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**Bretagne
(Brittany)**



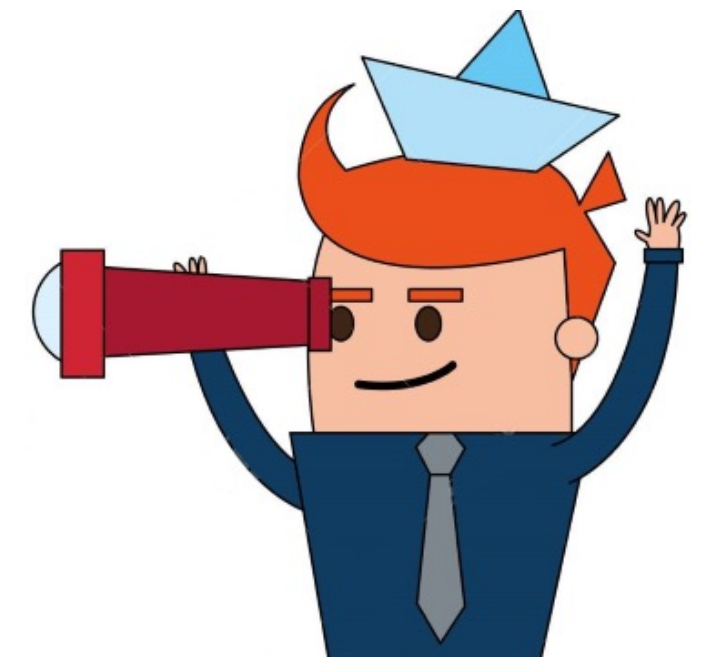
Navigation Guide

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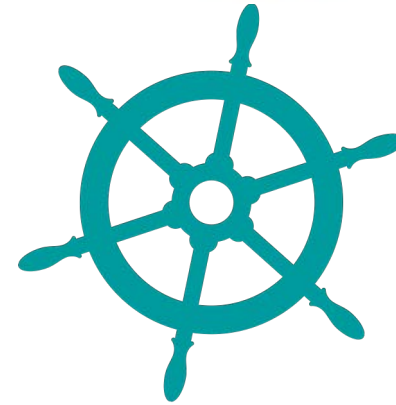
Week-ends and Short Weeks (mini-weeks)



From St Martin sur Oust

Week-ends

Town	Navigation time	Number of lock
Le Roc St André	1h40	3
Malestroit	2h35	3
Saint Martin sur Oust		
Ile aux Pies	2h	2
Redon	1h35	1



Short Weeks

TOWN	Navigation time	Number of locks
Montertelot	0h35	1
Le Roc St André	1h40	3
Malestroit	2h35	3
Saint Martin sur Oust		
Ile aux Pies	2h	2
Redon	1h35	1
Guenrouët	3h10	1

Information about the Locks

The Vilaine locks, the Ille et Rance Canal (between Dinan and La Roche-Bernard) and the Nantes-Brest Canal Lock (between Redon and Pontivy) are manual and are operated by a permanent or touring lock keeper.

The locks of the Nantes-Brest Canal between Redon and the Erdre river are manual and are operated either by a lock keeper or by boaters.

There is no lock on the Erdre River.

If the lock keeper is not present, put a crew member ashore before the lock to operate the lock gates and sluices.

For more information, please see the navigation guide

Do not hesitate to consult our tutorial at the following link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=86u8vRiGjKE



	CANAL D'ILLE ET RANCE, VILAINE, BLAVET	CANAL DE NANTES À BREST: REDON -> PONTIVY	CANAL DE NANTES À BREST: NORT-SUR-ERDRE -> REDON*
April to mid-June	9h - 12h30 & 13h30 - 18h45		9h30 - 12h30 & 14h - 18h45
Mid-June to mid-September	9h - 12h30 & 13h30 - 19h15		
Mid-September to mid-October	9h - 12h30 & 13h30 - 18h45		
Mid-October to end of October	9h - 12h30 & 13h30 - 18h		

*Do not take the La Digue lock at Redon but cross the Bellion lock, further south. At the Quiheix lock and the Bellion lock, explanations on how the locks operate will be given to you by the lock keepers (as well as a video and an explanatory brochure).

Quick History Points:

Pont à 9 arches de Pont-Réan :

The current stone bridge dates from 1767, replacing a once medieval stone and wood bridge that had become too small. It was built by the province of Brittany. It has been listed as a historical monument since October 28, 1942.

To find out about this bridge, flash the code



La Vilaine , meaning “the villain”- what a funny name

A popular belief attributes magical virtues to the waters of the Vilaine. It goes all the way back to the first centuries of the Christian era. Because women of the town of Rennes were so renowned for their beauty that less appealing young women would come to take "Vilaine baths" to draw from its beneficial effects.

More legends to find by flashing the code!



Discovering the Canal de Nantes to Brest (heading West)

Saint Martin sur Oust

Nestled in the heart of "La Vallée de l'Oust", a large natural site a few steps from the ocean, Saint-Martin-sur-Oust shares with you the harmony and tranquility of this beautiful valley, conducive to both entertainment and relaxation.

Discover the richness and beauty of the land with its religious or traditional heritage, deserving of a detour, and the warmth of the inhabitants to better appreciate them. While strolling on the many hiking trails, you discover the wonders of nature.

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Malestroit :

Nicknamed 'The Pearl of the Oust', Malestroit is classified as a 'Petite Cité de Caractère' (small city of character). Its half-timbered houses with polychrome sculptures and its majestic bourgeois granite residences attest to the town's rich past. Inquire at the Tourist Office about joining a guided tour of the town. And if you stop at Malestroit on Friday, take a stroll along the "Quai Clisson" to see the creations exhibited by various artisans. Let yourself be tempted by a tasting of delicious cakes and "crêpe" pancakes, accompanied by cider on the charming Place du Bouffay. Nearby, admire the remarkable St-Gilles church and its astonishing Romanesque sculptures

Le Roc St André:

Initially the town took the name of "la Chapelle du Rotz" (Rotz Chapel), then it was called "Saint André du Roc" then "Pont du Roc", and today it is known as "Roc Saint André". The place is certainly not trivial nor the setting which embellishes it ... Halfway between Rennes and Vannes, next to Josselin, Ploermel, the town extends over 993 hectares of greenery where the pleasure of living is punctuated by the gentle passage of the canal from Nantes to Brest.

The Roxédois (876 inhabitants according to the last census) will always be delighted to welcome you during your stopover... where they present the rich heritage of the town such as the Saint André Church with its high Cornish bell tower, or they offer you a break on the bridge where the troops of the Duke of Aiguillon were proudly advancing on this 18th century Breton province ... or they show you the neighboring stately homes such as the Touche Carnée manor or that of La Villeder.



Montertelot :



A peaceful and charming village, Montertelot is located near the Nantes-Brest canal, offering a real postcard landscape and a place which must be visited. Tourism enthusiasts will find their interests peaked! Montertelot was established as a town in 1790. It boasts a rich heritage: the woods of Saint-Méen, Sain-Laur Church, the landmark cemetery cross (1886), Cross of roads (schist), The cross of Marie Bono (19th century), The Monumental cross (17th century), ...



Discovering the Canal de Nantes to Brest (heading East)



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Ile au Pies:

In the direction of La Gacilly, the Oust river winds majestically between the granite cliffs, creating some real natural paradises, such as Ile-aux-Pies.

This place is a delight for adventurers, with its climbing peaks, hiking trails, suspended bridges and its zip line. Children young and old can try their hand at archery, tree climbing, fishing, and more.



Redon:

A town full of history, Redon is located at the crossroads of the Vilaine River and the Nantes-Brest Canal. This seaport has known times of glory, as evidenced by the charming shipowners' homes on the Duguay-Trouin Wharf.

It is now an eyeful delight for boaters and rowers. Visit the Musée de la Batellerie de l'Ouest museum, which traces the epics of the Canals of Brittany and the life of the sailors.

The main attraction of Redon is its St-Sauveur Abbey, built in the 9th century.

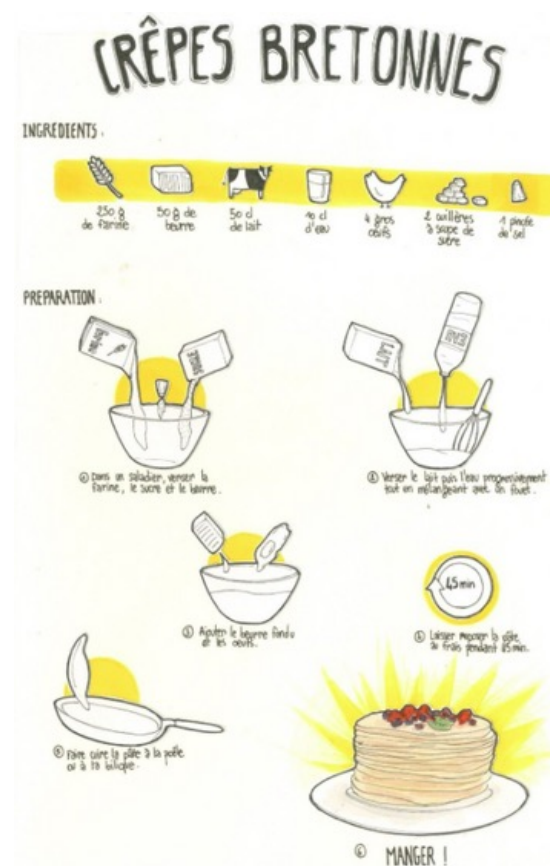
Do not miss a visit to this prestigious monument which combines Romanesque and Gothic architecture and which invites you for a stroll in its pretty gardens.



Guenrouët :

The Guenrouët stop is the ideal place for a bucolic break and a moment of relaxation with the family. The St-Clair leisure center offers a multitude of activities along with a breathtaking view of the canal: mini-golf, fishing, pedal boat rental, canoeing and tennis courts. Take advantage of its outdoor swimming pool open in July-August

equipped with a hot tub, slide and a green beach. Check with the Tourist Office which organizes gourmet "crêpe hikes" in fine weather.

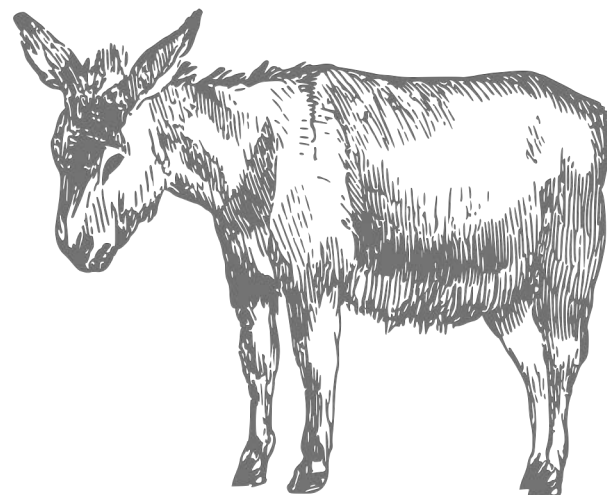


Discovering the Aff River

La Gacilly :

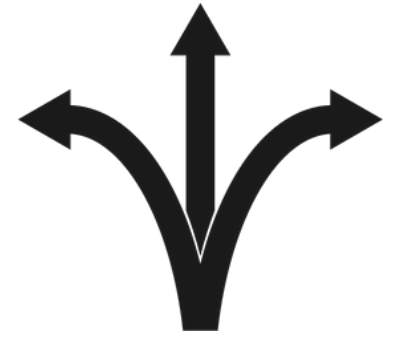
With the Aff river flowing through, this charming, little, floral town invites you to discover its many craftsmen. Painters, sculptors, glassmakers, etc., work here and exhibit their creations. La Gacilly is also the headquarters of the famous perfumer, Yves Rocher. Browse the magnificent botanical garden, the bamboo grove, the arboretum, not to mention a unique collection of sagebrush. Also, don't miss the largest open-air “Peoples and Nature” photo festival in France, which takes place there from June to September.

2.7km north of La Gacilly, you can hire donkeys to explore the surroundings in an atypical way. Follow the marked trails at free will.



Our base

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Access to base :

- From the North : E50 (A81+N157+N136), in Rennes take D177 in the direction of Saint Nazaire/Redon then D777 in the direction of la Gacilly then D777 towards St Martin sur Oust.

From the South : From Redon, D764 then D14 then D149 then D777.

- TGV Redon Train Station (20 km)
- Rennes-Saint-Jacques Airport (63 km)
- Nantes-Atlantique Airport (110 km)