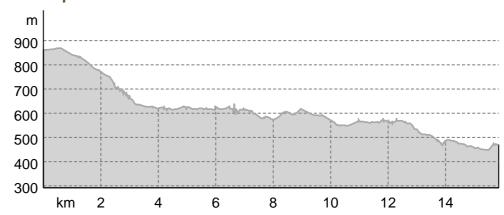


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Track types

— Length 15.8 km

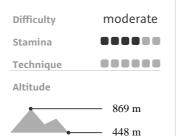
Elevation profile



route data

Pilgrim Walk

Distance	\longleftrightarrow	15.8	km
Duration	()	4:40	h
Ascent	1	145	m
Descent		537	m



Best time of year

JAN	FEB	MAR
APR	MAY	JUN
JUL	AUG	SEP
OCT	NOV I	DEC

Ratings

Authors

Experience Landscape

Community

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More route data



Angus Carrick

Update: May 22, 2025

An interesting walk down the Orbe gorge, past the remains of a medieval village.

We arrived by bus back where we had left off previously, and went to the Commune Office to collect stamp for our pilgrim pass. After pausing to survey the anti-tank barriers, we headed down to the river gorge. This started as a bit of a scramble, but as we headed downstream the river got wider, and the paths easier. We came across a section of canal (probably used previously for hydro-electric power) which was now used for fishing, with nets covering it to presumably keep the birds off. At times, the path went through tunnels carved through the cliffs. We came to the small hamlet of Les Clées, where we had a drink and dessert in the local hotel. The town had once been a major place due to the bridge over the gorge, with warehouses for toll goods, shops, inns, and a castle on the rock above. Now, there were only vestiges of its

former glory. Continuing on along the river bank, we passed through open woodland, a modern hydroelectric scheme, finaly to arrive at Orbe.

For more information and photos see Angus & Sue's website

Protected areas *7*

Federal landscape inventory **Vieille Morte**

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Website

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Legend

Topography		Topographic signs	
φ .	Wood, forest	* ‡	Summit cross
	Moor, swamp, marsh	• 🛦	Elevation point
12.72.7.	Heath	3{}	Rock
		,7,	Cave
	Residential area with single building	L	Church
	Industrial area with single building	1	Chapel
	Cemetery	† [†] †	Cemetery
	Golf course	ii	Palace/Castle
	Sportsfield, stadium		Abbey
	Stadium	•	Monument
		ជា	Ruin
_	Open-air pool	*	Mine
TS-1117-01-77 SHF	Vineyard	∅ *	Cairn
W. C. S.	Petrograph	(I) B	Broadcasting tower
	Country border	+	Windwheel
	State border	₩ 🛪	Water-/windmill
	District border	祭	Viewpoint
900	Contour line		
	Special use area		
_	Nature reserve		
Road and track		Lifts and railway	
A7	Motorway	— Æ —	Ropeway lift
B309	Highway		Gondola lift
1333	Statal road	———	Chairlift
0A8	Road	— <u>T</u> —	Ski-, draglift
	Main agricultural road		Aerial ropeways
	Agricultural road		Railway
	Trail		Suburban train
	Via Ferrata		Subway
			Tram
		т	Railway station
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