



Welcome to Les Colonnes

From the owner

So, you've come to us!

This completely renovated house was built by my paternal grandfather at the very beginning of the 1960s when the seaside resort emerged from the dunes. The 1st floor belongs to my aunt, my mother and I inherited the ground floor.

So you're going to tell me: why Les Colonnes (the columns)?

There were ones ... on the balcony ☺



How to get there



Acces map



Transports

- *By car: from the A9 motorway either coming from Béziers (exit 35 – junction with the A75), or coming from Agde (exit 34)*
- *By train: from Béziers SNCF railway station*
- *By plane: from Béziers Cap d'Agde airport*
- *By bus: from Béziers bus station (Place Général De Gaulle)*

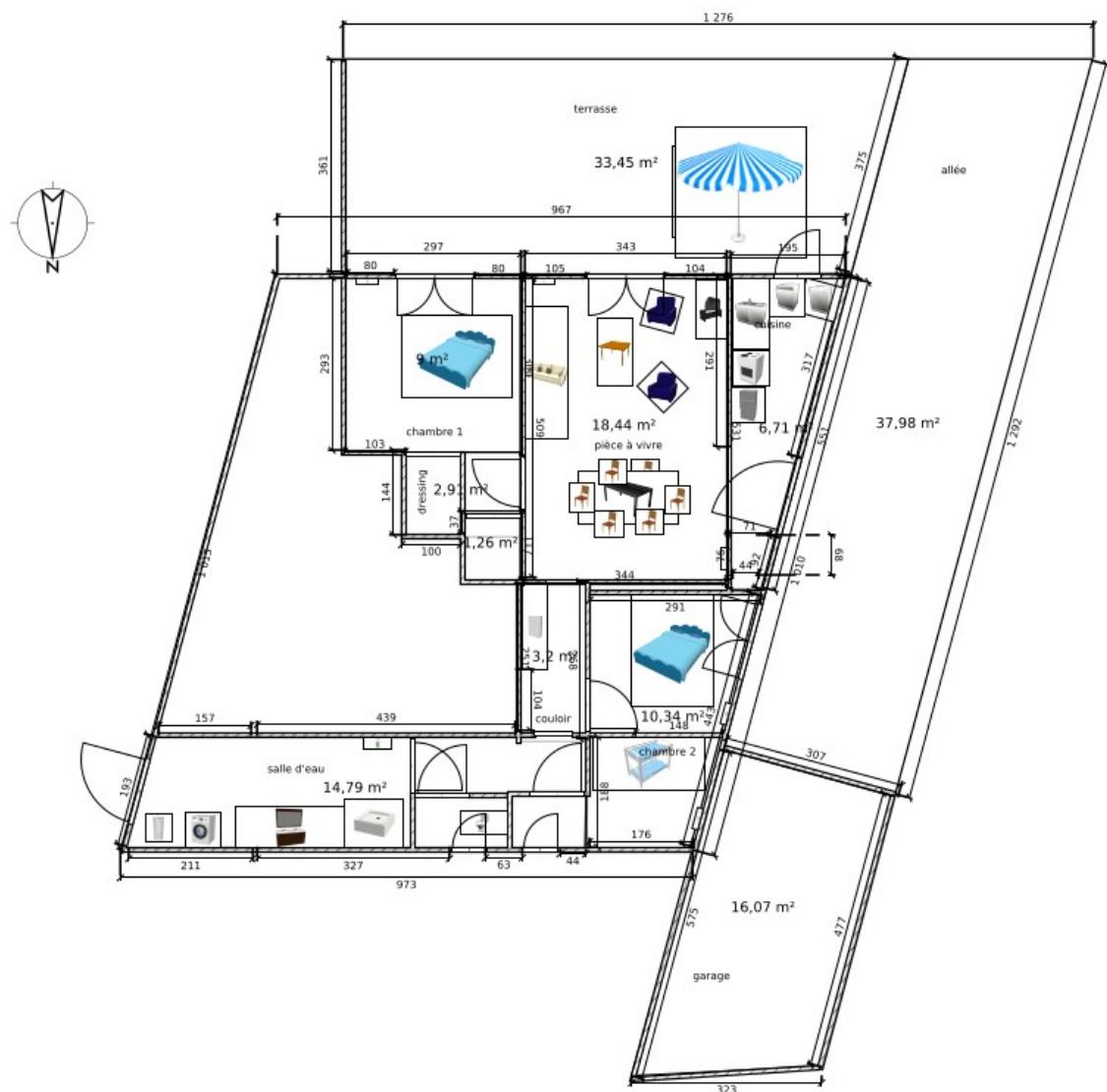


Google Maps localization

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Living in our place

House Plan





Rules of procedure

Location duration

This accommodation is rented to you for a period defined during your reservation and determined in your rental agreement. Under no circumstances may a customer claim any right to stay outside this period.

Arrival and departure

Arrival times are scheduled in the afternoon from 2 p.m.

Departure times are scheduled in the morning before 12 noon.

The time devoted to cleaning must take place on the day of departure, before the cut-off time.

The day before your arrival, please contact **Sylvie (+33 6 24 85 74 95) who will with you the inventory of fixtures of entry. She will also carry out with you the exit inventory and will take care of the household linen.**

Equipment provided

This accommodation is rented with bedding (box springs and mattresses), duvets, pillows, sets, sheets and protections. You must use protective covers to wrap the mattresses and pillowcases.

A set of household linen (hand towels, shower carpet and floor mop) is also provided.

On your request, a set of bath towels will be provided (1 towel per person and per week).

A set of household products is also at your disposal, including products for washing dishes and liquid for both washing machine and dishwasher, garbage bags and sponges are also provided.

The **set of garden furniture** must not be taken to the beach (armchairs, poufs and sun baths). The **parasol** must be secured using the **concrete block** provided for this purpose, in the event of **wind** please leave it **closed**.

You have access to a high speed Internet connection.

- Wi-Fi network name : **LesColonnes**
- Wi-Fi password: **I3S_Col0NNe5!**

In the event of illegal downloading, any breach will be reported to the competent authorities.

A **DELL Inspiron Q17R laptop** is provided for your comfort and use.

A **DVD player** is plugged on **HDMI1** port of the TV.

A **Bluetooth speaker** and a **CD player** are also at your disposal, please do not use it outside the apartment or the terrace and do not borrow the USB adapters and cables.

DVDs, comics, CDs and books are at your disposal, please take care of them.

Use of premises

All the furniture is at your disposal. Please keep them in good condition and keep them clean.

The supply of water and electricity is included in the rental price. However, in order to best respect the environment, please turn off the lights when you leave a room, do not let the water run unnecessarily.

All amenities are available to you, subject to normal and reasonable use.

In this regard, please do not throw anything in the toilet bowl, except toilet paper.

A suitable garden hose with a flexible hose and a shower head is available in the garage (on the right as you enter). Please use it when you return from the beach in order to rinse yourself and thus not clog the pipes when you take your showers.

The walls are covered with a coating that does not support being cleaned with water.

When you arrive, the **kitchen** fuse controlling the dishwasher, hob and oven may not be on, as well as the one controlling the **water heater**. You just have to engage them so that these equipments function normally.

The **user manuals** for the various household appliances (oven, dishwasher, washing machine and induction hob, etc.) can be found in the storage cabinet (Internet Box support) in the living room. Please read it before use and in case of doubt.

Housekeeping and maintenance

When using the **washing machine**, please take care to remove as much sand as possible from your towels and bath sheets so as not to damage the appliance.

For everyday life, please consider:

- putting salt in the dishwasher
- taking out waste bins as late as possible and take them back

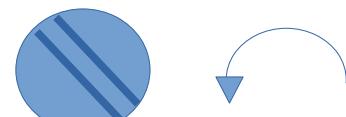
For end of stay, please consider cleaning:

- the dishwasher filter
- the shower drain
- the barbecue

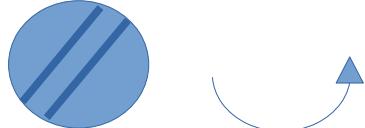
Good to know

In the **kitchen**, the **sink drain control** can be unscrewed, but you can screw it back on simply by passing your hand under it. Otherwise more simply you can push on it to lock it in the closed position and pull on it to unlock it in the open position if the system ever hangs:

open position:



locked position:



- the **window**, the hinges are not the same size so they tend to shift over time or if you force it or if you close it too hard. You just have to reset the window, which is done easily and without forcing.
- the **plinth** under the sink unclips and this is normal: otherwise it could be easily broken and in addition it allows cleaning under the furniture unit at the end of the season.

Safety instructions

Access to the **accommodation** (gate, gate and door) is fitted with a key lock. Be absolutely sure to close them properly when leaving the premises. You are responsible for any theft and damage in the event of non-compliance with this clause.

NB: the curtain in front of the front door can only be lowered, no need to lock it.

A set of keys is provided to you which includes the following:

- **portal** => "big triangle" key
- **gate** => "small triangle" key
- **front door** => "purple" key
- **garage** => "green" key
- **entrance door curtain** => small key

A **key box** is at your disposal on the right of the front door, whose code is: **2187**

You can possibly use it by leaving the gate open.

A **fire extinguisher** is present in the entrance on the left where brooms and vacuum cleaner are stored and there is also a smoke detector located in the corridor.

In the event of an emergency, please notify the emergency services (**18** for **firefighters**, **15** for **emergency ambulances**, **17** for the **police**).

Regarding the bunk bed, the upper bed is not suitable for children aged 0 to 6 years.

It is prohibited to recharge any type of electric vehicle because no device is provided for this purpose either in the apartment or in the garage (risk of fire)

Etiquette instructions

Please respect the tranquility of the premises and make use of them in accordance with their intended purpose. The sound volume, inside and outside the property, must be contained in order to respect neighborhood's tranquility. In the event of a conflict and/or complaint, we reserve the right to exclude the customers causing the problem.

To respect neighborhood's tranquility, it is forbidden to make noise in the evening after 11:00 p.m. and before 8:00 a.m. **It is strictly forbidden to smoke inside the accommodation.**

Cleaning charge

A cleaning charge may apply at the end of the stay, if the client has not chosen to clean the premises himself or if an inventory after the client's departure indicates that the cleaning has been insufficient.

In this case, the cleaning charge - the amount of which is indicated in the contract - includes in particular the cleaning of the rooms. However, please take care not to leave the accommodation in disorder, in particular by ensuring that furniture, objects and crockery have been stored properly.

Household waste

Garbage cans are available. Please respect the sorting rules: **yellow** bin for cardboard, plastic and metal packaging; **garnet** trash can for **household waste**. On your last day, try not to leave anything in the bins and return them clean (unless you have subscribed to the option of cleaning fee).

Collection days: **Garnet** bins **Thursday** morning and **Yellow** bins Friday morning

In case of problem

In the event of a breakdown or malfunction, please contact us without delay: **+33 6 99 27 72 55**. We will then contact qualified and recognized personnel to remedy the situation. No reimbursement for troubleshooting or repairs can be taken into account without our agreement.

In the event of breakage, damage or damage, please report it during your stay, even if no damage seems apparent. In the event of loss or damage to elements of the accommodation, the amount of the deposit may be reduced by the cost of repairs or possible replacement.



Inventory

FURNITURE

- **Inside :**
 - 1 white table for 8 people
 - 8 white chairs
 - 2 fabric armchairs
 - 1 TV cabinet
 - 1 bed 140 * 190 with storage drawers
 - 1 bed 140 * 190 with storage drawers
 - 1 bunk bed with 2 couchages 90 * 190
 - 1 double sink cabinet
- **Outside:**
 - 1 table for 8 people
 - 2 sunbeds
 - 8 chairs
 - 2 armchairs
 - 1 parasol
 - 2 inflatable footstools
 - 1 barbecue

EQUIPMENT

- **Living room:**
 - 1 Samsung 120 cm LCD HD **SmartTV**
 - 1 portable **Bluetooth speaker with adapter and USB cord**
 - 1 portable **CD player with adapter and USB cord**
 - 1 **ISP box (Very High Speed Fiber Access)**
 - 1 **DVD player**
- **kitchen:**
 - 1 3-burner hob
 - 1 electric oven
 - 1 dishwasher
 - 1 kettle
 - 1 extractor hood
 - 1 fridge freezer
 - 1 microwave
 - 1 filter coffee maker
 - 1 toaster
 - 1 Nescafé Dolce Gusto
- **South side room:**
 - 1 slatted base 140*190
 - 1 mattresses 140*190
 - 4 pillows (2*65/65 & 2*60/60)
- **West side room :**
 - 1 slatted base 140*190
 - 1 mattresses 140*190
 - 4 pillows (2*65/65 & 2*60/60)
- **North side room:**
 - 2 frames 90*190
 - 2 mattresses 90*190
 - 4 pillows (2*65/65 & 2*60/60)
- **bathroom:**
 - 1 ironing board
 - 1 hair dryer
 - 1 iron
 - 1 folding travel cot
 - 1 shopping bag on wheels
 - 1 baby bath
- **garage:**
 - 4 water guns

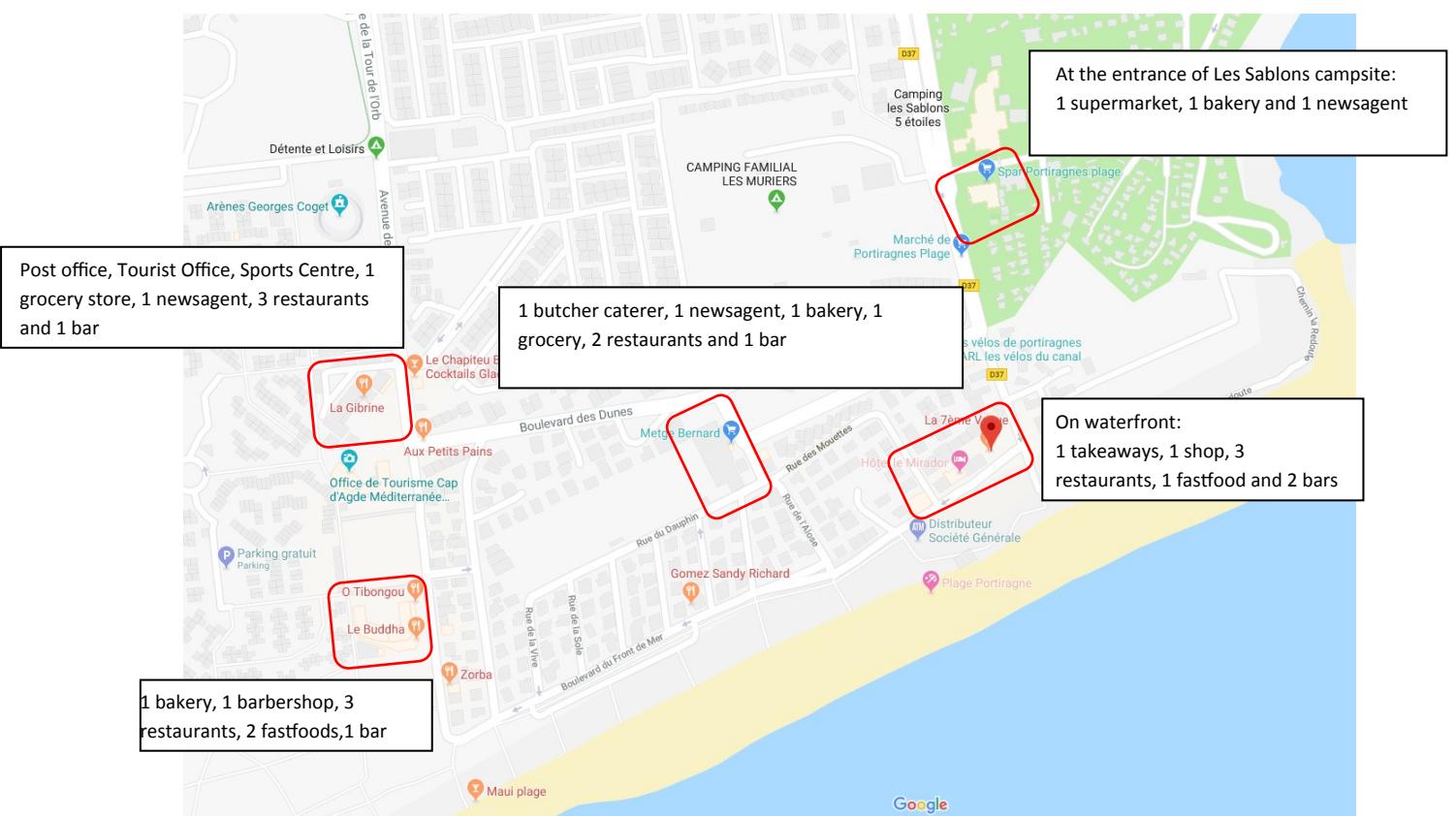
Useful informations



Where to shop



... and to have lunch?





Where to get fuel?

The 2 nearest petrol stations are:

- - *Intermarché (Cers)*
- - *Carrefour City (Villeneuve-les-Béziers)*

going up by the road towards Béziers



Useful phone numbers

- *Fire department: 18*
- *Police: 17*
- *Emergency ambulance: 15*
- *Owner's phone number: +33 06 63 48 73 06*

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Where to find health care services?

Centre médical 2 Chemin de la Condamine, 34420 Portiragnes

From Monday to Thursday: 8 AM to 10 PM

Saturday: 9 AM to 7 PM

Sunday and public holidays: 9 AM to 7 PM



Places to discover

I do not intend to be exhaustive on the cultural and natural heritage of my region, nor to serve as a guide, but just to give you some ideas to get out of the everlasting “beach-nap-aperitif” ☺

First of all, let's start with "sporty" and nature trails a stone's throw from the beach:

Roque Haute

I suggest you take the bikes (or rent one) and head towards the hill of Roque-Haute, via the cycle path then taking the departmental road and therefore crossing over the Canal du Midi. There is no established circuit to my knowledge, just many paths to take and discover at your own pace. A priori you should not be able to get lost, especially using GPS on your smartphones.

The hill is reputed to have served as a quarry in Roman times and to have been occupied since Neolithic times – do not hesitate to visit the archaeological museum of the village.

You can always get some information on: <http://www.tourisme-portiragnes.fr/>

Depending on your pace, the ride can last from 2 to 3 hours - depending on your curiosity and wandering about ☺. Remember to bring something to drink and cover yourself and of course to avoid the hottest hours (ideally outside the 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. slot).

Location on Google Maps:



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Ride along the Canal to Béziers

This bike ride, without any difficulty and therefore accessible to everyone, is about setting off to discover the Canal du Midi by following it to Béziers.

Leaving Portiragnes-Plage, by the cycle path, you will have to turn left before the Canal bridge and follow this same cycle path which takes the old towpath.

The ride is less pleasant than before, because many plane trees have been unfortunately cut down. The round trip will still take you 2 hours non-stop ...

It is therefore better to plan to leave either early in the morning (not after 8:00 a.m.), or in the middle of the afternoon (after 4:00 p.m.) – so as to avoid the hottest hours (11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.).

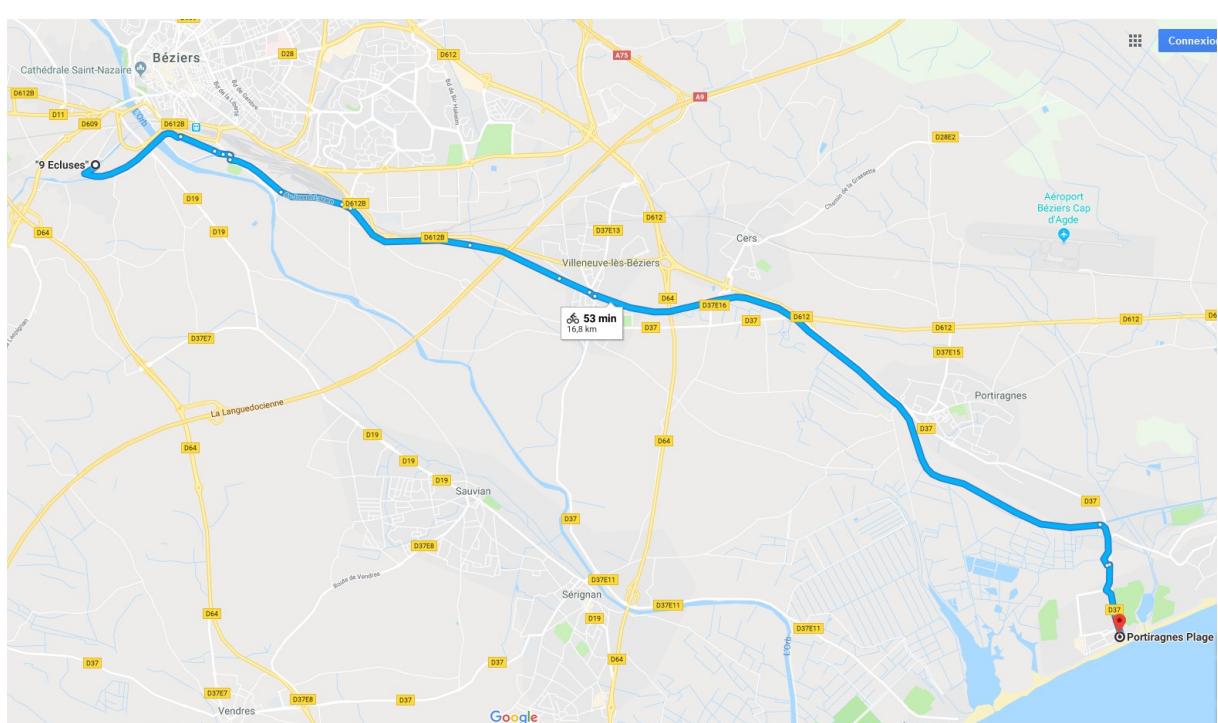
You will go along Villeneuve-les-Béziers and then Béziers, but above all you will cross the Canal bridge and arrive at the famous 9 locks, i.e. 2 of the essential "spots" of the "Canal du Midi".

Concerning the "Canal du Midi", you can refer to some websites concerning its history and its building:

Official website: <http://www.plan-canal-du-midi.com/>

Other websites: <http://www.canalmidi.com> et <https://www.canal-du-midi.org/>

Location on Google Maps:



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Distance : 17 Km

Travel time: 53 minutes

Ride along the Canal to Agde

This is another bike ride, again accessible to everyone, still on the Canal du Midi, but this time going east to discover Agde.

Leaving Portiragnes-Plage, by the cycle path, you will have to turn right under the Canal bridge and follow the old towpath - this time no cycle path, it is therefore better to rent mountain bikes.

This route is more pleasant than the other because it is still shaded by many plane trees, but it is much less passable...

The round trip should take you less than 2 hours, but again non-stop...

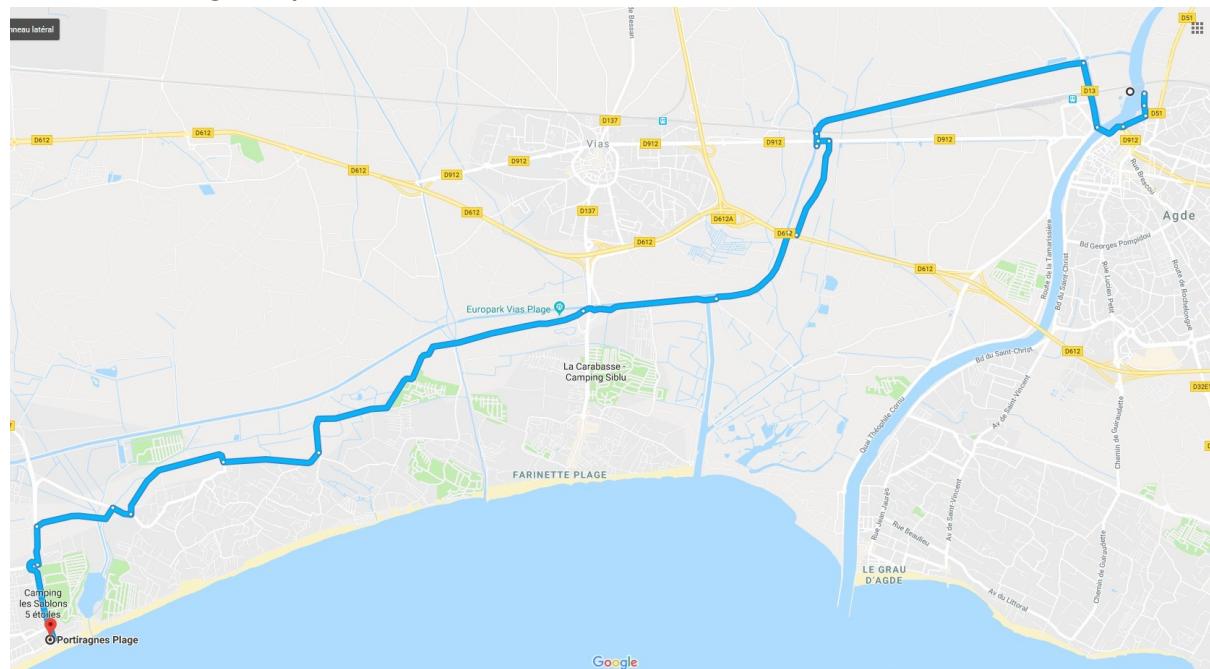
Same instructions as for the previous trip: plan to leave either in the morning quite early (not after 8:00 a.m.) or in the middle of the afternoon (after 4:00 p.m.) – so as to avoid the hottest hours (11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.).

You will pass between Vias and Vias-plage, but just before you get there, stop for a moment to discover the Libron structure, which allows the Canal du Midi to cross the Libron, a small coastal river. Arriving in Agde, you will discover another work of art, which is the round lock. Finally, when entering Agde, and before going to visit the city center and the cathedral, take a look at the grounds of the Château Laurens.

A useful link about the story of Chateau Laurens: https://chateau-laurens.ville-agde.fr/fr_accueil.htm

!! This Google Maps plan below takes you along the road: I was unable to visualize the desired route with Google Maps - since there is no cycle path, except on the last section. In any case, it is better to follow the Canal du Midi, which is not complicated to do – just stay on south bank.

Location on Google Maps:



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Distance : 13 Km

Travel time: 42 minutes

Then for the other proposals, we can go a little further but then we have to take our car:

Minerve



So it's not necessarily nearby, because it will take you an hour's drive to reach it, but in any case it's one of the most accessible Cathar places I know - for hiking enthusiasts, you can always tackle the famous Cathar castles.

I'll let you consult the website below and I'll just tell you that it's very small, so ideal for children, but that the site is worth a detour and leaves you free to discover the walks to do all around. Remember to take water and hiking shoes if you plan to trek around. Also check the opening hours of the 2 museums if you are interested.

Wikipédia : [https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Minerve_\(H%C3%A9rault\)](https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Minerve_(H%C3%A9rault))

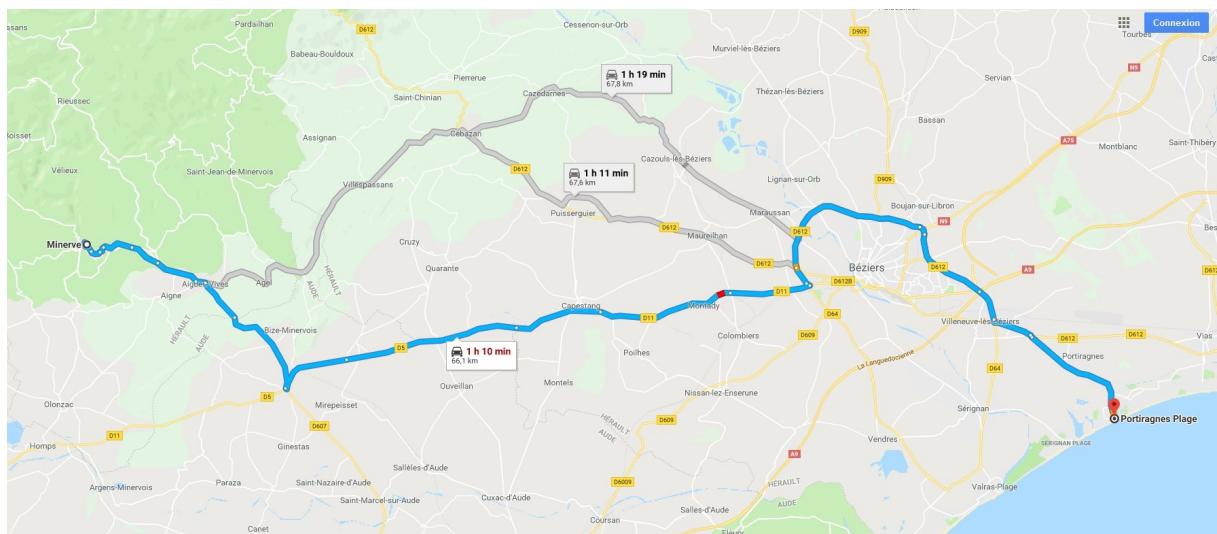
Official website : <https://www.minervois-caroux.com/fr/minerve.html>

... and other websites:

<http://www.les-plus-beaux-villages-de-france.org/fr/minerve-0>

<https://www.minerve-tourisme.fr/>

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Distance: 67 Km

Travel time: 1 hour 10 minutes

Roquebrun



So it's not nearby either, it will take you 1 hour to get there, but there too it would be a shame to miss the "Nice de l'Hérault" as the tourist office states it.

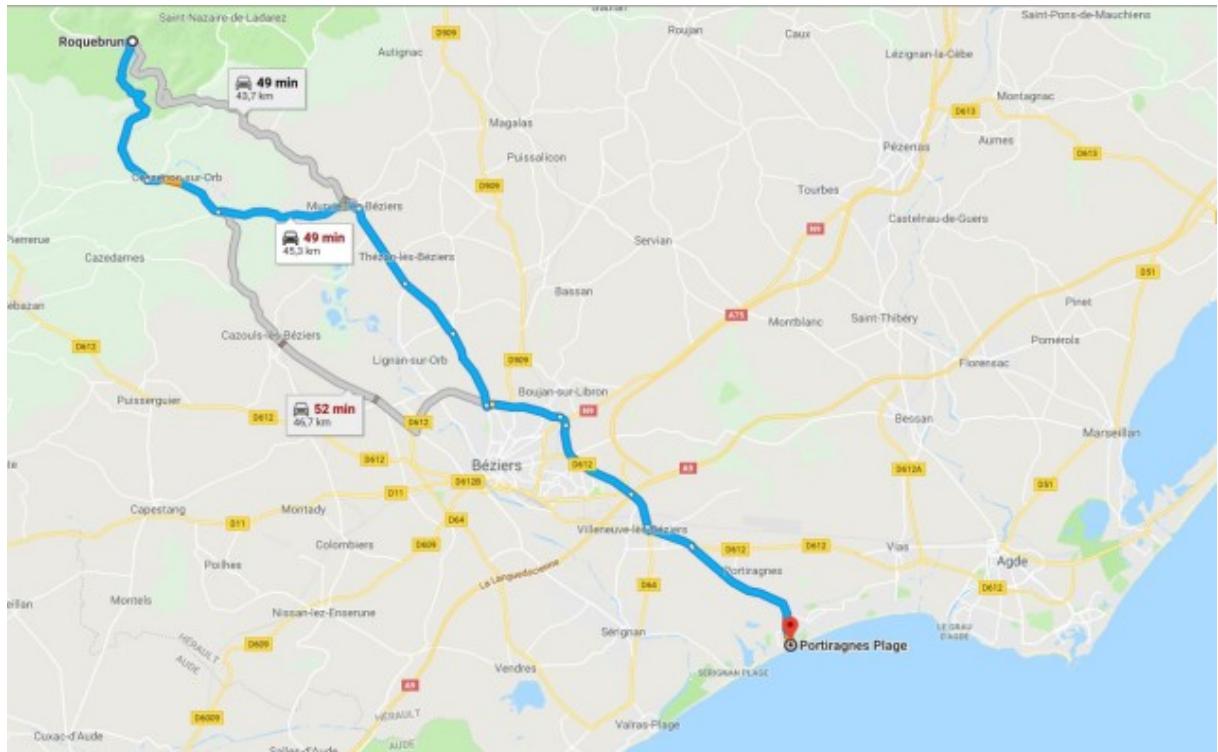
Basically, in addition to be the main departure place for water sports (mainly canyoning normally accessible to all), it is above all its microclimate that allows it to host a very beautiful Mediterranean garden. A very charming little corner to visit even out of season.

Useful links to visit before you go:

<https://www.france-voyage.com/tourisme/roquebrun-1023.htm>

<http://www.jardin-mediterraneen.fr/>

Location on Google Maps:



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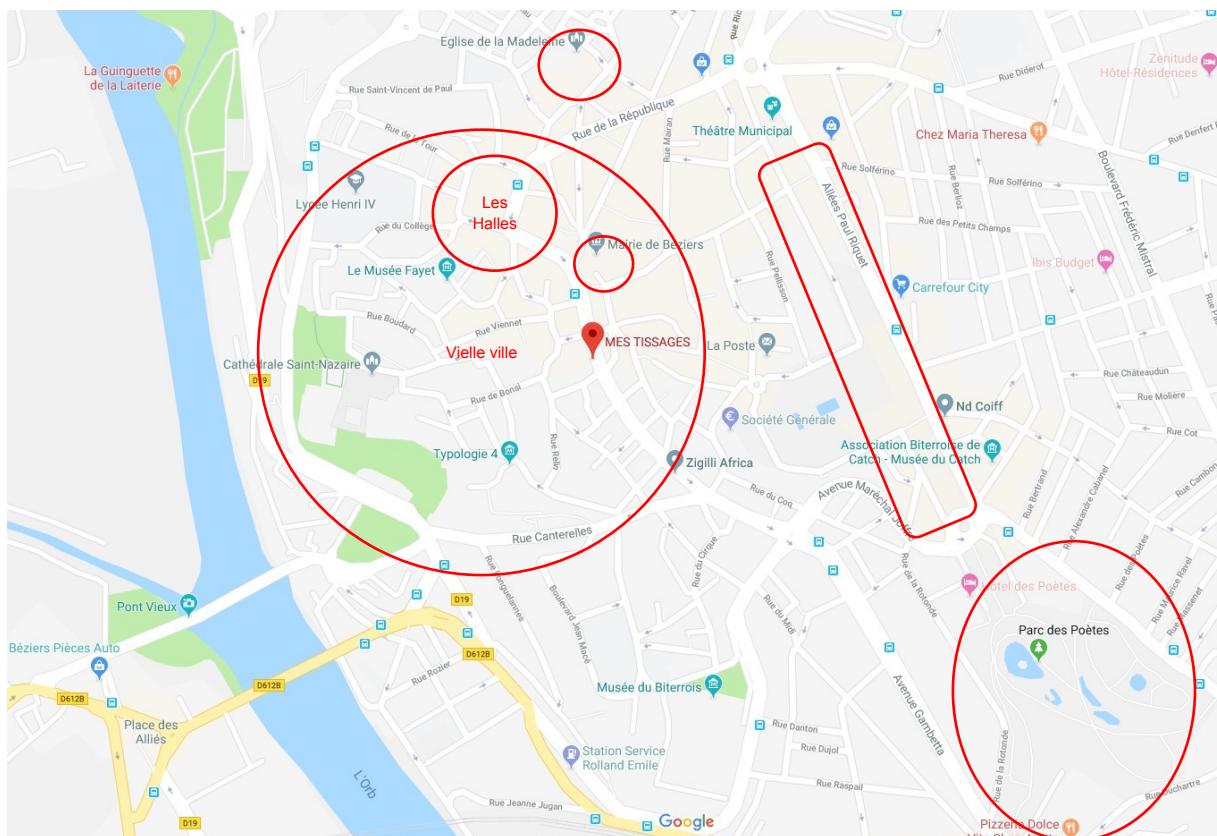
Distance : 45 Km Travel time: less than 1 hour

Béziers

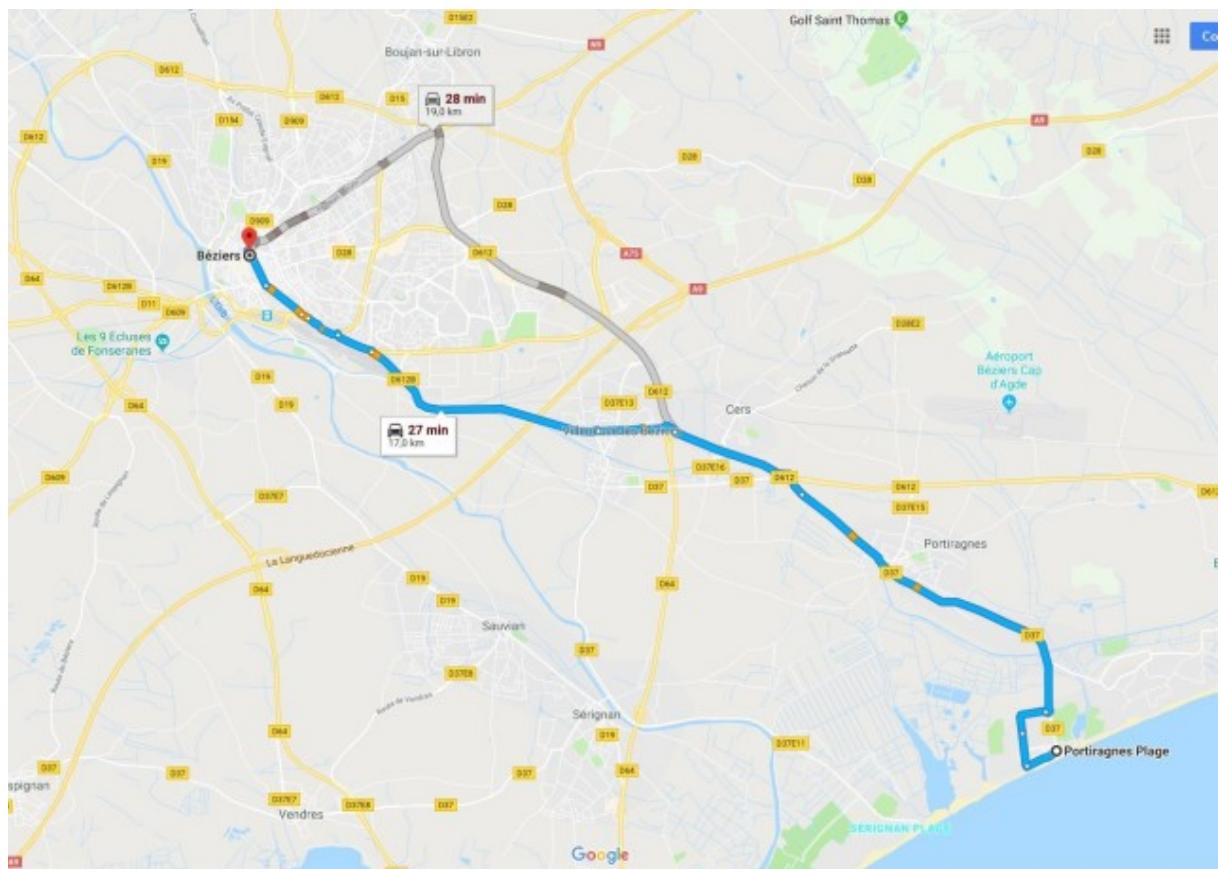
Although Béziers is my hometown, I'm not necessarily the best person to tell you about it. Béziers disputes with Marseille the title of oldest city in France, but few people know that. You have to literally get lost in the old town to notice the richness of certain facades and heritage. Béziers experienced dark times with the crusade against the Cathars and boom times with the development of wine-growing in the 19th century.

The Paul Riquet alleys are not yet sufficiently highlighted but they allow a good introduction to the subject when passing from the Poets' Park to the theatre. Then you have to take one of the too few pedestrian streets and head towards the Town Hall or take a detour via the Madeleine and return via Les Halles. The whole thing is to get to the cathedral while walking in the Old Center. On the way followed the panels to discover the remains of the Roman arenas.

Points of interest:



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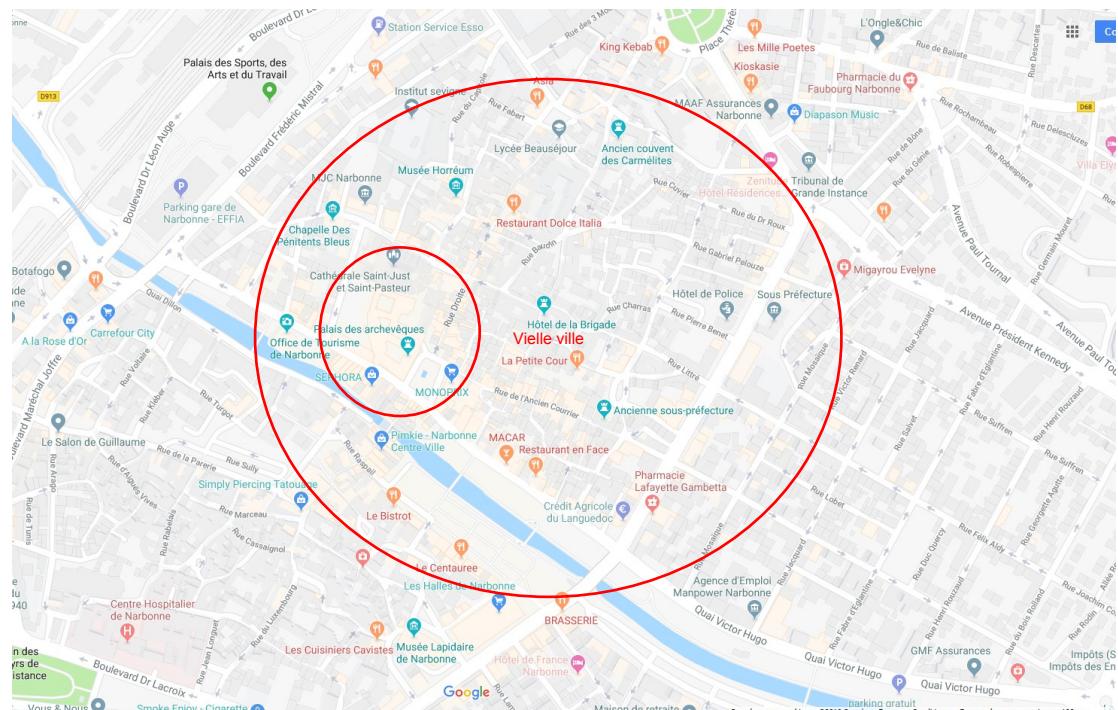
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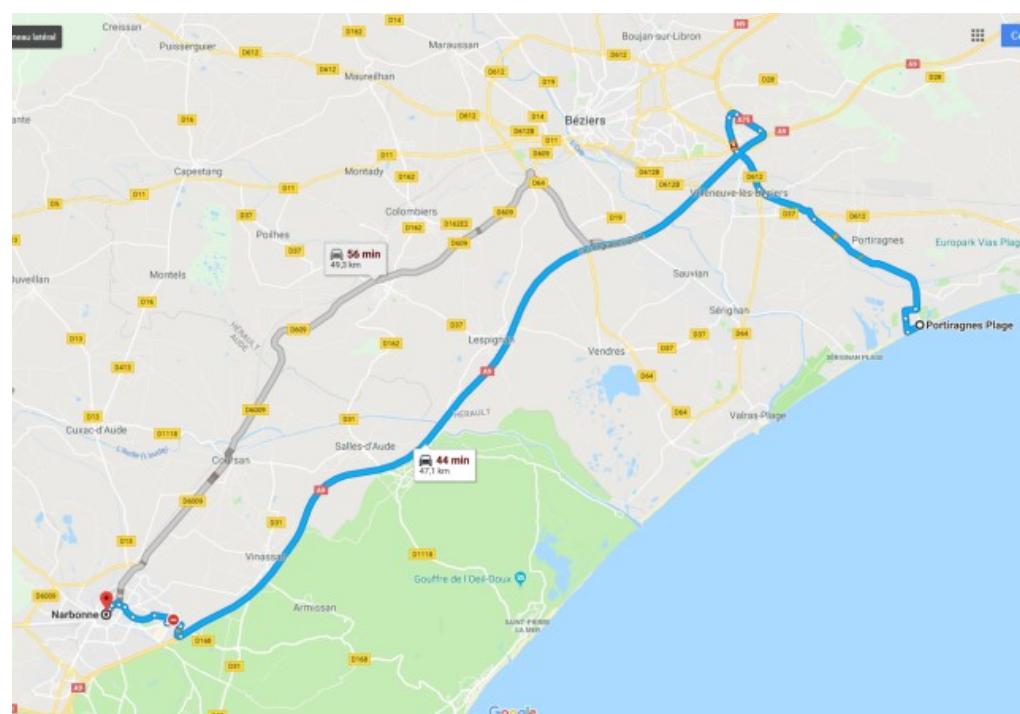
Narbonne

I must admit that I know Narbonne less well. But compared to Béziers the city has been better highlighted as well as these monuments. I will just tell you about the cathedral and the palace of the archbishops which are the 2 buildings to visit, the cathedral having remained unfinished, and a stroll along the canal is essential.

Points of interest:



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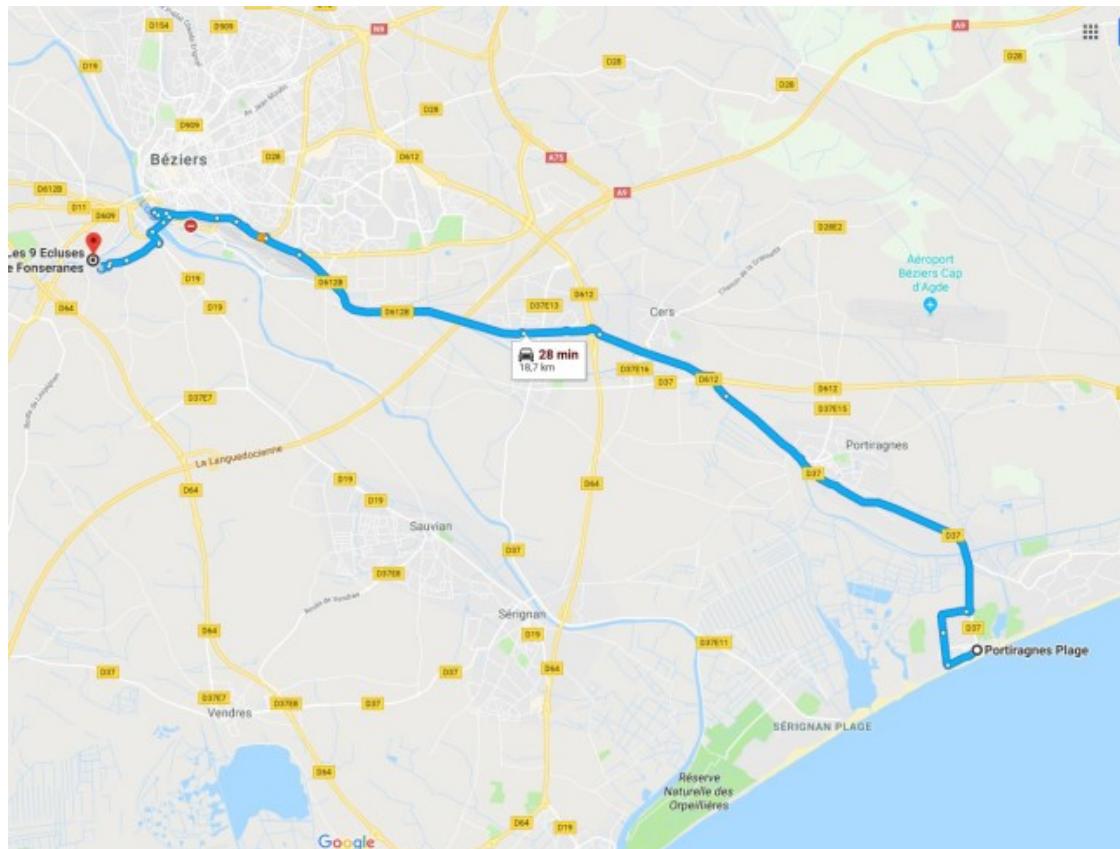
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9 locks and Béziers canal bridge

If you couldn't get there by bike, you can still get there by car ;)

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Valmagne's abbey

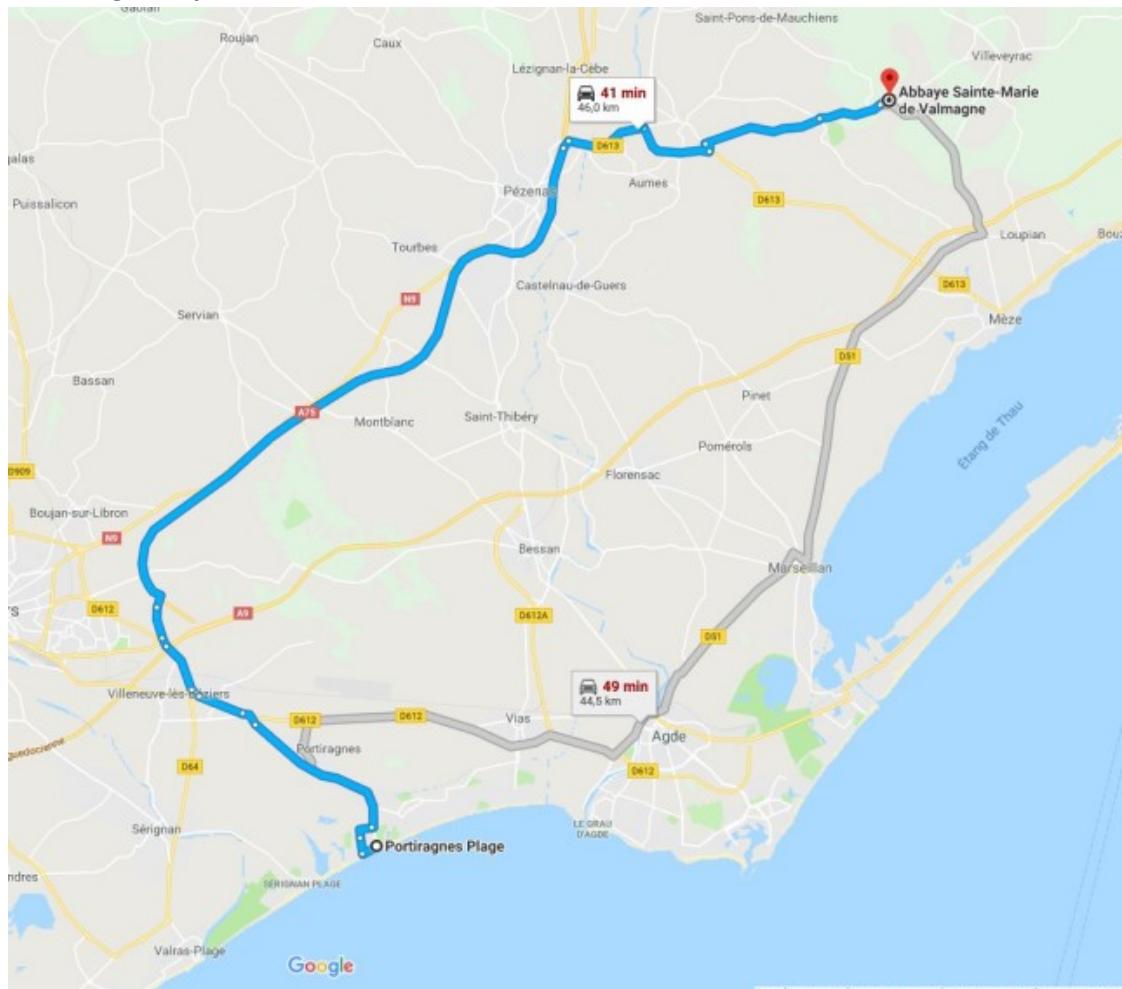
It's a place that I really like even if I don't go there often, but do not worry, it's not to pray there but rather to eat there and taste its wines! :)

Official website:

<https://www.valmagne.com/>



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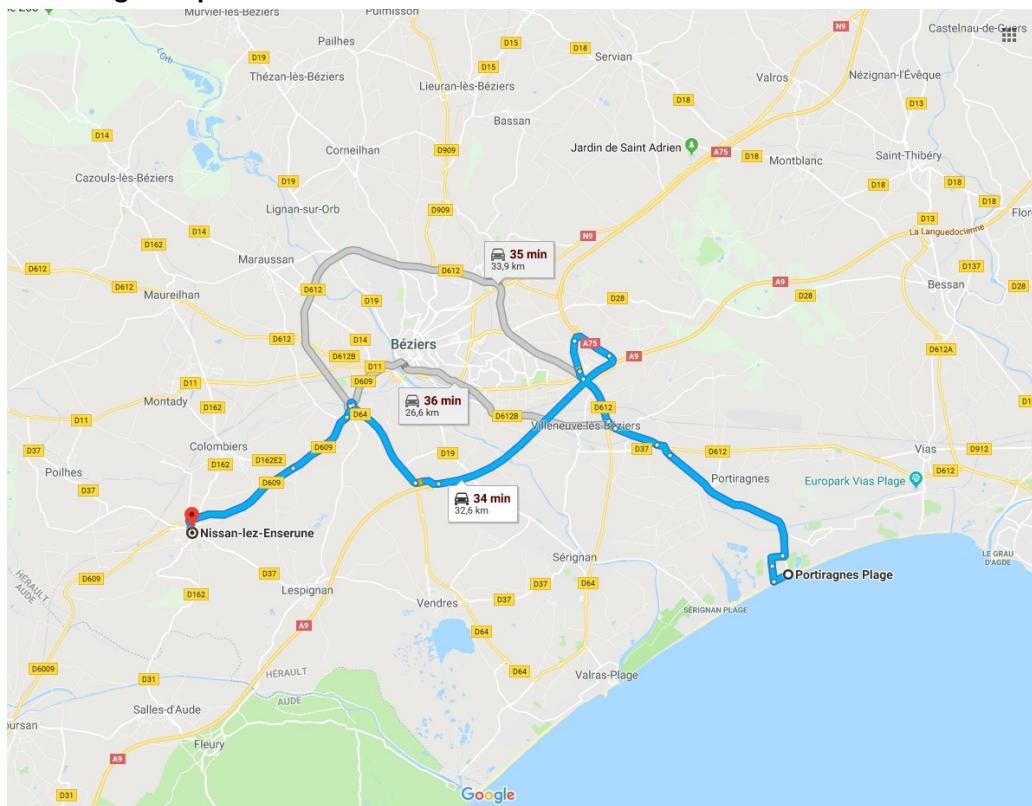
Nissan-lez-Enserune

For archeology and antiquity lovers, here is a site that has been occupied by almost all the peoples who have passed through the Mediterranean basin. In addition you can discover from its heights the dry pond of Montady and at its feet an architectural feat with the crossing of 3 tunnels (canal du midi, railway and weir of Montady pond) to form the Malpas tunnel .

Official website: <http://www.enserune.fr/>



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La Clape mountain range

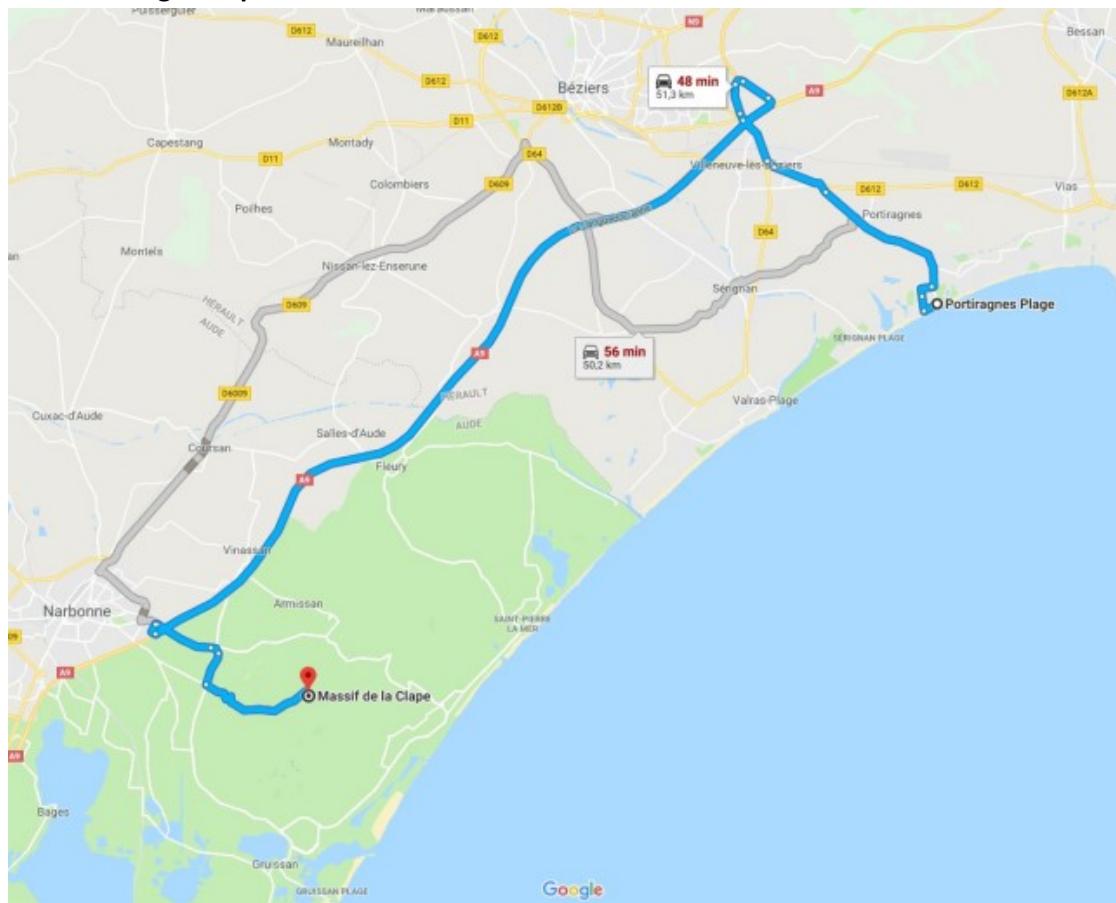
This is a classified natural site that you never tire of because it conceals plenty of treasures including the Pech Redon chest and the Gouffre de l'Oeil Doux, but also a very pretty chapel above Gruissan. You will walk among vineyards, scrubland plateaus, woodlands and valleys.



Some hiking suggestions:

http://gruissan-mediterranee.com/markers/circuit_pedestre_la_clape-664

Location on Google Maps:



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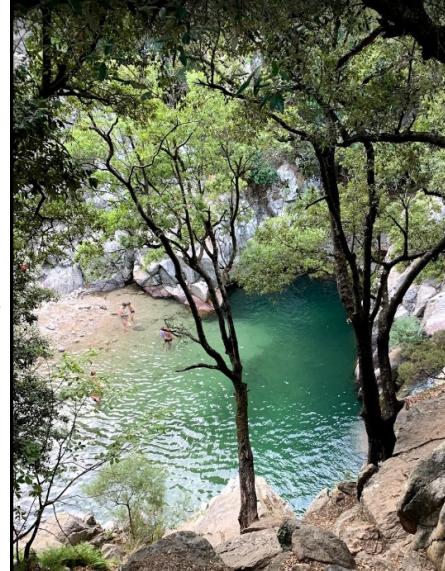
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Héric canyon

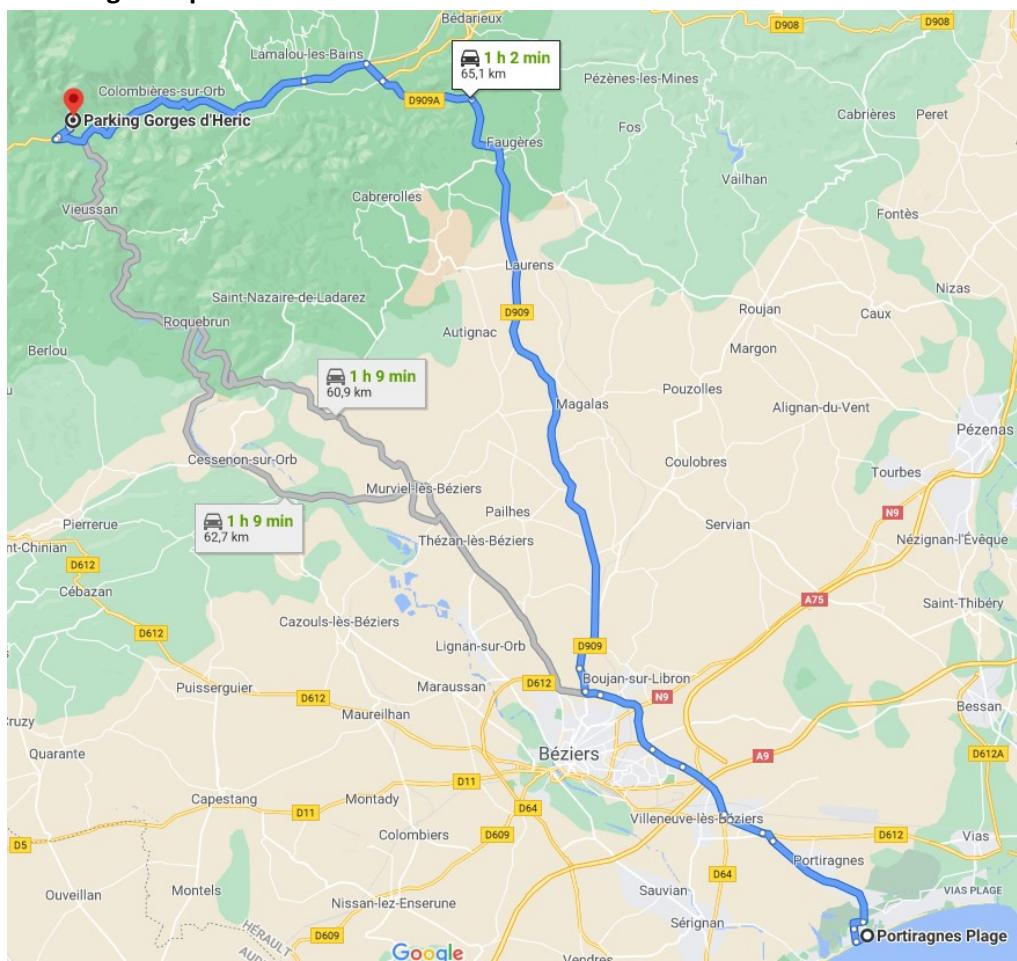
Another natural site which we never tire of even if, being much more accessible, it is therefore unfortunately much more frequented. Héric is a... tiny village at most, but to get there you will have to go up a deep valley and follow a stream. It is possible to swim but please remain cautious and watch out for the weather (risk of flash flooding during heavy storms).

Parking is limited and you will have to pay for it.

Remember to call before going there.



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