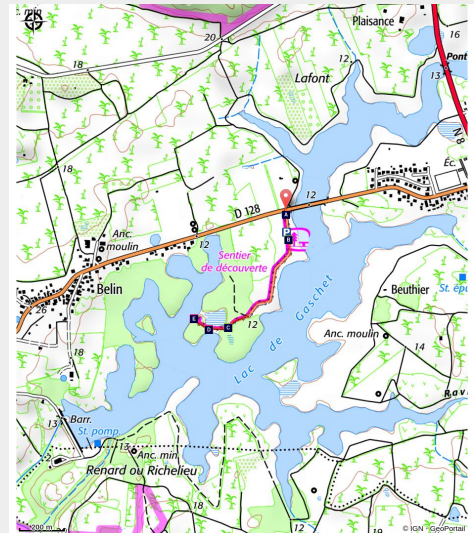


Gaschet path

Grande-Terre Nord - Port-Louis



Sentier de Gaschet (France-Antilles)



The Gaschet dam has a unique landscape in the archipelago with a water area of 100 hectares. Bird lovers have counted 80 species, making this a unique site in the Lesser Antilles, especially for migrating ducks. It is also an easily accessible spot for anyone looking for "nature and a change of scene".

A wide-open, rustic site, ideal for getting away from it all.

Useful information

Practice : Walking

Duration : 30 min

Length : 1.7 km

Trek ascent : 11 m

Difficulty : Very easy


Type : Return trip

Themes : Agricultural landscape, Discovery trail, Pond and wetland, Relaxation area

Trek

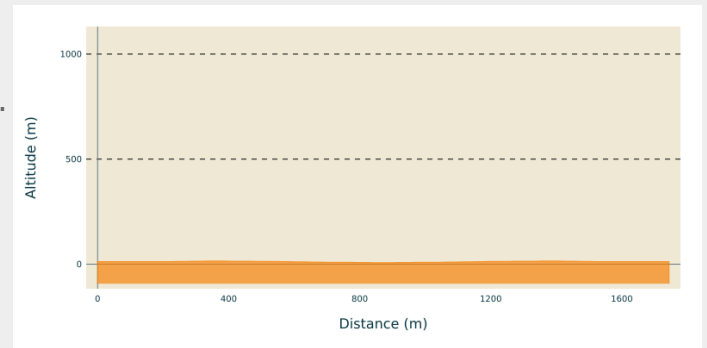
Departure : Near the site's information panel.

Arrival : Near the site's information panel.

Markings :  PR (short hike network)

Cities : 1. Port-Louis

Altimetric profile



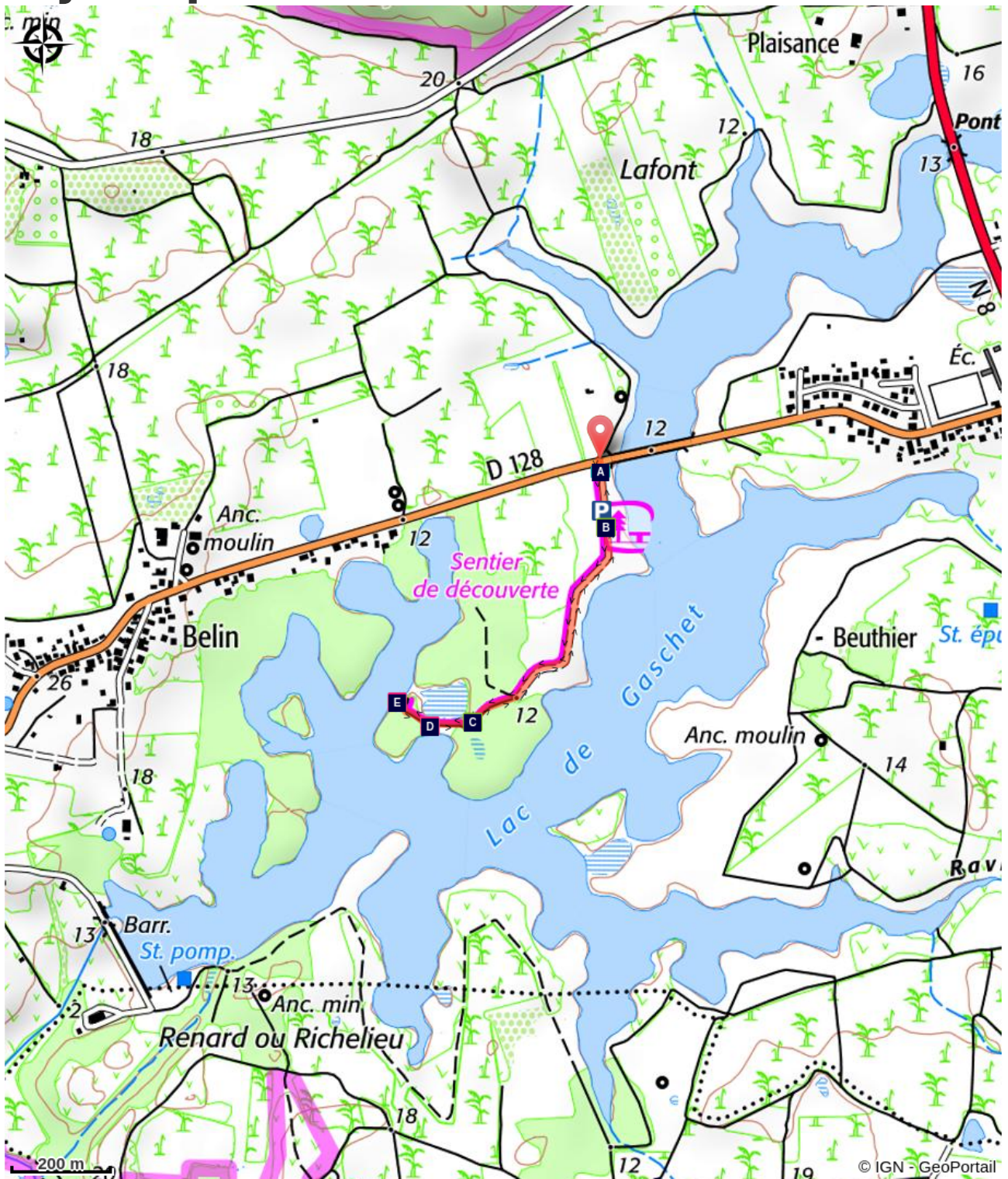
Min elevation 7 m Max elevation 15 m

Starting at the site's information panel, follow the path winding its way between the various rest places (karbays, benches, nature-drawing spots) all the way to the bird reserve.


You go back to the starting point the same way.

"Hiking Sketch" nature drawing activity and "Karu Explo" digital treasure hunt (smartphone application) on the site.

On your path...



 Introduction panel (A)

 Pond with bulrushes (C)

 Bird observatory (E)

 Water hyacinths (B)

 View of the dam (D)

All useful information

Advices

No bathing.
A bylaw prohibits hunting and protects wild animals on the site.
Please respect the signs reminding visitors about the regulations on the site.
NB: unsupervised car park.

How to come ?

Transports

Le conseil régional assure le réseau de transport interurbain avec des lignes de bus qui desservent tout l'archipel, par secteur géographique.

Voir : https://www.regionguadeloupe.fr/les-actions-regionales/transport-interurbain/#_

-> Pointe-à-Pitre / Abymes / Morne à L'Eau / Petit-Canal / Port-Louis / Anse-Bertrand : ligne 112.

Access

GPS starting point: Lat: 16,422310°N - Long: 61,483441°W.

Access to the site is in Port-Louis by the RD n°128 road; access is indicated near the bridge spanning the Gaschet lake.

Advised parking

Parking area at the site entrance

Information desks

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On your path...



Introduction panel (A)

A presentation of the Gaschet site.

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Water hyacinths (B)

The water hyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*) is an aquatic plant listed as one of the worst invasive species by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Its proliferation is a potential source of environmental, economic, social and even health hazards in the environments where it forms colonies.

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Pond with bulrushes (C)

Herbaceous plants thrive in this wet environment.

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View of the dam (D)

The dam was built to maintain the reservoir.

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Bird observatory (E)

At this bird-observation point there are also drawing lessons for beginners.

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