

Domfront / Barenton

Veloscenic: Paris to Mont-Saint-Michel cycle route

Départ Domfront **Arrivée** Barenton

Durée 1 h 07 min Distance 16,93 Km

Niveau

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Getting up to and down from the medieval hill town of Domfront proves a challenge, demanding energy and concentration. But once back down on the greenway (which links here to La Vélo Francette cycle route), the way along this stage offers lovely glimpses of Normandy's typical hedge-divided countryside, particularly beside the Sélune River.

☐ Stage description and details:

Do take care getting down to the greenway at the foot of Domfront, as the hill is steep. You then join a greenway taking you to the outskirts of Barenton.

Note that soon after leaving Domfront, the intersection between the greenway and the D976 county road should be approached with great care, as this road is often very busy. Also be careful not to mix up signposting for the Veloscenic cycle route with that for another cycle route, La Vélo Francette, as both do follow the same stretch for under one kilometre. So, make sure you don't head off in the wrong direction!

The village of Barenton can be reached by bike by following a signposted link for 2km.

□ Don't miss:

- Domfront, designated a Petite Cité de Caractère® for its historic charms, its medieval town with timberframe houses and the vestiges of its castle on a rocky spur.
- The Musée du Poiré at Barenton explains the origins of growing pear and apple trees in the region, and how perry and cider are made. By the time you've been around the museum, you'll be an expert on the local specialities!

□ Food and drink en route:

- **Domfront**: with many food and drink stores and a market on Friday mornings on Place de Gaulle.
- **Barenton**: with many shops and a market on Sunday mornings.

☐ Bring up Accueil Velo accredited restaurants by clicking on the ☐ icon on the map. De-select "only show accueil velo accredited services" to view further possibilities.

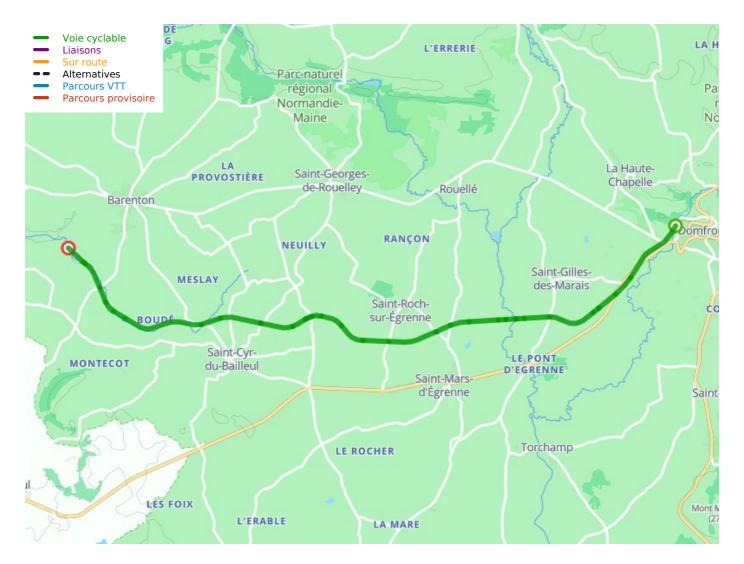
☐ Repair Service:

Consult <u>the list of all the bike repairers</u> along or near the route.

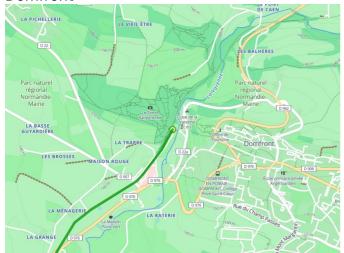
□ Train stations nearby:

Gare de Flers (on the Paris-Granville line)
accessible by bike by following a greenway
forming part of the wider La Vélo Francette cycle
route, heading in the direction of Ouistreham for
20km.

Also see our section on <u>reaching the veloscenic</u> <u>cycle route</u>, including conditions for taking a bicycle on board trains.







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