

# Lapalud / Caderousse

## ViaRhôna



**Départ**  
Lapalud

**Arrivée**  
Caderousse

**Durée**  
1 h 55 min

**Distance**  
28,64 Km

**Niveau**  
I cycle often

**Thématique**  
Time travel

A provisional stretch of the ViaRhôna route has been signposted south from Lapalud, following the Rhône's east bank through the county of Vaucluse. Cross the agricultural plain to the Canal de Donzère. Next, the route squeezes between the Rhône and parallel motorway, with links indicated to the medieval villages of Mondragon, Mornas and Piolenc and the town of Orange with its grand Roman remains. Fancy a dip in a lake? Try Les Girardes or Li Piboulos before continuing south along a Rhône-side greenway. End gently at the Provençal village of Caderousse, its dykes built to protect it from flooding by the tempestuous Rhône.

### The route

The way is signposted but provisional, taking you along quiet roads running between the Rhône and the parallel motorway. There is a stretch of tarmacked cycle track between the Etang de Li Piboulos (a lake) and Caderousse.

### Links

Links are signalled to Mornas, Mondragon, Piolenc and Orange.

### Railway station (SNCF) :

**Bollène**

**Orange**

### Tourist Information Centres :

[Office de tourisme du Gard Rhodanien - Bureau de Pont-Saint-Esprit](#)

+334 66 39 44 45

[Office de tourisme Provence Côté Rhône](#)

+334 65 79 00 09 - +334 90 40 01 28

[Office de tourisme d'Orange](#)

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### Don't miss:

**Pont-Saint-Esprit:** the 13th-century bridge; the Musée d'Art Sacré du Gard (displaying fine religious artefacts); vineyards in the county of Gard producing Côtes du Rhône wines

**Mornas:** the perched medieval fortress high above the Rhône; the vineyards in the Massif d'Uchaux hills, at the heart of the Tour des Côtes du Rhône à Vélo cycle route

**Piolenc:** the Romanesque church of Saint-Pierre; the Alexis Gruss Park and Circus (located 1km south of the village)

Plan d'eau de Li Piboulos: a lake you can swim in, with lifeguards on duty in July and August, plus with a snack bar on site

**Caderousse:** Le Batardeu Dyke; chapel of St Martin (dating back to the 11th century); Les Gramont Chapel; Les Brotteaux Island, on which you can picnic.

**Orange:** the Roman theatre, one of the best preserved in Europe; the Roman Triumphal Arch; the Musée d'Orange



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