

VINEYARD WALKINGPATH ACROSS FRENCH-GERMAN BORDER



Intermediate level



Start : Wissembourg




This route takes in the vineyards that stretch right up to the border and beyond, just behind the picturesque districts of the town of Wissembourg. The route offers magnificent views over the Alsace plain and the Black Forest. You'll also discover the German wine-growing village of Schweigen-Rechtenbach.

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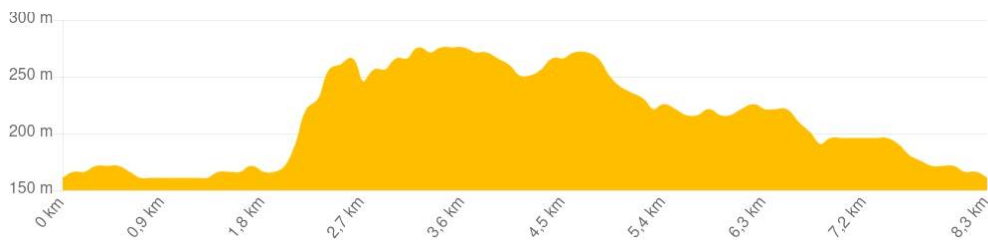
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 1 Km - Wissembourg



USEFUL INFORMATION

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STEPS

1 Parking Place de la Foire



From the car park (see photo), head north along rue de la Poudrière towards the eponymous tower, following the red ring. When you reach the Poudrière tower, climb up the citywall.

2 Climb up to the citywall.



At the Poudrière tower, take the path on the right that leads up to the northern citywall.

3 Descend the citywall towards the church of Saint Jean.



On the northern citywall, just before reaching the Protestant church, turn left and follow the path down towards the church along Rue des Paysans.

4 Church Saint Jean



Go back down to St Jean church and walk past it, then cross the bridge and turn right to cross the Faubourg de Bitch. You are now in the heart of the Bruch district.

5 **Rue du Presbytère crosses the Quai du 24 Novembre.**



After passing the Saint-Jean church, cross the bridge over the Lauter and turn right towards the Bruch wash-house.

6 **Bridge over the Lauter river at Faubourg de Bitche.**



At the wash-house, continue straight ahead along the Faubourg de Bitche, which runs alongside the river. At the end of the road (see photo), cross the bridge over the Lauter and join Boulevard Clémenceau. Carefully cross the road to Moulin de la Walk, always following the red and white disc.

7 **Pond of la Walk**



Walk past the Moulin de la Walk and along the ponds. After the ponds, cross the road leading to Weiler by turning left for 30 metres (see photo). Find the footpath opposite that climbs up behind the hospital. Beware of the steep climb up to the vineyards.

8 **Vineyard and castle Saint Paul.**



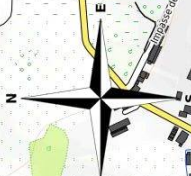
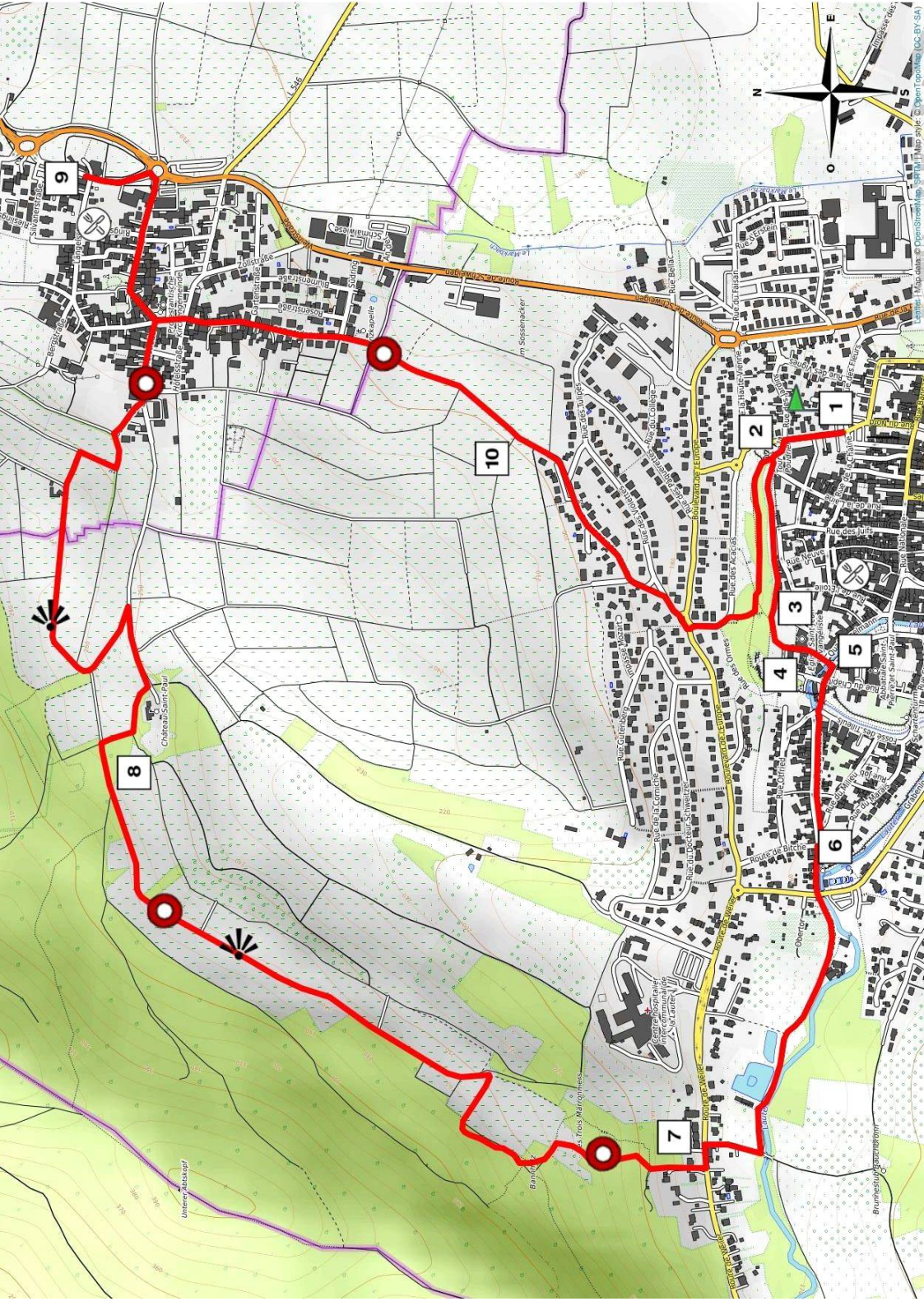
Walk past the three chestnut trees. At Bannholz, turn right towards Château St Paul. Follow the red ring to pass by the château, then continue on towards Schweigen-Rechtenbach. Panoramic views of Wissembourg below and the Rhine plain to the east.

9**Pass through the German village of Schweigen Rechtenbach.**

At the Protestant church in Schweigen-Rechtenbach, turn into the main street. At the roundabout, turn left to reach the Weintor. Return to the Protestant church and walk past it and the Napoleonsbrunnen before continuing straight ahead towards the vineyards.

10**Return to Wissembourg.**

Leaving Schweigen-Rechtenbach and heading towards Wissembourg, follow rue Robert Schuman to boulevard de l'Europe, then rue des acacias to the left before descending the steps to the citywall. On the citywall, turn left towards the Poudrière tower, then return to the Place de la Foire car park.



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