

# VTT 6 Tour du Pays de Nay

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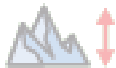
A very beautiful and interesting circuit via side roads. Although with no great technical difficulties, this circuit is aimed at sporty people because of its length and its climb. A key element of Nay's lowland landscape, the canals have existed since the Middle Ages. They were used for irrigation and to power mills and hammers. Their role was essential in the development of industry in Nay during the 19th century. The water intake of Coarraze in the right bank gives rise to the canal of the Lagoin, which supplies the stream of the same name and the lowland canal. Left bank upstream of the Claracq bridge, the Grau canal flows into the Escourre and creates the Gaou canal. From these canals and streams flow a number of small irrigation channels.



Départ :  
**MONTAUT**  
Arrivée :  
**MONTAUT**



Distance : **69.4 km**

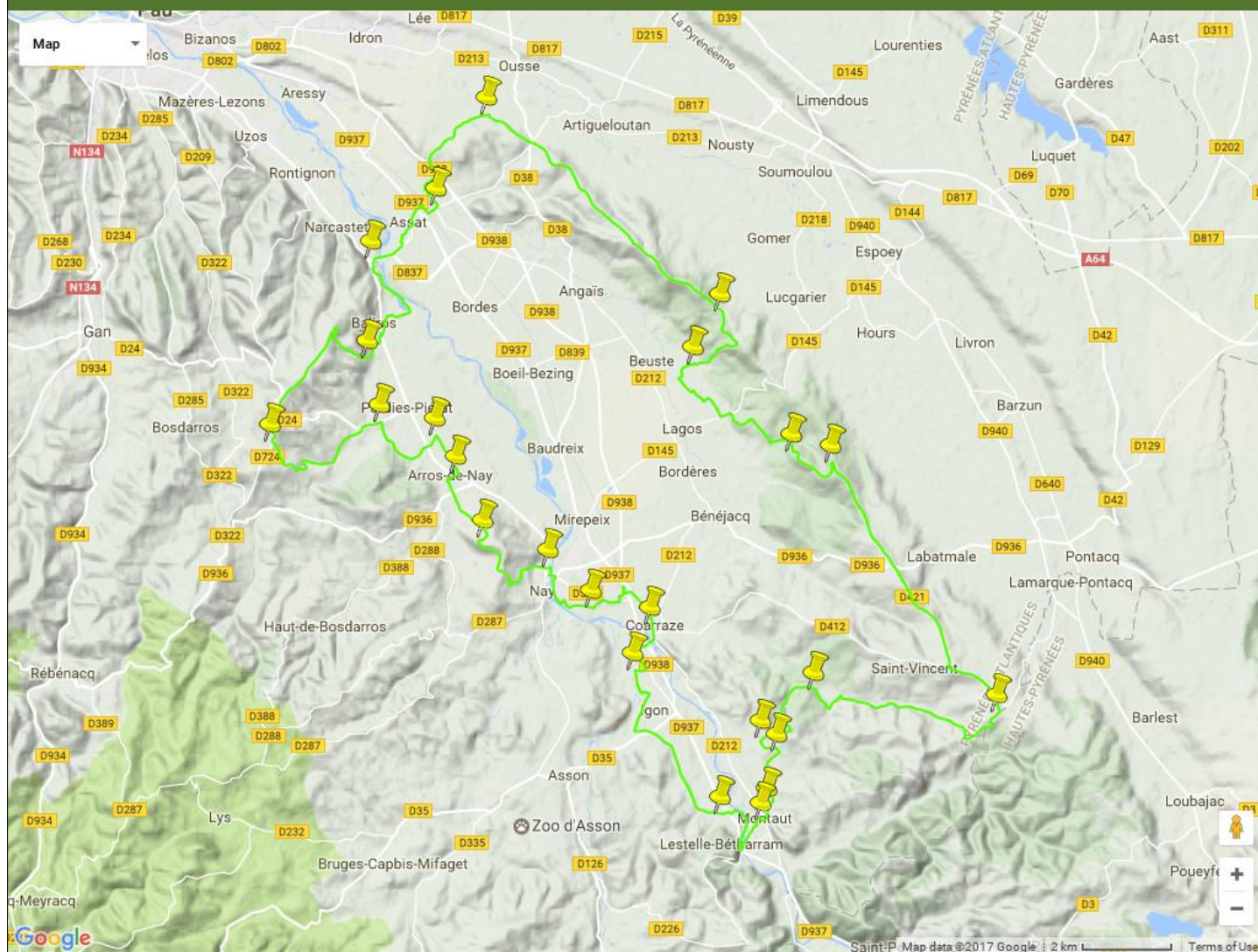


Dénivelé : **878 m**  
Dénivelé négatif cumulé : **0 m**



Temps de parcours : **8h**

Balisage : **Yellow**  
(marquage : panneaux VTT6 avec le nom "Tour du Pays de Nay")



## Étapes

**Step 1. From Montaut to Beuste.** Leave from behind the church of Montaut and go on a small road along the town hall. Cross the level-crossing. At the fountain turn left on the road, Cami des Bereyes. At the stop sign turn right then left towards Saint-Vincent. On the ascent turn left. On a bend turn right and go down. To the right go up on a path in a wood of beech trees right before a farm. At the top on a track turn left. After 300m (? 984ft.) go down to the right. Go to the right of the lake of Sargaillouse and turn right on the track. At the intersection turn right then follow the path to the left. On the road turn left for 400m (? 1312ft.). In the ascent, turn right on the path Chemin du bois. Go up the valley of the Lagoin. At the top continue to go up on the road to the left. Turn left on the path Chemin Henri IV. At the stop sign turn left and enter Saint-Vincent. Turn right in front of the church, follow the path Chemin Henri IV for 7km (?4.35mi.). Turn left and leave the path Chemin Henri IV. Go down in the forest. Turn right in the descent until the path becomes steep-sided. Go to a small path that has a steep descent. Cross the stream and turn left. Cross the road and go straight ahead. After an ascent, turn left. On the road turn left then right. Stay on the main track. Once back on the road turn right at Beuste.

**Step 2. From Beuste to Assat..** After 600m (? 1968.5ft.) turn right on the track and 50m (? 164ft.) further turn left up a very steep and technical small path. In the ascent turn left then right. Once back on the road go up to the right. Turn left on the path Chemin Henri IV for 7km (? 4.35mi.). Turn left, leave the path Chemin Henri IV. Back on the road turn left, go down, turn left along the ring road. At the crossroads turn right, go into a tunnel. Turn left, cross a bridge and turn left. At the crossroads turn right and once again to the right. After a level-crossing, ride 200m (? 656ft.) and

turn left on a small road between houses. Go to another small road in the village of Assat. At the traffic light go straight ahead then turn right on the street Rue de la mairie. At the stop sign turn right and at the next one turn right. Turn right and pass by the castle. At the end of the park wall, turn left. Turn left then right and to the left once again. At the stop sign, turn right. At the roundabout turn right, cross the bridge of Assat.

**Step 3. From Assat to Notre Dame de Piétat.** Turn left, small path then turn right to cross a small dam then a footbridge. At the crossroads turn right on a track. At the crossroads in Baliros, turn right, cross a bridge and then turn left. Turn right on the track that goes up. Then turn left. At an old quarry follow the track in the middle. Pass by the fountain of Broucas. Go to the corner on the right on a kind of ridge in the forest and go down. Back on the road turn left and go up. At the top of the hill, turn left on the road Chemin de la Viossalaise. Stay on the path of the ridge continuing straight ahead. At the crossroads take the road D724 towards Notre-Dame-de-Piétat. Pass by the sanctuary.

**Step 4. From Notre Dame de Piétat to Arros de Nay..** After the sanctuary, turn left and go down. After a small wood, turn right. Pass by a housing estate and enter Saint-Abit. Turn right on the road Chemin de Larroudade. At the crossroads, Rue de Cardède, turn right towards the church and the castle crossing the road D37. In front of the castle of Arros turn left. Cross the road and continue straight ahead. Pass by the “basculé” (weighing machine) and then turn right and after 100m (? 328ft.) go up to the left into the housing estate Moun de Rey.

**Step 5. From Arros de Nay to Nay..** In the housing estate Moun de Rey, at the end of the track take a path to the right. 1km (? 0.62mi.) further turn left twice. Go down for 1km (? 0.62mi.). At the crossroads with a cross, go up to the left then go down. The view of Nay is very beautiful. In Nay, continue straight ahead. Cross the road D936 and continue straight ahead. In front of the fire station turn right along the Gave. Cross the Claracq bridge to the left. At the roundabout turn right. Reach the riverbank of the Gave. Turn left in front of the former mill (la Minoterie), then turn right. Go straight ahead in the no-through road (dead end).

**Step 6. From Nay to Montaut.** Turn left towards Coarraze then right. After 200m (? 656ft.), turn left then right, in front of the secondary school. At the stop sign, turn right then left. Cross the railway bridge and turn right. At the roundabout straight on. Pass by the church of Coarraze and turn right the bridge and the road Rue de la textile. Turn left on the road Rue des Pyrénées. At the stop sign turn right on the street Rue de l’Ermitage. Turn left on the road Rue du martinet. At the sports hall, turn left then turn right twice. Turn left on the cycle path toward Lestelle-Bétharram. Cross the road D35 and ride for 3km (? 1.86mi.). Turn left, the crossroads with a Cross in Lestelle-Bétharram, then turn right then left, go down on a path. Turn right, at the riverbank of the Gave and go along for 1km (? 0.62mi.). Go up steps to rejoin the road, cross the bridge of the sanctuaries and turn immediately to the left. Follow a path along a field. Cross a small bridge and go up to the left on the road Rue Blanquine. Turn right then left to come back to the start.

### À ne pas manquer

- **The lake of Sargaillouse.** The lake of Sargaillouse in Coarraze
- **The bridge of Assat.** Le Pont d'Assat
- **The sanctuaries of Bétharram..** Les sanctuaires de Bétharram
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- **The sanctuary of Notre-Dame-de-Piétat.** Sanctuaire Notre-Dame-de-Piétat

### Attention

- Be careful on the road
- Sections on different levels

### Recommandations utiles

Appel d’urgence : **112**

Préservez-vous

Préservez la nature

Respectez la montagne

Les montagnes basques et béarnaises sont des espaces pastoraux. Evitez de partir avec votre chien. Dans tous les cas, tenez-le en laisse. Merci !



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