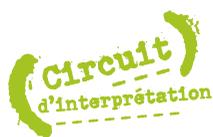


THE REDISCOVERED PATH OF PREDEIGNES



→ SITUATION : Predeignes, 15 kms north-west of Figeac via the N122

→ START POINT : Car park by the church

GPS Coordinates : : N 44.697342° E 2.089593°

DURATION : 30 mins.

LENGTH : 1.7 Kms

WAYMARKING : Yellow

SPECIAL FEATURE :

heritage explanation boards



1 Leave the car park and take the D76 going right for 50m. Take the path going downhill on the left.

1 At the laundry trough, go straight ahead on a path which goes through the meadows. After the pond, take the track which goes up to the left through the chestnut woods.

2 At the path crossing, take the track on the left which goes up to Cantagrel. Take the track on the right.

3 After the barn, go left on the track which becomes a road.

4 Before the D 76, turn left into a narrow lane. Then take a road on the right up to the D76 and cross it to get back to the car park.

“ Walk through this commune, its heritage and landscapes to make the acquaintance of the Figeac area chestnut woodlands. ”

TO SEE IN THE AREA...

- Bagnac-sur-Célé : mediaeval bridge
- Figeac : Town of Art and History, Champollion Museum - the Writing Systems of the World

→ FOOD SHOPS/
RESTAURANTS ETC
Predeignes and
Bagnac-sur-Célé

→ INFORMATION
Figeac Area Tourist Office
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Interpretation trail, one of the «Sentiers Retrouvés» (rediscovered paths) supported by the Association Déclam'

For centuries, men and women opened us up, marked us out, walked along us... Then they rather forgot about us ! The «Sentiers Retrouvés» bring to people's notice paths which show to advantage our unspoiled landscapes, forgotten heritage and real human adventures ; they promote the sharing of knowledge and open people's eyes to these things.

Cf. page 12 « Circuit des Falaises de Faycelles ». There is another path around the commune of St Perdoux (not included in this guide). Also worth exploring.

PREDEIGNES AND ITS BELL TOWER

In the centre of the village stands the church. Its imposing size makes it a landmark for those crossing the hills of the Ségala. Tradition has it that «Penderenia» was founded on the orders of Pepin le Bref in 838. Its forest provided timber for the buildings of the nearby town of Figeac. A few monks settled here and the church was built. Because the times were not exactly peaceful, they constructed a defensive bell tower. The village inhabitants could shelter there, which is exactly what they did during the Hundred Years' War, when the English invaded as far as the Ségala.

