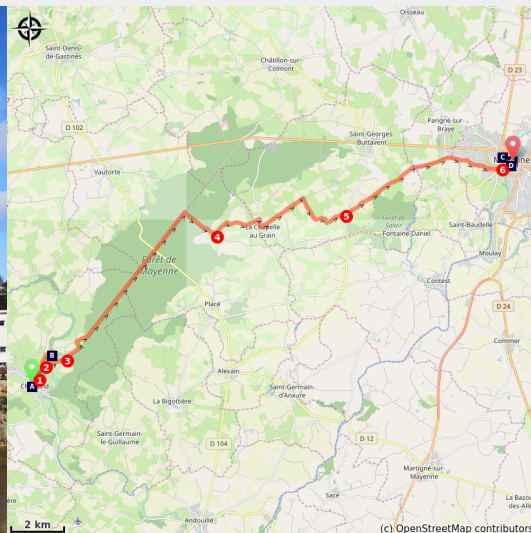


Chailland to Mayenne

France - Pays de la Loire



La Basilique Notre-Dame des Miracles devant La Mayenne (Amis saint Colomban)



Very hilly stage on forest roads and secondary roads with little traffic.
Pleasant journey. A good part of this stage takes place in the forest of Mayenne and then continues in a discovery area passing on the edge of the Salair forest to end in Mayenne.

Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 6 h 30

Length : 26.0 km

Trek ascent : 369 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Step

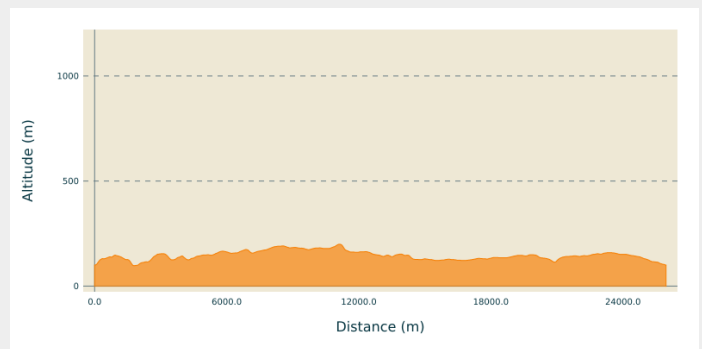
Trek

Departure : Notre-Dame Church, 1 rue de la Forge, 53 420 Chailland

Arrival : Notre-Dame-des-Miracles Basilica, Parvis Notre-Dame, 53 100 Mayenne

Cities : 1. Pays de la Loire

Altimetric profile

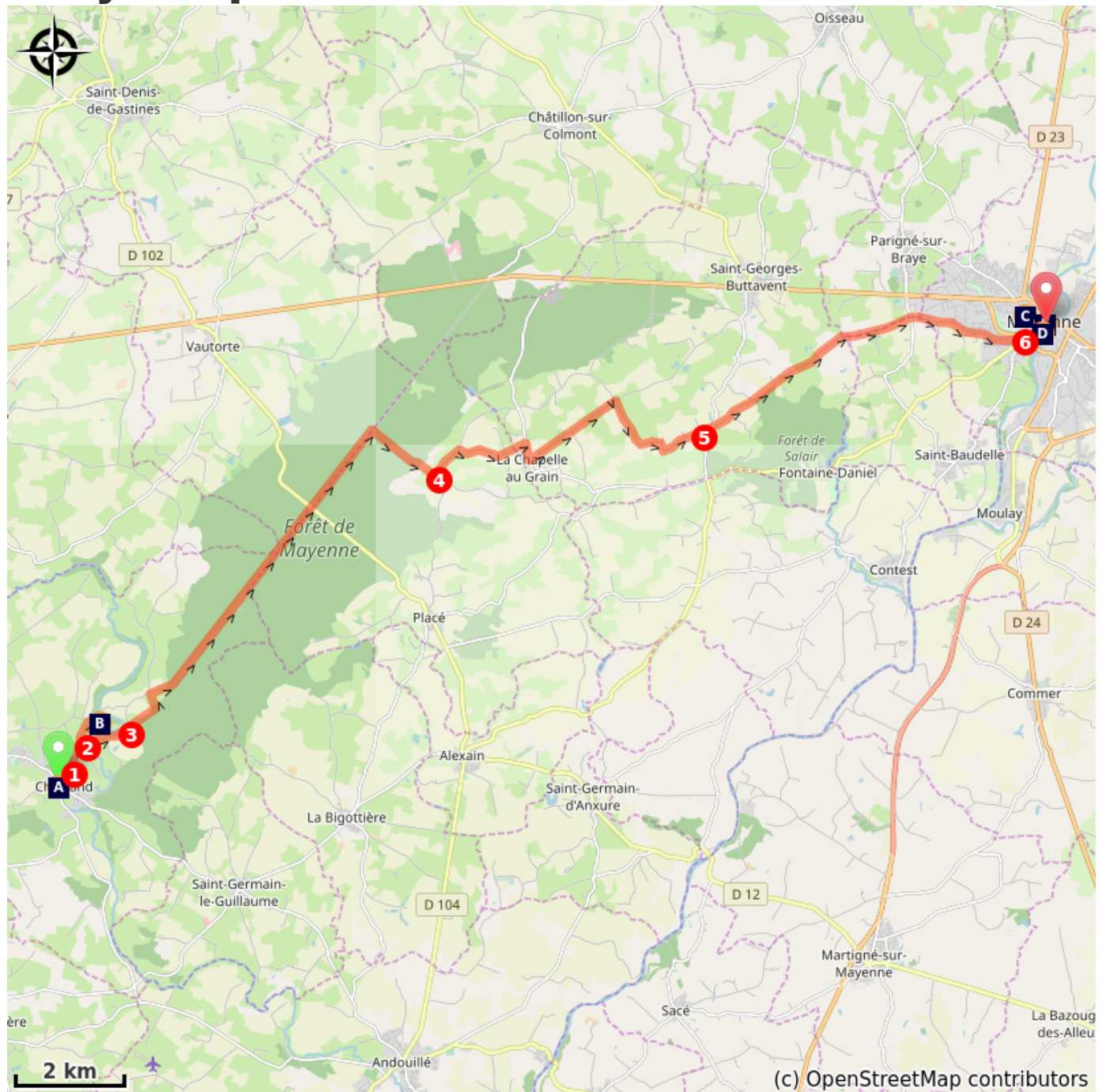


Min elevation 97 m Max elevation 199 m

In front of Notre-Dame de Chailland church, take the dead end in the direction of the old presbytery, go along the church, rue du Vieux cimetière, straight ahead along a path in the woods.


1. At the junction with asphalt road, straight ahead, take the second road on the left in the trees to leave Les Maisons Neuves, stay on your left and go straight ahead in the woods.
2. At Le Pommier take the asphalt road, at the crossroads of 4 roads on the left, on the right before the intersection towards the Château de la Forge, stay on your left, cross the Ernée, first road on the left.
3. Turn right, asphalt road, Bellevue, straight ahead, take a left to leave the woods, right at the crossroads with asphalt road, straight ahead for 6 700 metres across the D12, take the second forest road on the right, straight ahead at the exit of the woods.
4. Left on tarmac road, right on stone road, first road on the left, straight on at the crossroads, right at the crossroads with D538, left at the entrance La Chapelle au Grain, right at the crossroads of 4 roads, stay on the tarmac road
5. Straight ahead at the junction with D 249, route de Fauconnier to the suburbs of Mayenne, route de Ménardièrre, rue de Fauconnier
6. At the roundabout "Rond-Point de l'Europe" go straight ahead on rue Jules Ferry, straight ahead on place Juhel, turn right on rue Aristide Briand and you will arrive at the basilica Notre-Dame de Mayenne.

On your path...



 castle of the Forge at Chailland (A)

 Mayenne Castle (C)

 Chapel des Calvairiennes in Mayenne (B)

 Notre-Dame Church in Mayenne (D)

All useful information

On your path...



castle of the Forge at Chailland (A)

Private property, park visit only.

In the last century, in 1834, the Marquis de Chavagnac bought the forge, the forest and the surrounding estates. A few steps from the Forge, the castle of the same name stands on the site of the former Aubert manor house. In a magnificent location, it overlooks the deep and rugged valley of the Ernée on the edge of the Mayenne forest. The chapel that replaces the old foundation of Saint-Jean d'Aubert is an elegant Romanesque building. Its stained glass windows were painted by Otton de Paris in 1878.

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Chapel des Calvairiennes in Mayenne (B)

The chapel was part of a convent belonging to the Filles du Calvaire, an order founded in 1617 in Poitiers. Begun in 1626, it was consecrated in 1655. The convent had a relatively short existence, as it was sold during the French Revolution. It was transformed into a college and only the chapel, the north of the cloister and the dwelling of the chaplain still exist.

Attribution : Amis saint Colomban



Mayenne Castle (C)

The castle of Mayenne is a medieval wooden fortress established in 9^e century, under the reign of Charles the Simple. It was refurbished several times during the Middle Ages, before becoming a prison in the 18th century. During major refurbishment work in 1993, Carolingian remains were unearthed. This discovery gives value to the castle, as preserved Carolingian civil or military buildings are extremely rare. The site is therefore declared an Archaeological Site of National Interest. Important excavations are carried out and the castle becomes a museum.

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Notre-Dame Church in Mayenne (D)

L'édifice d'origine est construit en 1110 en remplacement d'un petit oratoire dédié à sainte Anne. Elle est décrite comme étant « en forme de croix », composée seulement d'une nef, chancel et voûtes.

L'église est érigée en basilique mineure par bref apostolique du 15 mai 1900. Elle a été endommagée par les bombardements de 1944, qui ont notamment détruit les vitraux, les voûtes et le mobilier.

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