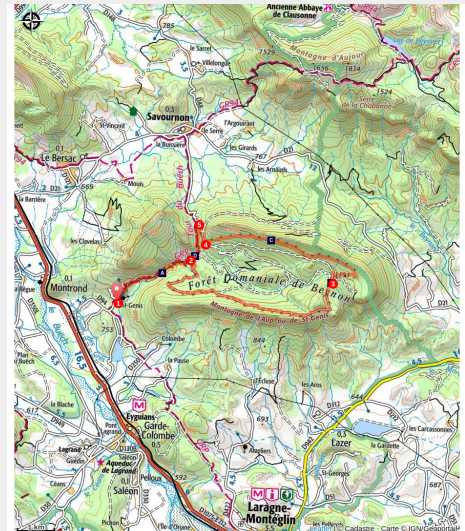


# Grand Tour du Cirque de Jubéo by mountain bike

Laragne / Méouge - Garde-Colombe



Direction les gorges du Riou (CCSB)



*This route winds its way up through the picturesque Riou Gorges, then continues along a trail through the woods, ending on a stunning single-track trail that runs along a cliff edge, offering a taste of Provence. The return trip follows the same route through the gorges as the outbound leg.*

Follow Mountain Bike Trail No. 5 (VTT N°5)

## Useful information

Practice : Mountain Bike

Duration : 4 h

Length : 21.4 km

Trek ascent : 834 m

Difficulty : Medium

Type : Loop

Themes : Discovery trail, Geology, Lake, waterfall and river

# Trek

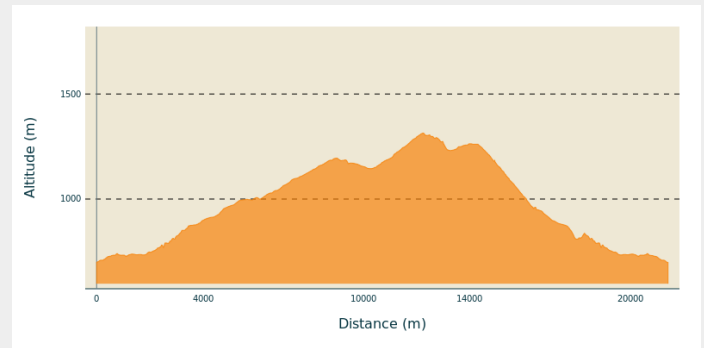
**Departure** : Town hall in St-Genis, Garde-Colombe

**Arrival** : Town hall in St-Genis, Garde-Colombe

**Markings** : ➤ VTT

**Cities** : 1. Garde-Colombe  
2. Savournon

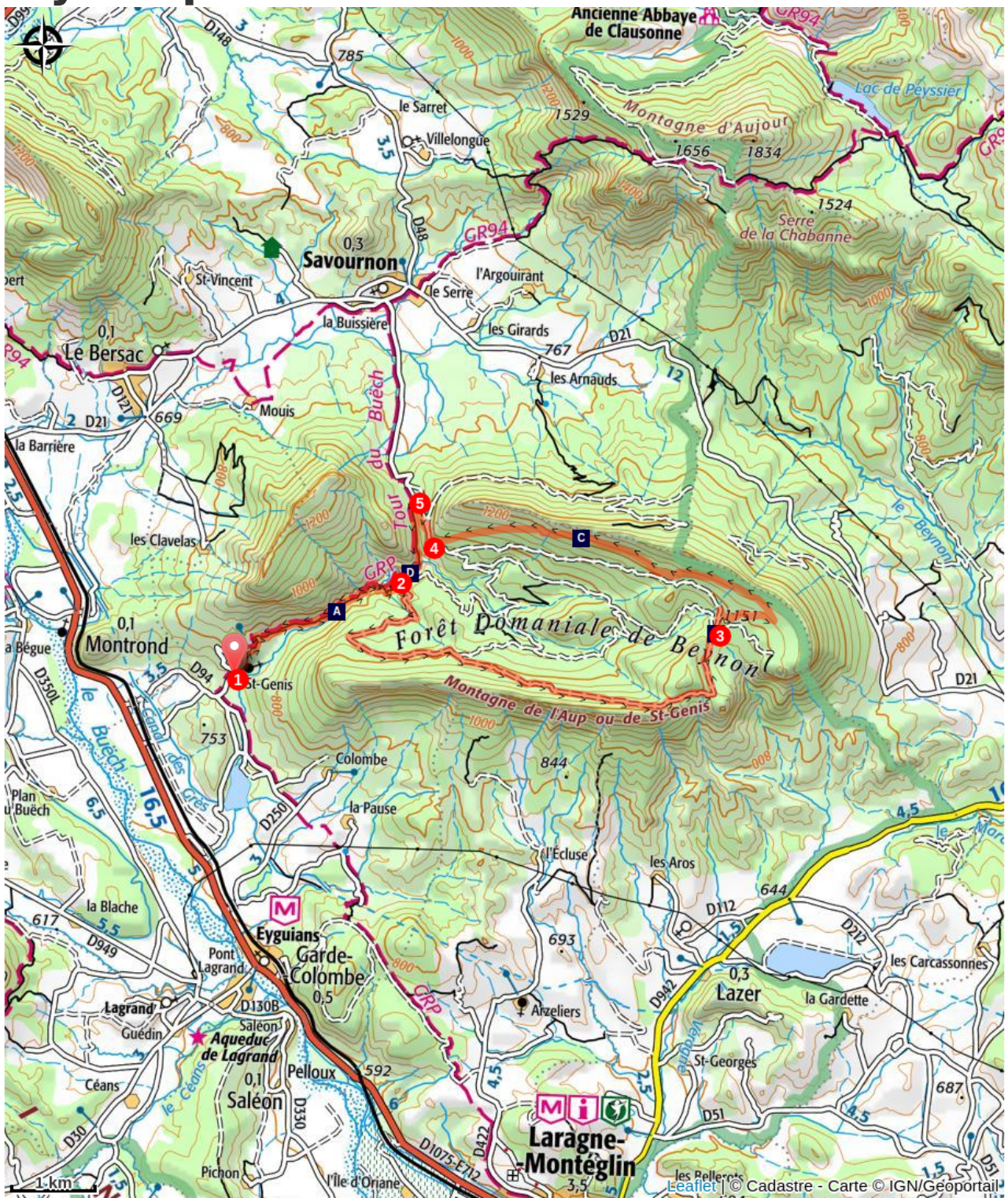
## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 697 m Max elevation 1314 m

1. At the town hall, follow the road up toward the village. Since the original trail has been affected by a landslide, you must go around this area. To do so, at the entrance to the old village, follow the road toward the cemetery. At the next hairpin bend, take the trail on the left. At the end of the bend, ignore the trail that branches off to the left (private property—no trespassing) and continue for about 50 meters. Leave the track and follow the path on the left that runs alongside a lavender field. Follow the path back up to the original trail that ascends the Riou Gorge (***out of respect for the farmer and to preserve these private lands, please do not cut across the fields, but follow the markers along the edge. Otherwise, this damages the grass that will be mowed and creates new paths: the trail maintains the so-called “wild” tracks and thus encourages further use. Thank you.***)
2. At the “Saume Longe” signpost, continue the ascent toward the Montagne de Saint-Genis and turn right onto the Château forest trail. The trail leads to the Col du Colombier, where a large intersection opens up in the pine forest.
3. At the Col du Colombier, follow the trail opposite toward the Roc de l’Esculier. The route then branches right to climb and join a trail at the end of the track. This trail descends a little further toward the Pas de Jubéo.
4. At Pas de Jubéo, continue down toward the Forest House on the right, making sure not to miss the short trail on the left—100 meters past the ONF gate—that leads directly there.
5. At the Maison Forestière, continue left to reach the trail leading to the Riou Gorges. Finally, at the “Saume Longe” signpost, head back down the gorges along the same route you took on the way up.

# On your path...



☀ Riou canyon (A)

✳ Viewpoint (C)

△ Colombier pass (B)

☀ The Riou (D)

# All useful information

## How to come ?

### Access

From Laragne (12 km), take the D 1075, then the D 94 toward Garde-Colombe / Saint-Genis.

### Advised parking

Parking lot next to the town hall in St-Genis

## Information desks

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# On your path...

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## Riou canyon (A)

Taking its source in the heart of the national forest of Beynon, the Riou dug its gorges. The Gorges du Riou connects the Jubéo Forest and the village of Saint-Genis.

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## Colombier pass (B)

Colombier pass located at 1160 meters high, splits up the two Aup mountain's sides – Aup is another name for Saint-Genis Mountain –. From the pass, you can go to many villages like Lazer, Eyguians, Saint-Genis and Savourmon.

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## Viewpoint (C)

When you reach the higher up part of the first big rise of the path, there is an overview on Laragnais valley and Saint-Genis town and Corrie.

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## The Riou (D)

The Riou takes its source at the bottom of the valley, digging beautiful gorges. It then comes to fill the Riou lake, very popular spot among tourists and locals during hot Summer days.