

# Paray-le-Monial / Bourbon-Lancy

## Entre Rhin et Loire à vélo / EuroVelo 6



The waters of the Bourbince and the Canal du Centre run close to the centuries-old monastery of Paray-le-Monial, all providing a wonderful setting for a rest. After taking your time to explore the town's parks, museums and monuments on foot, absorbing the calming atmosphere, time to ride off along EuroVelo 6. A couple of highlights on this watery stage are two remarkable navigable aqueducts, at Bourbince and Digoin. As to Bourbon-Lancy, you reach this thermal spa town with a rich history going back to medieval times via a cycle path running alongside the Canal Latéral à la Loire. Along the way, enjoy the traditional hedge-divided patchwork of fields of the Charolais bocage, passing verdant meadows and traditional villages. Come dinner, local dishes, especially those featuring Charolais beef, will help exhausted cyclists regain their strength.

### The Route

This is an easy stage exclusively along canals and on a greenway as you approach Bourbon-Lancy. The one difficulty is with the last steep kilometre to reach the belfry gateway of Bourbon-Lancy.

#### Links

On the Véloire near Paray-le-Monial  
On the GTMC near Bourbon-Lancy

### Practical information

#### Tourist information

- [Paray-le-Monial](#): 03 85 81 10 92
- [Le Grand Charolais - Digoin](#): 03 85 53 00 81
- [Bourbon-Lancy](#): 03 85 89 18 27

#### SNCF train stations

- Paray-le-Monial
- Digoin
- Gilly-sur-Loire

#### Don't miss

- **Paray-le-Monial**: the Sacré-Cœur Basilica, plus the cloister and the Chapelle de la visitation; the Parc des Chapelains and Parc du Moulin Liron (public gardens); the Musée du Hiéron (an art museum); La Maison Jayet (a French Renaissance gem, now the town hall)
- **Digoin**: the navigable aqueduct; the port and banks of the Loire
- **Bourbon-Lancy**: the thermal spa; the medieval quarter, including the Tour de l'Horloge (a belfry with views)

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**Arrivée**  
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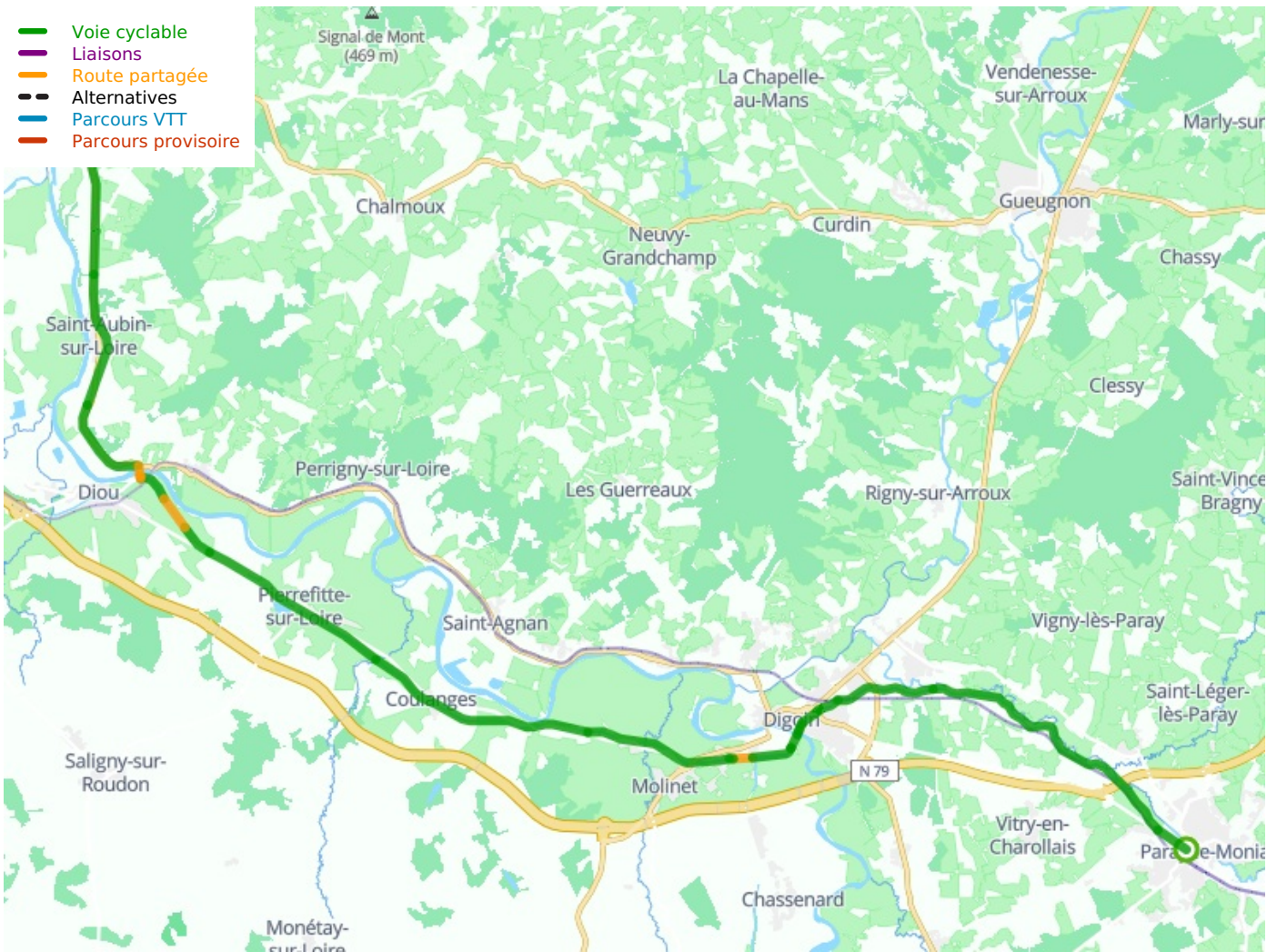
**Durée**  
2 h 53 min

**Distance**  
43,40 Km

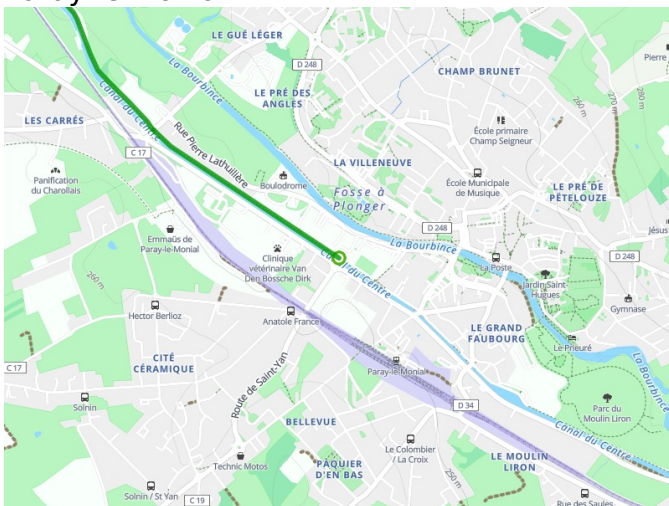
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