

MAUBEC

La Montagnette

1,7 KM

- Very easy walk
- Easy walk**
- Moderate walk
- Hard walk

Starting point : Centre of the village, in front of the campsite

Where to park : Car park in front of the campsite

Waymarking : PR (short hiking trail) 

Height difference : 55 m

Type : Loop

Time : 45 minutes

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Description

From one of the car parks, go to the campsite "Les Royères du Prieuré", the starting point of the circuit.

Take the path to La Combe St Pierre on the GR (red and white pictograms) which runs due east, with the Luberon massif on your right.

Leave the tarmac path and continue on the dirt track between the holm oak forest and the vineyards (where you can see jays, tits and nuthatches).

Continue along this path and you will see old cherry trees on the right, and a string of Atlas cedars in the distance. On your left, along the hillside, you will see retaining walls for terrace cultivation.

Continue for 300 m and you come to a group of Provençal farmhouses on your right. Turn left between the dry-stone walls onto a small, steep path that leads through olive trees and Aleppo pines to the top of the hill (this path is not marked!).

Once at the top, take a moment to look back and admire the Luberon and its limestone cliffs. Continue on your left: the path weaves its way between pine trees and rocky outcrops. 100 m further on, after a short climb on your right between rocks, you reach the crest line of the hill.

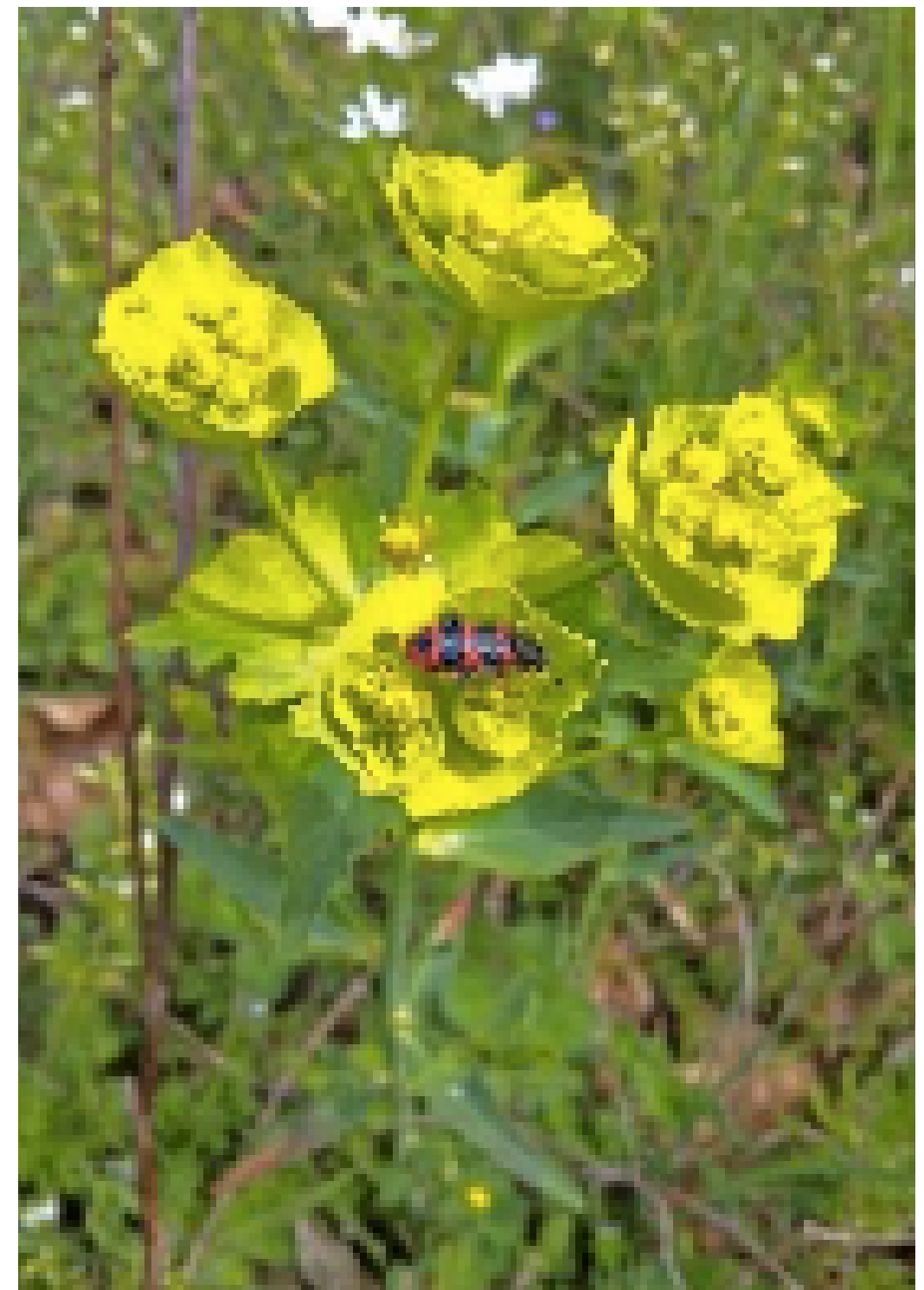
Once at the top turn left, heading due west. The path goes through a pine forest. As you continue, you will see the remains of retaining walls for terrace cultivation. The crest provides a sweeping view of the Luberon on the left and the Monts de Vaucluse on the right. In the summer months, you might see short-toed snake eagles (which hunt reptiles) circling along the cliffs.

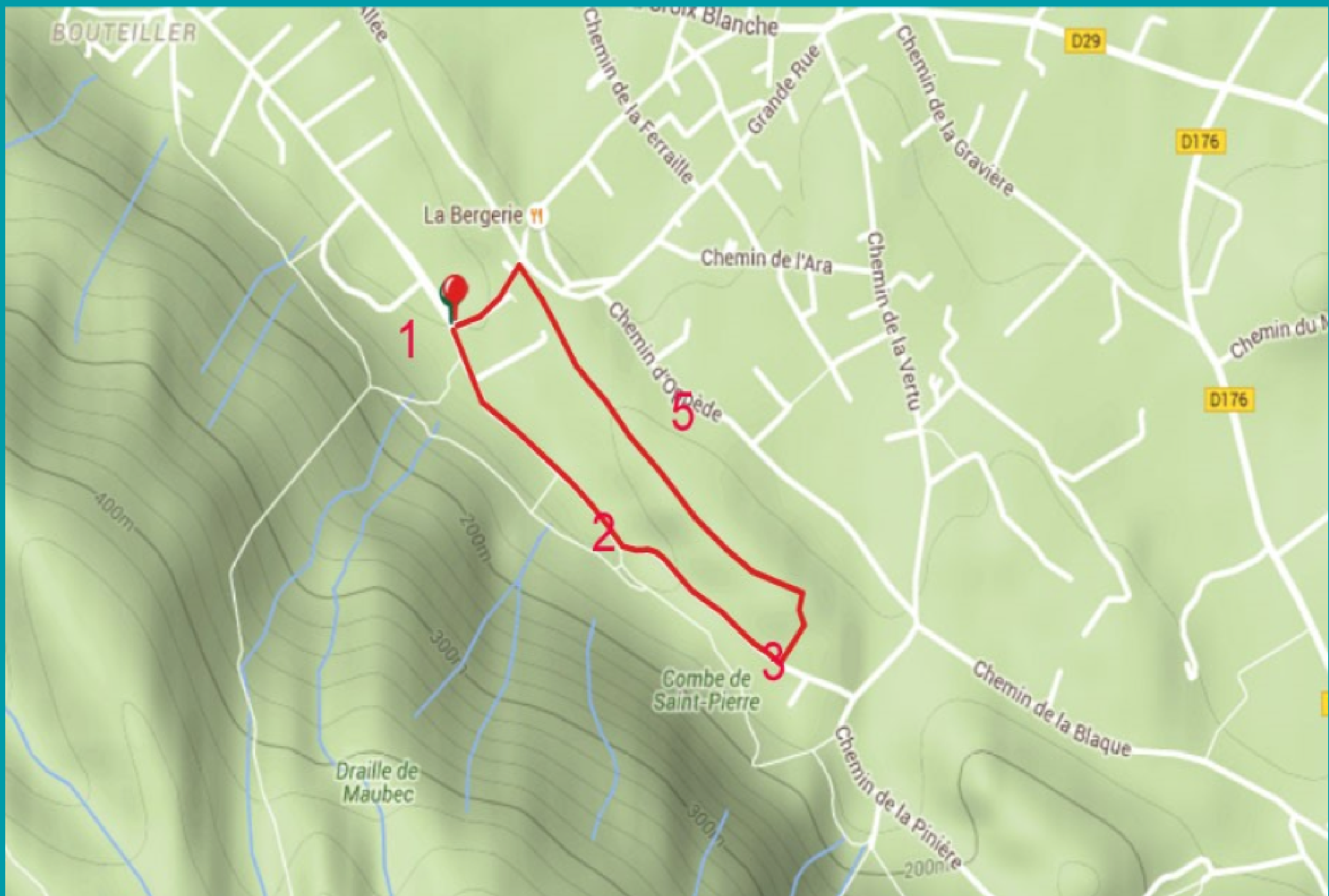
After a while, you will start to descend slightly to the left. Continue straight ahead under the holm oaks along the rocky bar on the right (gentle slope: take care with the narrow passages).

When you arrive at the houses lying below, you will see the bell tower of the village in front of you. Go down the steps and from there you get to the car park.

Before leaving :

- In summer, check the risk of bush fire and the opening of the trails by calling 00 33 (0)4 28 31 77 11 or the Tourist Office.
- Take plenty of water and a hat.
- Wear comfortable walking shoes.



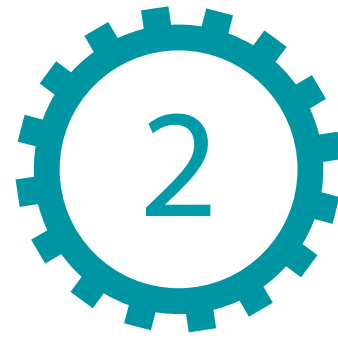




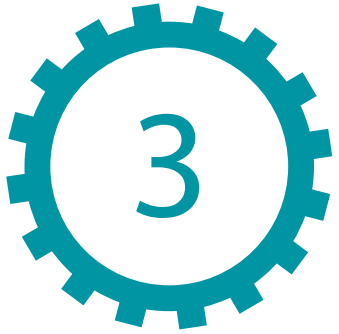
The hiker's charter



Treat protected areas with respect. In France, many outstanding natural sites (national parks, nature reserves, etc.) are protected by regulations.



Don't throw away rubbish; bring it back with you. Nature will be all the better for it!



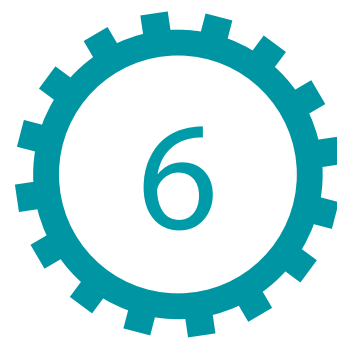
Stay on the waymarked paths.



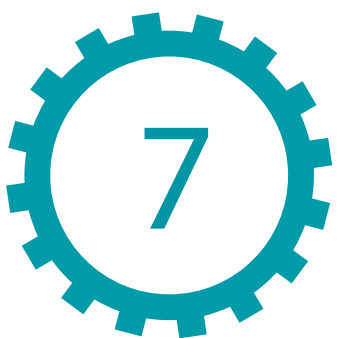
Respect the trees, admire the plants and observe the animals, but don't mutilate or cut plants or disturb wildlife, and be careful during nesting periods.



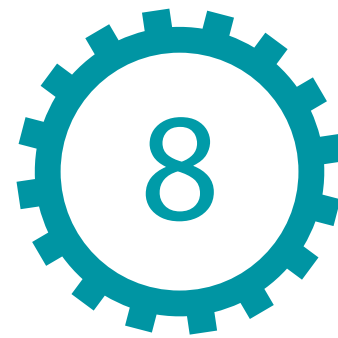
Comply with regulations: do not enter the massifs in vehicles off the roads open to public traffic.



Respect winegrowers and farmers, and do not pick their products.



Do not make fires. Fire is a danger for hikers and nature. Do not go into the forest in drought periods or in strong winds.



Follow instructions, and if you see a fire, call 18 or 112.



Information

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