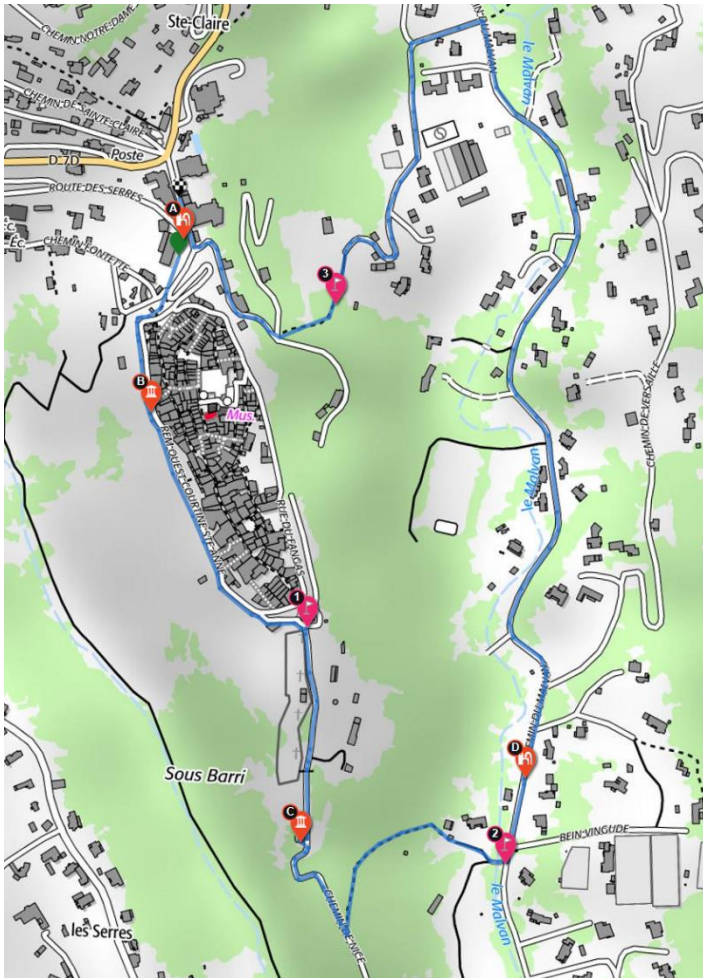




## CIRCUIT AROUND SAINT-PAUL DE VENCE VIA VALLON DU MALVAN



For hikers of all levels. The walk loops around the village of Saint-Paul de Vence from the foot of the western ramparts to the small valley of the River Malvan.

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

Hike : 1hr - Very easy

### DISTANCE

2.7 km

### STARTING POINT

62 Place du Général de Gaulle  
06570 Saint-Paul de Vence

### TYPE OF WALK

Circuit

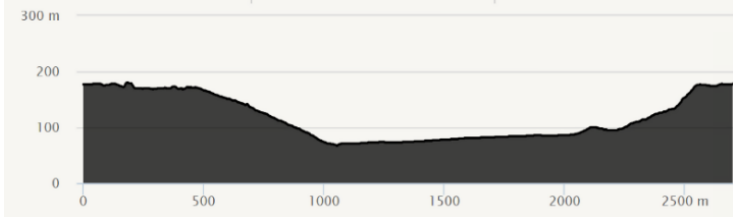
### TYPES OF TERRAIN

Asphalt  
Earth track

### ALTITUDE

181 m    156 m  
68 m    -155 m

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### PLACE OF INTEREST

**KM** 0,0

**ALTITUDE** 177 m

place du Général de Gaulle  
06570 Saint-Paul de Vence



### PLACE DE GAULLE

*Historical Site*

Also known as the "boules pitch", the square is the beating heart of Saint-Paul de Vence. Home to the famous Colombe d'Or inn and the Café de la Place, the site became a classic thanks to Yves Montand, Lino Ventura and their boules pitch skirmishes.



### PLACE OF INTEREST

**KM** 0,180

**ALTITUDE** 176 m

place de la Courtine

06570 Saint-Paul de Vence



### REMPARTS BASTIONNÉS

*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.

## 1 ITINERARY INFO N°1

**KM** 0,470                      Courtine Saint-Michel  
**ALTITUDE** 171 m              06570 Saint-Paul de Vence

Take the road running along the cemetery to the left, walk 150 m down to the gate and go through it. After 200 m, take the path down to the left leading to the River Malvan.



### PLACE OF INTEREST

**KM** 0,650                      132 ch. de Nice  
**ALTITUDE** 143 m              06570 Saint-Paul de Vence



## C PORTARON TOWER

*Monuments & Architecture*

The horseshoe shaped tower dates back to the 1530s. It is thought to be the work of Italian Captain Rozato Melino Romain, commissioned by the consuls of Saint-Paul de Vence to reinforce the town's defences.

## 2 ITINERARY INFO N°2

**KM** 1,060                      2256 ch. du Malvan  
**ALTITUDE** 70 m              06570 Saint-Paul de Vence

Turn left and follow Chemin du Malvan for 950 m. Turn left onto Impasse des Restanques. Walk alongside private gardens studded with olive and orange trees.



### PLACE OF INTEREST

**KM** 1,160                      2359 ch. du Malvan  
**ALTITUDE** 72 m              06570 Saint-Paul de Vence



## D VALLON DU MALVAN

*Historical Site*

The source of the Malvan River stands above Vence. During the 14th century, Queen Jeanne of Provence authorised the community of Saint-Paul de Vence to

use the water from the Malvan to run oil and flour mills. For a long time, this small valley was mainly dedicated to growing flowers and olives. Chemin du Malvan was paved over as late as the 1950s.

## 3 INFO PARCOURS N°3

**KM** 2,430                      666 Sous Barri  
**ALTITUDE** 130 m              06570 Saint-Paul de Vence

Follow the path and occasional steps (yellow trail indicators) for 250 m. To the right, follow the concrete path to the asphalt road and back up to the ramparts. Follow the fortifications towards the right, back to Place de Gaulle.