

LOIRE GORGES' TOUR



JUNE 15 & 16
2 DAYS / 42 KM



ROWING LEVEL

ROUTE

Only 15 minutes away from St-Etienne and 5 from Firminy railway station, you will find yourself immersed in nature. Loire River, which used to be wild and tormented, now offers rowers peaceful and calm waters. Nature lovers can wander along Loire gorges. After passing the Pertuiset bridge («bicentenary bridge»), you will row under the eye of the local castles overlooking you : Chambles' Tower, St-Victor-sur-Loire and Essalois. Closer to the water the rowers will come across typical hamlets such as Echandès, Révotes and Camaldules, but also Ste Foy du Châtelet chapel, and the island and castle of Grangent. On the second part of the tour they can admire Cornillon perched on its rock and the village of St-Paul-en-Cornillon. The tour ends with a festive outdoor meal.



SIGHTSEEING

The building of Grangent Dam in 1958 gave birth to a magnificent 19 km long lake. Grangent Lake is located largely in the department of the Loire. Its main assets are :

- the quality of its pond with calm waters,
- its natural environment : a NA TURA 2000 protected site for the discovery of nature (richness of fauna and flora),
- its touristic environment : Middle Ages remnants, villages, churches and castles.

This exceptional setting deserves to be highlighted by a sporting event and tourist discovery such as that organized by the Stéphanois Rowing.



PRATICAL INFORMATION



TOUR DURATION
2 days – June 15 & 16 , 2019



TOUR PLACE
Grangent Dam



BOATS
Recreational double scull, recreational four-person sculling boats



FEES
80 € : with accommodation, 1 night and 2 meals included
32 € : without accommodation, 1 meal included



FOR COMPANIONS
80 € : with accommodation, 1 night and 2 meals included
20 € : without accommodation, 1 meal included



SEAT RENTAL
118 seats available, 20 €



SAFETY
Supervision : 30 people
Safety boats : 6



PROVISIONAL PLANNING
Day 1 : Welcome with a picnic around noon. Various activities : rowing (10 or 15 km), guided stroll or else visit of the Gorges de la Loire honey farm. Meal at the accommodation.
Day 2 : Participants welcome: 7.30am-8.30am - Meeting of the boat skippers at 8.30am.
9.00am : Start of the Loire gorges' tour (32 km) -First loop: 22km downstream from the club until Grangent dam - 2dn loop: 10km upstream towards Aurec sur Loire. Companions can watch the departure from the Pertuiset bridge or drive to Chambles and Essalois. They can follow the tour along the Loire bank on foot or mountain bike. 1.00pm : Cocktail then lunch with rowers and companions.

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