

**France - Fortified Castle Trail Middle Vosges Mountains Hiking Tour 2021**  
**Individual Self-Guided**  
**7 days/ 6 nights**



From the north to the south of Alsace, explore the remains of Middle-Ages' castles and fortress. From the forest enjoy beautiful panoramas on farming landscapes and on the plains of Alsace. You will discover with this trails the diversity of Alsace and its cute, quiet villages. Your tour ends in Barr, little town in heart of the Alsatian vineyard and its Grand Cru.

**Highlights**

- The nature and the landscapes of the Regional Park of the "Ballons des Vosges"
- Cities of Saverne and Barr
- The beautiful well marked out paths
- The numerous castles and beautiful village of the of the wine trail



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### Itinerary

#### **Day 1: Arrival in Saverne**

Enjoy the charms of Saverne and its surroundings. A very attractive town rich in a beautiful architecture.



#### **Day 2: Saverne – Wangenbourg 18 km + 942 m - 673 m**

From Saverne, the beautiful capital of north of Vosges, you walk up to the castle of Haut-Barr and follow the crest of Vosges from castle to castle until Wangenbourg. An attractive major view on the valley of the Rhine on Strasbourg and when clear weather on the Black Forest awaits you.

#### **Day 3: Wangenbourg - Oberhaslach 15 km + 629 m - 806 m**

First you climb to Schneeberg (961m), then you will come down again in the valley of Oberhaslach by the waterfall “du Nideck”.

#### **Day 4: Oberhaslach – Klingenthal /Ottrott 22 km + 880 m - 877 m**

The GR5, after Urmatt, you cross the valley of Bruch and pass beyond Grendelbruch. Passing through “Purpurkopf” (570m) and “Heidenkopf” (787m), you reach Ottrott.

#### **Day 5: Klingenthal /Ottrott – Le Hohwald 14 km + 662 m - 372 m**

Visit the famous abbey of Ste Odile and the numerous castles protecting it since the 12<sup>th</sup> century, such as the Kagenfels and the Birkenfels. The GR5 leads you towards the Kienberg (775m) at the entrance of Hohwald.



#### **Day 6: Le Hohwald – Barr 17 km + 492 m - 849 m**

Go down to the vineyard by castles of Andlau, the village of Andlau and his Romanesque abbatial Ste Richarde then by the Zotzenberg and Mittelbergheim.

#### **Day 7: Departure after breakfast**



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### Route



### Technical Characteristics

**Level of difficulty:** Moderate; +/- 6 hours per day; Maximal difference of level: +1100 m. It is important to have good physical condition and to be in good health.

**Total distance:** 86 km

**Travel Season:** Daily departures from April 3 to October 9, 2021  
Season 1: April 3 - May 21 and September 4 – October 9  
Season 2: May 22 – September 3



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**Prices per person:**

Double Occupancy B&B Season 1	€669.00
Double Occupancy B&B Season 2	€699.00
Surcharge Single Room	€229.00
Additional Nights in Saverne 3* Double Occupancy B&B	€69.00
Additional Nights in Saverne 3* Single Occupancy B&B	€99.00

**Included:**

- Accommodation in 2\* and 3\* hotels
- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer between hotels
- Detailed travel documents 1 per room (route maps, route description, local attractions, important telephone numbers)
- GPS data is available
- Hotline service

**Not Included:**

- Dinner (except if half board is booked)
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- Lunch
- Visits
- Park fees
- Local tax

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