

Lauricet Wood is one of the rare wooded zones in the Camargue. Woods which have survived are usually located along river banks where they can find the fresh water they need. These woods are important habitats for local wildlife.

## The gypsy camp memorial

A memorial has been erected in memory of the gypsies who were interned in the Saliers camp between 1942 and 1944. They were interned after a law, voted on April 6, 1940, prohibited nomads from travelling anywhere within continental France during the war and placed them under house arrest.



The Rice House is an educational exhibit about the evolution of rice-growing from its beginnings in the Camargue until today. Three spaces have been created: one space for machinery and tools specific to rice-growing, another space dedicated to the rice kernel and its different stages of treatment, a third space for a shop. The Rozière family, enthusiastic rice-growers, will be happy to greet you. During your visit you will meet a true family of rice-growers on their rice farm, www.maisonduriz.com

## **Emergency numbers**



European emergency number



Marseilles treatment center for poisoning +33 (0)4 91 75 25 25



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Caution! Consult the weather forecast before starting : the Camargue is regulary exposed to the mistral wind



### Along the way

#### To eat and drink

- Hôtel-restaurant le Flamant Rose (Albaron): +33 (0)4 90 97 10 18
- L'Agachon (Albaron): +33 (0)4 90 97 10 22
- Restaurant le petit Crin Blanc (Saliers) (April to September) :
- +33 (0)4 66 87 48 78
- Bars and restaurants in the town of Saint-Gilles

#### Rent / repair a bike

- 1 Veloc: +33 (0)6 25 17 00 73
- Deltaride MTB (rent and repair): +33 (0)6 43 36 23 69
- Taco and Co (rent and repair): +33 (0)6 50 29 60 00
- Taxis Arles Provence: +33 (0)6 84 58 58
- Véloc Arles (only repair): +33 (0)6 50 94 55 63

#### Don't miss

- Rice house (Maison du riz) (Albaron): +33 (0)6 31 03 40 11
- Saliérène Ranch (Manade) : +33 (0)4 66 87 45 57
- La Bergerie d'Alivon :
- +33 (0)4 90 97 10 37 +33 (0)6 03 54 10 94
- Lauricet Wood
- The Knights Templar in Saliers
- Gypsy internment camp memorial



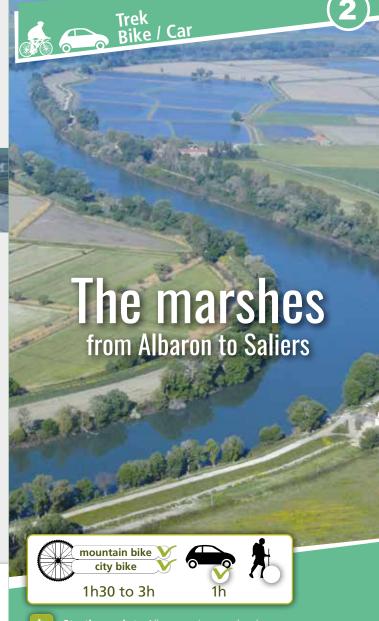
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**Starting point:** Albaron primary school



**Distance**: a 20-km loop



#### Take note:

- Bike portage on the Saint-Gilles foot bridge
- Heavy automobile traffic on certain roads





## How to get there

- From Arles: take route D570 toward Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer. When you reach the L'Agachon Hotel-Restaurant, turn right toward Albaron. Park on the side of the street.
- From Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer: take route D570 toward Arles. When you reach the L'Agachon Hotel-Restaurant, turn left toward Albaron. Park on the side of the street.

# **2**) The marshes from Albaron to Saliers

- 1 From the square in front of the Albaron elementary school take route D37 on your right toward Saliers. 2 After 1 km, turn left toward the Rice House. 3 At the D572N crossroads (dangerous road), you have two options to continue on to Saint-Gilles 4:
- By the **GR653** trail (trekking or mountain bike necessary): continue on your right, then after 500m turn left onto the Route des Cabanettes. Cross the Petit Rhône, then go right on route D179. (A You will have to carry your bike across the 2 foot bridges.) Right after the bridges, leave the GR653 and turn left on a dirt road to the port. The village is on your right.

Or by **route D37** (any bike): turn left, cross the bridge and continue along the road to the village ( dangerous road).

To reach Saliers 5, take route D572N toward Arles, then turn right on D37 toward Saliers and Albaron. You can stop for a break in Saliers before heading back to Albaron via route D37.