 For hikers of all levels. The walk loops around the village of Saint-Paul de Vence at the foot of the 16th century walls and bastions, offering stunning panoramas of the ramparts' architecture.

Starting point: Place de Gaulle. Follow the path which starts at the foot of the Bastion du Dauphin, to your right when facing the ramparts.

DURATION / LEVEL

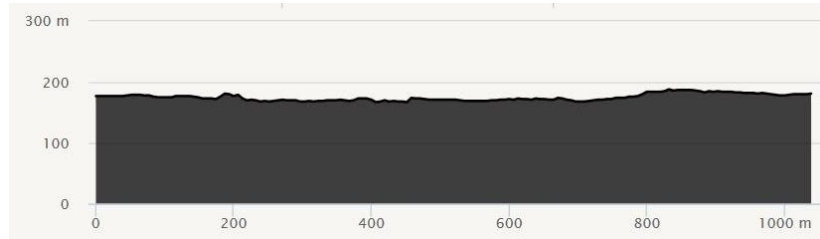
0hr 25min - Very easy

DISTANCE

1.1 km

STARTING POINT62 Place du Général de Gaulle
06570 Saint-Paul de Vence**TYPE OF WALK**

Circuit

TYPES OF TERRAINAsphalt
Earth track**ALTITUDE**188 m 77 m
167 m -174 m**PLACE OF INTEREST****KM** 0,20**ALTITUDE** 170 m**BASTIONS & RAMPARTS***Monuments & Architecture*

The ramparts and bastions of Saint-Paul de Vence

were built by military engineer Jean de Renaud de Saint-Rémy by order of Francis I. Erected during the 1540s, they were decreed a Historical Monument in 1945.



PLACE OF INTEREST

KM 0,260

ALTITUDE 168 m



SAINT-PAUL'S COUNTRYSIDE

Natural site

Two hectares of terraced vines are cultivated at the foot of the village ramparts. Along the path are numerous orange trees, whose flowers were once used in Grasse's perfume industry. Olive trees abound, reminiscent of the days when oil production was at the centre of Saint-Paul's economy.



PLACE OF INTEREST

KM 0,500

ALTITUDE 171 m



THE CEMETERY

Historical Site

In the 16th century, Saint-Paul de Vence's cemetery was built upon former medieval district "Le Puy". Painter Marc Chagall and art dealers Aimé and Marguerite Maeght are buried there.



ITINERARY INFO N°1

KM 0,510

ALTITUDE 171 m

At the cemetery, walk further along the ramparts to a large parking lot. Cross the parking lot and take to the path. Follow the ramparts for 450 m.



ITINERARY INFO N°2

KM 0,790

ALTITUDE 172 m

At the end of the path, go up the steps to the parking lot. Exit the parking lot and follow the ramparts to the right. Go down Rue de la Pourtouné back to Place de Gaulle.



PLACE OF INTEREST

KM 0,790

ALTITUDE 172 m



THE PLATFORM

Historical Monument

The date 1707 is carved into one of the stones on the south-east corner of the bastion. It commemorates a breach made there that year and the capture of the town by the soldiers of Victor-Amadeus II, Duke of Savoy.