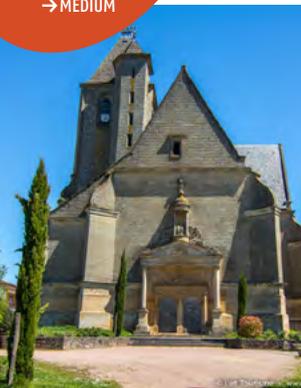


GALLOT DE GENOUILLAC



→ SITUATION : Assier, à 21 km au nord-ouest de Figeac, par les D 840 et D 653
 → START POINT : Coming from the D840, take the D653 towards Assier.
 Before you get to the village, stop on the left on the rest area.
 GPS Coordinates : N 44.677187° E 1.881429°

DURATION : 3 hrs. 30 mins

LENGTH : 15 kms

WAYMARKING : Yellow



1 From the car park, go 30 m along the road towards Lacapelle-Marival and take the little road on the left. After 60 m, take the wide track on the right. Continue on this forest track. At a crossing, with *Combejol* hamlet to the right, go straight on.

1 At the crossing, facing a metal cross, go left. Keep straight on to a crossroads. Go left up to the next cross-roads. Leave the tarmac road to take the path on the left which goes uphill through the trees.

2 *Vialans* crossroads. Continue uphill to the centre of the hamlet. Continue on the path opposite which starts to narrow. Go up left, still on the narrow path. Continue on this. The path widens out again. Continue straight on.

3 At the crossing keep to the right to pick up the forest path again. View over Assier village and church to the right. Not far on, at a crossroads with the camp site opposite, go right. A little further on, at the metal cross, go right again. At the D 653, go right towards the village centre.

4 Come to the market / fairground car park opposite the church. From here, take the little road down by the agricultural garage and petrol pumps. At the end, turn left alongside the railway line. Then turn right and cross the tracks. Turn right again.

Go straight on along the path to the *Mas de Molinié*.

5 Go straight through the pretty hamlet of *Le Peyrié*. Continue to the right, cross the D653, take the path opposite you. Continue straight on along this path.

6 At the crossing, there is a small «cazelle» (stone hut) on the right. Go to the left.

7 At the crossing, (small wooden hut opposite), you can see the D653 to the left. Go to the right.

8 Further on, turn left. Continue until you come to the road, turn left, then go right to cross the bridge over the railway line. Go past the electricity power plant on your right, continue straight on to get back to the village. Go up to the market hall and church.

9 Just after the baker's, go down to the right. Go straight on with the château on your right.

At the Place du Ruisseau, go straight on. Before the fishing ponds, go left. Go down the path. At the bottom, go left and cross the little bridge over the stream. Return to the car park at the rest area.

THE CHÂTEAU D'ASSIER

Built between 1518 and 1535 by Jacques Galiot de Genouillac, Master of Artillery under François I, Grand Equerry of France, Lord of Assier (1465-1546), the château formed a vast quadrilateral, of which only the entrance wing remains. This opens via a spectacular portal with porticos, loggias and pediments. The façade on the courtyard side is decorated with rows of windows and two large friezes, elaborately carved with emblems making reference to the military functions of Galiot de Genouillac and to the legend of Hercules. The château was sold off in 1768 and demolished ; the stone was used in the building of numerous houses in the village.



“ Jacques de Genouillac, Grand Master of Artillery under François I, had this château built, which equalled in splendour the palaces of the Loire Valley. ”

TO SEE IN THE AREA...

- Assier : ruins of the 16th C. Château, 16th C. church of Saint Pierre
- Figeac : Town of Art and History
- Lacapelle-Marival : 13th-14th C. Castle of Géraud de Cardaillac

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