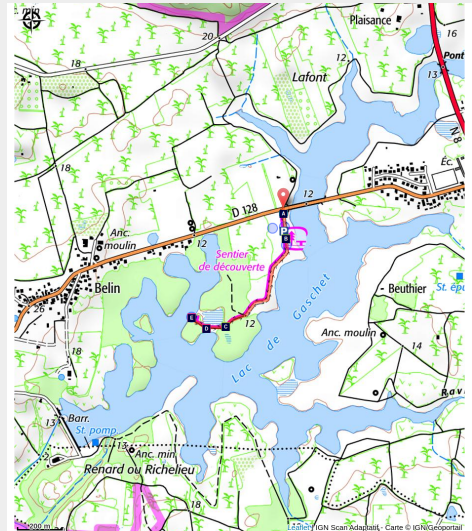


# Gaschet path

Grande-Terre Nord



Sentier de Gaschet (France-Antilles)



*The Gaschet dam has a unique landscape in the archipelago with a water area of 100 hectares. Bird lovers have counted 80 species, making this a unique site in the Lesser Antilles, especially for migrating ducks. It is also an easily accessible spot for anyone looking for "nature and a change of scene".*

A wide-open, rustic site, ideal for getting away from it all.

## Useful information

Practice : Walking

Duration : 30 min

Length : 1.7 km

Trek ascent : 11 m

Difficulty : Very easy

Type : Return trip

Themes : Agricultural landscape, Discovery trail, Pond and wetland, Relaxation area

# Trek

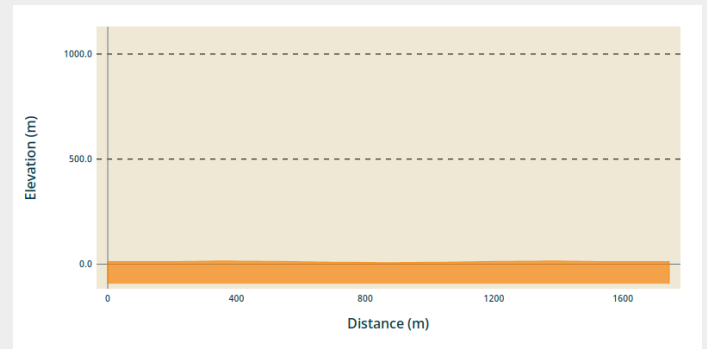
**Departure** : Near the site's information panel.

**Arrival** : Near the site's information panel.

**Markings** :  PR (short hike network)

**Cities** : 1. Port-Louis

## Altimetric profile

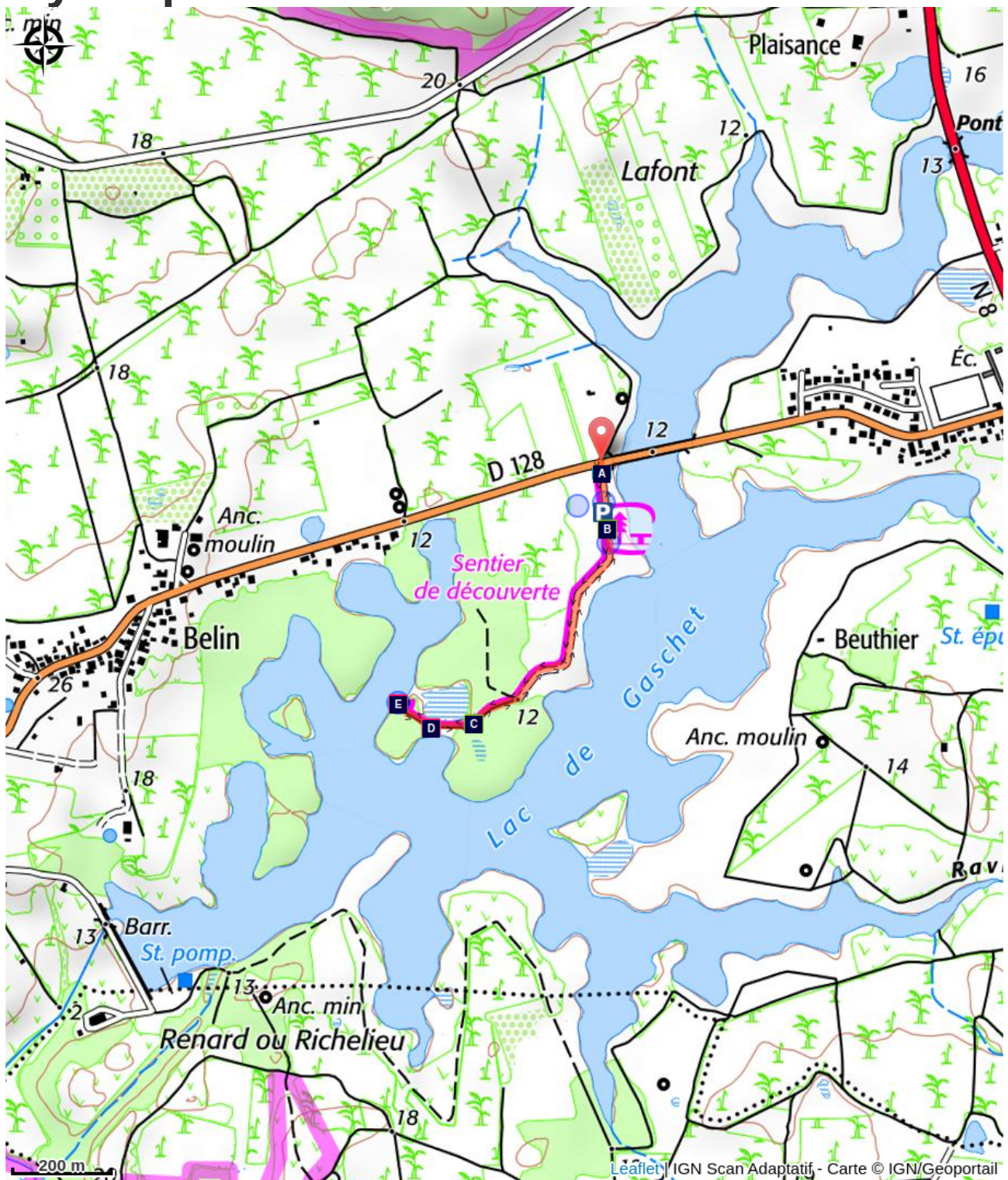





Min elevation 7 m Max elevation 15 m



Starting at the site's information panel, follow the path winding its way between the various rest places (karbays, benches, nature-drawing spots) all the way to the bird reserve. You go back to the starting point the same way.

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*"Hiking Sketch" nature drawing activity and "Karu Explo" digital treasure hunt (smartphone application) on the site.*

# On your path...



-  Introduction panel (A)
-  Pond with bulrushes (C)
-  Bird observatory (E)

-  Water hyacinths (B)
-  View of the dam (D)

# All useful information

## **Advices**

No bathing.

A bylaw prohibits hunting and protects wild animals on the site.

Please respect the signs reminding visitors about the regulations on the site.

*NB: unsupervised car park.*

## **How to come ?**

### Transports

Le conseil régional assure le réseau de transport interurbain avec des lignes de bus qui desservent tout l'archipel, par secteur géographique.

Voir : <https://www.regionguadeloupe.fr/les-actions-regionales/transport-interurbain/#>

-> Pointe-à-Pitre / Abymes / Morne à L'Eau / Petit-Canal / Port-Louis / Anse-Bertrand : ligne 112.

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En Guadeloupe, 2 applications pour le covoiturage :

Déposé : <https://depoze.fr>

KAROS : <https://www.karos.fr>

### Access

**GPS starting point: Lat: 16,422310°N - Long: 61,483441°W.**

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Access to the site is in Port-Louis by the RD n°128 road; access is indicated near the bridge spanning the Gaschet lake.

### Advised parking

Parking area at the site entrance

## Information desks

### Office de tourisme intercommunal "Le Nord Guadeloupe"

2 rue Gambetta, 97117 Port-Louis

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# On your path...

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## Introduction panel (A)

A presentation of the Gaschet site.

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## Water hyacinths (B)

The water hyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*) is an aquatic plant listed as one of the worst invasive species by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Its proliferation is a potential source of environmental, economic, social and even health hazards in the environments where it forms colonies.

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## Pond with bulrushes (C)

Herbaceous plants thrive in this wet environment.

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## View of the dam (D)

The dam was built to maintain the reservoir.

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## Bird observatory (E)

At this bird-observation point there are also drawing lessons for beginners.

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