PONT-D'ARC

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 86 m Max elevation 245 m

Useful information

Practice : Hike

Duration : 2 h

Length : 5.9 km

Trek ascent : 236 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Étape

Themes : Fauna - Flora, Géologie, Lac - Rivière
- Cascade

Trek

Departure : Vallon-Pont-d'Arc : Tourists' Office

Arrival : Parking of the Belvédère downstream of the Pont d'Arc

Markings :  PR  GR

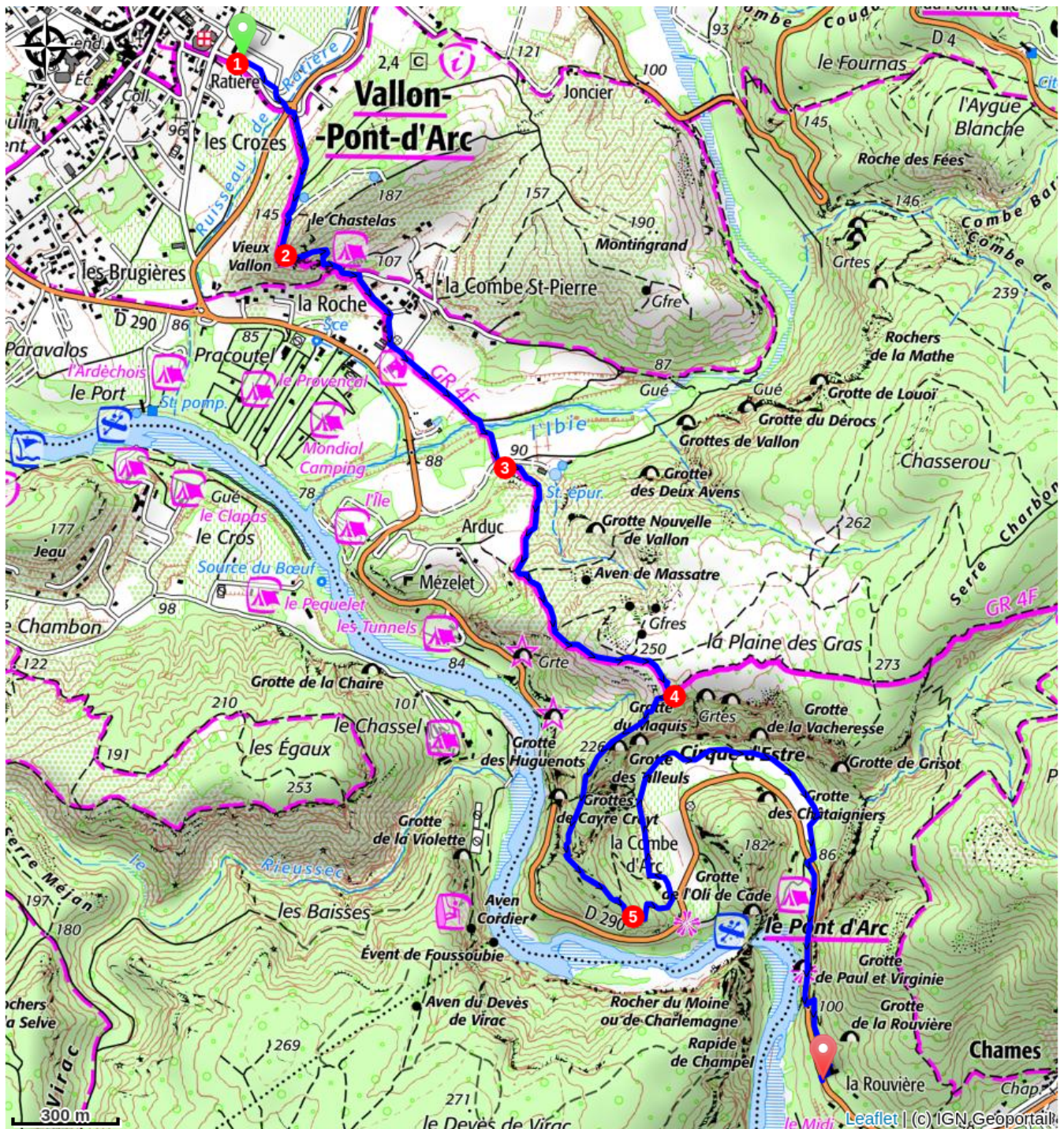
Cities : 1. VALLON-PONT-D'ARC

1. From the tourist office, go along the carpark to reach the roundabout. Cross the road and take the road up to the top the hill. Follow the  markups.
2. At the « Le Château » signpost () follow the directions "Ibie 1.4 km Pont d'Arc 3.4 km" to the right. Go down through the ancient village of Vallon. Pass the « Vieux Vallon » signposts, follow the « Pont d'Arc » direction.

Continue downhill on an asphalted track. After 200 m, turn left and take a footpath that goes down to the river Ibie. Cross the bridge.

3. At the « Mézelet » signpost follow the direction of « Pont d'Arc » to the left. Go up the mountain on a stony path.
4. At the « Combe d'Arc » signpost follow the direction of « Pont d'Arc » to the right. Go carefully down the mountain on a rocky path following the markups.
5. At the restaurant, cross the road to go to the beach upstream from the magnificent stone arch.
Go back to the road. From there, you can go back to the tourist office either by walking back the path or by taking a bus for free (running the weekends of may and june, and everyday in july and august).

But, you can also continue the walk following the bottom of the cliff and crossing the road to go to the lookout downstream of the arch. From there you can walk back or go a bit further and go back with the bus or start the 2 days hike down the Ardèche's Gorge Natural Park.



Advices

Hicking shoes, water, sun protections, walking sticks

Gear

See advices andrecommandations

How to come ?

Access

From Aubenas, take the D579 direction Vogüé, Gorges de l'Ardèche to Vallon-Pont-d'Arc..

From Bourg-Saint-Andéol, take the D4 direction Vallon-Pont-d'Arc.

From Alès, take the D104 direction Aubenas. Then take the D111 direction Gorges de l'Ardèche to Vallon-Pont-d'Arc.

Advised parking

Parking "Esplanade du Soleil" - Vallon- Pont-d'Arc

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