

From Port-Louis to Anse Laborde (1st stage)

Grande-Terre Nord - Port-Louis



signalétique (PNG)

The first of the three stages of the Grande-Terre Northern Loop: from Port-Louis (Beauport) to Anse-Bertrand (Anse Laborde), passing the coast of Grand Cul-de-Sac Marin.

Take the Loop's hiking trails to explore the riches of North Grande-Terre !

Useful information

Practice : Walking

Duration : 5 h

Length : 13.2 km

Trek ascent : 69 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Cross

Themes : Coastline and cliff, Cultural and architectural heritage, North Grande-Terre circular trail, Pond and wetland, Relaxation area

Trek

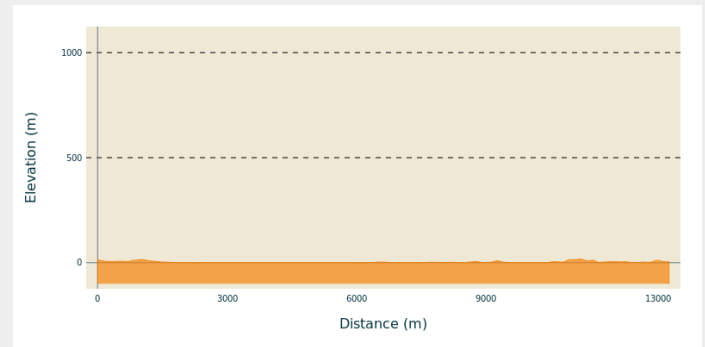
Departure : Port-Louis, site of Beauport.

Arrival : Anse-Bertrand, Anse Laborde beach.

Markings : 🚶 Coastal trail ➡️ MBT 🗺️ North Grande-Terre circular trail — PR (short hike network)

Cities : 1. Port-Louis
2. Anse-Bertrand

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 0 m Max elevation 17 m

Hiking trail colour : yellow.

From the site of Beauport ('cane country'), this first stage passes through the village of Port-Louis, then goes to the Plage du Souffleur; from here, it follows the **Port-Louis / Anse-Bertrand coastal path** (Lavolvaine + Pointe Plate trails). Arriving at Plage de La Chapelle, cross the village of Anse-Bertrand then head north towards Anse Laborde, the destination for this first stage.

Source of information: Discours interprétatif de la Boucle du nord Grande-Terre - CANGT / AVPMC J.Barfleur, 2016.

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For more information on the Grande-Terre Northern Loop, go to:
<http://www.randogadeloupe.gp/informations/partenariats/>



On your path...



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 Eglise d'Anse-Bertrand (X)
 Anse Laborde (Z)

All useful information

Advices

Be careful when walking along or crossing the road (beware of traffic).
The northern Grand Terre coastline has many sea turtle nesting sites: please respect the beaches !

As Guadeloupe is prone to natural risks, extra care should be taken in this natural environment. For the benefit of all hikers, responsible behaviour is very important.
Warning : the parking and swimming areas are not supervised.

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 : **lignes 102 et 112.**

Toute l'année, les lignes du Transports Urbains du Nord Grande-Terre (TUNGT) desservent la Boucle, permettant de rejoindre le point de départ ou de quitter facilement le sentier.

Lignes : U6 et U9.

Pour plus d'informations, consultez le site <https://cangt.monbus.mobi> ou contactez le TUNGT :

48 Boulevard Rougé - 97160 Le Moule

tél : 0590 20 64 08.

Ouvert le lundi, mardi, jeudi et vendredi de 9h à 16h et le mercredi de 9h à 13h.

Access

Starting point : Lat : 16v41572°N - Long : 61,51445°W.

Between the villages of Port Louis and Petit-Canal, on the RN6: take the direction of the school and the site of Beauport. Follow the waymark 'Beauport, pays de la canne'.

Advised parking

Port-Louis, site of Beauport.

Accessibility

A picnic 'carbet' suitable for people with reduced mobility is to be found on the Plage du Souffleur at Port-Louis.

Information desks

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Beauport factory (A)

The Beauport factory, established in 1863 on the site of the Beauport sugar-works, over 70 years managed more than 8000 hectares in northern Grande-Terre, and fed a dynamic network of railway lines.

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Chapelle de la Piéta (B)

200m north of the road, the Chapelle de la Piéta, can be found inside the mill of the Beauport residence.

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Dispensary (C)

An ancient dispensary, built by Ali Tur after the cyclone in 1928.

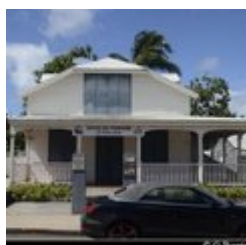
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Port-Louis Mairie (D)

The Port-Louis Mairie (Town Hall), originally built on the coastline and destroyed in 1928, was rebuilt by Corbin during the 1930s.

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'Yang-Ting' mansion (E)

The historic Yang-Ting mansion, restored by the Port-Louis Tourism Office.

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Palais de Justice (F)

The former Palais de Justice, built by Ali Tur in the early 1930s, on the site of the old Mairie (town hall).

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Main Boulevard (G)

Boulevard de Port-Louis, historical axis of the town since the eighteenth century.

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Eglise de Port-Louis (H)

The Church and its square, originally built in 1725, destroyed three times in the nineteenth century, but always rebuilt in the same place.

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Lighthouse of Port-Louis (I)

The lighthouse, symbol of Port-Louis harbour.

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Plage du Souffleur (J)

The Plage du Souffleur, a historical area in Port-Louis and famous seaside centre in Guadeloupe.

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'Chimen Kas Moustach' (K)

Route of the Conservatoire du Littoral Tras Kas Moustach, to explore the Port-Louis marshes, joins the main axis at the Pointe des Mangles.

Beware : access not recommended to the boardwalk (currently damaged).

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Cimetière de Port-Louis (L)

The Port-Louis cemetery with its variety of graves. The car-park at Port-Louis cemetery, heading northwards along the beach, joins on to that of the Conservatoire du Littoral '*Tras Kas Moustach*'.

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Pointe des Mangles (M)

The Pointe des Mangles, where the sea and the waters of the marsh come together.

A fishing spot, but also a spiritual '*démaré*' (rebirth) bathing area, not far from the ornithological hide.

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Chapelle (N)

The chapel of Notre Dame des Marais, or '*Chapèl Kilibwa*', is one of a network of coastal chapels of the Côte sous le Vent in north Grande-Terre.

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Batterie Pointe d'Antigue (O)

The buried remains of the old battery of Pointe d'Antigue, the advanced defence post of Port-Louis harbour.



Pointe d'Antigue (P)

Pointe d'Antigue or '*Gros Kay*', a strategic rocky peak and unique viewpoint embracing the whole '*Gran V*', the Grand Cul-de-Sac Marin.

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Saint-Pierre (Q)

Secondary circuit around the Saint-Pierre residence, a large coastal housing area to the north of the marshes.

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Anse Colas (R)

Anse Colas, a lagoon set in a rocky inlet is an area for meeting up and relaxing, at the border of the Anse-Bertrand and Port-Louis areas.

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La Mare Indigo (S)

La Mare Indigo, a stone's throw from the coast, is a witness to the human resonance between savanna, undergrowth and gardens.

(Mare Indigo can be seen 150m to the east of the main path)

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Plage de La Chapelle (T)

The Plage de la Chapelle, lively and welcoming, was the historical start of the Anse in the eighteenth century (traces of the original religious foundation remain).

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Ancienne prison (U)

The former prison, built on the eve of the abolition of slavery in the middle of the nineteenth century, is located on the Boulevard, in the historic fishermen's district.

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Ravine Sable (V)

Ravine Sable, anchor point of the cove's maritime culture, benefits from both its valuable wetlands and the rich birdlife, at the foot of the cliffs.

NB: ornithological observatory on the area (opened on October 2017 by the Anse-Bertrand Community and the National Park)

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Cimetières d'Anse-Bertrand (W)

The two cemeteries in Anse-Bertrand are temporal markers of the coastal development of its past.

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Eglise d'Anse-Bertrand (X)

The Church and its square, the heart of the town opening out to the 'cove at Bertrand'.

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Débarcadère d'Anse-Bertrand (Y)

The old water-tanks, or ways of storing water, and the former landing stage are relics of the maritime relations between the town, Port-Louis and Pointe-à-Pitre, still in use at the beginning of the twentieth century.

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Anse Laborde (Z)

Anse Laborde, a renowned seaside cove, starting point of the northern cliffs.

It is bordered by the Pointe de la Petite Vigie, advanced sentinel of the urban stretch of water.

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