

Crystal territory circuit

Pays de Bitche - Saint-Louis-lès-Bitche



Cristallerie Saint Louis (Brunner)



This hike, mainly forest, will make you discover Saint-Louis-Lès-Bitche, its prestigious crystal factory and its sumptuous church. The route will also reserve you some pretty discoveries such as the chapel of Sainte-Vérène in Enchenberg or the ponds of the Moulin and the Loescherbach.

This beautiful circuit starting from the crystal museum of Saint Louis will make you alternate the passages in the forest and the crossings of villages.

Useful information

Practice : Walking

Duration : 4 h

Length : 13.3 km

Trek ascent : 310 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Loop

Themes : Histoire & patrimoine

Trek

Departure : La Grande Place car park, Saint-Louis crystal museum

Arrival : La Grande Place car park, Saint-Louis crystal museum

Markings :  Club Vosgien

Cities : 1. Saint-Louis-lès-Bitche

2. Montbronn

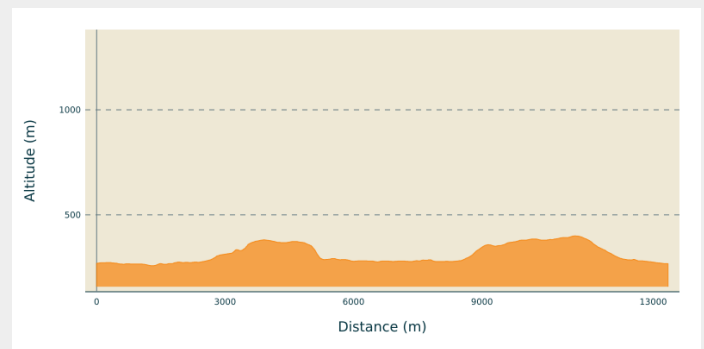
3. Enchenberg

4. Lambach

5. Lemberg

6. Goetzenbruck

Altimetric profile







Min elevation 258 m Max elevation 400 m

This circuit is part of the paths of excellence of the Pays de Bitche (n° 14). It is marked with a red disc along its entire length, completed with the green "Sentiers d'excellence" badge. Leave the car park and walk along the rue Principale to reach the pond. After the pond, continue straight on the forest road to Enchenberg. Cross the bridge to the village. Follow the D83A to the restaurant "Auberge Sainte Vère" and turn left at the crossroads. A few meters after the church, take the small path between two houses, on the right to reach the chapel Sainte Vère. Continue for 4 km to the village of Lemberg, through a forest section. Rejoin the housing estate, then the main road, before turning right after the railway line (rue des jardins). Go up on the left between the houses to join the D36 (watch out for the crossing). Go down on the other side of the road towards Saint-Louis-lès-Bitche, to reach the starting point.

On your path...



 Saint-Louis parish church (A)
 Site of the Moulin d'Eschviller, Volmunster (C)

 Old mill and its pond (B)
 Ondine Falls (D)

All useful information

How to come ?

Access

From the centre of Lemberg, take the D36 in the direction of Enchenberg. Shortly after the supermarket, turn left onto the D36A in the direction of Saint-Louis-Les-Bitche. The museum car park is on the left, a few hundred metres after entering the village.

From Montbronn, take the D36A in the direction of Saint-Louis-Les-Bitche, on the right just after the car garage. At the intersection, turn right towards the village of Saint-Louis-les-Bitche, the museum car park is on your right, just after the town hall.

Advised parking

Parking de La Grande Place, musée du cristal de Saint-Louis

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On your path...



Saint-Louis parish church (A)

Built between 1897 and 1902 by an architect-conservator of historical monuments of Alsace, Charles Winkler, this pink sandstone church of a particular architectural style is of neo-Romanesque style. Its funding came mainly from the Manufacture and the Coëtlosquet family.



Old mill and its pond (B)

Très bel étang et ancien moulin de Saint-Louis-les-Bitche.

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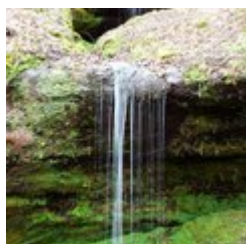
Site of the Moulin d'Eschviller, Volmunster (C)

The site of the mill of Eschviller proposes several facets of a natural and cultural inheritance.

Above all, it tells the story of a rural territory, its inhabitants and the way in which they have exploited and still exploit their natural resources. More info here.

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Ondine Falls (D)

Was originally called Wasserfelsen. At the top, you can discover an old wash house. The large retaining wall was built around 1860 during the construction of the Lemberg-Bitche railway line. From there, the stream flows on imposing sandstone slabs to form beautiful waterfalls, particularly impressive in winter. The thin stream of water forms at this level the very first beginnings of the Zinzelt of the North.

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