

Villeneuve de Berg - The Forêt des Sens



A walk proposed by Michel_M

An easy family walk to the "Forêt des sens" (forest of senses), arboretum and interpretive trail created under the impetus of the municipal children's council. A few welcome benches punctuate this playful and instructive walk for all ages.

Calculated time :	2h20	Difficulty :	Easy
Distance :	6.67km	Return to the departure point :	Yes
Vertical gain :	167m	Means of travel :	Walking
Vertical drop :	168m	Region :	Massif central
Highest point :	449m	Location :	Villeneuve-de-Berg (07170)
Lowest point :	297m		

Description

Park at the Combettes car park, below the D902.

(D/A) If you're looking at the houses overlooking the car park, climb to the right on the square and turn right on the Rue du Fort, after the Caisse d'Épargne. Follow this for about 150m up to a trails signpost.

(1) Turn right on the Grande Rue, pass the Place des Capucins and a house with blue shutters and continue straight on until the crossing with the Rue de la Couronne (new trails signpost).

(2) Turn right until the ford, which you cross. The route is marked by small yellow signs "Forêt des sens". Continue up until you reach a barrier on your left: the signs and "white-yellow" markers invite you to climbs to the left.

Continue climbing straight ahead and keep going on the path opposite on the first intersection.

(3) Continue straight on until the top of the hill. Enjoy a great view of the village toward the end of the climb.

(4) You'll now be at the arboretum and the start of the "Sentier des sens", which is very well marked indicating which path to take (yellow arrows on a black background).

Extract from the leaflet:

...." ' Using your five senses, and with the help of six pulpits, a xylophone(!) and a landscape table, you'll discover the natural, historical, cultural and landscape heritage of the Devois hill and its extensive environment". ...

Follow this path. After the xylophone pulpit, take a quick return trip to the right to get to the orientation table and then continue up until you cross the path you took on the climb.

(3) Continue straight on, follow the track that is partially and pleasantly lined with trees, and which curves left around the Devois hill leading to an asphalt track just below a parking area.

(5) Turn left and go down the asphalt track up to the Saint-Andéol-de-Berg road (D259).

(6) At the trails signpost, turn left, go past the forester's house and then take the trail on the right (white-yellow markers) which descends back down to the river "Ibie". Cross the ford and walk back up straight toward the town centre via the Rue de l'ibie which then continues as the Basse Rue Roger Vallos

(2) Continue straight on. Immediately after the Place des Capucins, turn right on a vaulted passage (Rue Émile Froment) to reach the Place Emile Froment.

(7) Cross the square diagonally to take the Rue Saint John opposite which takes you out next to the church bell tower.

Fork left, cross the square and then take the Rue du Fort opposite and to get back to the car park**(D/A)**.

In the nearby area

Waypoints

- D/A** : N 44.558617° / E 4.501978°
alt. 317m - km 0
- 1** : **Rue du Fort, take the "Grand Rue" on the left**
N 44.556916° / E 4.501064° - alt. 324m - km 0.25
- 2** : **Rue de la Couronne, turn right**
N 44.5564° / E 4.503973° - alt. 312m - km 0.49
- 3** : **Intersection of 4 paths, continue straight on**
N 44.548527° / E 4.510888° - alt. 414m - km 1.96
- 4** : **The top of the hill, Forêt des sens**
N 44.549834° / E 4.512498° - alt. 434m - km 2.17
- 5** : **Asphalt track, turn left**
N 44.548509° / E 4.514586° - alt. 401m - km 4.71
- 6** : **D259, signpost, turn left**
N 44.552281° / E 4.513581° - alt. 367m - km 5.15
- 7** : **Place Emile Froment**
N 44.55684° / E 4.502221° - alt. 323m - km 6.44
- D/A** : N 44.558614° / E 4.501969°
alt. 317m - km 6.67

Details of the walk:

<http://www.villeneuveberg.fr/decouvrir...>

Free leaflet available from the town hall located just a few meters after point(1) continuing straight on (stairs)

Website about Olivier de Serres often mentioned on the trail

<http://www.olivier-de-serres.org/>

Point (1) : the birthplace of Olivier de Serres

Point (4) Arboretum interpretive trail

Practical information

Add a good 30 minutes to the indicated time to enjoy the pulpits in the Forêt des sens.

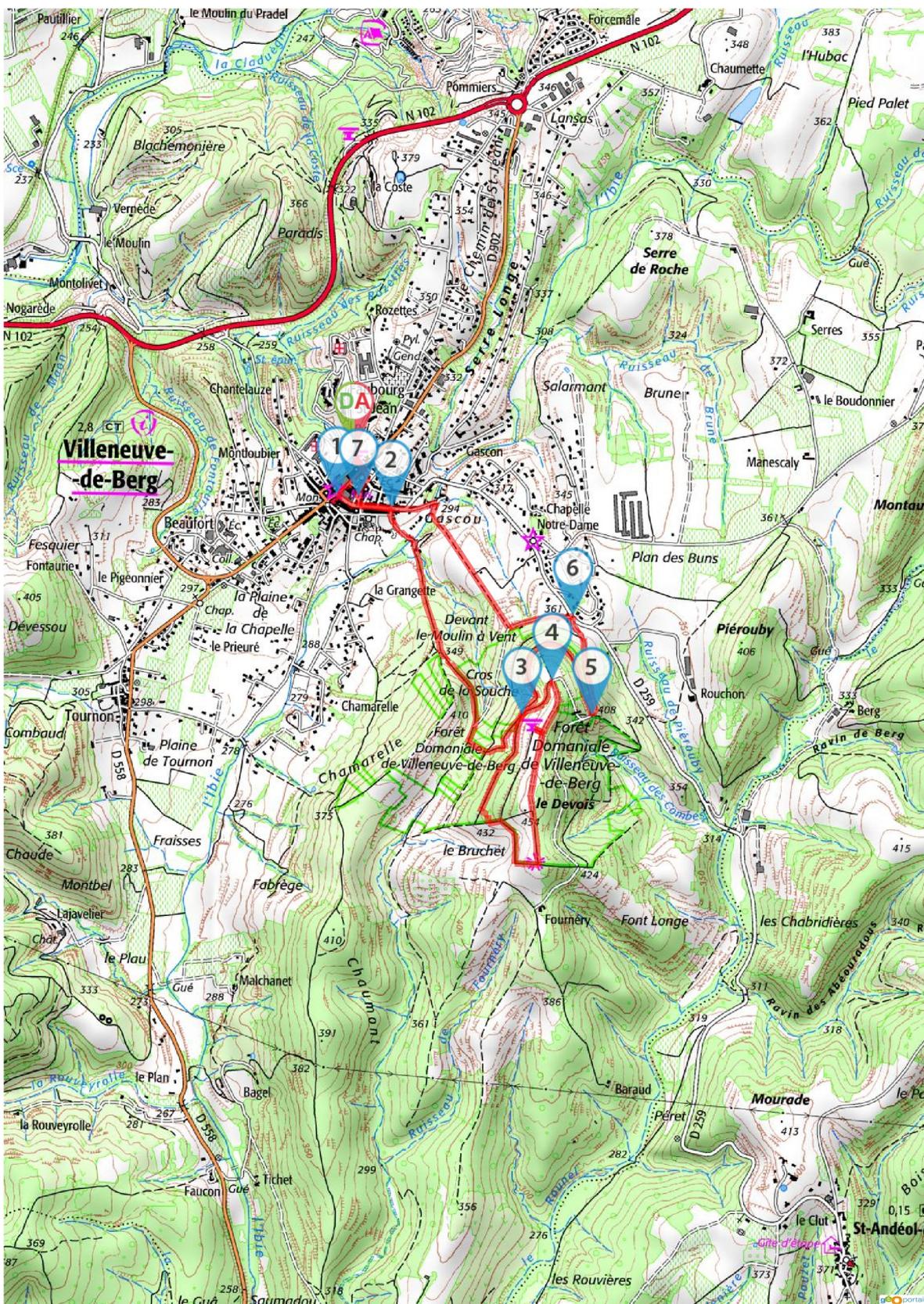
No water-filling points, wear good shoes with studded soles, headgear, optional poles.

2 fords to cross

Trails signpost: a pole with a small yellow cone on top and directional signs

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