

LA GRANDE ROCHE

LE MÉNIL

33



SEASON
Without snow



DURATION
2h30 to 3h



LENGTH
6 km



ELEVATION
+ 203 m



LAND
Roads, paths and trails

This lovely walk allows you to immerse yourself in the lush natural surroundings of the village of Le Ménil. Over a short distance, you will pass through refreshingly cool forests, admire a beautiful view from a rock, and finish with a walk at the foot of a waterfall.

OFFICE DE TOURISME COMMUNAUTAIRE DES BALLONS DES HAUTES VOSGES

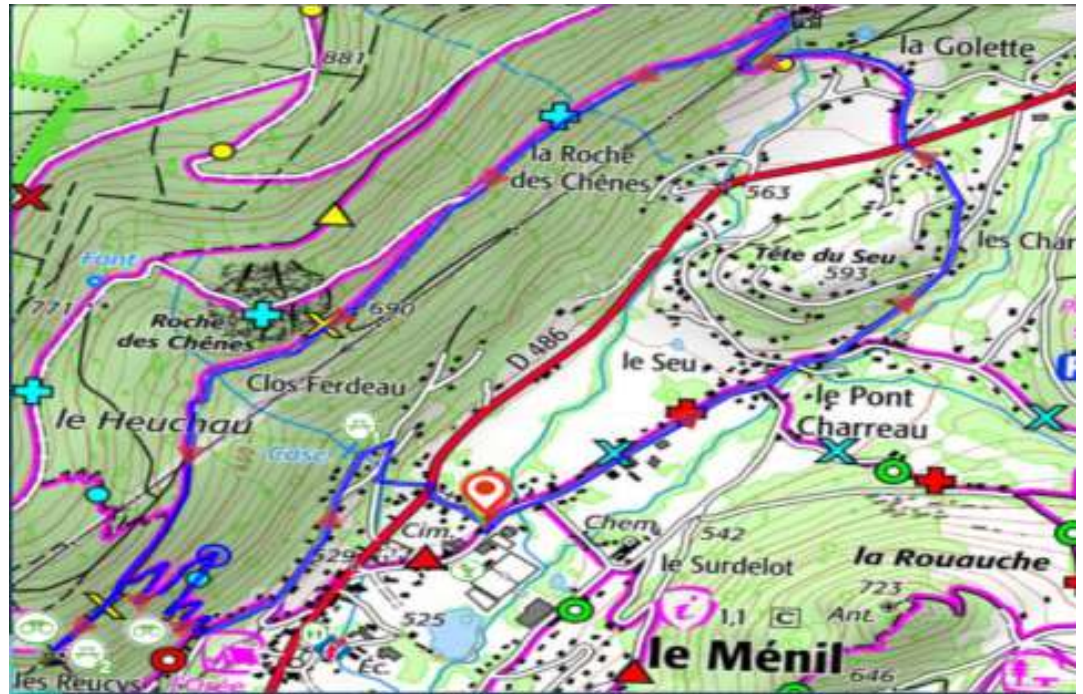


ACCESS AND DEPARTURE POINT

Access : From Le Thillot, follow the D486 towards Le Ménil. In Le Ménil, after the church, continue for 50 meters and turn right at the restaurant "Les Sapins."

The multi-purpose hall "La Familiale" is 200 meters further.

Departure : Parking lot of the multipurpose hall 'La Familiale' in front of the football field.



Heuchau waterfall



Tourist information office in Le Ménil

ITINERARY AND POINTS OF INTEREST

From the parking lot, take the tarmac road straight ahead. Leave the "La Familiale" hall behind you. Do not take "rue des Chèvres".

Continue straight for 50 meters. At the intersection, go straight ahead, following the X and + markers. Continue for 300 meters. You will reach the sign "Le Pont Charreau" (537 meters above sea level). The bridge is on the right and spans the Ménil stream.

Continue on this road for 200m following the X markings towards "Chapelle de Pitié"

At the second intersection, turn left onto "Rue des Charrières".

Continue straight for about 500 meters. Do not go to "Chemin des Haies".

Turn left onto "rue de la Chaume". Walk 400m to reach the main road.

Cross the D486 to take the road opposite. Be careful, there's no crosswalk!

Continue straight ahead and follow the signs ●. Do not take "Rue de la Golette." Go straight ahead on the signposted ● road that climbs toward "Chemin des Huttes."

Continue on this signposted ● road for 700 meters. You can see the Chapelle de Pitié on the opposite slope.

Arrive at the "chalet de la Golette" (closed chalet). Go back down the road a little and take the path that climbs in front of you, marked + towards "Le Ménil". Continue on this path for 600m.

At the intersection, take the left path marked X.

Continue straight on for 800m, always following the X markings.

When you reach a crossroads, follow the marked X path straight ahead to reach "La Grande Roche". Be careful, the path crosses a steep slope.

Nice view of the village of Le Ménil and the Ballon de Servance from the Grande Roche with its bench.

Retrace your steps to the intersection and take the path on the right, signposted ●

Continue along this trail for about 1 km. It passes near a small cave and then a viewpoint with a bench. Follow the markings ● until you reach the road that runs alongside the campsite and its mini-golf course.

Continue on this road which descends for 200m. At the intersection, take the road on the left which climbs for about 500m. Go straight ahead following the "cascade" direction.

Arrive at the Heuchau Waterfall. The waterfall is on your left and continues its descent under the bridge. Take time to rest here before finishing the walk.

To finish the walk, continue on the road on the right and continue straight for 30 meters.

Take the road on the right, following the signs for "Chemin de la Cascade," then the path on the left, "Retour vers la Familiale." Be careful, there's a small stone bridge and it's slippery. Descend the path.

Once you reach the D486, cross the pedestrian crossing and then turn left after the stone cross on "Rue des Chèvres." Continue straight ahead to finish the walk.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

Children can have fun making original boats with grass, branches and whatever nature has to offer, then sailing them on the stream that flows at the foot of the Heuchau Waterfall.

This pleasant site is also equipped with a picnic table in the summer for a refreshing break before finishing the walk. In the summer, with heatwaves and droughts becoming increasingly frequent, it is not uncommon for the waterfall to run dry...

DID YOU KNOW THAT ?

The inhabitants of Le Ménil are called Guédons and Guédonnes for a special reason. In the past, the village had many textile companies, and workers would return home with fabric fibers on their clothes. These fibers are called "Guédons" in Vosges dialect, hence this rather original name for the villagers.



OUR IMPRESSION

“The Grande Roche and the Heuchau Waterfall allow you to enjoy the full diversity of the Vosges landscapes in a short distance. A walk for lovers of unspoiled nature who want to get a breath of fresh air.”



View of the village of Ménil

TO RELAX

The “La Familiale” room adjoins a play area suitable for children from 3 years old under the responsibility of an accompanying adult to start or end the walk.

For older children, there is also a pétanque court and a football pitch for fun, both with free access.

TO VISIT

Wooden toy workshops

Bernard AUBRY will light up children's eyes with the wooden toys he's been making for over 35 years. He offers rocking horses, doll cradles, animal puzzles, cut-out names, string spinning tops, animated puppets, coat racks, whistles, catapults...

All ages.

83 bis Grande Rue

88160 LE MÉNIL

Tél. : +33 (0)3 29 28 17 56

SHOPS

In the village center, not far from the starting point of the walk, you'll find restaurants and shops: a tobacconist, a bookstore, and a bakery.

You can also visit us at the Tourist Office, located behind the church, to tell us what you thought of this walk.

Ménil Office

Place du 1er RCP

88160 - Le Ménil

A FEW ADVICES



BACKPACK

Enjoy a snack to share with your family on the rock or at the foot of the waterfall



ROUTE

The first part of the route is sunny, the second in the shade of the forests.