



Étang de Chèvres

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Castle of Vandenesse

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En page 1, les pictogrammes permettent de choisir une randonnée adaptée à ses capacités. Picto 1 = Effort ; picto 2 = Technicité (présence ou non d'obstacles) ; picto 3 = Risque (d'accidents lié à la configuration des lieux). Cotation : 1- Facile ; 2- Assez facile ; 3- Peu difficile ; 4- Assez difficile ; 5- Difficile.



## Circuit of the pond of Chèvres

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Vandenesse

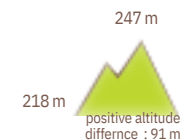


2h45  
10,5km

A walk in a calm and green setting that will take you back in time thanks to its heritage it will allow you to discover the important economic activity which reigned there.

### LOCATION

Vandenesse, à 12 km north-east of Cercy-la-Tour by D 10 et D 37 ; à 10 km south of Moulins-Engilbert by D 985 et D 37



### PARKING

Placé de l'église



### TO DISCOVER ON THE WAY

- Vandenesse: Castle, fortress (fortified settlement) from the 14th century (private); Saint Saturnin church 19th century and former 12th century church, now a dwelling house, former Dominican convent of the Dominican Sisters.
- Laundries, stone houses from the Mousseau quarry
- Panorama at Terreau
- Goats: Former blast furnace used for the manufacture of the 19th century, Chèvres pond, classified as a Natura 2000

### MARKING

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- Tourist Office : 03 73 21 03 00, others tours can be download at : [www.rivesdumorvan.fr](http://www.rivesdumorvan.fr).



- Comité Départemental de la Randonnée Pédestre de la Nièvre : 03 86 61 87 75, [nievre@ffrandonnee.fr](mailto:nievre@ffrandonnee.fr), <https://nievre.ffrandonnee.fr>.



### TO DISCOVER IN THE REGION

- Canal du Nivernais (18th-19th centuries). It is 174 km long and 174 km, linking Auxerre to Decize, it was mainly used to supply Paris with firewood.
- Saint Honoré- les- Bains : Thermal city whose A spa town whose waters have been known to be beneficial since Antiquity. thermal establishment, Casino, Parc Thermal, Chapelle du Parc Thermal (private but open)

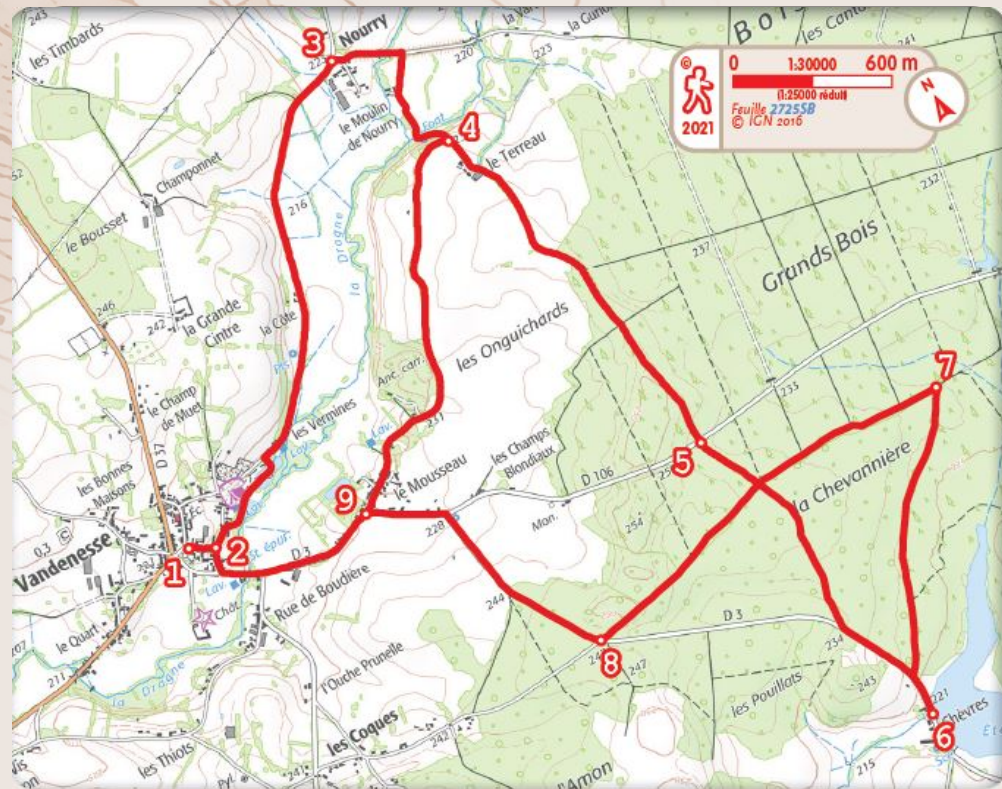


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Wash house of la Dragne



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### HISTORY

#### Economic Activity of Vandenesse of olden times

Vandenesse comes from "vindo", one of the few known Gallic words. This word means "clear" in the sense of water and streams. It could also be "vindenossa" a regional Gallic goddess whose name has the same origin. The commune is the one of the canton of Moulins- Engilbert that has seen the greatest economic activity economic activity. Thus, in the 19th century, the village had a glass factory, quarries, mines, forges, a metalworking furnace, an oil mill and mills.

Many of the houses are made of Vandenesse stone from the Mousseau quarry. The commune also has an important heritage. The castle whose oldest parts date back to the 14th century can be admired from the road. There the remains of the 12th century church (2, rue du Gué) which became a dwelling house after having burnt down several times, or the church of Saint Saturnin from 1858, built by the lord of the manor at the time. You can also see the former Dominican convent, the wash houses, the former boarding house, etc..

- 1 From the church square go down the rue Creuse.
- 2 At the crossroads turn left into Rue du Gué towards Nourry. Turn right into the impasse du Gué. Cross the river and take the path on the left. Go along the old campsite, at the end of the path, turn left onto the road and turn right [ wash house in the river bed].
- 3 Follow the road to the hamlet of Nourry
- 3 At the hamlet of Nourry take the road on the right towards the Nourry mill. At the crossroads turn to the right. Go past the mill and take the path opposite. Take the footbridge to cross the Dragne. Take the track on the left. Pass in front of [ a small fountain].
- 4 At the crossroads turn left. Go past the Terreau farm. Enter the wood and follow the path straight ahead.
- 4 Small variant (5.4 km loop)  
At the crossroads, turn right as far as Le Mousseau, ⚠ > be careful not to stray from the path passing in front of the old quarry) after 4 choose 9
- 5 Cross the road and continue straight on. At the intersection, go straight on. At the road, turn left towards "Chèvres". Continue until you reach the pond of Chèvres
- 6 Go back and take the path on the right into the wood. At the intersection, go straight on.
- 7 At the crossroads, take the track on the left and follow it to the road.
- 8 Take the road to the right, follow it to the crossroads with the D 106 and turn left to Le Mousseau.
- 9 Turn left then right to reach Vandenesse.
- 2 Turn left to go up the rue Creuse to the church