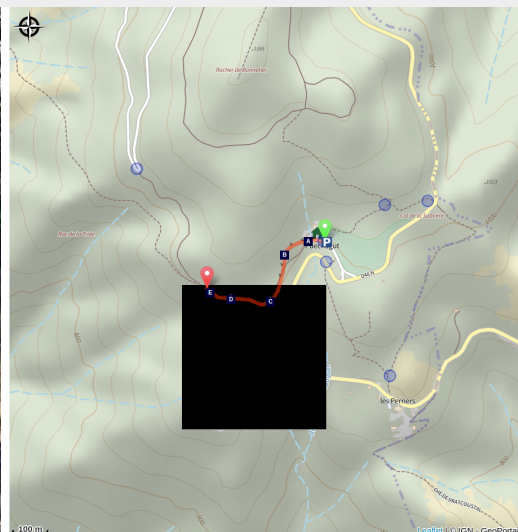


Puechagut ou la forêt des sens

Gard



Sentier de Puechagut (Antoine Philippe ONF)



A gentle forest path accessible to all, which ends at an exceptional viewpoint onto the southern Causse Larzac plateaux

Over a distance of 900 metres from the car park (there-and-back), immerse yourself in forest and enjoy a magnificent panorama. Discover the history of this unusual site and the diversity of the surroundings thanks to 5 sensory-education stops. There is a breadcrumb trail throughout the circuit as well as regular areas for resting. Take the time to observe, listen and feel !

Useful information

Practice : Sentiers de découverte

Duration : 1 h

Length : 0.5 km

Trek ascent : 20 m

Difficulty : Very easy

Type : Aller-retour

Themes : Milieu naturel

Trek

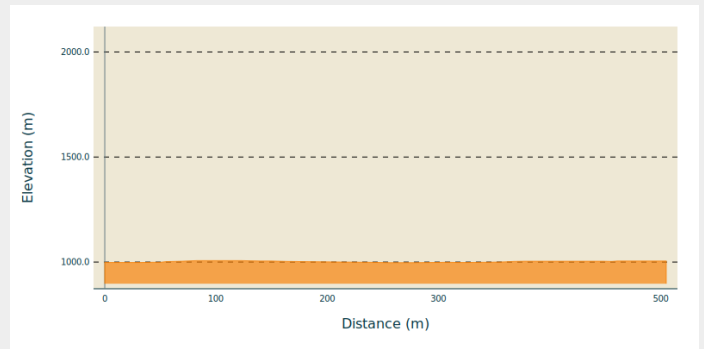
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Arrival : Maison des Cévennes à Puechagut

Markings : 🌲 Puechagut

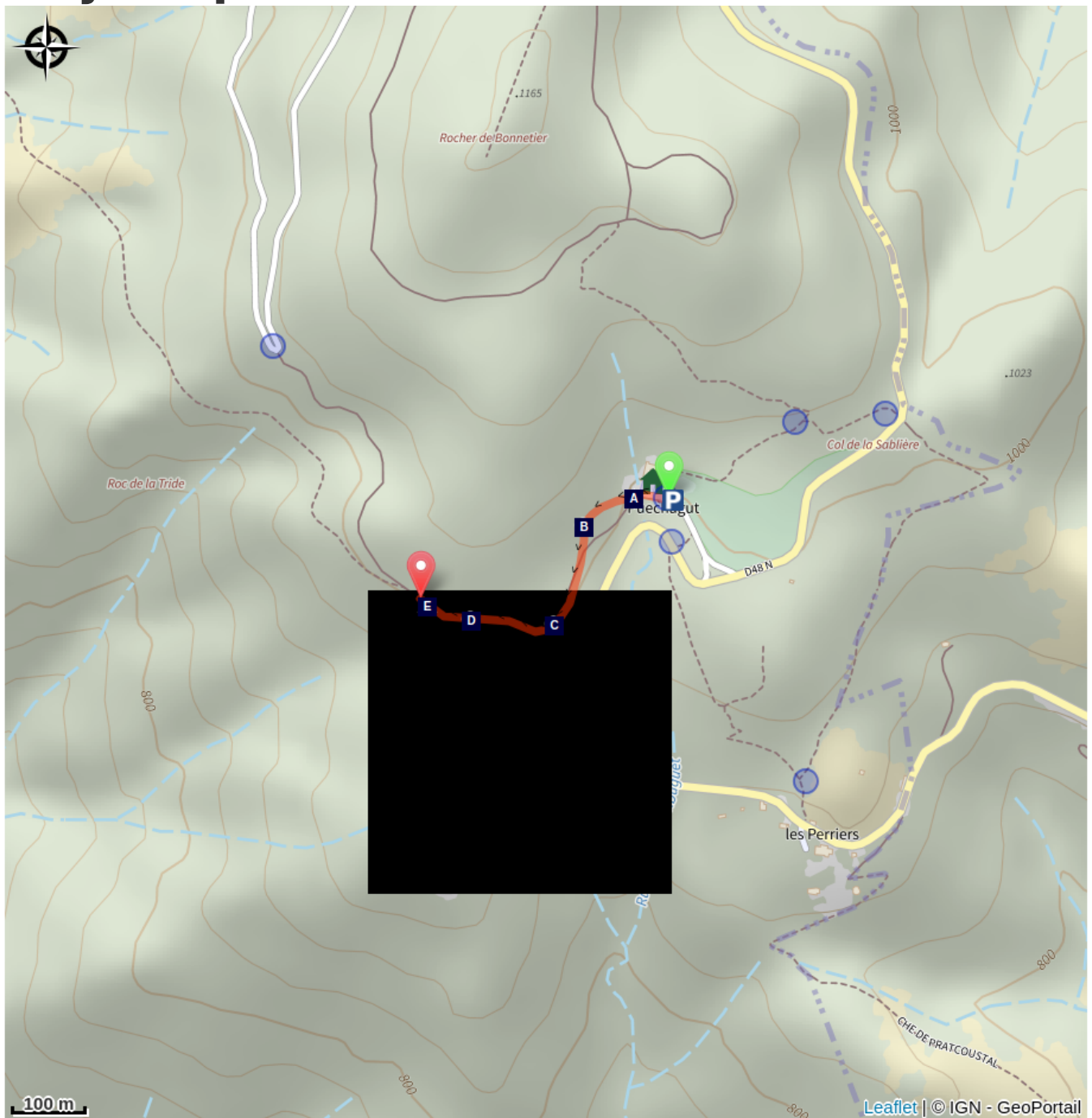
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Altimetric profile



Min elevation 991 m Max elevation 1006 m

On your path...



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All useful information

Advices

For your own safety and to preserve the site, you must stay on the marked path.

How to come ?

Access

From Le Vigan – Mont Aigoual on the D999 and D48n

Advised parking

Parking de la Maison des Cévennes

Information desks

Tourism & national parc'house

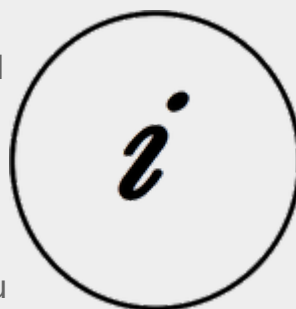
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On your path...



Immersion in Puechagut (A)

Puechagut gets its name from the local relief: puech means peak or summit, and agut means pointed, hence the translation of “pointed mountain”.

In the old days, the Maison des Cévennes was a farming estate producing livestock and crops grown on terraces. In the late 19th century, it became an arboretum including a forester's house as part of the vast reforestation programme on the Aigoual massif. What is now the car park used to be one of the 37 tree nurseries.

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Identifying trees by their bark (B)

My bark is fissured and comes away in layers; my straight trunks used to be made into ship's masts – who am I?

Atlas cedar, Douglas fir, Corsican pine, beech: would you be able to tell them by their bark ?

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Conifers and their cones (C)

Cones are the structures which contain a conifer's reproductive organs. Most softwood trees have both female cones and male cones. The ones you see on the ground are female. It often takes several years for them to grow on the tree; they open in the heat to liberate the seeds that they contain. Austrian pine, Douglas fir, Atlas cedar: would you be able to tell them by their cones ?

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Identifying trees by their leaves (D)

Puechagut path has a diversity of deciduous trees. This is due to the arboretum and the sunny exposure. Simple or compound leaves, the layout of the leaf veins: learn how to identify eight different varieties of deciduous tree, all of them visible by the edge of the path.

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Viewpoint (E)

The forest of the senses opens up for a scenic view. Enjoy!

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