

# THE OPPIDUM ROUND WALK

→ SITUATION : Luzech, 20 kms west of Cahors via the D811 then the D145

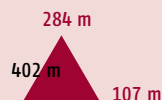
→ START POINT : Luzech Tourist Information Office

GPS Coordinates : N 44.478191° E 1.287093°

DURATION : 4 hrs.

LENGTH : 13.3 kms

WAYMARKING : Yellow on brown background



① With your back to the Tourist Office, cross the Place du Canal and take the main street opposite you.

② This hilltop path takes you straight to the «Cévenne de Caix» (take-off area for para-gliding, magnificent view of the Lot valley).

③ Then go to the left. Take a look at the «gariotte» on the right. Go down the path and come out on a road ; turn right, go past a little barn.

④ At the second track on the right, follow the gently-sloping path. Come to a crossroads with a fine stone cross.

⑤ Go down the path on the right leading to the hamlet of «Caix».

⑥ Go to the left. Go along with the Château de Caix below you. Come to the junction with the cross (5), take the same path as you used before.

⑦ Come to a road, follow it to the right for 50m, take a path going left

at an angle. Where it crosses a road, go to the right for 200m, then take a track on the left. Turn right at each of the next two junctions.

⑧ Follow the track to the left ; where four country tracks/roads meet, go left towards the hamlet of «Calvignac».

⑨ Go through the hamlet, continue for 1 km, at the crossroads turn right towards Fages. Go along for 500m.

⑩ Take the GR 36 to the left. Several gariottes are to be seen along the way. Stay on the GR 36, crossing over two roads. About 1 km after crossing the second one, take the botanical path to the right.

⑪ At the road, turn left to get back to the viewing table where you started. Then go back down the same way as you came up.

“ From meander to meander the Lot carved deeper into the limestone plateau and Luzech almost became an island... Set off for a walk through Time, from the Gallo-Roman oppidum to the mediaeval keep ”

## TO SEE IN THE AREA...

- The Cahors Vineyards;
- Château de Caix
- Luzech : La Planète des Moulins museum, Ichnospace

→ FOOD SHOPS/  
RESTAURANTS ETC :  
Luzech

→ INFORMATION :  
Cahors - Lot Valley  
Tourist Office  
Puy-l'Évêque Office  
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## FROM THE GALLO-ROMAN OPPIDUM TO THE MEDIAEVAL KEEP

Various archaeological digs undertaken in the area around Luzech and on the Imperial Oppidum have provided many finds : ammonites from the Upper Jurassic period in the Quercy area, Gallo-Roman vestiges from the period of occupation of l'Impenal during the 1st C. BC, plus traces and footprints of dinosaurs, in particular a 60m2 set of tracks dating back about 140 million years of which a mould was made. These can be seen in the Armand Viré Museum in the «Consuls' House» and at the «Ichnospace» above the multi-media library.

