

## Les Bruyères du Noyer

12 km      3h 30

- Departure :** Bretoncelles, car park at the 'complexe sportif' .  
**Direction:** clockwise.  
**Way marking:** yellow panels and painted way marks.  
**Ease of walking:** good (some wet stretches in winter)  
**Terrain:** dirt or stony paths and narrow tarmac roads (73%)  
**Points of interest:** pleasant forest walk; discover local Perche dwellings.

Cross the car park in front of the schools, then turn left towards the traffic lights. At the lights, turn right onto the D918 and continue up to the Place du Général de Gaulle.

1. Start along the rue Jules Lemaître and then, in the bend, turn right down the **chemin d'Arrondeau**. Cross the Corbionne via the footbridge and the millstream via the stone bridge.
2. At the mill, turn left and cross the D38 and take the tarmac road opposite and continue to the hamlet of **la Saussaie**.
3. Turn right towards **la Martinière** and **la Pilotière du Noyer**.
4. Shortly after **la Boisselière** turn left and follow the track of **la Butte du Noyer** which climbs up into the forest. Pass under the power lines. At the Y-shaped crossroads take the left fork to meet up with the track that is the border between the villages of Dorceau and Bretoncelles.
5. At **la Bouillerie** turn right and, going through woodland, meet up with the D38.
6. Follow the road down to the right for 100 metres. Cross the road and, opposite, go through the gate onto a path. On the right go under the power line again and bear slightly right to follow a path (sometimes wet) that snakes through the undergrowth for about 1.5 km before reaching the edge of the **forêt de Saussay** (gateway).
7. Leaving the forest, go down towards **le Val**. The path follows the dam of a small lake. Go past **Saussay** and **la Rue**.
8. At the calvary cross (**la Croix Guérin**), continue to **La Booz**. Carry on to the D620. Return to the start via **le Pré de Crochet** and **la rue Henri Levier**.

