

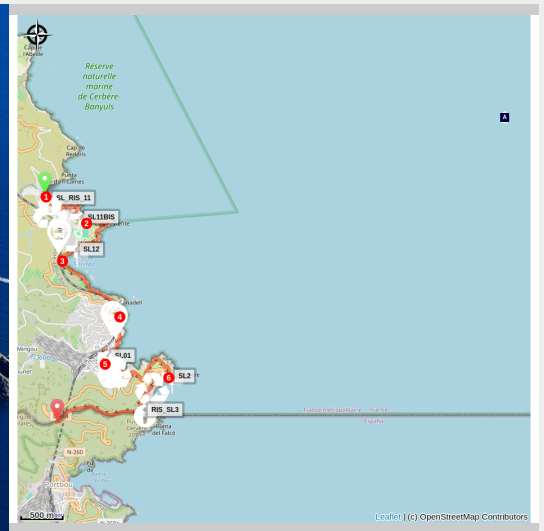
E 12 Coastal Path/Guide 2022: Cerbère/Peyrefite Beach - Col des Bélitres



Côte Vermeille - CERBERE



(Frédéric Hédelin)



Explore Cerbère, a border town with a rich historical past, and its shale cliffs set in a stunning natural environment. Note that Terrimbo Beach is inaccessible.

From Peyrefite Beach to the high shale cliffs, this final stretch of the coastal path on the French side offers many surprises. Highlights include the Art Deco ship-style hotel "Le Belvédère du Rayon Vert," the photovoltaic lighthouse, and the Retirada memorial.

Useful information

Practice : Hiking

Duration : 3 h 12

Length : 7.7 km

Trek ascent : 481 m

Difficulty : Hard

Type : Traversée

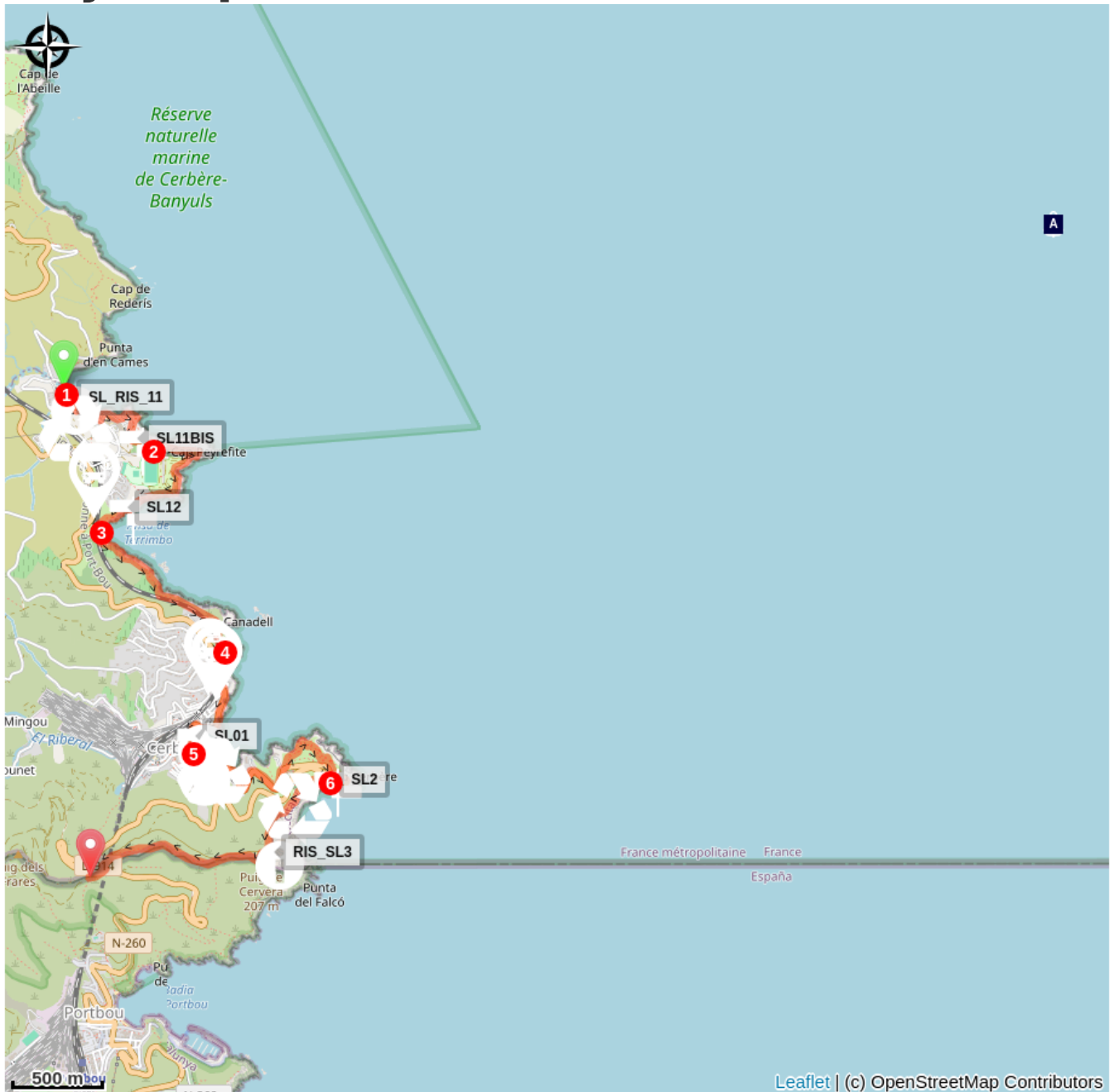
Trek

Departure : Cerbère/Peyrefite Beach

Arrival : Col des Bélitres

1. Depart from Peyrefite Beach towards the Bouffard Vercelli Rehabilitation Center.
2. At this point, either turn left towards Cap Peyrefite or go through the Village des Aloès.
3. At Anse de Terrimbo, continue on the path along the railway line. It is forbidden to descend to the beach.
4. Climb up to the D914 and turn left towards Cerbère Beach.
5. Continue on the D914 until you reach the solar lighthouse at Cap Cerbère.
6. At the lighthouse, take the steep path to the left that goes above the shale cliffs. At the "End of Customs Path" sign, continue the trail towards Col des Bélitres and the Retirada memorial. The coastal path continues to Rosas. It is marked "GR-92" from Col des Bélitres at the former Cerbère border post.

On your path...



 The José Illueca (A)

All useful information

Advices

During the beautiful season: Bring a swimsuit, mask, and snorkel for a swim in the coves to observe the underwater wildlife.

You enjoy nature, you love it, take care of it...

You are about to take a hiking trail along which regular household waste collection points are at your full disposal. Out of respect for this exceptional area, visited by tens of thousands of hikers and walkers every month, we invite you to dispose of all your waste (glass, paper, food scraps, etc.) at these collection points, as well as any litter you may unfortunately find during your walk.

With these simple yet essential actions, let's keep this site clean, just as nature has graciously provided it.

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.



Réserve Naturelle Marine de Cerbère-Banyuls

Sensitivity period: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, Decembre

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Zone Natura 2000 Directive Habitat

Sensitivity period:

Zone Natura 2000 Directive Oiseaux

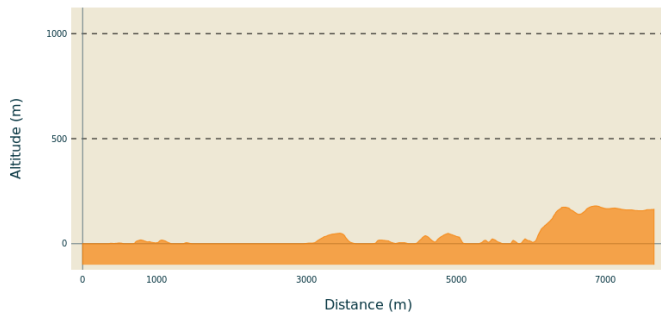


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Sensitivity period:

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Altimetric profile



Min elevation 0 m
Max elevation 180 m

Transports

Bus 1€

Advised parking

Peyrefite Beach Parking

Access

D914

On your path...



⚓ The José Illueca (A)

Cargo of 1922 built in Gdansk, it is bought in 1942 by José Illueca armament of Las Palmas. Sunk in 1944 in front of Port-Vendres by British fighters, it now lies 79 meters deep between Caps Peyrefitte and Canadell. Because of its depth, this wreck is only accessible to Trimix Hypoxic divers (diving beyond 70 meters).

Attribution : CAP Port-Vendres