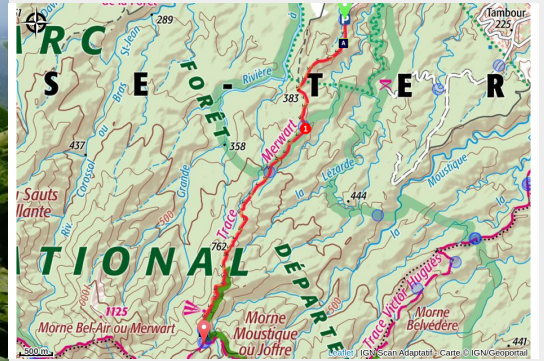


Merwart

Basse-Terre Nord



point de vue vers les Mamelles et le nord Basse-Terre (E. Delannay)



A heritage trail offering a breathtaking view over the mountain chain in the south of Basse-Terre.

The trail is named after the temporary governor Emile MERWART and was created by the Club des Montagnards in 1917. It provides a total immersion in the tropical forest for hikers ready to venture into it.

Useful information

Practice : Walking

Duration : 3 h 30

Length : 6.6 km

Trek ascent : 753 m

Difficulty : Difficult

Type : Cross

Themes : Cultural and architectural heritage, Mountain shelter

Trek

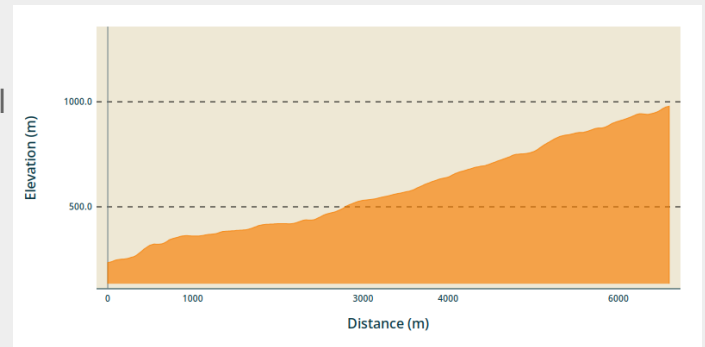
Departure : Allée Merwart, Vernou, Petit-Bourg

Arrival : Meeting point with the Merwart trail - Alizés trail

Markings : — PR (short hike network)

Cities : 1. Petit-Bourg

Altimetric profile



Min elevation 234 m Max elevation 979 m

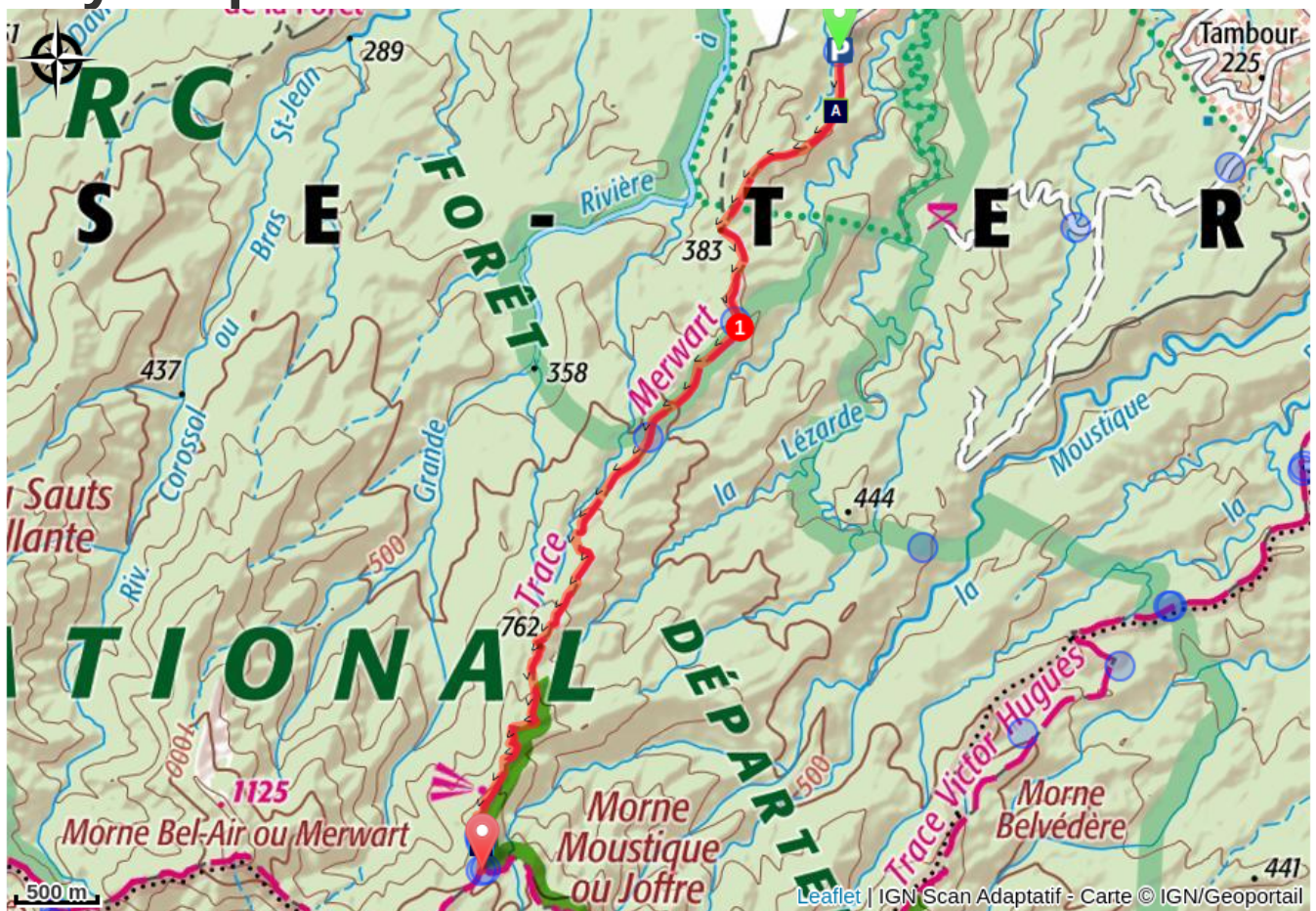
Set off on the trail following the yellow markings.

The trail is uphill non-stop; after about 2 km you arrive at the edge of the National Park (point 1).

Continue straight ahead as far as the crossroads marked "Refuge Frébault", "Victor Hugues", "Trois Crêtes".

You can then opt to continue along other trails, towards the south-east (Frébault refuge) or to the west (Trois Crêtes refuge).

On your path...



 Cicada (A)

 Source (B)

All useful information

Is in the midst of the park

The national park is an unrestricted natural area but subjected to regulations which must be known by all visitors.

Advices

Don't set off after 1 pm without lights.

Ask a mountain guide to go with you if possible.

Don't touch the belongings you might find in the hunters' shelter.

In this natural setting, you should be particularly careful and alert, especially since Guadeloupe is subject to natural risks. It is vital to act in a responsible way, so that everyone can enjoy the hike!

Please note: unsupervised car park.



Gear

système d'éclairage ; eau en quantité suffisante

How to come ?

Transports

En Guadeloupe, 2 applications pour le covoiturage :

Dépozé : <https://depoze.fr>

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

Access

GPS starting point: Lat : 16.16667°N - Long: 61.66410°W.

Take the Route de la Traversée. At the Barbotteau roundabout, follow the signs to Vernou. Continue until you arrive at a 90° bend, turn right and carry on along the Chemin de la Glacière all the way to the end, at the end of Allée Merwart.

Advised parking

At the end of Allée Merwart.

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Source

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On your path...



Cicada (A)

The cicada first appeared in Guadeloupe in the 1990s, then spread over all the region. It serenades the forest with its high-pitched chant.

Attribution : F.Hemery



Source (B)

As you go deeper into the vegetation on the left (as you make your way upwards), you will see a stream through the mountain mangrove trees.

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