

# Le Lion-d'Angers / Angers

## La Vélo Francette: Normandy / Atlantic by bike



**Départ**  
Le Lion-d'Angers

**Arrivée**  
Angers

**Durée**  
2 h 01 min

**Distance**  
29,13 Km

**Niveau**  
I cycle often

**Thématique**  
In the vineyards, Canals & intimate rivers, Nature & small heritage

After the picture-postcard equestrian grounds at L'Isle Briand, with its château and national stud farm, plus the Mayenne and Oudon confluence, you cross the low-lying ends of several river valleys that form one of the most exceptional areas of wetland in Europe, going right up to Angers, a famed historic Plantagenet city. Up to that town's Pont Jean Moulin bridge, the rural atmosphere remains almost untouched.

### Cycle route

You follow the towpath beside the Oudon, then the Mayenne, up to the bridge at Grez-Neuville. A dedicated section from Le Lion d'Angers to the entrance to Angers along the river, with a narrower section at the foot of the Montreuil-Juigné hillside. At the Montreuil-Juigné campsite, a variant allows access to the Terra Botanica plant park and leads to Angers by taking an old railway track. Caution is recommended at the junction of RD 107, at Cantenay-Epinard.

### Links

Link to Cantenay-Epinard bike's area.

Just before reaching the ferry crossing at L'île St-Aubin, a bit north of Angers, a small road enables you to head directly from the towpath to the major family-oriented plant-life theme and adventure park, Terra Botanica.

### Tourist Offices

- [Anjou Bleu Tourist Office \(Lion d'Angers branchy\)](#)
- [Angers Loire Tourisme](#)

### SNCF train services

**Angers train station:** TGV high-speed services and TER regional services, line 5 Nantes > Angers > Tours > Orléans  
Line 19 Angers > Saumur > Tours  
Line 29 Laval > Angers

### Don't miss

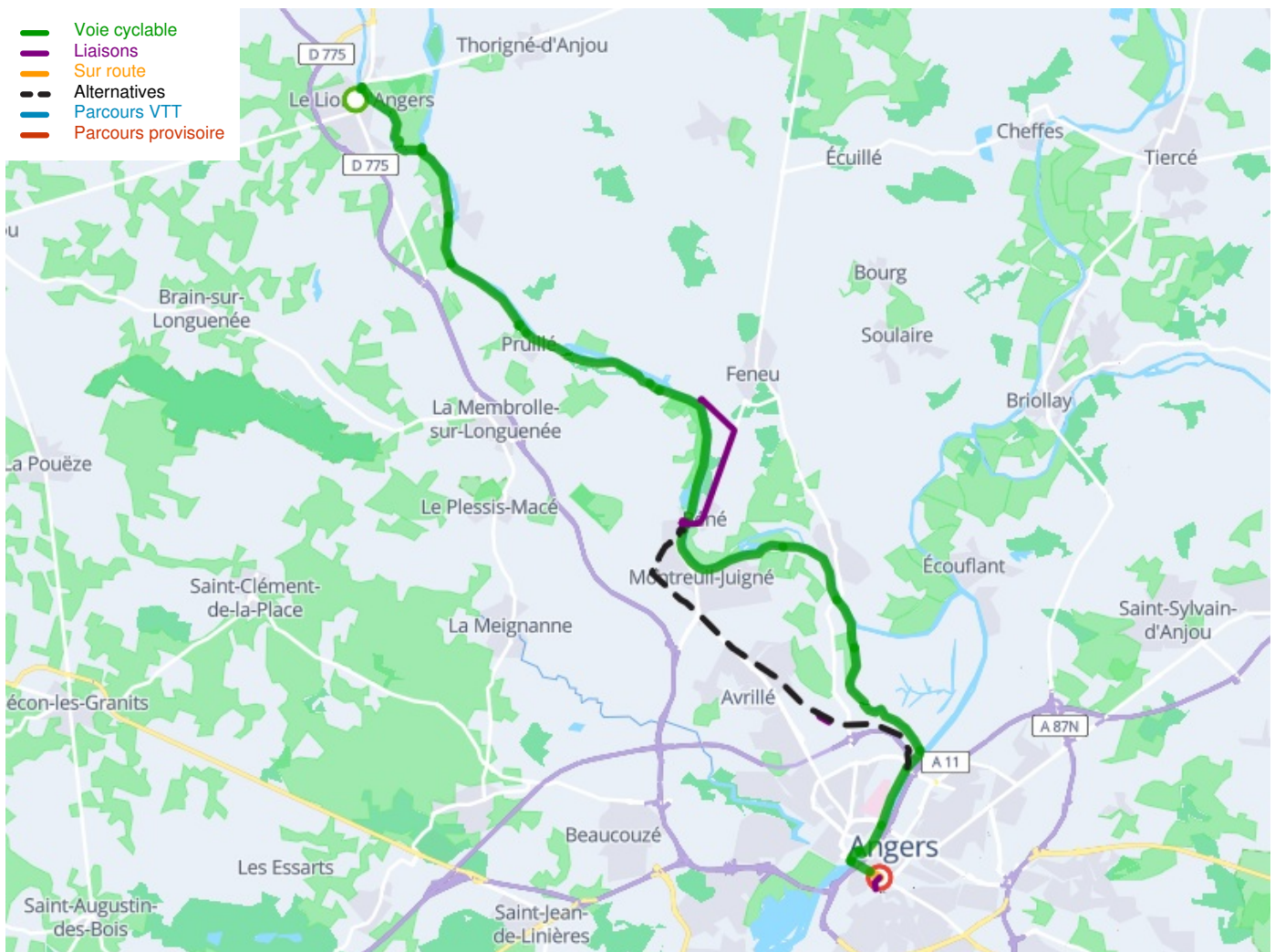
**Le Lion-d'Angers:** home to the reputed [national stud farm](#) and hippodrome of L'Isle-Briand

**Grez-Neuville:** river port; large mill and lake; St-Martin de Vertou Church

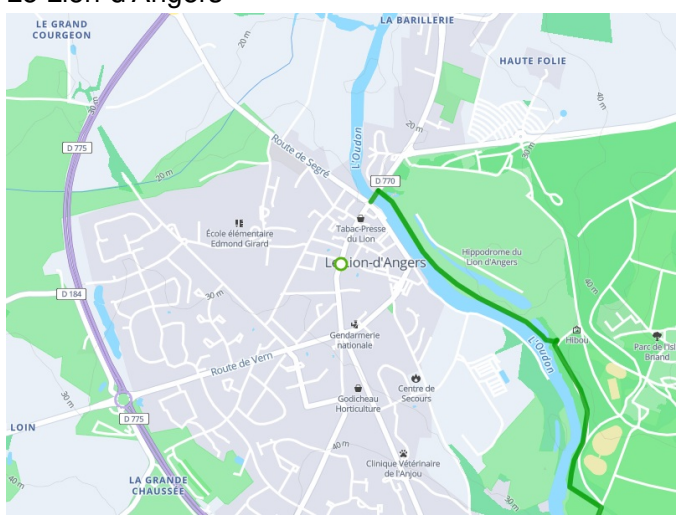
**Port-Albert:** traditional riverside summer restaurant, or guinguette

**Île St-Aubin:** small ferry and exhibition on the local wetlands at the traditional, restored Maison de l'île

**Angers:** château and medieval Apocalypse Tapestries; Musée de la Tapisserie Contemporaine Jean-Lurçat; Musée des Beaux-Arts; Collégiale Saint-Martin, turned into a museum of religious artefacts; [Terra Botanica](#)(park on the theme of plants); river port



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