

Pacy-sur-Eure / Ézy-sur-Eure

Saint-Jacques by bike - Via Tours

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Départ
Pacy-sur-Eure

Arrivée
Ézy-sur-Eure

Durée
1 h 33 min

Distance
23,30 Km

Niveau
I begin / Family

Thématique
Canals & intimate rivers

The Eure Valley cycle route continues along the greenway to Bueil. Starting from Ézy-sur-Eure, you pass Ivry-la-Bataille, the site of one of the most famous battles of the Wars of Religion. It was during this battle that Henry IV is said to have uttered his famous words, 'Ralliez-vous à mon panache blanc' (Rally to my white plume). The ruins of the medieval castle are worth a stop. The greenway, a former railway line, crosses bucolic landscapes in the heart of the Eure Valley. Continue on to Pacy-sur-Eure, a lively town where you can discover wash houses and mills along the Eure. In town, the white stone and half-timbered houses are a reminder of its history.

The cycle route

The route continues along the Eure Valley greenway from Ézy-sur-Eure to Bueil. Leave the greenway at Bueil and cross the village towards Neuilly to join the D71, where traffic can be heavy at certain times of day. From Gadencourt, take the quiet back roads to reach Pacy-sur-Eure.

Practical info

SNCF train stations

- Bueil: lines from Mantes-la-Jolie to Cherbourg; from Saint-Georges-Motel to Grand-Quevilly
- Pacy-sur-Eure: Eure Valley tourist train running on a section of the former Orléans to Rouen railway line, between Pacy-sur-Eure and Breuilpont on one side, and Pacy-sur-Eure and Cocherel on the other.

Do not miss

- **Ezy-sur-Eure:** Comb and Jewellery Museum: former manufacturing workshops and a rich collection of combs and ornaments, Ezy Lake
- **Bueil:** Cinema and Photography Museum – Jean Delannoy
- **Anet:** its castle, a masterpiece of the French Renaissance, built in the 16th century for Diane de Poitiers, mistress of King Henry II. The magnificent funeral chapel now houses Diane's tomb. The Renaissance Interpretation Centre has a scenographic space dedicated to the Renaissance.

