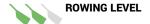
ROWING DOWN THE AA





ROUTE

Going own the Aa will take you on a 22 km long trip from Houlle to Gravelines. You will launch the boats on the Houlle river, at the heart of Saint Omer's moor, in Houlle village. The Houlle river flows into the AA in Wattern 4km away. Starting from this junction you will navigate on the largest part of the Aa river before reaching a wild section a few kilometres after the fork with Haute Colme. The Bistade drawbridge comes up when boats arrive and sound their horns, which usually gathers a curious crowd of bystanders. You will gaze at the local fauna (ducks, herons, swans...) and flora all along the way down this coastal winding rivers. You will reach the club before making a U-turn. The tour will end with friendly drinks and lunch shared inside the news premises of Gravelines' rowing club, near the Olympic rowing stadium.



SIGHTSEEING

The Aa descent is the northernmost tour of France. The Aa canal links the Saint Omer to Gravelines where she flows into the sea, winds across the coastal plain where it stands as a natural frontier between the regions of Nord and Pas de Calais. Gravelines is a fortified city designed by Vauban which has one peculiarity: you can go all the way round on both land and water. Northern France is famous for its traditions and warm welcome, and the tour 's organisers hope many of you will seize the opportunity to discover their beautiful region.







PRATICAL INFORMATION

TOUR DURATION
1 day - October 04, 2020

TOUR PLACE
AA river

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BOATS

Recreational four-person sculling boats

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FEES

55€: with accomodation, 1 night and 1 meal included

30€: without accomodation, 1 meal included

FOR COMPANIONS

45€: with accomodation, 1 night and 1 meal included

20€: without accomodation, 1 meal included You can follow the tour by bike (not included) on the towpath

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SEAT RENTAL

40 seats available, 15€

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SAFETY

Supervision : 20 people Safety boats : 2

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PROVISIONAL PLANNING

Participants will meet at 8am in Gravelines' rowing club where a bus will take them to Houlle. Bus denarts at 8 am

- If there are few participants then the meeting point will directly be in Houlle at 9am. The organizers will take care of the towing.
- Welcome drinks and snacks before departure in Houlle, to help gather strength for the tour.
- Boat preparation and rigging.

9.45am: Boat launch and departure for 4km on the Houlle then 21km on the Aa to reach Gravelines. U-turn and way back to arrive at the rowing club in Georges-sur-l'Aa. Lunch and goodbye drink when arriving at the new club House.