



Trip description

A biking journey along the ViaRhôna

Discover the Bugey region and the Pays du Lac d'Aiguebelette, between Lyon and Chambéry, with their pretty villages nestled between mountains and the Rhône river. Thanks to the ViaRhôna, you will explore the riverbanks in all serenity...

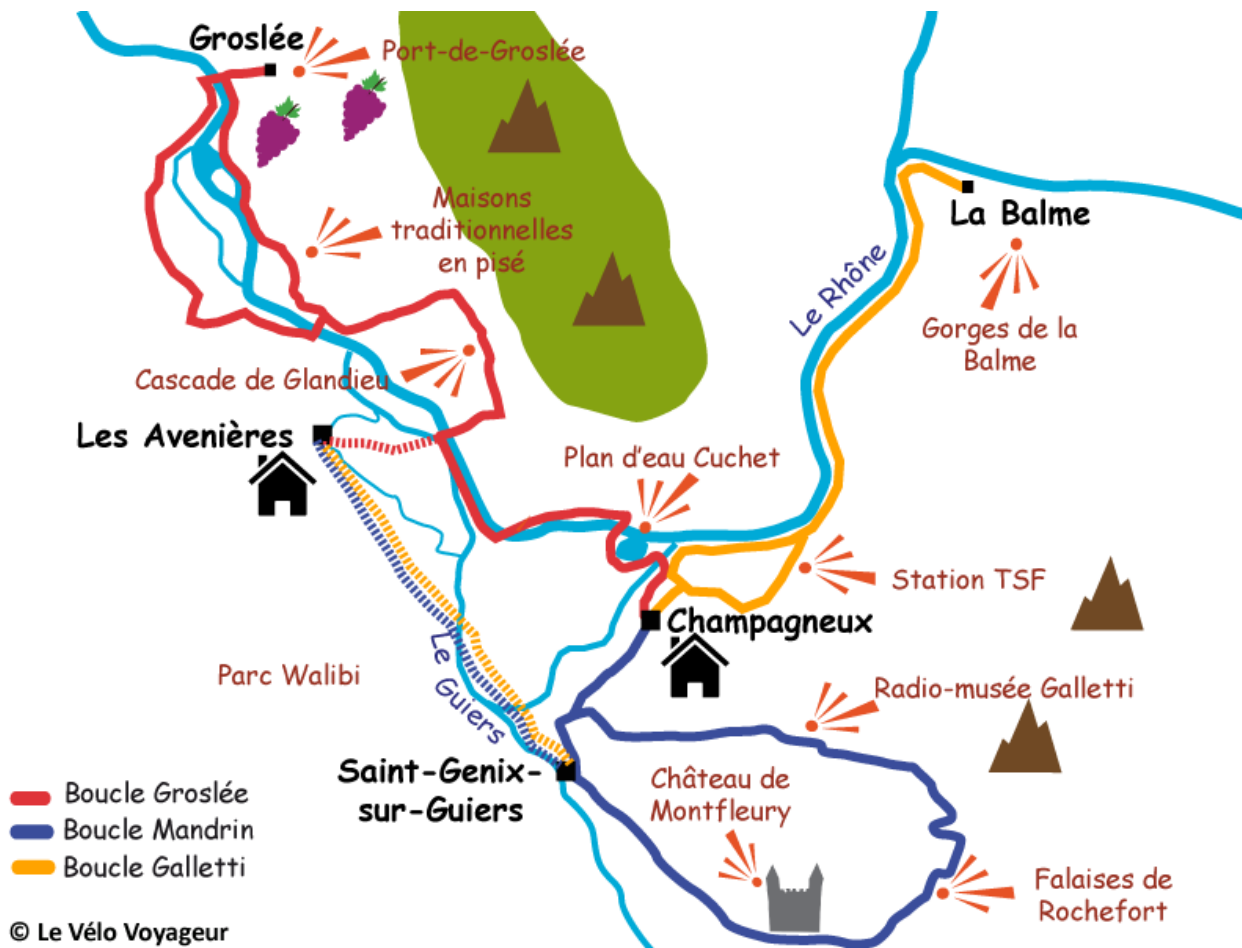


Destination	France
Location	Entre Rhône et montagnes
Duration	3 days
Difficulty Level	Very easy
Validity	from April to October
Minimum age	1 year
Reference	VR0203

Type of stay



Itinerary



ViaRhôna is a cycling route from Lake Geneva to the Mediterranean Sea. With 700 kilometers along the alpine mountains to the beaches of the Mediterranean Sea, it's a dream cycling in such a beautiful landscape!

Discover the history of Guiers region and the unusual characters of the area such as the famous smuggler Mandrin. Enjoy a cake topped with luscious pink pralines named after the region. Explore the Rhone banks by bike on the peaceful ViaRhôna and the small back roads at the edge of the Bugey mountains.

Finally, appreciate an outdoor weekend without worrying about the organization through the Vélo Voyageur!

Day 1

Arrival in Guiers region

Category A : You arrive in Les Avenières.
Category B : You arrive in Champagneux.

Discover the charms of Guiers region, a tributary of Rhone river. Do not miss to taste the local delicacy: the Saint-Genix. This brioche topped with pralines delights kids & adults.

Day 2

Day-trip to Port-de-Groslée

Bike
30-48km

Cat A : 30kms / Cat B : 48 kms

You leisurely follow the riversides of the wild Rhone river on the bike path before crossing the river to reach Glandieu, a village nestled at the foot of the Massif du Bugey. A perfect photo break at the impressive 60-meter high waterfall, located right in the middle of the village!

Your bike ride continues on small country roads, where you admire the houses, made of rammed earth, a very old construction technique that uses mud bricks. After a break in Groslée, ride on the left bank of the Rhone river with a more wild landscape to admire the beautiful views on the mountains. On the way, you can take a swim in Cuchet lake, there's nothing like it!

Day 3

Loop tour Galletti

Bike
54-32km

Cat A: 54 kms / Cat B: 32 kms

This biking loop without difficulty and mostly on cycling paths is ideal for families. It pays tribute to Galletti, who built in the village of Champagneux a wireless station, one of the world's most powerful at this time, in 1912. Ride along the Rhone river to discover the impressive natural site of "gorges de la Balme". You can add a small detour to Cité du gâteau if you are a food lover!

Loop tour Mandrin

Bike
48-28km

Altitude
±280m

Cat A: 48kms / Cat B: 28kms

Famous smuggler in the 18th century, Louis Mandrin is your guide on this signposted biking route. The itinerary gains height towards the Col de la Crusille. Beautiful panoramas reward your efforts from the promontories of Sainte-Marie-d'Alvey and Rochefort. In addition you can enjoy a visit to Galletti's museum if you are a history buff. On the way back, you will discover some cultural and traditional treasures such as Montfleury castle or sweet treats.

Accommodation

Category A

You stay in a 2-star hotel with all the necessary comfort after a day on your bike. Breakfast is included.





* Example of the type of accommodation

Category B

You stay in a 3-star charming hotel selected for its character and its quality. Breakfast is included.



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Practical information

To get to the departure:

By car : Highway A43 from Lyon (1h of driving).

By train : the closest train station is in Pont-de-Beauvoisin. To planify your journey : <https://en.oui.sncf/en/>

By plane : Lyon-Saint Exupéry Airport or Geneva Airport

Parking:

If you drive to the region, you can park your car directly at your accommodation in a safe parking for the duration of your stay.

Meeting time:

The first day is an arrival day without cycling so you arrive whenever you want. Please note that rooms are usually available in the middle of the afternoon. We thank you to advise us if you plan to arrive late.

Price description

Category A

Double room fare

199 €/pers

2 nights in a ** hotel

2 breakfasts

2-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (packs, helmets, locks...)

a road book with maps and descriptions of the routes

the delivery and return of the bike

local visitors' taxes

24h/24 hotline

Half board	17 €/dinner
Extra for a single room	33 €/night
Extra night	48 €/pers

Category B

Double room fare

259 €/pers

2 nights in a *** hotel
 2 breakfasts
 2-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (packs, helmets, locks...)
 a road book with maps and descriptions of the routes
 the delivery and return of the bike
 local visitors' taxes
 24h/24 hotline

Half board	19 €/dinner
Extra for a single room	52 €/night
Extra night	64 €/pers

Options

Extra for the rental of an electric bike (2 days)	70 €/pers
Discount if you ride your own bicycle	-50 €/pers

Children discount (in the same room as 2 full rate participants):

0-4 year : -70%
 5-11 year : -50%
 12-17 year : -30%

The package doesn't include:

the journey to the tour location
 the drinks
 the meals which are not included
 the entrance fee to sites
 insurances (optional)

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