

# Around the lake of Vingeanne

- ▶ Departure from the parking of the beach
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- ▶ IGN map of Langres area - Nr34



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| Departure of the circuit | Hotel             | Tourism residence          | Sail base     |
| Direction of the circuit | Restauration      | Camp site                  | Bathing-Beach |
| Picnic area              | Bed and breakfast | Ornithological observatory | Fishing       |

Head towards the North along the beach, spend the launching area for fishing boats to reach the bird observatory. After that first observation, take the path along the D128, cross the bridge and turn left to cross the bay of Percey and save the village. In the latter, take the small road on your left, pass the picnic area and forking again left to take a grass path that you will follow up to the National 74. Cross this taking care to traffic. Follow the path in front of a dozen meters before turning right and then left. Then cross the woods to a small paved road. Skip over the Vingeanne and continue to the junction with the D 141 (Way of the Cross). Here, turn left again and take a path in grass along the wood on one side and fields on the other. Reach the "Pre Grillon", continue straight on a white road that takes you to the N 74. Cross the again and follow the white road beside fields. At a place called "the Étaules" remain between the houses and the lake to the water tower. There, take the grassy trail on the dam to join the sailing and your starting point.

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## ► Not to miss!



### ► Lake of Vingeanne

Lake Villegusien is a vast sheet of 200 hectares for 2 kilometers maximum extent. Its depth is moderate (9.70 meters).

The flow of the larger pool (8650 hectares), drained by the Vingeanne and Valinot, is abundant. Most of the volume of water received, exceeding the reservoir storage capacity (8.338 million m<sup>3</sup>) passes during winter.

The lake can pour 8,178,000 m<sup>3</sup> on the slope only Saône.

The dam measuring 1,250 meters long and 11.50 meters high. Conducted in an open bowl, she détint in France the record length during its construction which took place between 1902 and 1904, it is corroyée earth.

Built 20 years later the tanks of The Link and the Fly, the dam of Villegusien implements the technique of land corroyée. It is built entirely in clayey sand but a land whose care is taken to carefully remove the stones, roots and other impurities. Mixed with sand, earth then spread in tiers, triturated and then compressed with rollers. These are then covered with a cement mortar.



### ► An ecological and ornithological value

The ecological and ornithological value of this lake is greatly enhanced by its location on the southern slopes of the Plateau of Langres which benefits from particular climatic nuances, multiple habitats that creates its configuration (variable depth of water, mudflats, vast tracts swamp) make it particularly attractive for breeding birds (grebes, coots ...) and especially for a variety of migratory species (waterfowl, waders, raptors ...).

On the other hand, there is easy access for observation due to its location on the edge of the national road linking Langres in Dijon, and the organization of hiking trail feature several thematic terminals (wildlife, flora, landscape, ...) and a bird observatory.

Indeed, the sky, the lake is a huge puddle that attracts birds. The lake and its surroundings are a beautiful mosaic of environments: forest edges ash, poplar and willow, reed beds, mud flats, meadows, home to cultures ... amount of sedentary and passage birds. No fewer than 170 species of birds have been recorded there.

The dam is at its top a rather dry meadow space that limits a water world! Some spectacular plants can live well, some orchids (Orchis pyramidal, Fly Ophrys, Man hanged ...). In May-June, maybe you'll get to meet them!

