Chalon-sur-Saône / Santenay

EuroVelo 6 - Cycle Route of the rivers

Départ
Chalon-sur-Saône

Arrivée
Santenay

Durée
1 h 53 min

Distance
22,20 Km

Niveau
I begin / Family

Thématique
Canals & intimate rivers

This EuroVelo 6 stage takes you from Chalon to the Canal du Centre which then heads southwest to meet the Loire. This stage is especially peaceful and pleasant, running beside a canal enjoyed by fishermen and boating holiday-makers making for the Loire port of Digoin. The cycling is easy, exclusively on greenways, except as you leave town.

The route

From central Chalon, join the old canal in the St-Gobain Quarter by following the Paris road (the N 6, with clearly-marked cycle paths). Then enjoy unbroken greenways up to the entrance to Santenay. To arrive in the centre, use the provisional stretch along the Route de Chauchien (the D 113). Cross the railway track via Rue du Moulin Saule.

SNCF train services

Train stations at Chalon, Chagny and Santenay
TER regional line via Paris > Dijon > Beaune > Chalon > Mâcon > Lyon (numerous trains – bikes can be taken on board free of charge)
TGV high-speed line via Paris > Dijon > Chalon, with a limited number of spaces for bikes, and only if reserved in advance (6 bikes per train, by reservation only)
TER regional line via Chalon > Chagny > Santenay > Montchanin (c. 6 trains per day).

Don’t miss

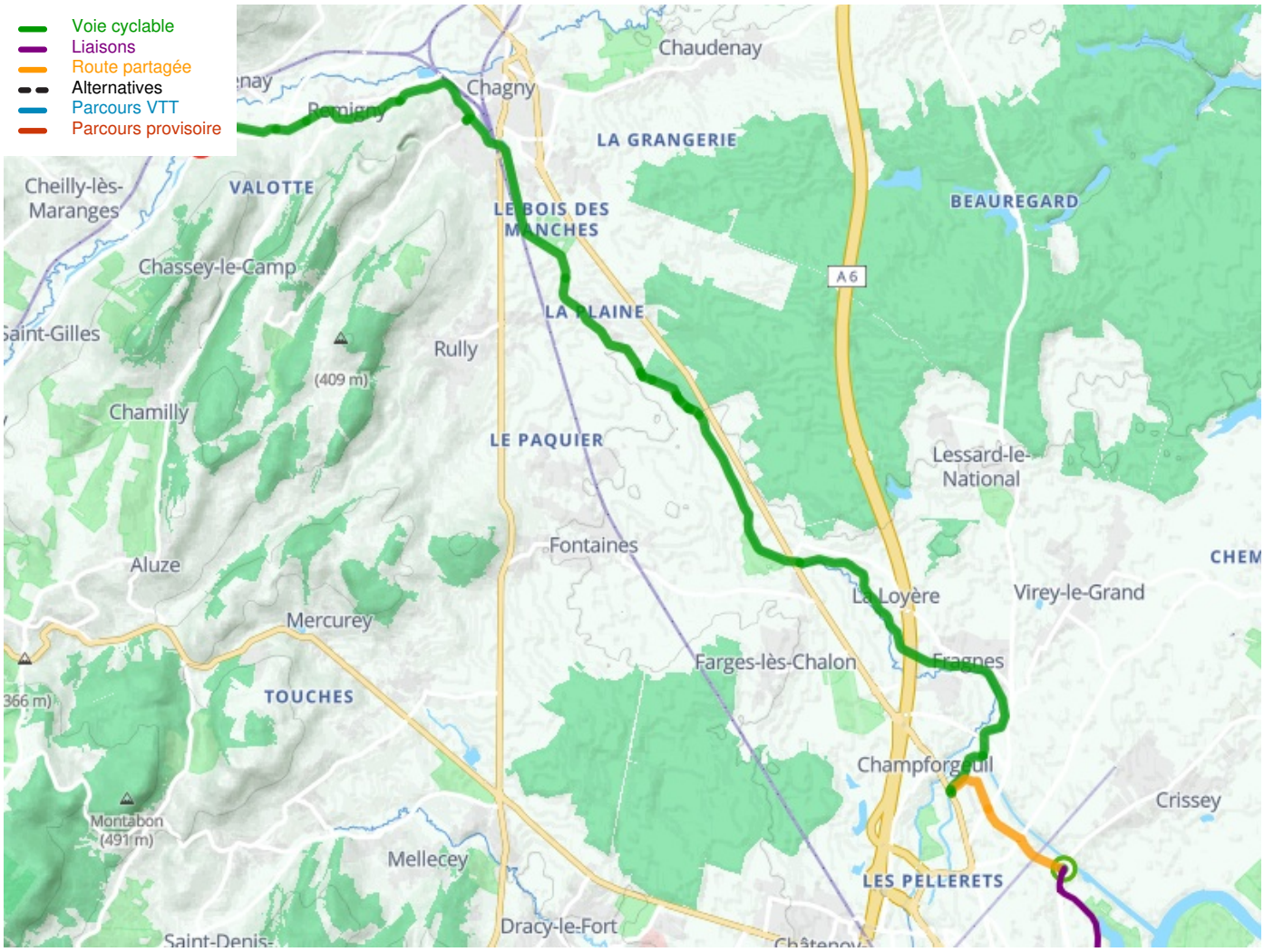
Chalon-sur-Saône: beautiful old buildings along the Saône quays ; the quarter around St Vincent Cathedral; Ile St-Laurent (an island); several museums, including that on photography (invented here!) – **Chagny**: a charming stop with a lively port, plus the pretty locks between Chagny and Fragnes
– **Fragnes**: with a waterway stop open to cyclists – **Santenay**: an elegant village with a casino –

Markets :

Chalon-sur-Saône: Friday and Sunday mornings
Chagny: Sunday mornings
Santenay: Thursday mornings (summer only)

Tourist Offices

Santenay: tel 03 80 20 63 15
Chalon: tel 03 85 48 37 97
Chagny: tel 03 85 87 25 95



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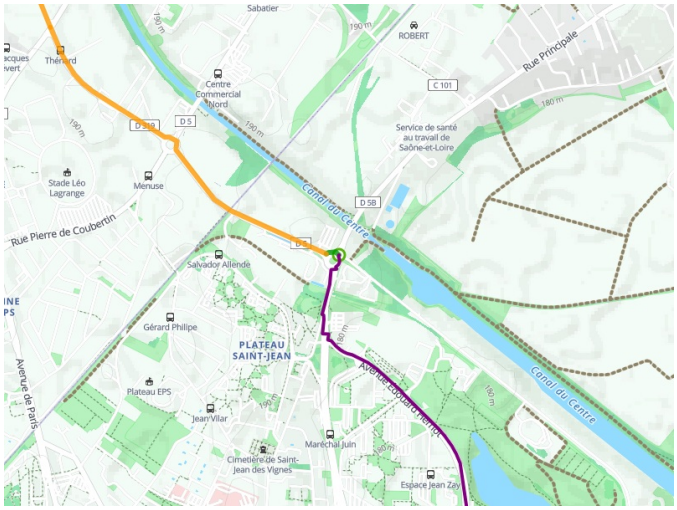

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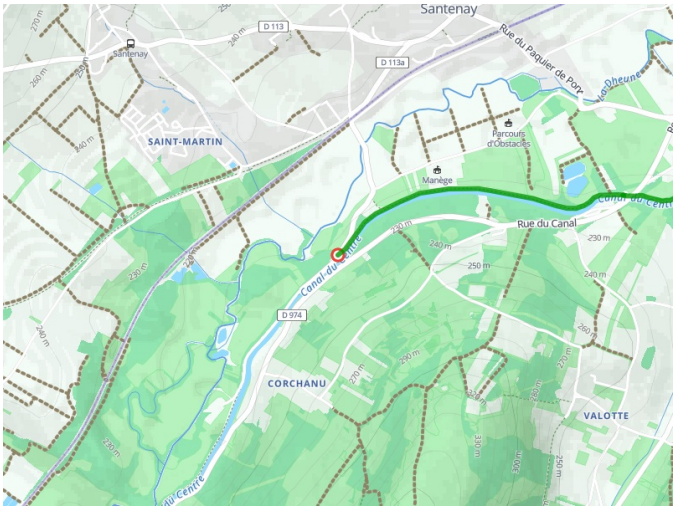
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