

The Joan of Arc Circuit



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Walk No. 21805458

A walk proposed by Office de Tourisme de Puisaye-Forterre

Joan of Arc in Puisaye ! An event for this region largely exploited by the lords, the counts and their retinue. The one called the virgin crossed the Loing river in February 1429 to join Gien and King Charles the 7th in Chinon. Follow in her footsteps and discover a part of the history of this region.

Marked hike n°31.

Duration :	1h 45	Difficulty :	Easy
Distance :	5.92 km	Return to departure point :	Yes
Vertical gain :	21 m	Activity :	Walking
Vertical drop :	21 m	Region :	Puisaye
Highest point :	176 m	District :	Bléneau (89220)
Lowest point :	154 m		



Description

Start : The "Jardins d'eau Pierre Doudeau" water gardens' car park is the departure and arrival point of this hike.

(D/A) With your back to the toilet building, go straight ahead (South-West). Do not cross the river arms, but head towards Avenue Jean Jaurès. **Cross it carefully.** In front of the headstone, turn left, cross the Loing river. Take immediately the Rue du Loing on the right.

(1) At the entrance to the public garden on the right, go straight on for about 50 meters then turn left (South-West) into Rue des Chapelles. At Rue de Saint-Cartaud, a slight left/right turn leads to a path. Go up this path and arrive in front of the Rigole de Saint-Privé.

(2) Turn right. Cross the Rue des Chapelles at the level of the Pont de Saint-Jacques to continue on the path along the gutter on your left.

(3) Turn left and describe a large curve always following the course of this gutter to bypass the Étang du Coudray.

(4) Turn left over the Pont du Palais. The Rue du Palais is partly tarmacked, follow it straight ahead leaving the Domaine du Coudray on the right. The stabilised path that follows is a private part, it runs along a wood on the right and ends at the Pont du Crot à l'Âne.

(5) Continue by turning right up the Gutter de Saint-Privé; it will remain on the right until the road. Pass under the Château du Coudray and the washhouse. Arrive at the Palais bridge.

(4) Take the road by the left. Cross the Palais then the Merlin and continue still staying on this small tarmacked road.

(6) At the crossroads, turn left and then left again. Shortly after the water treatment plant, after the big curve, turn right onto a path that runs alongside a hedge. At the end, a passage allows you to cross to enter a green space. Walk along the Loing river to the square and the playground. Join the Rue du Loing.

(1) Turn left. At the Avenue Jean Jaurès, **cross carefully** this driving avenue. Head opposite into Rue de l'Épalu. Pass the camping-cars area. In front of the building, turn left, cross the bridge. Leave the fish ladder on the left. In the alley, go left, then cross two arms of the river on the bridges. At the exit, turn right to reach the car park. **(D/A)**

Practical information

Family walk without difficulties. However, **Careful** along the Gutter de Saint-Privé, children must be watched.

Between point **(4 et 5)**, the path is private. In order to be able to keep walking here, thank you to respect the site and to keep dogs on a lead.

Others marked hike are, in some places, common to this one.

Waypoints

S/E - Les jardins d'eau Pierre Doudeau
N 47.69879° / E 2.944622° - alt. 155 m - km 0

1 Public garden and playground on the right
N 47.69813° / E 2.942147° - alt. 156 m - km 0.24

2 - Rigole de Saint-Privé
N 47.696994° / E 2.938114° - alt. 166 m - km 0.62

3 Le Palais
N 47.703088° / E 2.933393° - alt. 165 m - km 1.47

4 Palais' Bridge
N 47.704329° / E 2.930666° - alt. 167 m - km 2.07

5 Bridge of le Crot de l'Âne
N 47.710802° / E 2.923351° - alt. 165 m - km 3

6 Y Crossroad
N 47.699185° / E 2.937492° - alt. 160 m - km 4.88

S/E - Les jardins d'eau Pierre Doudeau
N 47.698788° / E 2.944616° - alt. 155 m - km 5.92

This marked trail following the markup charter of the Community of Communes of Puisaye-Forterre bears the number 31 inscribed on plates with a yellow background.

The markup was carried out by the association A chacun son chemin en Puisaye-Forterre in October 2019.

In case of trouble, thank you to [fill the questionnaire](#) (it will take you 1 or 2 minutes).

Careful when you cross roads.

The fact that the markup is mentioned however requires that you leave at least with this description and its IGN map or the visorando app.

In the nearby area

The Gutter of Saint-Privé (la Rigole de Saint-Privé) is over 20km long. It was built in 1646 to direct the waters of the Loing river from Saint-Privé to Rogny-les-Sept-Écluses to feed the Briare Canal.

The Water Gardens were created in 1995 and form a vast expanse of greenery with streams running through it. There are playgrounds with benches.

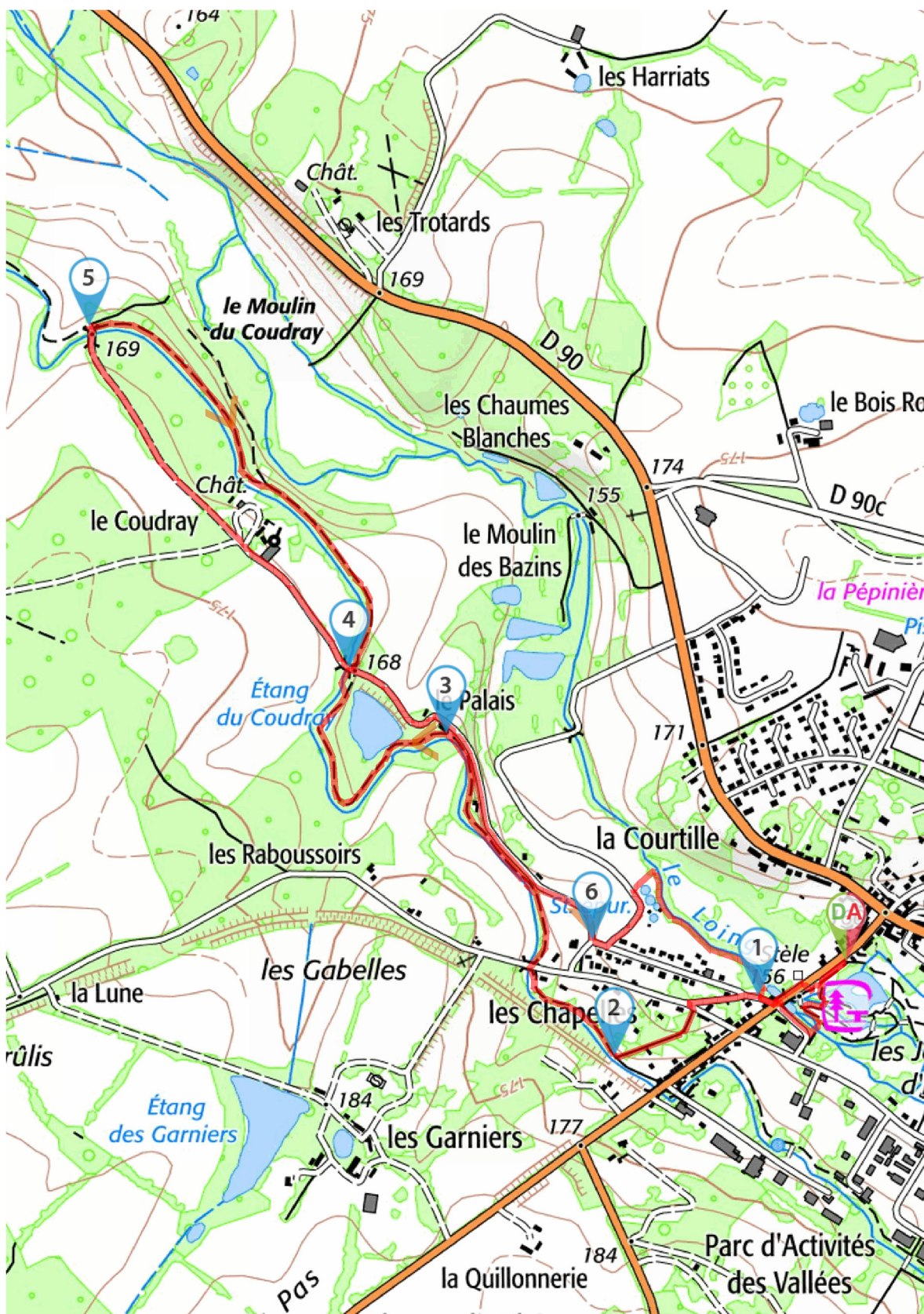
Gaston Fleischel, the inventor of the automatic gearbox:

It was in Bléneau that Gaston Fleischel developed the automatic gearbox that was developed by American manufacturers.

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Always stay careful and alert while following a route. Visorando and the author of this walk cannot be held responsible in the event of an accident during 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

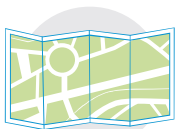
by taking suitable equipment with you, such as whistle, first-aid kit, appropriate clothing and something to eat and drink.



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.



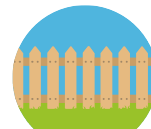
RESPECT THE COUNTRYSIDE

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



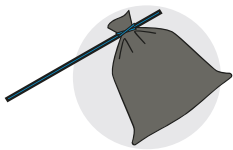
RESPECT LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

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.