

Iguerande / Paray-le-Monial

Départ Iguerande Arrivée Paray-le-Monial

Durée 2 h 16 min **Distance** 34,41 Km

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The route

The way is flat and accessible to all cyclists, taking you along a wonderful asphalt greenway, laid out along the former railway line from Roanne to Paray-le-Monial. There are stretches, as you head south after Marcilly, where you pass high above the Loire, allowing you fine views. Enjoy the variety of the landscapes, alternating between stretches through forests, meadows and cultivated fields.

There are many car parks and areas to stop at, with benches and picnic tables.

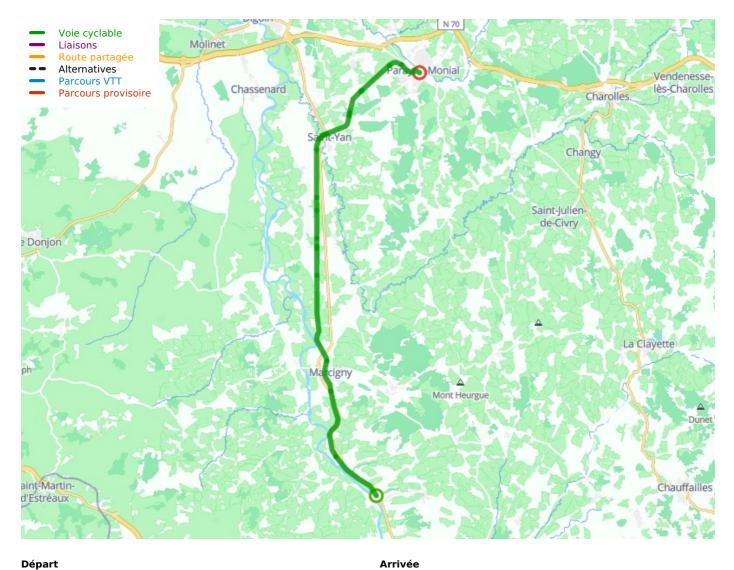
SNCF train stations

SNCF train station at Paray-le-Monial, regional TER coach line Roanne – le Creusot-TGV: stops at Marcigny and Paray-le-Monial

Regional TER line Moulins - Mâcon. Connections from Moulins and Mâcon for Paris (on Intercité trains) and from Mâcon to Lyon by regional TER trains

Don't miss

- **Iguerande**: Romanesque church of St-Marcel, dating from the 11th and 12th centuries; Leblanc craft oil mill created in 1878; Musée Reflet... Brionnais, a privately-run museum on the life of the Brionnais area's inhabitants in the past century
- **Marcigny:** Tour du Moulins des Moines, a 15thcentury vestige of a priory turned history museum; the late-17th-century town hall; Centre d'Art Contemporain Frank Popper
- Paray-le-Monial: Sacred Heart Basilica; international exhibition of contemporary mosaics.



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