

A walk suggested by rpf

**Waymarked route N°48.**

A beautiful woodland walk on this limestone plateau, even if at the start you need to take a little road to reach the Bois de la Faine and beyond. The forest we pass through is rich in species of wood and specimens of oak and beech, and is no match for the nearby Forêt de Frétoy.

<b>Duration</b>	3h 35	<b>Difficulty</b>	Moderate
<b>Distance</b>	11,29 km	<b>Back to start</b>	Yes
<b>Ascent</b>	137 m	<b>Activity</b>	Walking
<b>Descent</b>	136 m	<b>City</b>	Courson-les-Carières (89560)
<b>Highest point</b>	334 m	<b>Region</b>	Puisaye
<b>Lowest point</b>	223 m		

**Description**

Ample parking in Place du Château. The starting point for the walk is at the foot of the toilets building.

**(S/E)** Opposite the long building on the edge of the square (multi-commerces), with the Route d'Auxerre (N151) on your left, turn right to reach the upper part of the street. Turn left in front of the shops. Pass Rue du Marché on your right, then the next alleyway to reach the stop sign. Go straight across Boulevard Dussautoy.

Go up, leaving the few streets on the right and left, until you reach a crossroads formed by five lanes.

**(1)** Turn right. Continue along the same road, leaving the cemetery on your right. When you reach the road, turn left for 250 m.

**(2)** Take the right-hand path at the bottom of the valley. After leaving the slightly overhanging Chemin des Loups on your left, continue for a few hundred metres.

**(3)** Leave the valley and turn right to climb up to the plateau. Leave the access road to the Vau farm (orchard on the right). At the entrance to the wood, forget the start on the left (not marked on the IGN map). At the first three-way junction, turn left onto a cross-country track.

**(4)** Keep to the right and follow the main path due south. Leave all the right and left-hand paths. Reach the D950 road.

**(5)** Cross this road **carefully** and pick up the path again. Once again, forget the side starts. When you come to a barrier made of branches, do not try to go through - it is the former entrance to a private property.

**(6)** Turn left and find a tarmac lane 100 m further on. Follow this road to the right for approximately 150 m.

**(7)** Turn right onto the track. Enter the undergrowth fairly quickly.

**(8)** At the fork, turn right. Keep to the widest path, leaving the side paths to the right. Continue along the edge of the wood with a power line on your left. After leaving the wooded area, continue onto the plain.

**(9)** Go straight on and descend to the starting village. At the first crossroads with Rue de Beauvais, continue straight ahead along Rue des Hâtes as far as the crossroads with Chemin de Ronde. Go straight ahead at this crossroads. Turn right into the next lane (Rue Torse). After around 100 metres, turn left into Rue Traversière. Turn right into the next alleyway and you will reach the Place du Château **(S/E)**.

**Notes**

The route is suitable for all seasons, although it can become muddy in places when it rains heavily. The paths are wide enough to allow you to pass unhindered.

Toilets at the start on the Place du Château.

Mountain biking possible.

This route is signposted in accordance with the Communauté de Communes de Puisaye-Forterre signposting charter and bears the number 48 on a yellow background.

The signposting was carried out by the association *À chacun son chemin en Puisaye-Forterre* in April 2022.

**Waypoints**

- S/E Place du Château**  
| N 47.614434° / E 3.500747° - alt. 225 m - km 0
- 1 Crossing of 5 roads**  
| N 47.616437° / E 3.499867° - alt. 238 m - km 0.24
- 2 Leaving the road**  
| N 47.621883° / E 3.506261° - alt. 242 m - km 1.15
- 3 T-crossing**  
| N 47.632057° / E 3.519984° - alt. 313 m - km 2.72
- 4 Transverse path**  
| N 47.628318° / E 3.541742° - alt. 318 m - km 4.59
- 5 Crossing with the D950**  
| N 47.618715° / E 3.540712° - alt. 287 m - km 5.69
- 6 Former private entrance (partially blocked)**  
| N 47.602239° / E 3.536914° - alt. 228 m - km 7.57
- 7 Entrance to undergrowth**  
| N 47.601486° / E 3.537° - alt. 223 m - km 7.78
- 8 Carrefour in the fork**  
| N 47.603772° / E 3.528867° - alt. 229 m - km 8.45
- 9 T-junction**  
| N 47.614608° / E 3.51198° - alt. 243 m - km 10.36
- S/E Place du Château**  
| N 47.614434° / E 3.500747° - alt. 225 m - km 11.29

If you have any concerns, please [fill in this questionnaire](#) (only takes 1 to 2 minutes).

Be careful when crossing roads.

The fact that the signposting is mentioned means that you must at least have this description and the accompanying IGN map or/and the visorando application.

### **Worth a visit**

Visit the [Aubigny underground quarries](#), classified as a major tourist site in Burgundy.

What to see: Clamecy and its old town centre.

Let us know your opinion on : <https://www.visorando.com/en/walk-bois-de-la-faine/>



Always be cautious and plan ahead when you're outdoors. Visorando and the author of this route cannot be held responsible for any accidents occurring on this route.



# THE WALKER CODE

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## Before the walk



### CHOOSE YOUR WALK CAREFULLY

by matching its difficulty and duration to your skill and physical ability.



### CHECK THE WEATHER FORECAST

and look for other important information, such as snow, temperature, tide times, wind speed, fire risks, etc.



### BE PROPERLY PREPARED

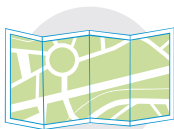
by taking suitable equipment with you, such as whistle, first-aid kit, appropriate clothing and something to eat and drink.



### LET SOMEONE KNOW

where you will be walking.

## During the walk



### STAY ON THE PATH

Follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available.



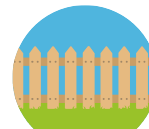
### RESPECT THE COUNTRYSIDE

by not damaging fences, fields and crops and not picking fruit or vegetables..



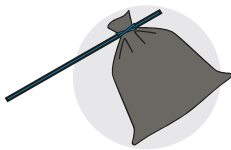
### RESPECT LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

such as bans on fires, barbecues, camping, fishing, swimming, etc.



### LEAVE GATES AS YOU FIND THEM

be cautious of farm animals : try to go around, not through herds or flocks.



### TAKE YOUR RUBBISH HOME

and do not leave any trace of your journey except your footprint.



### DON'T MAKE LOTS OF NOISE

and do be respectful and courteous to people along the route.



### KEEP YOUR DOG ON LEAD

and have it close to you at every crossroads of other users. Bag and bin its dog poo. Walking with a dog is not recommended on routes where there are farm animals.



### THE COUNTRYSIDE IS A LIVING ENVIRONMENT

that evolves with time. Waling is an adventure and there are risks associated with it. Be responsible, and know when it is better to give up and turn around than get into danger.

Countryside Code for England and Wales : <http://www.gov.uk/countryside-code>  
Countryside Code for Scotland : <https://www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot/>  
Countryside Code for Northern Ireland : <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/countryside-code>

Emergency contact : 999 (UK) or 112 (Worldwide)

In case of accident, please do not sue the owners of the places where it happened because hikers could be prohibited there then. However, feel free to report to us any risk encountered.