

Caderousse / Avignon

ViaRhôna



Départ
Caderousse

Arrivée
Avignon

Durée
2 h 24 min

Distance
26,41 Km

Niveau
I cycle often

Thématique
In the vineyards

This stage combines a gourmet break (Châteauneuf-du-Pape and its famous vineyards), nature discovery (numerous river islands punctuate the route) and history. Leaving the small village of Caderousse, follow the cycle path along the dike, then the Revestidou lake. ViaRhôna then joins the banks of the Rhone counter-canal as a greenway, offering fine views of the Château de Montfaucon, Châteauneuf-du-Pape and the Tour de l'Hers. The route continues along small roads lined with plane trees on the Ile de l'Oiselay as far as the Pont des Arméniers, before returning to the greenway on the Ile de l'Oiselay, a shaded island of greenery. After a few kilometers, the itinerary joins the banks of the Rhône, to cross it by a superb suspended footbridge, facing the Sauveterre dam. Inaugurated in autumn 2023, this structure provides access to Avignon via Barthelasse Island, Europe's largest river island. The arrival is "papal", offering a breathtaking view first of Villeneuve les Avignon, then of the city of the Popes, the majestic Rhône, the famous Pont d'Avignon, and Mont Ventoux on the horizon. This is one of the most beautiful views of Avignon!

Railway station (SNCF):

- Orange
- Sorgues
- Avignon

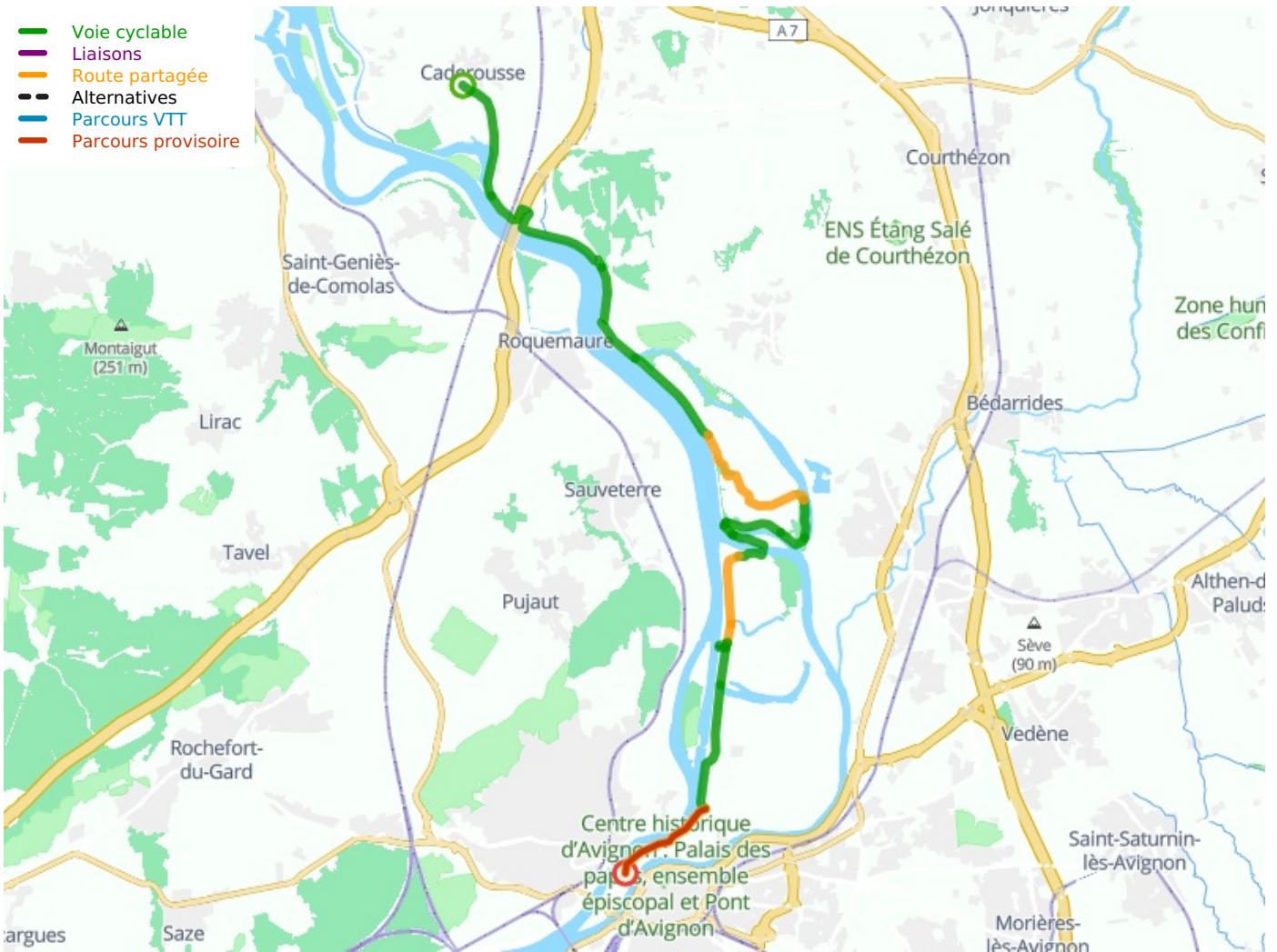
Tourist Information Centres:

- [Office de tourisme de Châteauneuf-du-Pape](#) Tél. +33 (0)4 90 83 71 08
- [Office de tourisme d'Orange](#) Tél. +33 (0)4 90 34 70 88 - Recharge pour VAE
- [Office de tourisme de Grand Avignon](#) Tél. +33 (0)4 90 03 70 60

Don't miss:

- **Châteauneuf-du-Pape:** for the wine cellars and panoramic views across the area's vineyards; the Romanesque church of Notre-Dame; the hilltop ruins of the 14th-century papal castle; the chapels dedicated to St Pierre de Luxembourg and St Theodoric
- **Sorgues:** the Pont des Arméniers, a fine bridge across a former branch of the Rhône River; L'Oiselet Island, ideal for picnics; the old town centre with its market.
- **Avignon:** the historic centre, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site; the Palais des Papes, the huge palace built for the 14th-century popes based here; fine churches dotted around town; the part-ruined Pont d'Avignon over the Rhône, focus of a famous French song; notable arts museums, such as the Petit Palais, Calvet, Angladon, Vouland and Lambert; the Musée Lapidaire (on archaeology); the Opera House; the Cloître St Louis; the July Festival d'Avignon, French equivalent of the Edinburgh Festival, centred on theatre

- Voie cyclable
- Liaisons
- Route partagée
- - - Alternatives
- Parcours VTT
- Parcours provisoire



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