

The way of Tours étape 8 - Gourbera > St Paul les Dax

Distance : 13,9km

0.000 km - Go east from the church on D150 towards Buglose

0.400 km - Immediately after the exit signpost of the village, turn right to a dirt path (south). Walk 1km (south/south east) ignoring a first track on your right (chemin de Dupin)

1.400 km - Just after a large ditch : a crossroads where you take left (south)

1.700 km - Turn right (south) on an asphalt road

2.300 km - warning : next to a tarmac place (gas station) and to a big chestnut tree **2 options** for you :

Route A: straight to St Paul lès Dax (9,3km)

Route B : to St Paul lès Dax via St Vincent de Paul (13, 6km).

St Vincent de Paul is the village where was born the famous Saint in XVI th century

Route A : 9.300 km

Still walk on the asphalt road south/south east

3.000 km - chemin de Dupin emerges from right

3.500 km - Have a look at the lovely Poulin de Pouymartet (now a private house)

3.900 km - 400m after crossing the mill river , up the hill, leave the asphalt for a dirt path on left that goes behind the settlement called

Charlemagne. Continues South-west on 300m

4,500 km - after having crossed a ditch, at the intersection of tracks, take left the Southeast (in front of you, on the height was an old priory). After passing the height, the grassy path continues downhill south to different crops and a group of houses (farm of Peyre). When entering the field, walk along the left side, follow the edge up to a meadow ..Go round it on the right side up to a footbridge

5.800 km - Cross the stream by the footbridge, and continue south.

6.100 km - the path cut a stony track, continue south.

7,300 km - You reach an asphalt road. Cross to continue on « Allée des Flèches. On your right an animal park.

8,000 km - turn right (west) to Emile Despax street.

8,600 km - you reach a large roundabout of Saint Paul Lès Dax circular road. Follow St. Paul by taking the sidewalk to cross the circular road. You enter the city by « Pierre Benoît Avenue » where you can discover 200 m further, on the left, the small and romantic house of an old french writer Pierre Benoit. Keep walking on the right side.

9,000 km - go straight on the part of abandoned track, along the houses.

9,600 km - at the roundabout, you meet the second Way coming from St. Vincent de Paul. On the right, take the street 22 août 1944.

9.800 km - take a track to the left.

10.100 km - take « Pouillon street, » then « 19 Mars street. Turn right on « 14 juillet street », then left « Jean Oddos street. »

11.400 km - At the crossroads of « Avenue de la Resistance » and road to Bayonne at Mont de Marsan., cross straight on to « Victor Hugo street » and Post office is on your right.

11,600 km - arrival at Saint Paul les Dax Church (Xlles). Walk down « Gambetta street ». The Pilgrim refuge is located opposite in the curve of the street.

Route B

From the large chestnut to Saint Paul Lès Dax church via Saint Vincent de Paul : 11,600km

2,300 km - at the foot of the large chestnut, take the track on the left (east) that goes straight on (tall grass around).

2,900 km - You reach a junction with a dirt track. Take left (north) and 30 m further on the right (east) on a large grey sandy track.

3,700 km - You're coming on a stony road, turn right (south). The road continues straight on to the south.

4,700 km - You arrive at a crossroads : take « Chemin de la Hourqui » on the left (south east). Walk 1,500 km to join an asphalt road.

6,200 km - Take right on this road (south/south west)

6,800 km - the road crosses the railway track Dax/Bordeaux, pass the crossing (be careful : not guarded) and immediately turn right to follow the dirt road that runs along the railway (south west) on a 2 km 100 boring straight line.

8.900 km - You join an asphalt road near a railway crossing (you should cross it later to join Saint Paul Lès Dax). On your left you can notice the dome Church of what we called le Berceau (cradle) of Saint Vincent de Paul. Take this road on the left (south) and 200 m after, left again in the direction of the college.

9,600 km - At the college car park, see on the right the entrance of the birth place of Saint Vincent de Paul (gate). After the visit to the « Berceau : cradle », you can join St Paul Lès Dax by the reverse route until the railway crossing (see explanation on km 8,9).

10,300 km - cross the railway crossing and take the road on the left (south) along the railway : Targue road »

11,300 km - At the junction take le « chemin du Tailleur ». Continue to the proximity of the bus Company Translandes

12,400 km - Take down the « route des Gravières » to pass under the circular road. At the top of the hill, turn right to walk down near the « ruisseau de Cabannes » (local stream).

13.300 km -You reach the crossroads of « Menton road » and then the « Angouade road. At the level of the ADAPEI, take the walking way on the left of « Pierre Benoît Avenue ». At this point, you find the direct route going from Gourbera. (route a)

13.900 km - take opposite the '22 août 1944' street to join Saint Paul Lès Dax Church,

Now follow the description of the route from 9,600 km. (route a)