

Security informations

Weather conditions

Website : www.meteo.nc – Voice assistant : 36 67 36

Weather forecast by fax : 36 67 37

In case of accident

- **Keep your calm**, don't panic.
- **Protect** : prevent any secondary accident ; take the group and the victim to safety.
- **Alert** : evaluate the situation. Describe the place : name of the path, nature of the ground (ridge, valley, undergrowth,...), number of the last seen milestone (paths and helipads are equipped with numbered milestones), hiking direction and, if possible, GPS coordinates. Wait for the instructions given by the rescue service.
- **Rescue** : provide first aid. In case of helicopter evacuation, make yourself visible.

Useful numbers (free)

15 SAMU (médical help) – **16** Maritime rescue service

17 Police – **18** Accident of fire

112 SOS all services

Opening hours Deva natural area

• From 6:30 am to 7:30 pm

Opening hours Deva information point

• From monday to sunday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

The access to the trails is free and unsupervised. Users hike themon their own responsibility or that of their legal guardian, for minors.

You are about to walk on a multidisciplinary path, so please observe the rules of courtesy.



Photo J.-F. Clair

FFRandonnée® route categories

GR Long-distance linear hiking trails, crossing different regions, over several days. Marked by two overlaid red and white rectangles.

PR One-day (at the most) strolling and hiking trails. Marked by a yellow rectangle

Markup

PR



Turn left



Turn right



Wrong direction

Boé Arérédi trail

This route criss-crosses along the ridgeline, overlooking the « Fault of the Shark Island » and the Fournier marsh. The landscape gleams with various colours, going from silvery-yellow to shades of green. The horizon opens out onto a multitude of hills and the gaze is lost amid blue skies, wrapping the lagoon. Wandering this path is a privilege.



Location : Bourail, 165km/102miles from Nouméa (2-hour drive), via the territorial road RT 1. After the bridge on the Nera river, head to « Roche Percée » (« pierced stone »). At the first fork, take a right towards « Domaine de Deva » (Deva natural area). At the next intersection (Gouaro), turn left and drive to the entrance of the site, which is on your right.

Car park : au niveau du deuxième rond-point (table, toilettes, eau)

Duration : 1 h 30

Length : 4,3 km (boucle)

Elevation gain + : 285 m / 935 ft- **Elevation gain -** : 285 m / 935 ft

Min. Altitude : 9 m / 29 ft

Max. Altitude : 185 m / 606 ft

Rating : **ibp** index 26 quite easy • Technicity 2 quite easy • Risk 2 quite low

Difficulties : none

Water point : none

GPS coordinates : **UTM/WGS 84**

Websites

www.deva.nc

www.destinationprovincesud.nc

Further informations

Deva information point– Tél. 46 57 56

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SEM Mwe Ara – Tél. 46 22 28

Bourail Tourist office– Tél. 46 46 12

Email : info@bourailtourisme.nc

Southern Province Departement of culture, youth and sport :
Tél. 20 48 50

Email : dcjs.contact@province-sud.nc



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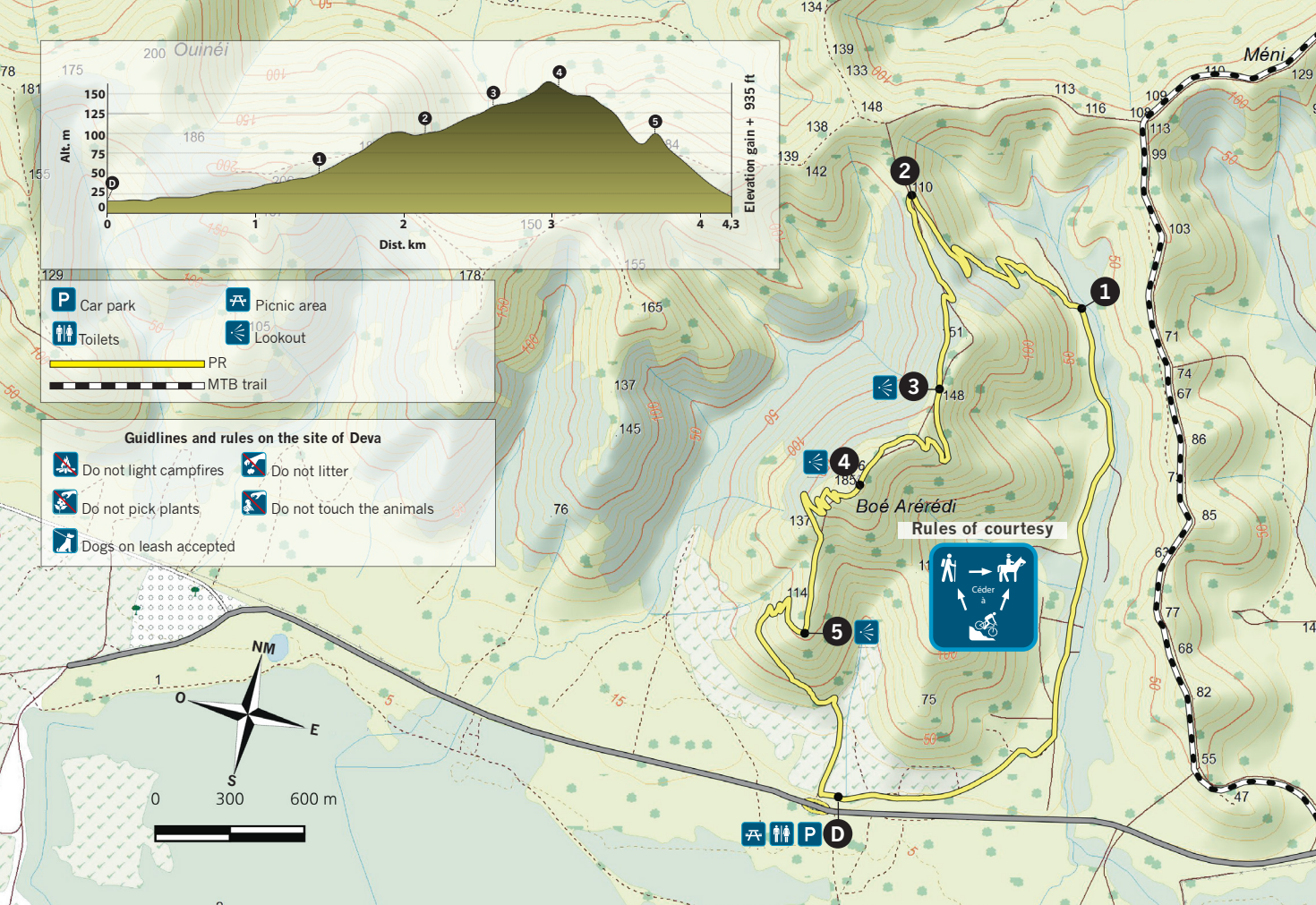
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Trail



HIKING GUIDE





THE POÉ FAULT

The Poé fault, or Poé channel, or even Shark Island channel, is very narrow. Being 1,8km long (5,10ft.) and with an average 20m (65ft.) depth, this small canyon slits the Poé lagoon and the reef. It is frequented by many sharks and pelagic species and has violent, almost always outward currents. Ocean swells continuously supply the lagoon. The fault acts as a siphon and hydrogeological studies have shown that it is the diffuse and irregular outfall of a former network. The latter, now flooded, used to drain water from several rivers, namely the No Bouaou and the No Poradéno. The present streams « ramble » there and seep into this large strip of sand. Prevented from reaching the lagoon directly through the high barrier beach (3 to 6 m / 9 to 19 ft), they supply freshwater marshes downstream from the spit.

Sources : *Évaluation du potentiel hydrogéologique de Gouaro-Deva - BRGM/RP-54 788-FR (juillet 2006).*



Photo M. Dostane

COURSE DESCRIPTION

D Starting point (GPS : 535 431 - 7 613 525 ; alt. 13 m / 42 ft) : immediately take a right (east). Follow the vegetated area, between the road and the flank. When you get to the entrance of the valley, turn left northwards and walk on a grassy track down to the valley floor. Reach the beginning of the climb.

1 Banyan (*Ficus sp.*) (GPS : 535 963 - 7 614 500 ; alt. 38 m / 125 ft) : (this tree is estimated to be 220 years. It is an epiphyte that doesn't steal its victim's sap. It simply leans on it, but, little by little, its roots choke out its stake) : start the progressive climb in hairpin bends towards northwest up to the pass.

2 Pass (GPS : 535 622 - 7 614 730 ; alt. 110 m / 360 ft) : continue the ascent due south, following the ridge. The hiking trail alternates between hillside paths and tracks in hairpin bends on one side or the other of the ridge, until you get to the first lookout.

3 Lookout (GPS : 535 675 - 7 614 340 ; alt. 148 m / 485 ft) : keep on walking southwards, and then towards southwest, till you reach the summit.

4 Lookout (GPS : 535 514 - 7 614 147 ; alt. 185 m / 606 ft) (bench, view on the blue ribbon drawn by the Shark Island channel in the axis of the ridge, « Faille de l'îlot Shark » information sign - « Fault of the Shark Island ») : begin the descent in hairpins towards southwest down to the next lookout (respect the track in hairpins, so as not to accelerate soil erosion or damage the vegetation).

5 Lookout (GPS : 535 401 - 7 613 849 ; alt. 104 m / 341 ft) (« Marais et forêts » information sign) : continue walking down, first westwards and then southwards, till you reach the entrance of the small valley, from where you can see the car park below.

