

Confolens / Champagne-Mouton

La Vélidéale



Départ
Confolens

Arrivée
Champagne-Mouton

Durée
2 h 23 min

Distance
35,88 Km

Niveau
I begin / Family

Thématique
Nature & small heritage

The little town of Confolens makes an irresistible stopover along the Vélidéale cycle route. It boasts remarkable heritage features that it puts lovingly to the fore, hence its designation as a Petite Cité de Caractère. A trail incites you to learn about the varied curiosities dotted around the medieval settlement. For the last 60 or so years, the weekend around 15 August sees the arrival of dancers and musicians from around the world for its Festival d'Art et de Traditions Populaires. Leaving Confolens, you once more follow the Vienne River, up to Saint-Germain de Confolens, a village whose sublime castle perched on its rocky promontory dominates a wide area. Then our cycle route heads off straight westwards to cross the Charente River at Alloue, where the Maison Maria Casarès stands out, a fortified medieval house lived in by a famous French actress from 1961 to 1996, and now an artists' residence. Ride on to Champagne-Mouton, a little place, but where you'll find stores to stock up on provisions.

The route

Between Confolens and Saint-Germain de Confolens, the road has markings to indicate that motorized traffic needs to share the road with cyclists. After Saint-Germain de Confolens, the Vélidéale and Scandibérique cycle routes head off on their separate ways.

Shared section with La Scandibérique

From Confolens to Saint-Germain de Confolens, the route is shared with [La Scandibérique](#).

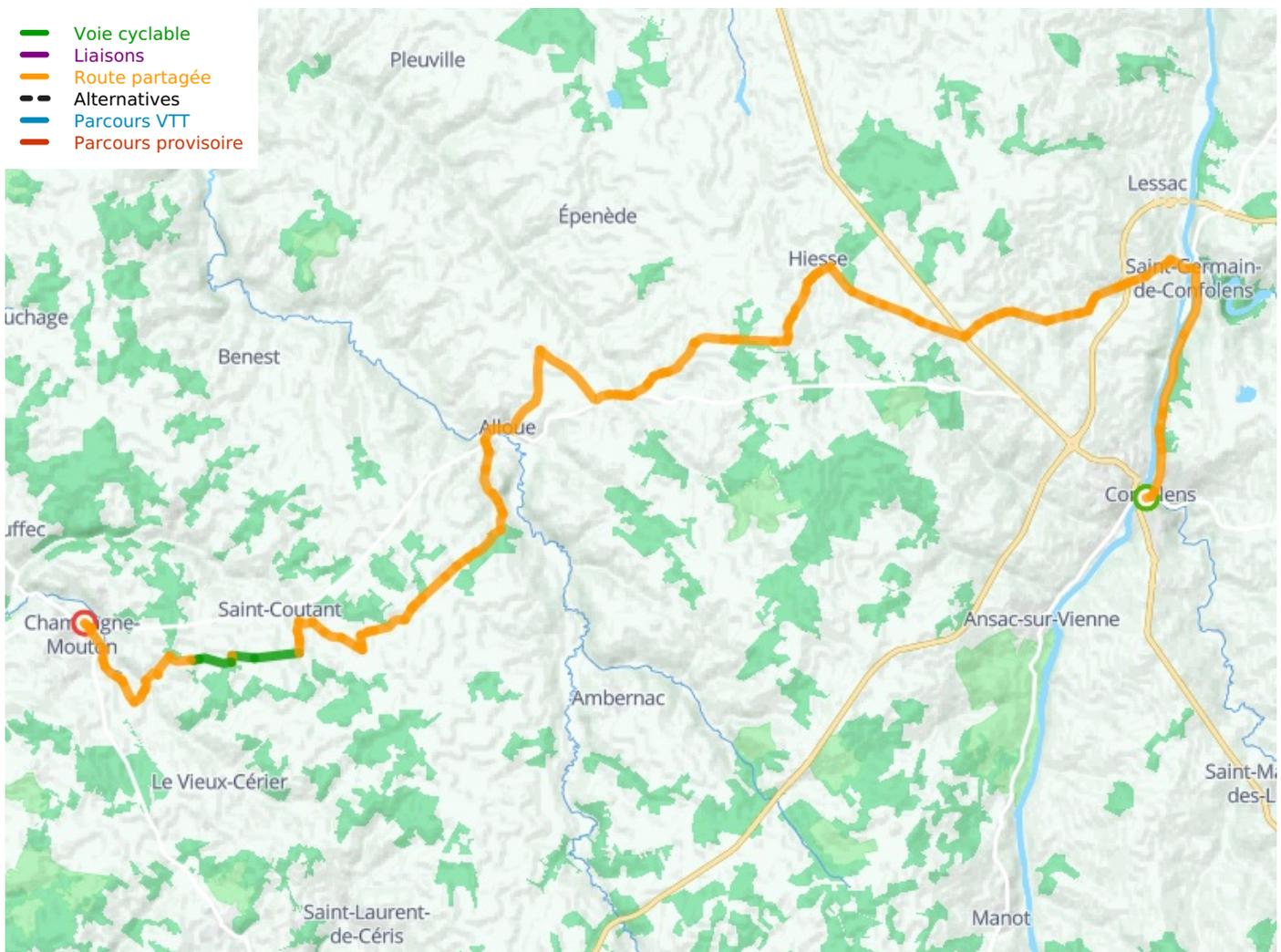
Practical information

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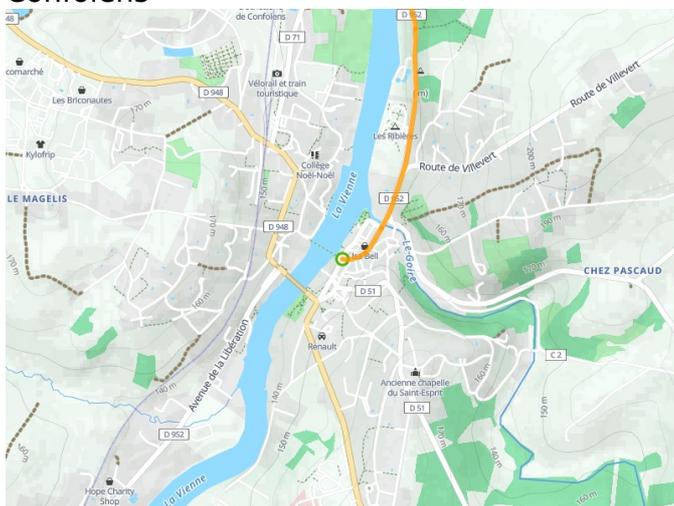
Don't miss

- **Lavaud** and Mas Chaban lakes
- **Exideuil**: the Église St-André and its ancient baptismal font; the Château de la Chétardie
- **Confolens**: a little medieval town with a rich history, designated a Petite Cité de Caractère
- **Saint-Germain-de-Confolens** : the ruined medieval castle
- **Alloue**: the Maison Maria Casarés, an historic house, now an artists' residence
- **Champagne-Mouton**: the château, from the 15th century, offering accommodation

- Voie cyclable
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- Parcours provisoire



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