



Gorges du Verdon

HIKING IN FRANCE'S GRAND CANYON.

For millennia the turquoise waters of the river Verdon have been carving their way through the mighty limestone massif situated between the Provençal Pre-Alps and the foothills of the Western Alps. The resulting river landscape offers a unique hiking experience, from the medieval village of Castellane you discover the amazing Verdon national park step by step: via the world-renowned Blanc-Martel-Path you advance further and further to the 700-metre deep canyon via innumerable stairs, tunnels, ladders and bridges, steep limestone rock and stupendous panoramic views onto the jagged mountain peaks of Provence line your path. In the evening the picturesque villages of Provence welcome you with their unique charm and magically round off an unforgettable hiking holiday.

Mountain Hiking



7 Days / 6 Nights



Self-guided Tour



Minimum number of participants: 2 people

To the online version



Itinerary

DAY
1

Arrival in Castellane

Discover the remains of the historic fortress and the picturesque historic centre. Alternatively take a circular hike to the Notre Dame du Roc chapel, towering over the town on a 184-metre-high limestone cliff.

DAY
2

Castellane – Point Sublime

You leave Castellane and via ancient Roman trails reach the little sheperd's village of Chasteuil. Enjoy a short break before you continue to the limestone bog and pastures located higher up. During the rocky descent towards Rougon you hike through dense forests featuring century-old oak trees and majestic canyons, at the famous Point Sublime your Day Finish awaits with a stunning view.

 approx. 5.5 hours  21 km  700 m  780 m

DAY
3

Point Sublime – La Palud-sur-Verdon

Today a true hiking classic is next on the agenda: the „Sentier Blanc-Martel“, named after Edouard Alfred Martel, the discoverer of the Grand Canyon of Verdon. The path is spectacular and leads via countless ladders and through winding tunnels deeper and deeper into the unique rocky scenery. Marvel at the steep limestone scarps surrounding you as well as the turquoise-green waters of the river Verdon below you at the bottom of the canyon. A truly unforgettable experience! Short transfer into the pretty village of La Palud-sur-Verdon.

 approx. 6 hours  15 km  900 m  800 m

DAY
4

Circular Hike La Palud-sur-Verdon

In the morning transfer to La Maline to the start of the hiking tour via the „Sentier du Bastidon“. Time and again you are spoilt with grandiose views onto the canyons of Bevedere de Mayreste. The winding route leads you in countless turns above the river Verdon along the slope, experience the contrast of jugged rock, the ‚Garrigue‘ and the pine- and beech tress up close.

 approx. 6.5 hours  18 km  950 m  900 m

DAY
5

La Palud-sur-Verdon – Point Sublime

Initially you walk through a marvellous oak- and beech forest with a view onto the village of La Palud, before following the impressive Baou-trail between cliffs and gorges all the way to Rougon. This little place is situated high up amidst the mountain peaks on a viewing platform. Steep in the panorama and the incredible view into the distance in peace and quiet before you continue with your hike to Point Sublime.



approx. 6 hours



18 km



260 m



990 m

DAY
6

Point Sublime – Trigance

Across an ancient Roman bridge, constructed with only one arch, you ascend along the ancient shepherd's trail through the forest to the Belvédère de Rancoumas, a ledge offering a fabulous view far into the Verdon-river valley canyon and onto the 500-metre-high rockface of Escalès. From the Plateau d'Entrevergues along forest paths and green pastures you reach the medieval hamlet Trigance. Enjoy an evening of absolute quiet and amidst idyllic nature.



approx. 5 hours



12 km



860 m



860 m

DAY
7

Departure or extension

After the breakfast back to Castellane by organised transfer.

Tour character

You mainly walk on well-maintained, rocky paths through a unique canyon landscape. Surefootedness as well as a head for heights are prerequisite along the limestone rock and when crossing the numerous ladders and bridges. A good basic fitness level is necessary for the individual hiking tours with walking times of up to 6.5 hours each.

Prices and events

Place of arrival: Castellane

Season 1

27.04.2022 - 26.06.2022 | 06.09.2022 - 31.10.2022 |

Arrival daily

Gorges du Verdon, 7 days, FR-PRWCT-07X

Base price 889.00

Surcharge single traveler 249.00

Surcharge single room 329.00

Category: pretty 2**-hotels and traditional country estates (French classifying)

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- 2 Half board (Point Sublime)
- Luggage transfer (1 piece of luggage per person)
- Transfers according to program
- 1 Return transfer Trigance – Castellane
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- Service hotline

Infos

Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Arrival by train via Paris to Marseille and from there by bus in approx. 4.5 hours to Castellane (www.ter.sncf.com/paca).
- Nice-Airport and from there by bus or train in approx. 2 hours to Castellane.
- Parking: public parking spaces free of charge near the hotel, no reservation possible.
- Organised return transfer from Trigance to Castellane, included in the tour price.

Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here!](#)

Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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