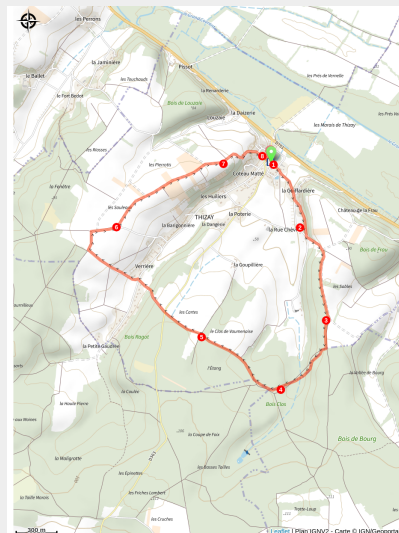


# Between Vienne and Chinonais

Balades et randos région de Chinon - Thizay



Photographie de randonneurs (Aurore Poveda)



*A small village at the mouth of the dry Verrière valley, the center of Thizay is nestled between the largely wooded plateau and the wet meadows of the Vienne, where geese were once raised. The "Oies de Pontilles", in the neighboring commune of Cinais, were already mentioned in the writings of Rabelais.*

## Useful information

Practice : Hiking

Duration : 1 h 30

Length : 5.7 km

Trek ascent : 119 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Loop

Themes : Forest, Heritage and history

# Trek

**Departure** : Thizay's church

**Arrival** : Thizay's church

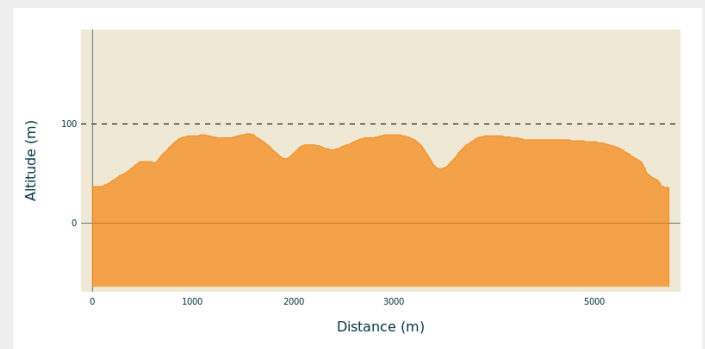
**Markings** : — PR

**Cities** : 1. Thizay

2. Seuilly

3. Lerné

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 36 m Max elevation 90 m

1. Opposite the town hall, a small passageway leads to the village washhouse. A place of conviviality until the beginning of the last century, the washhouse with its pitched roof, built in 1885, has retained all its character.
2. A former stronghold dating back to the second half of the 15th century, the Château de Vaumenaise has undergone several alterations and still boasts dwellings dating back to the 17th and 18th centuries. Eleven ovens dug into the rock have stood the test of time, as has a fuie, housed in a square pavilion where only the upper level was converted into a dovecote.
3. To the south of the village, you cross the dry Verrière valley, perpendicular to the Vienne riverbed, at the end of which nestles the village of Thizay.

## On your path...



# All useful information



## Circuit patrimoine

Les circuits patrimoine vous plonge dans l'histoire de la commune que vous visitez et vous permette de mieux appréhender les mœurs et coutumes d'antan.



## A la campagne

### How to come ?

#### Advised parking

Parking de la mairie ou du lavoir situés rue de la Fontaine

# Environmental sensitive areas

Along your trek, you will go through sensitive areas related to the presence of a specific species or environment. In these areas, an appropriate behaviour allows to contribute to their preservation. For detailed information, specific forms are accessible for each area.

## Site Natura 2000 des basses vallées de la Vienne et de l'Indre

Sensitivity period: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, Decembre

The site was designated in 2005 under the Birds Directive. The Park has been coordinating the site since 2010 (initially for the period 2010-2016, then renewed for 2016-2019 and 2019-2022), in conjunction with the CPIE Touraine-Val de Loire and the Indre-et-Loire Chamber of Agriculture.

The low valleys are largely covered by natural flood meadows, which are mown and/or grazed. These meadows form large complexes that are home to rare and endangered birds: corncrake, red-backed shrike, meadowlark, spotted crane, etc.

Certain sectors are characterized by a dense bocage network, with pollarded trees surrounding the meadows (Véron bocage): this is the home of the Common Fritillary, Natterjack Toad, Great Capricorn...

Finally, the banks of the Vienne and Indre rivers are occupied by alluvial woodlands and poplar plantations.

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