

# La Daguenière / Angers

La Loire à Vélo - Loire Valley by bike

**Départ** La Daguenière Arrivée Angers

Durée 1 h 02 min Distance 15,82 Km

Niveau I begin / Family Thématique Canals & intimate rivers This Loire à Vélo stage to Anjou's capital takes you through the startling landscapes of the former slate mines of Trélazé. Then enjoy crossing the Authion River via a little cable ferry. This makes for a fun way to reach the enticing city of Angers, spread across both banks of the Maine River. An equally enjoyable alternative route takes you to Bouchemaine via the Loire-side town of Les Ponts-de-Cé (see stage La Daguenière >Bouchemaine).

# Route

Two deeply appealing options by which to reach Angers: either take the Loire-side Levée de la Belle Poule; or go via the former Trélazé slate mines. There is an alternative to the ferry crossing over the Authion on the Trélazé option when crossing the river isn't possible.

In Angers, be careful of heavy traffic and of the tramway!

# SNCF

Angers train station: many TER regional trains take bikes, west to Nantes and Le Croisic, east to Tours and Orléans.

You can reserve to take your bike on TGV Atlantique high-speed trains for Nantes, Le Croisic, Le Mans and Paris.

### Don't miss

**Trélazé:** a newly laid-out route takes you through Trélazé's former slate mines; at the Musée de l'Ardoise (slate-mining museum) learn how the slate was extracted and split

**Angers:** a remarkable historic city with a great cultural life, linked in part to its universities and theatres; stunning medieval religious buildings; an exceptional castle, home to a great medieval work, the Tapestry of the Apocalypse; the splendid medieval St Jean Hospital, housing Lurçat's 20th-century Apocalpyse Tapestries; many excellent museums, including the rich Fine Arts Museum; exciting new quarters by the Maine River...

# Markets

- Les Ponts-de-Cé: Friday morning
- Angers: every days except Monday

# **Tourist Information centre**

• Angers: 02 41 23 50 00



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