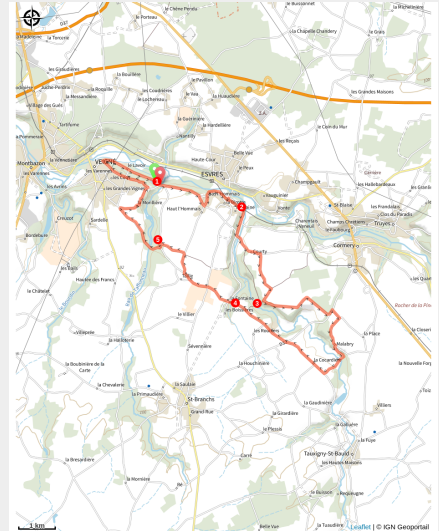


# 16- Vallée de l'Echandon

Balades et randos région d'Azay-le-Rideau



Eolienne Bolée d'Esvres (David Darrault)



*La vallée de l'Échandon, fut traversée jadis par Jeanne d'Arc pour rejoindre Chinon.*

*Au menu, le riche patrimoine du bourg d'Esvres et Veigné traversé par Saint-Jacques-de-Compostelle à Vélo.*

## Useful information

Practice : Cycling

Duration : 2 h 18

Length : 24.3 km

Trek ascent : 190 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Loop

Themes : Fauna, Flora, Forest, River and stream

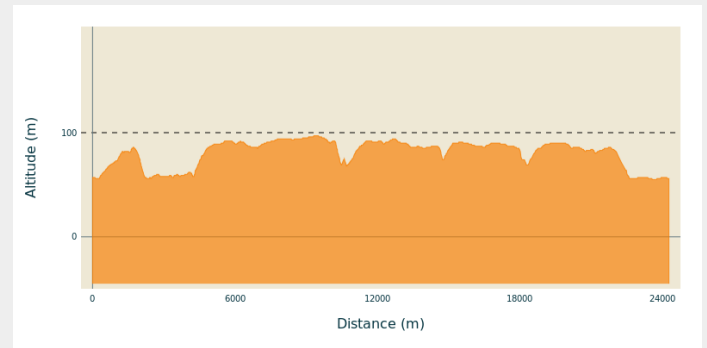
# Trek

**Departure** : Arboretum de la Martinière - Veigné

**Arrival** : Arboretum de la Martinière - Veigné

**Markings** :  Itinéraire cyclo

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 55 m Max elevation 97 m

### 1. Arboretum de la Martinière - Veigné

Park of 4 hectares labeled «Jardin Remarquable» offering the discovery of an impressive collection of bamboos, conifers, traditional, original and exotic trees and shrubs. Guided visits on request.

### 2. Eolienne Bollée d'Esvres

The wind farm was built in 1898 and used to supply water to Château de la Villaine. It was restored in 2005. Volunteers from the ASPE association provide guided tours.

### 3. Le pont Girault

The Girault Bridge is a Gallo-Roman bridge from the 13th century that linked the cities of St Branchs and Esvres. Composed of 3 beautiful arches, this monument was used by Joan of Arc, on her way to Chinon (in 1429) as well as by the pilgrims on their way to Santiago de Compostela.

### 4. Le lavoir de la Fontaine

It attracted the washerwomen of the surrounding hamlets.

### 5. Le château de Taffonneau

15th century manor house, restored and redesigned in the 19th century. This noble residence has one floor and two stair towers which form a fief, under the control of the Castle of Montbazou and which belonged in 1410 to Jean Berruyer (private property).

# On your path...



# All useful information

 **At the water's edge**

 **Village à -2 km**

 **Rivière ou fleuve à moins de 300 m**



**A la campagne**

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