

WATER LILIES' TOUR

MAY 10
1 DAY / 23 KM

ROWING LEVEL

ROUTE

The Water lilies tour crosses the only last farmed and inhabited swamp. In May 2013 it received the « Man and Biosphère » eco-label from the UNESCO. This sanctuary of greenery is crossed by a total of 700kilometers of streams on a 4000 hectares surface, and shelters around 1700 animal and vegetal species, which offers landscapes of great variety and diversity with woods and bushes hiding grey herons, great crested Grebes, kingfishes...

You will encounter many typical types of boats along the way, like « escutes » or else the flat- bottomed wooden boats called « bacôves » which were traditionally used for market gardening. In the distance you will catch a glimpse of the Saint-Omer cathedral which is part of the rich architectural heritage of the region.



SIGHTSEEING

The Water Lilies tour crosses the swamp with its mosaic of gardens, meadows and woods which are drained by a maze of streams and ditches mixing a diversified fauna and flora. This territory, away from time and tumult resembles no other and needs to be preserved. It offers many possibilities and activities which will please sporty people, nature and history lovers, but also provides a wonderful resting place for visitors seeking peace and quiet.



PRATICAL INFORMATION

TOUR DURATION
1 day - May 10, 2020

TOUR PLACE
Houille river and Audomarois swamp

BOATS
Recreational four-person sculling boats

FEES
35€ : without accomodation, 1 meal included

FOR COMPANIONS
20€ : without accomodation, 1 meal included
Walking hike around the moor.

SEAT RENTAL
120 seats available, 22€

SAFETY
Supervision : 25 people
Safety boats : 7

PROVISIONAL PLANNING
8am : welcome breakfast. Skipper meeting: safety briefing and distribution of a tour map.
9.30am to 1.30pm : 23 km to the discovery of the Saint- Omer moor.
1.30pm : drinks, gifts and lunch on the Houille border.

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