

CIRCUIT DE LA VIERGE

LE THILLOT

24



SEASON

Without snow



DURATION

1h30



LENGTH

4 km



ELEVATION

+ 84 m



LAND

Green Route, small roads and paths

This short walk is an ideal way to discover the Upper Moselle Valley and the gentle rolling hills of the Vosges mountains. It offers a new perspective on the village of Le Thillot and its beautiful natural setting.

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ACCESS AND DEPARTURE POINT

Access : From the centre of Le Thillot, follow signs for Lure / Hautes-Mynes

Departure : Parking Salle omnisport



Start



Parking lot



Toilets



Route



Picnic table



City Park



The Voie Verte des
Hautes-Vosges



The Virgin of Le Thillot

ITINERARY AND POINTS OF INTEREST

From the car park, head behind the Hautes-Mynes Museum building to reach the Voie Verte (Greenway). Follow the Greenway alongside the factory, which you will see on your left with its tall chimney.

When you reach the first barrier on the Greenway, take the small road on the left and continue for approximately 300 metres, passing between former workers' housing estates.

At the end of the road, follow the sign for "Voie du Tacot". Go through the red chicane and take the narrow path leading to a small bridge over the Vacceux stream. Continue along this path as it climbs up to a second red chicane. Carry straight on until you reach the paved road, then turn left.

After 30 metres, take the dirt track on the right and follow the signs ▲ for "Le Pré Martin / Étang de la Peau". You can stop for a short break at the bench and enjoy the view over the village of Le Thillot.

Follow this track for approximately 330 metres. At the junction, turn right and follow the signs for "Point de vue de la Vierge" (Virgin Mary Viewpoint).

When you reach the statue of the Virgin Mary, enjoy a wonderful panoramic view over Le Thillot, with its church overlooking the town, the village of Ramonchamp to your left and the Le Ménil valley straight ahead.

Retrace your steps for approximately 300 metres. At the first junction, at the bottom of the descent, take the small grassy track heading downhill on your right. Continue along this track at the edge of the forest until you reach a farm at the end of the road.

Once you reach the paved road, walk downhill for approximately 600 metres, then take the first road on the right. Follow the signs for mountain bike route no. 14.

When you reach the house at the end of the cul-de-sac, turn right and continue along the grassy path, still following the signs for mountain bike route no. 14.

When you reach the paved road, turn right and continue until you come to the Greenway.

Turn right onto the Greenway and continue for approximately 200 metres to return to the starting point.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Back at the starting point, children will enjoy playing in the City Park next to the 'Maurice Schoenacker' sports hall, itself next to the Tourist Office and the Hautes Mynes Museum.

We're sure you'll be laughing your head off! Bring your ball.



DID YOU KNOW THAT ?

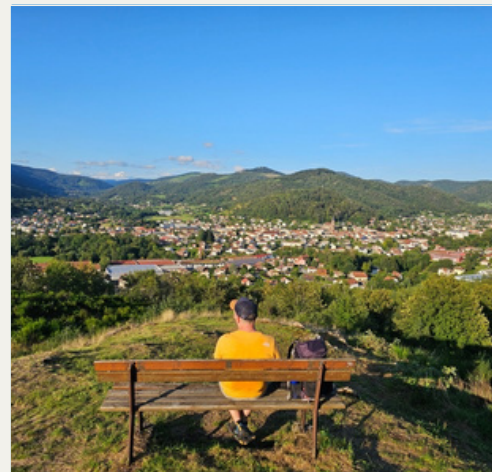
The Vierge du Thillot, also known as Notre-Dame de la Libération, is a statue erected by the parish to commemorate the liberation of the village on 26 November 1944.

Le Thillot paid a heavy price during the Second World War: 50% of the town was destroyed in the bombardments of June 1940 and September 1944.

The Virgin was blessed on 4 April 1948. It stands at an altitude of 585 meters.

OUR IMPRESSION

”The Virgin of Le Thillot is an ideal place for a family picnic. With its bench, the site is calm, sunny and offers a remarkable view.”



TO DISCOVER

On site

La Voie du Tacot

Opened in 1912, this former tramway line connected Le Thillot with Haute-Saône and was used to transport goods including coal, leather, oak bark and textiles. The “Tacot” made its final journey in 1938.

Today, the former railway line has become a pleasant walking route, with information panels along the way telling its story.

→ **4 km return trip, from Rue du Tacot to the entrance of the former tunnel.**

A FEW ADVICES



BACKPACK

Pack a picnic or a snack to share with the whole family at the foot of the Virgin.



ROUTE

It's a very sunny route, so bring a cap, sunglasses and sun cream.

TO EXPLORE

On site

Les Hautes-Mynes

Visit the former copper mines of the Dukes of Lorraine (1560-1761). A three-part exploration including: a discovery tour of the mines, a guided tour of the Rouge Montagne gallery (for children aged 5 and over) and the Maison des Hautes-Mynes.

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TO ENJOY

5 minutes away, in the centre of Le Thillot

Playground

Located next to the media library, for children aged 3 to 14 under the responsibility of an accompanying adult.

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