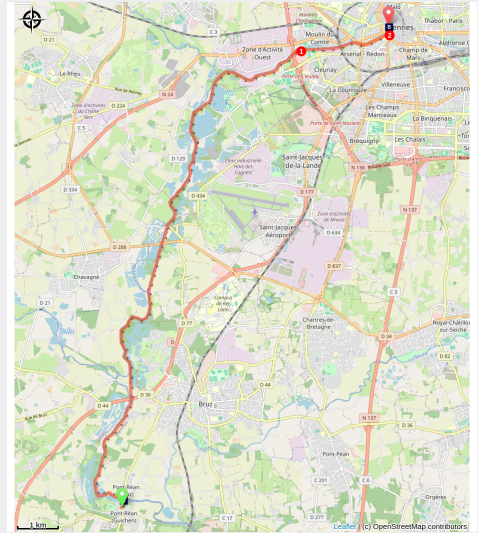


# from Rennes to Pont-Réan

France - Bretagne



Ecluse sur La Vilaine (Amis Bretons de Colombran)



## *Arrival in Rennes by the towpath of the Vilaine.*

The whole of this stage will take place along La Vilaine canalisée. Our walk will first be punctuated by the passage of the different locks. Herons, cormorants and kingfishers will accompany us. The approach of the city will be felt by the increasing number of people we will meet (joggers, hikers or cyclists). The passage from the towpath to the quay will confirm the entry into Rennes.

## Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 4 h 42

Length : 18.4 km

Trek ascent : 119 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Step

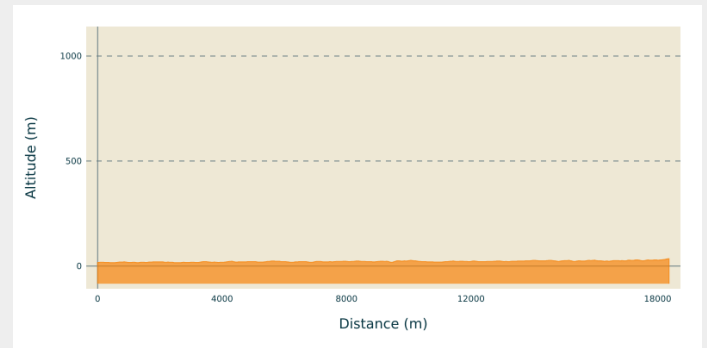
# Trek

**Departure** : Immaculate Conception Church, rue de Redon, Pont-Réan, 35580, Guichen

**Arrival** : Place de la Cathédrale, 35000 Rennes

**Cities** : 1. Bretagne

## Altimetric profile

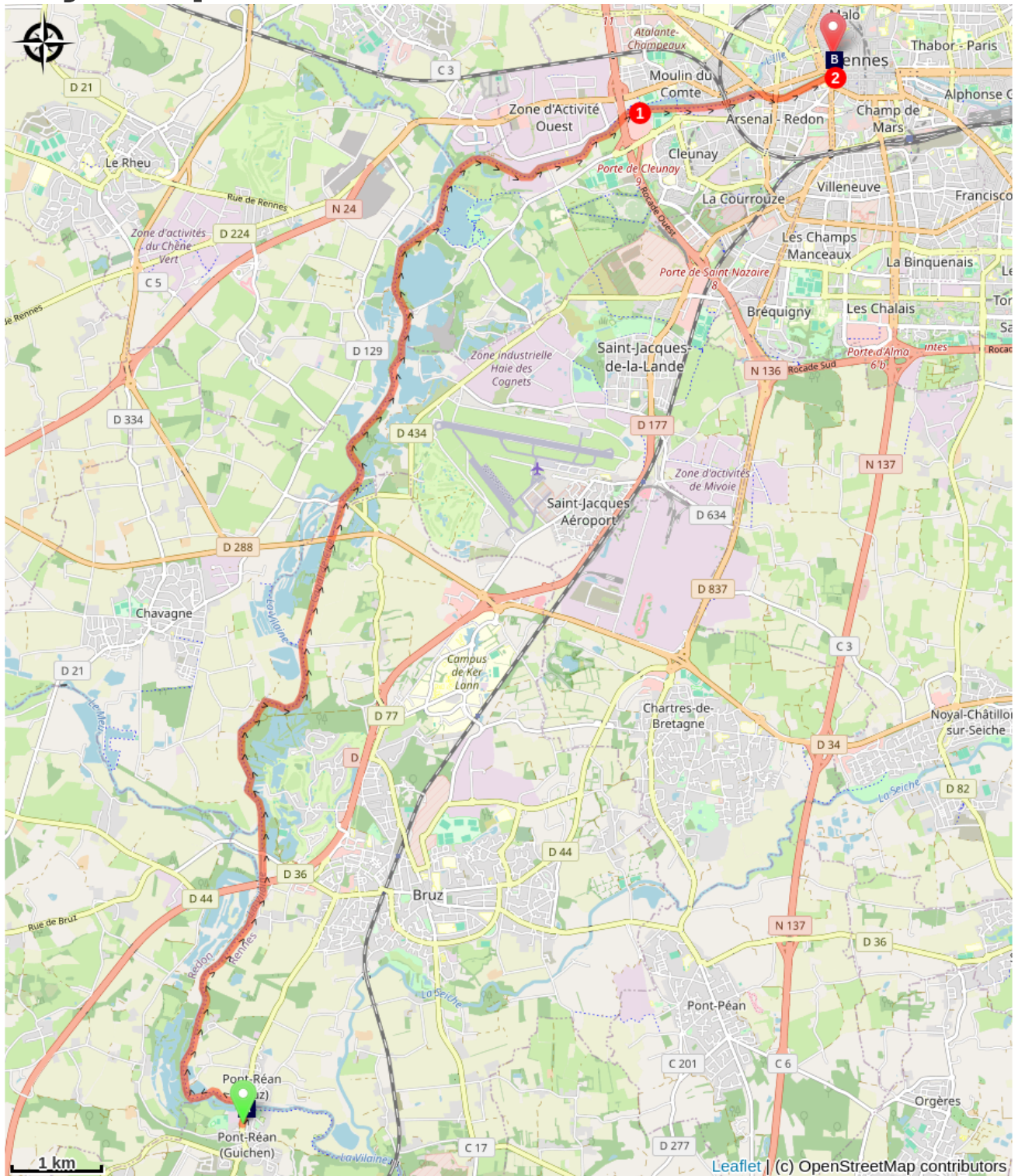


Min elevation 16 m Max elevation 35 m

From the church, go down the rue de Redon, cross the bridge and turn left onto the towpath. Continue on the towpath to Rennes.

1. The entrance of the city will be felt by the appearance of the industrial zones and the Roazhon Park Stadium. Pass the last lock of the Moulin du Comte, and join the quay of La Prévalaye.
2. The Pont de la Mission marks the beginning of La Vilaine souterraine. Then turn left and walk up the rue de La Monnaie to the cathedral.

# On your path...



 Pont de Pont Réan (A)

 Rennes Cathedral (B)

# All useful information

## **Advices**

This route follows the itinerary of the "[Chemins du Mont St Michel](#)". It is therefore possible to follow their signposts (silhouette of the Mont Blanc on a blue background).

## **How to come ?**

### Transports

Pont Réan is accessible from Rennes by bus ([Ilienoo](#))

The modes of transport in Brittany are grouped on [Breizhgo](#) and [Mobibreizh](#).

# On your path...

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## Pont de Pont Réan (A)

This elegant schist bridge has nine arches, the fifth marking the boundary between Bruz and Guichen.

The bridge dates from Roman Gaul, but was rebuilt between 1753 and 1767.

Situated on the Vilaine river, the Pont-Réan bridge is a pleasant place where walkers, whether on foot, by bike or by canoe, like to make a stop. It is also the ideal starting point to discover Bruz and the waterway, thanks to the various facilities on the site (parking, shops...).

Finally, for the curious, who wonder about the origin of the name of this bridge, some say that the word "réant" would come from "reance" (ransom) in relation to the toll that was collected there, but if we believe the Celtic toponymy, "réan" would be the derivative of "ran": the frog.

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## Rennes Cathedral (B)

Located in the historic city, the cathedral of Rennes, dedicated to St Peter, is the seat of the archdiocese of Rennes, Dol and St Malo.

Construction of the present building began in 1787 and was completed in 1844.

[More information...](#)

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