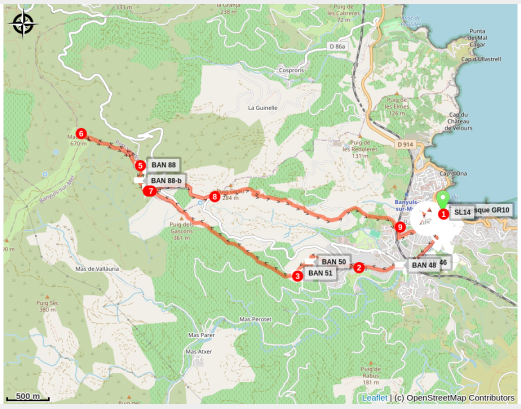
The balconies of "La Côte Vermeille"

Côte Vermeille



Tour Madeloc (elcoste)



"Discover tower, chapel, and defense system with breathtaking views."

Accessing the Madeloc Tower, discovering a defense system, a beautiful chapel, cork oak forests - that's what this hike offers, with the added bonus of exceptional views.

Useful information

Practice : Hiking

Duration : 4 h 42

Length : 12.8 km

Trek ascent : 676 m

Difficulty : Hard

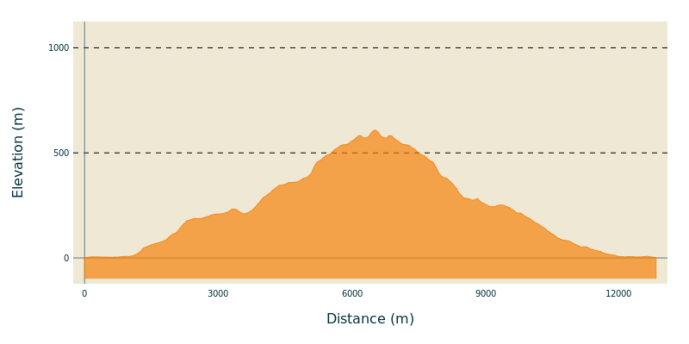
Type : Boucle

Themes : Point de vue, Sommet, Histoire

Trek

Departure : Tourist Office of Banyuls-sur-Mer
Arrival : Tourist Office of Banyuls-sur-Mer
Markings : PR
Cities : 1. BANYULS SUR MER
2. PORT-VENDRES

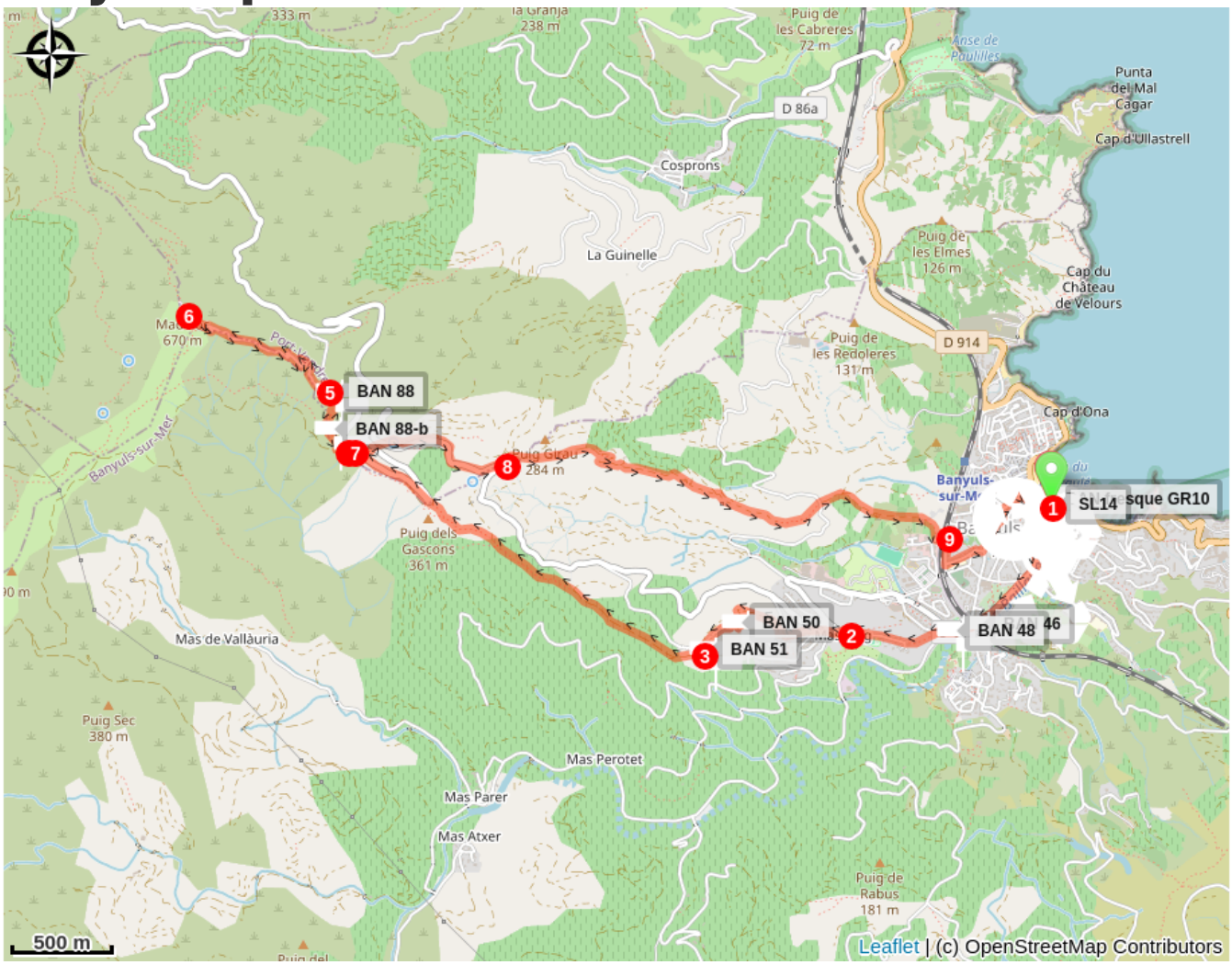
Altimetric profile



Min elevation 1 m Max elevation 609 m

1. Starting from the Tourist Office, passing by the town hall, take a left onto General de Gaulle Avenue for 700m until reaching the Banyuls police station.
2. Climb the stairs after the station and climb Cami Ramader, passing by the underground cellar and shortly after Mas Reig. Take the 'Cami de la Salette'; the slope is steep. You can already see the Notre-Dame-de-la-Salette Chapel (1863). The road turns into a trail after 50m. Once there, admire the landscape, the sea, Banyuls, and its hinterland.
3. Depart behind the chapel, crossing a small cork oak forest. Walk along the ridge. To the right, admire the Vall Pompo valley, to the left, that of the town of Amont
4. "After about 45 minutes, arrive at the Col des Gascons (386m). There, leave the marks of the GR10 on the left."
5. Climb up to the fortification 'Batterie Taillefer' (1881) via a winding, narrow, and steep road.
6. Arrive half an hour later at the foot of the Madeloc Tower (656m). Magnificent and emotionally moving viewpoint of beauty.
7. To return to Banyuls, turn back and take the GR10 at the Col des Gascons, passing by the Fontaine des Chasseurs and then the orientation table at the Col de la Llagostera. Follow the GR10 back to Banyuls along the cork oak forest overlooking Vall Pompo and through the Col de Las Vinyes. Descend to the bridge under the railway. You have arrived in Banyuls (return to the Tourist Office).

On your path...


333 m
la Granja
238 m
Puig de
les Cabreres
72 m
Anse de
Paulilles
Punta
del Mal
Cagar
Cap d'Ullastrell
D 86a
Cosprons
La Guinelle
Puig de
les Elmes
126 m
Cap du
Château
de Velours
Puig de
les Redoleres
131 m
D 914
Cap d'Ona
Banyuls-sur-Mer
Puig Glau
284 m
Puig dels
Gascons
361 m
Mas de Vallàuria
Puig Sec
380 m
Mas Perotet
Mas Parer
Mas Atxer
Puig de
Rabus
181 m
670 m
Port-Vendres
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BAN 88-b
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All useful information

⚠ Advices

Be sure to bring water, a cap or hat, windbreaker, hiking shoes, and snacks. Stay on marked trails. Check the weather forecast before departing. Carry out any trash.

How to come ?

Transports

Bus 2€

Access

D914

Advised parking

Free market car park (except on Thursdays and Sundays, market days) and Baillaury car park"

Environmental sensitive areas

Along your trek, you will go through sensitive areas related to the presence of a specific species or environment. In these areas, an appropriate behaviour allows to contribute to their preservation. For detailed information, specific forms are accessible for each area.

Zone Natura 2000 Directive Habitat

Sensitivity period:

Zone Natura 2000 Directive Oiseaux



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