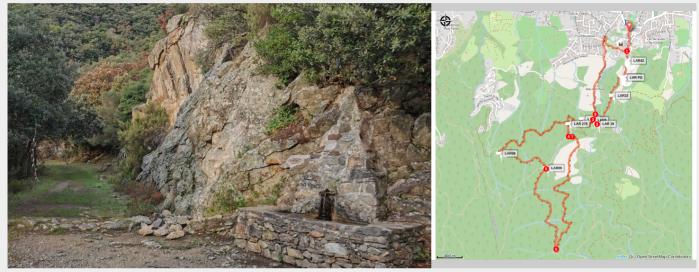


## The two fountains

Albères - LAROQUE DES ALBERES





(Elisabeth Coste)

### *Discovery hike over the fountains*

Discover the fountains of Laroque-des-Albères, including La Font dels Simiots and its amazing animals that, according to legend, removed babies and came to settle near this fountain after being dislodged from Arles-sur-Tech, and Font de la Vernosa, beautiful well preserved fountain which offers a magnificent viewpoint on the plain of Roussillon

### **Useful information**

Practice : Hiking

Duration: 4 h 15

Length : 9.9 km

Trek ascent : 546 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Boucle

Themes : Fauna, Flora, Histoire, Montagne, Patrimoine

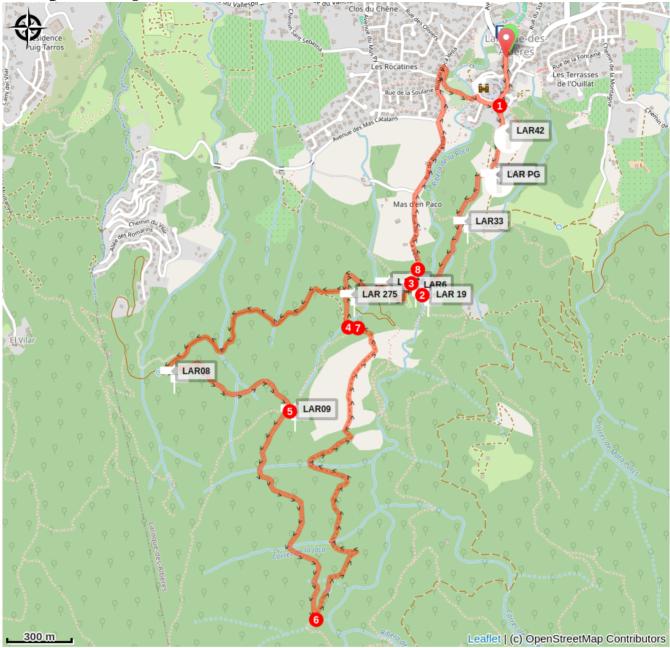
# Trek

Departure : Tourist Office of Laroque-des-Albères Arrival : Tourist Office of Laroque-des-Albères Markings : - PR

From the tourisme Office (Hiking House), pass between the buildings and join the street. Turn right and immediately left into Arago Street until you reach the church.

- 1. Turn left onto the Rue de l'Eglise, on a dead end, then the path that leaves the village. On the right the Moulin de la Pave appears, then a few meters above the Birds Fountain. At the fork, turn right to get to a crossroads.
- 2. Cross the road and take the path opposite direction Dolmen / Pic Neulos / Col de l'Ullat. Follow the watering canal to a strategic intersection of trails and take the path down to the river on the right. Pass the ford on the stream and go up to reach a small asphalt road.
- 3. Turn left towards "Les Deux Fontaines". Do not enter private properties. Take the track that climbs to the 4th hairpin turn and follow the yellow signs to an intersection of tracks.
- 4. Go right on the track and continue straight until Font Dels Simiots.
- 5. Retrace your steps and leave the track to turn right on the trail marked with a sign "Les Deux Fontaines".
- 6. At the intersection of two trails, take opposite direction Fontaine de la Vernosa. Continue until you reach a track (picnic table just above) that you have to go down on the left, towards the plain, for almost 2 kilometers. Then take the small path on the right and continue to descend. Find the intersection of tracks, the same as at the beginning of the hike.
- 7. Follow the trail by the same road taken one way to the paved road
- 8. Continue the road towards the village leaving all the streets on the left to the recently restored Chapel Sant Sebastia.
- 9. Turn right on the path of la Florentine which takes you to the old village. Turn right on Casttle street to join the church.
- 10. Go down to the left to the Tourist Office.

# On your path...



# All useful information

### **Advices**

Plan for water, a hat or cap, a windbreaker, and snacks. Check the weather before departure. Bring back your waste.

### **Altimetric profile**



Min elevation 104 m Max elevation 506 m

Laroque des Albères, post office carpark

### Transports

Access

Bus stop : Post office

#### **Advised parking**

Hikers' parking at the stadium