

## Walk Guide

### Route – Gorges de la Vienne

Length – 13 km (5 hours) – yellow markers

Start/finish point – Bussy-Varache village

How to get there – Limoges road, at the village exit on the hill, turn right (direction to the village is signposted). Having arrived in the village take the first left and park at the tennis court a few metres further on.

#### Take extra care if attempting this walk with children!

1. Take the uphill road and then the path that goes off to the left at a hairpin bend. At the following crossroads, head left until you reach a pond (Etang de Farsac).
2. At the end of the pond, take the small road on the right. Having arrived on the D129a (secondary road) turn right and continue for 1 km, admiring the Château de Farsac as you pass it on your right. Next take the path on your left after a curve in the straight line, level with the sign for VTT (mountain bikes). This path will take you towards the railway. Walk alongside the canal that takes in water from the hydroelectric plant. Take care in the areas surrounding the canal. Continue upwards until the crossroads where you will take the path on the right. Having arrived on the road, cross over and take the path opposite for about 1 km. At the following intersection continue straight ahead.
3. At the next junction you can either go down to the right to see the ruins of Moulin de la Rivière au Seigneur, or continue straight ahead. The stretch that follows overhangs the railway. Further on you will see an old quarry. Continue straight on to reach the road. Follow this road to the left for about 100 m.
4. Take the path to the right, following the river Vienne and its meanders. Having arrived at a stream, walk alongside it for a few metres and then cross it to find a path which starts to the right. Follow this path and at the panorama head up to the left: take some deep breaths – the slope is steep up to the village of La Forêt-Chabrouty.
5. Walk through the village and take the road to the left (about 1 km) which heads towards Bussy.
6. At the intersection continue to the right, still in the direction of Bussy.
7. At the second bend take the path on your right which enters the Chabanas woods (level with the symbol on the post). At the next two intersections continue straight on.
8. Having reached the road, turn right and then take the first road on the right to find the point where you started.

#### Warning! Tourists, anglers, bathers....

Be vigilant during all activities alongside rivers and canals. The flow of water can vary suddenly at all hours of the day and night, due to the automatic operation of hydroelectric machinery.