

## Chalautre-la-Petite

A charming village with the Latin name "Calestria Parva" meaning little castle. Around 1860, Gallo-Roman tiles, a Hadrian denarius and a Gallic tomb were discovered.

It was the fiefdom of the Lords of Chalostre who resided in the mansions of Bouy and Montramé. Ploughing, vineyards, and wood products were the main resources. The seigniory was tested by the Hundred Years' War, and then sold in 1603 to a soldier from the Duchy de Rethel. In 1793, the parish priest, Claude Chappe, invented an aerial telegraphy system allowing the transmission of signal messages.

On August 27, 1944, in retaliation for the capture of two German soldiers by an American patrol which came to free Chalautre, a contingent from Wehrmacht took 22 residents hostage and shot them on the road to Sourdun, outside the village.

Sites to see in the village crossed by the Méances stream: St. Martin church from the 12th and 13th centuries which possesses stone altarpiece from the 16th century depicting the Last Supper, the mausoleum of Guillaume Chalostre, one of the first lords of the parish, the Maison de l'Escargot from the 16th century, former fortified seignorial residence which also hosted the cellar of the priory-parish of Chalautre.



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Méances stream

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Departure: Longueville (SNCF train station).

GPS: Lat. Long. : 48.30488 - 3.15002

UTM: 31U 0518466 5373417

**Access:** Longueville 46 km from Melun via D408 and D49.

**Practical information:** all shops.

### The Hiker's Code of Conduct

- Do not leave the marked paths.
- If there are any doubts regarding which path to take, markings take precedence over the description.
- Respect nature and private property.
- Don't litter.
- Avoid routes during hunting season (check with the town halls or the Seine-et-Marne hunting federation).
- Close gates and fences after you.
- Whenever possible, remove any obstacles from the path.



14 km



Duration : 3h30



Blue



Medium



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# LONGUEVILLE The valley of Méances

This valley with hilly and varied landscapes, meadows, crops, and woods spans two villages: Longueville and Chalautre la Petite.

The charming Méances brook flows through the valley. This rural and bucolic hike will win you over and provide serenity.



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## The valley of Méances

- 1** Leave the car park walk down Rue de Verdun to the right. At the bottom of the street, turn right, pass under the viaduct and follow it to the right. Pass under the railway bridge.
- 2** Take the path on the right, which overlooks the premises of the station. Follow the asphalt road to the right. At the bend, take the path to the left. It runs along tennis courts, through woods, follows the wood's edge and enters the woods again on the right. Turn right and cross the stone bridge over Ruisseau des Méances. Continue 600 m and, at the crossroads of 3 paths, take a left along the wood. Follow the 2nd path to the right.
- 3** Walk down on the 2nd path to the left and, at the crossroads, turn right. At the next crossroads, turn left, cross the Méances brook and take the path to the right.
- 4** At the first houses of Chalautre-la-Petite, (opposite, 800 m, is the church and Maison de l'Escargot of Chalautre-la-Petite) walk up the road to the left. At the fork, turn left, walking past the paths to the right, onto the path that leads up to the plateau, follows the edge of the woods and overlooks the Méances valley.
- 5** At the crossroads at the hamlet of Les Grattons walk up to the left, continue past the paths on the left and walk down in the same direction. Cross the quarry and walk to Avenue du Parc.
- 6** Turn left and follow the wide path. At the fork, turn left, then right then continue straight at the crossroads. Take the path to the left that enters Sept-vieilles-le-Haut, then take the street on the left. Cross a street and, at the bend, follow the path opposite. It bears to the left.
- 7** Turn right into the path, towards the water tower. At the fork, go right, walk down through the woods to the road.
- 2** Walk to the station by the same route as the outward journey.



The trail markings on this route are installed and maintained by 250 footpath wardens from the Seine-et-Marne departmental hiking committee. (Codérando 77). It is part of a network of 4,500 km of walking and hiking trails in the department. If you notice any irregularities during your hikes (errors or lack of markings, poor maintenance, illegal waste disposal), please inform Codérando 77 via the website <http://sentinelles.sportsdenature.fr/> by selecting the "hiking" activity.