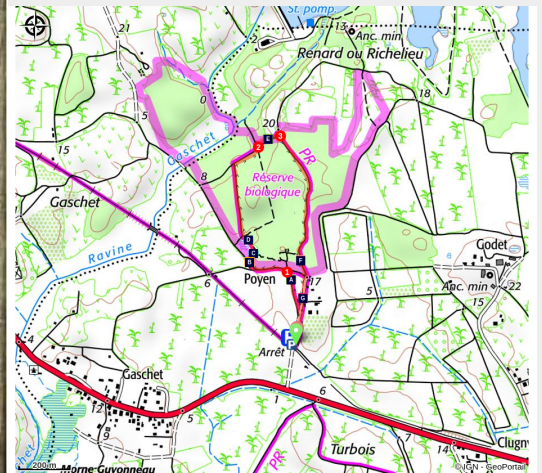


Moulin de Poyen loop

Grande-Terre Nord - Petit-Canal



moulin de Poyen (PNG)



Discover the wealth of Grande Terre through this loop in the forest of Poyen.

Useful information

Practice : Walking

Duration : 1 h

Length : 2.1 km

Trek ascent : 27 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Loop

Themes : Agricultural landscape,
Cultural and architectural
heritage, Discovery trail

Trek

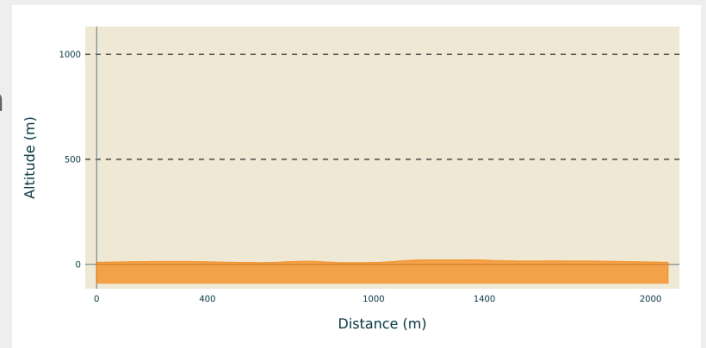
Departure : Petit-Canal, Poyen railway station (little train).

Arrival : Petit-Canal, Poyen railway station (little train).

Markings :  PR (short hike network)

Cities : 1. Petit-Canal

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 8 m Max elevation 22 m

Hike way-marked : yellow and white.

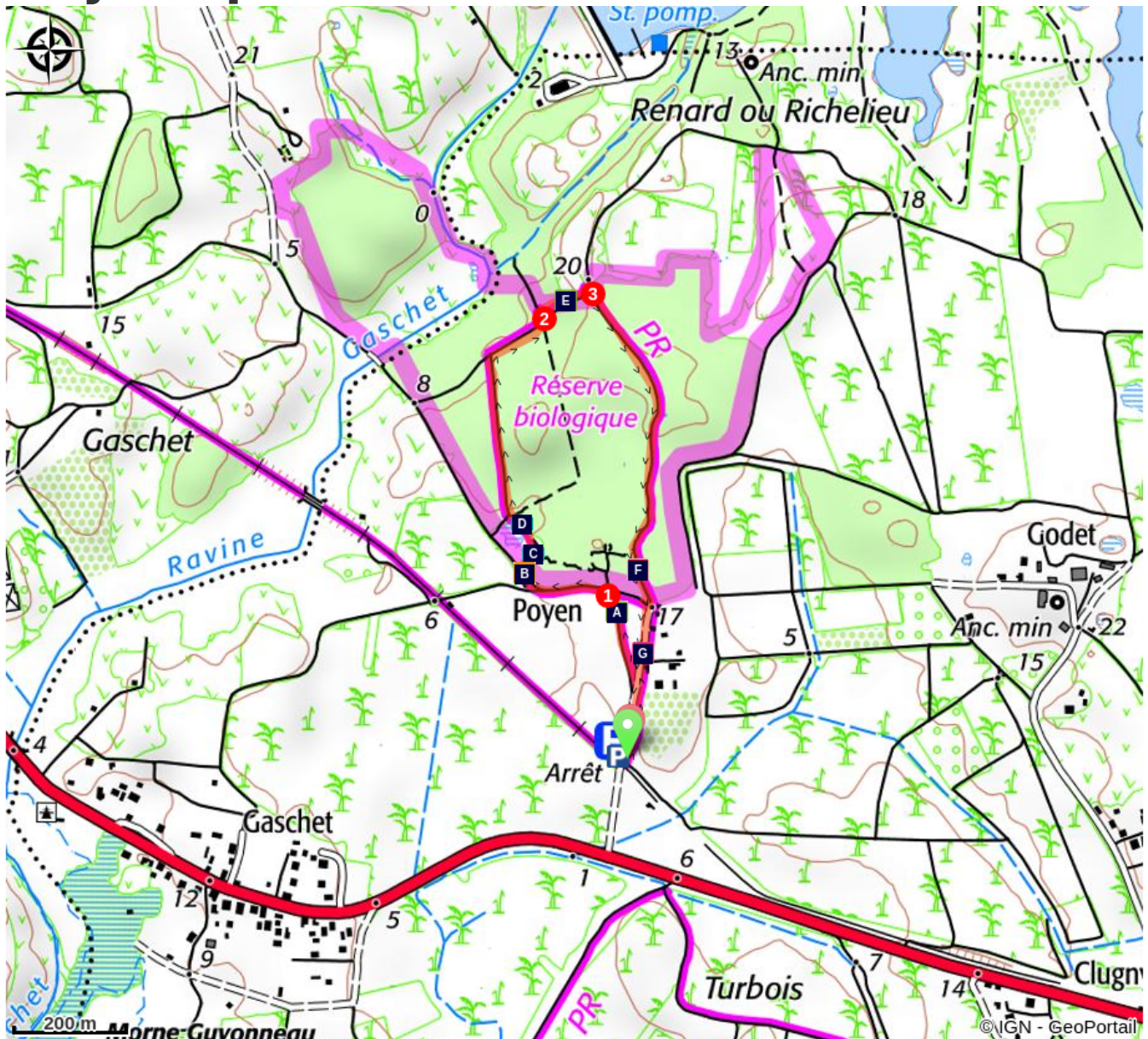
Set off on the path. After 100m, when you reach the houses, take the path to the left along the side of the fields. At the next little crossroads (Point 1), turn left again.





Reach the An ba bwa la carbet.




Turn right, towards the other carbet in the clearing. The path goes along the edge of a pool, then into the forest. Continue until you reach a crossroads, take the right turn.

At Point No. 2, carry straight on. At point No. 3, turn right at the barrier and continue in the forest. Turn off at the mill and go back to the crossroads (Point 1). Take the left turn. Go past the houses and then return to the little station where you started.

On your path...



-  Sugar cane fields (A)
-  Bloodwood tree (C)
-  'Pipirit' (E)
-  Beautiful countryside (G)

-  Picnic table (B)
-  Mahogany (D)
-  Poyen mill (F)

All useful information

AdVICES

Be sure to respect crops and livestock.
Watch out for beehives in the forest !

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 102.

Access

Starting point : Lat : 16,40093 N - Long : 61,49221 W.

Between the villages of Petit-Canal and Port Louis: on the straight stretch of the RN6, turn off and take an unsurfaced track waymarked with a sign for An ba bwa la. Follow the path for 200m, as far as the small tourist train station (Poyen Station).

Advised parking

Beside the little station (tourist train).

Information desks

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Source

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<https://www.randoguadeloupe.gp/>

On your path...



Sugar cane fields (A)

Sugar cane is a grass, whose stem is used to make sugar and rum; the foliage serves as cattle fodder. Cane has marked the history and landscape of the Guadeloupe since the fifteenth century, the time when it would have begun to be planted. In the north Grande-Terre, crops were centred around the site of Beauport.



Picnic table (B)

Not far from the carbet (shelter), a picnic table is available to walkers for a break.

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Bloodwood tree (C)

The bloodwood tree (*Haematoxylum campechianum*) can reach 15 metres in height. Typical of the dry rainforest in the Caribbean, it is distinguished by its very dark, hard wood and its dark red sap. You can obtain a tincture of its wood; the tree was also often used to make charcoal. Its nectar-laden flowers are appreciated by beekeepers.

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Mahogany (D)

Panels explain the history of these trees in Guadeloupe. Here are two trees of the dry rainforest: the big leaf mahogany and the small leaf mahogany.

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'Pipirit' (E)

The grey tyrant flycatcher is recognisable by its gray plumage clear and its impressive beak.

The bird measures approximately 25 cm, and feeds mainly on insects.

Known locally as the pipirit, this bird is known for its morning song, and has led to the Creole expression '*O Pipirit chantant*' which means 'very early'.

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Poyen mill (F)

Located on the site of the former Beauport sugar factory, Poyen Mill is one of the sugar houses seen in Grande-Terre up until the beginning of the nineteenth century.

These windmills were used to crush the sugarcane stems to extract the juice (*vésou*), used in the manufacture of sugar and of *rhum agricole* (cane juice rum).

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Beautiful countryside (G)

Viewpoint over the Basse-Terre mountain range, of which you can see the peaks.

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