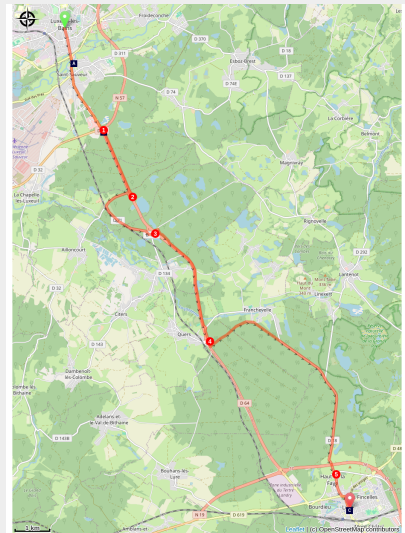


# Luxeuil-les-Bains to Lure

France - Bourgogne-Franche-Comté



Bâtiment conventuel de l'ancienne abbaye de Lure (Amis saint Colomban)



*A walk in the forest with its streams and the history of the abbey Saint-Martin in Lure, founded by Desle compagnon de Colomban, awaits you on arrival. A partly marshy plain which produces a very particular flora along the edge of ponds and streams.*

This first stage of the exile of Saint Colomban, in 610, begins with the forest of the Saônoises Vosges with its ponds and fauna. With a bit of luck, in the early morning, you may meet a doe. In Lure you will visit the church of Saint-Martin and you will admire the last building of the abbey (18th century), which became Sub-Prefecture of the Haute-Saône during the Revolution. This abbey was founded on the Saint-Martin oratory of the monk Desle, companion of Colomban.

## Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 5 h 30

Length : 21.2 km

Trek ascent : 210 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Step

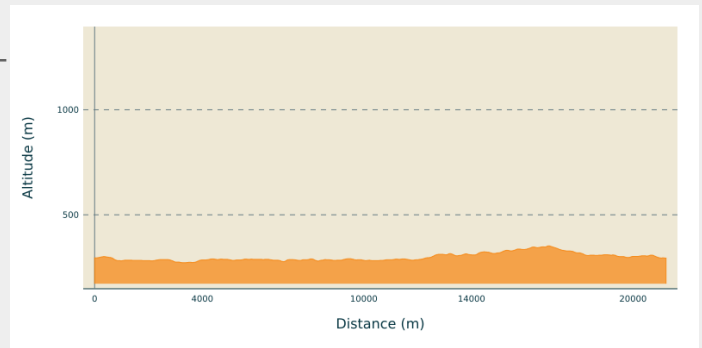
# Trek

**Departure** : Basilica of St. Peter and St. Paul, place Saint-Pierre, 70 300 Luxeuil-les-Bains

**Arrival** : Saint Martin's Church, 47 Avenue de la République, 70 200 Lure

**Cities** : 1. Bourgogne-Franche-Comté

## Altimetric profile

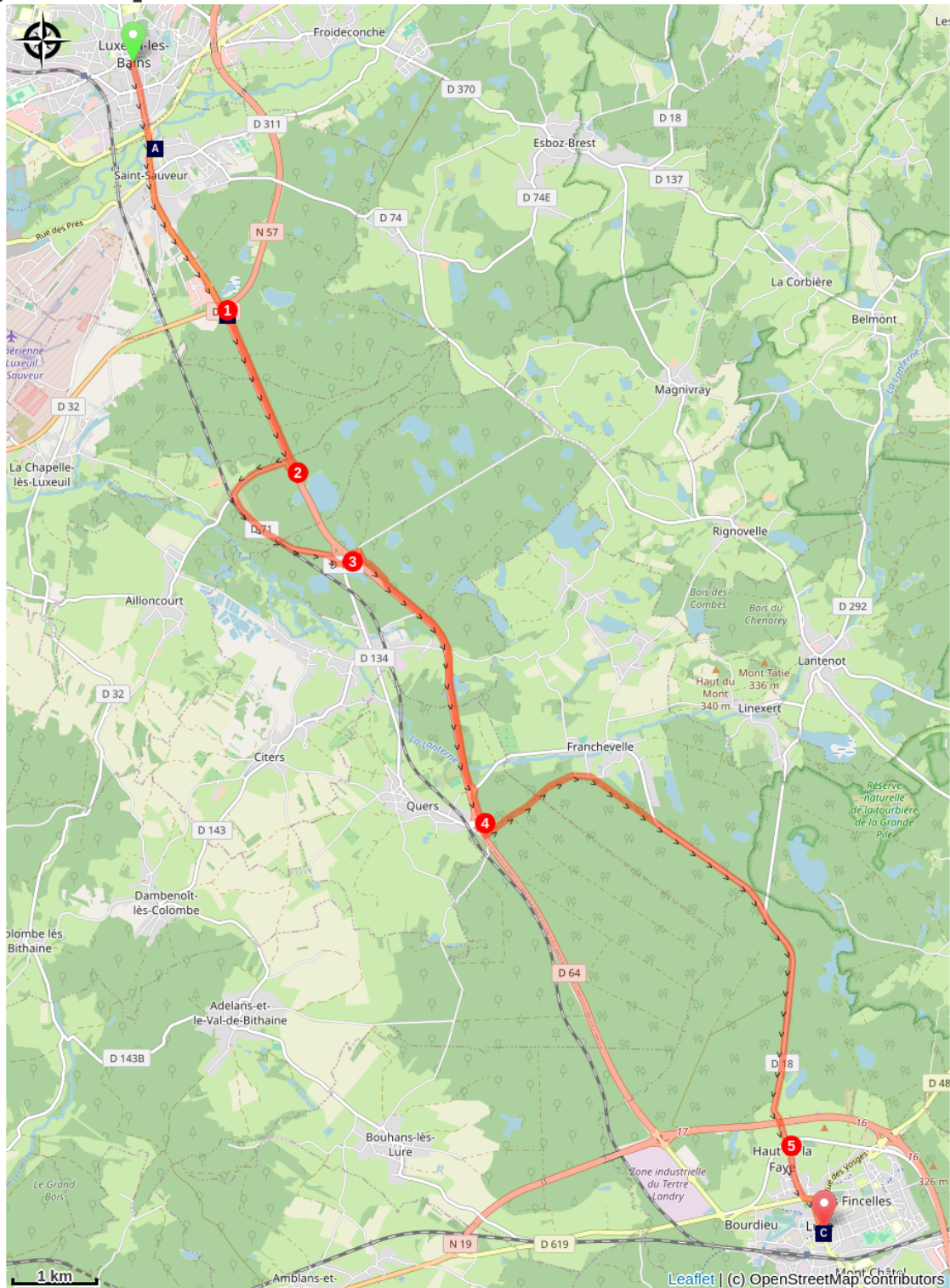


Min elevation 272 m Max elevation 352 m

Leave the Basilica by crossing Place Saint-Pierre on your left on rue Victor Genoux, rue Jules Jeanneney, allée André Maroselli, rue Édouard Herriot, cross the Breuchin, in Saint-Sauveur, rue Édouard Herriot, rue Aristide Briand by turning slightly to your left, straight ahead at the roundabout for 1,800 metres.

1. Go around the roundabout of the N57 and D64 on the left, take the forest road that follows the security fence of the D64 and on the edge of the forest.
2. Take the game bridge to cross the D64 and go straight ahead. Turn left at the crossroads with the D71
3. At the roundabout take the bridge under the D64 and first road on the left and then immediately on the right to follow the security fence of the D64.
4. At the crossroads with D134 on the right, first dirt road on the left which follows the security fence, first road on the left, in the forest. Turn right twice at the Hautevelle cemetery, turn right onto the D134 for 4,800 metres, take the tunnel under the N19.
5. In Lure cross the roundabout, rue de Lorraine, second street on the left, Avenue de la république, you arrive at the church Saint-Martin.

# On your path...



☉ Church of the Holy Trinity at Saint-Sauveur (A)

☉ Saint MSt. Martin-Kirche in Lure  
artin's church in Lure (C)

☉ The abandonment of Saint Desle, companion of Saint Coloman (B)

# All useful information

## How to come ?

Transports

[Gare SNCF Lure](#)

[Bus en Haute-Saône](#)

# On your path...

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## ☀ Church of the Holy Trinity at Saint-Sauveur (A)

During the Middle Ages the monks of the monastery of Luxeuil did not want a parish church within the walls of the town of Luxeuil. The parishioners of the town had to go to the church of Saint-Sauveur. The date of construction of this first church is unknown. The present church was rebuilt in the 19th century. Inside there is a baptismal font dating from the 14th century. The church is closed to visitors.

Attribution : Amis saint Colomban

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## ☀ The abandonment of Saint Desle, companion of Saint Colomban (B)

In 610 Colomban and his brothers Scots are driven out of the monastery of Luxeuil and accompanied by the soldiers of King Thierry II to Nantes. Near Luxeuil in front of the Vay de Brest stream, probably at the height of the Roman road from Mandeure (Doubs) to Corre (Haute-Saône) which crossed this forest, the monk Desle abandons his companions to head into the woods towards an oratory dedicated to Saint Martin. The hermit Desle will be buried there, his tomb became the place of pilgrimage then a monastery will be founded nearby, these are the beginnings of the abbey of Lure.

The brook can become a small river during heavy rains and you cross the brook which disappears in the vegetation of the forest when you leave the roundabout of the RN57 at the place called the Vaudot bridge.

Attribution : a



## 📍 Saint MSt. Martin-Kirche in Lureartin's church in Lure (C)

The parishioners of Lure had gathered in the church of Saint-Martin since the 16th century. After a fire in 1720, it was rebuilt in 1740. The high altar and side altars come from the abbey church, adjoining the Provost's residence and destroyed in 1796. A very beautiful 18th century organ, engraved with the arms of the abbey of Lure and Murbach, as well as several relics.

Two urns, located in the Perseverance Chapel, contain the bones of Saint Valbert and Saint Martin on the one hand, and Saint Desle and Saint Colomban on the other.

Go around the church to discover the chapel of Perseverance. It is the last vestige of the 16th century church destroyed by a fire in 1720 which destroyed the church except for this part which supported the bell tower at the height of the transept. Nowadays it is used as a sacristy.

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