



Parc
naturel
régional
de Brière



FROM THE THATCHED COTTAGES TO THE MARSHES *Herbignac / Saint-Lyphard*



20.5 km



1 hour 40



Departure: Place du Général d'Argencé - Herbignac



Arrival: Village of Kerhinet - Saint-Lyphard

Characteristics:

- Itinerary on quiet roads and cycle paths
- CAP à Vélo route



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After crossing through Herbignac and the surrounding countryside, come and explore the Château de Ranrouët, a medieval fortress and remains of the history of Brittany. After this stop, you will cross through the villages of the Brière Regional Nature Park to reach Saint-Lyphard, where you will discover the typical architecture of the Brière thatched cottages. On the way, don't hesitate to stop off for a barge or horse-drawn carriage ride to discover the secrets of the marshland. Between nature and history, you are spoilt for choice!



TO SEE ON THE WAY...

• **The Château de Ranrouët**

Rue de Ranrouët - Herbignac - Tel. +33 (0)2 40 88 96 17 www.labaule-guerande.com - ranrouet@cap-atlantique.fr

In the shade of hundred-year-old oaks, this prestigious vestige of the medieval era, both a fortress and a seigneurial residence, remains a key witness to the history of Brittany. Listed as a Historic Monument, the Château de Ranrouët is a magnificent example of the evolution of military architecture from the 13th to the 17th century. The many events organised here will plunge you into the medieval world, with events that are suitable for the whole family.

Opening period: April to September and during the autumn half-term holidays - Guided tours are organised.

• **A 360° view of the Brière**

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The Tourist Office team invites you to discover the Brière from a 360° perspective, from the top of the bell tower of Saint-Lyphard, where a breathtaking view of the Brière marshes and the surrounding area awaits you (the bridge of Saint-Nazaire, the collegiate church of Guérande). This surprising tour, up a spiral staircase and a miller's ladder, will lead you to the heart of the bell tower where a permanent exhibition is on display among the vaults and the 3 bells: Céline, Marcelline and Jeanne-Marie. 'Budding detectives' are invited to solve various riddles and uncover the 'mystery' word. Opening period: all year round.

• **The village of Kerhinet**

Kerhinet - Saint-Lyphard - Tel. +33 (0)2 40 24 34 44
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Discover the history of this village of traditional thatched cottages, a magnificent testimony to the architecture of the Brière region, entirely refurbished by the Brière Regional Nature Park. On the visitor's trail, learn about the life and customs of its inhabitants as you pass by the village washhouse, the bread oven and the 18 thatched cottages. La Chaumière des Saveurs et de l'Artisanat has a wide range of local products for sale.

Opening period: all year round - Self-guided or guided tours.



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• **The soul of the Brière**

Nearly 3000 roofs in the Park's territory are covered with vegetation, which represents 60% of French thatched houses. This heritage has been preserved and renewed thanks to the combined efforts from the Brière Regional Nature Park and local, regional and communal authorities who have provided the financial support for the restoration of a large number of thatched cottages. The thatched cottage, with its reed covering, is a key feature of the Brière landscape, since it was established in the middle of the 17th century. Modest at first, it often provided shelter for a single room, with a low volume, largely covered by a thatched roof. The thick wallshave the typical door-window-lucarne trio openings and meager dimensions imposed by the climate and the tax payable for openings.



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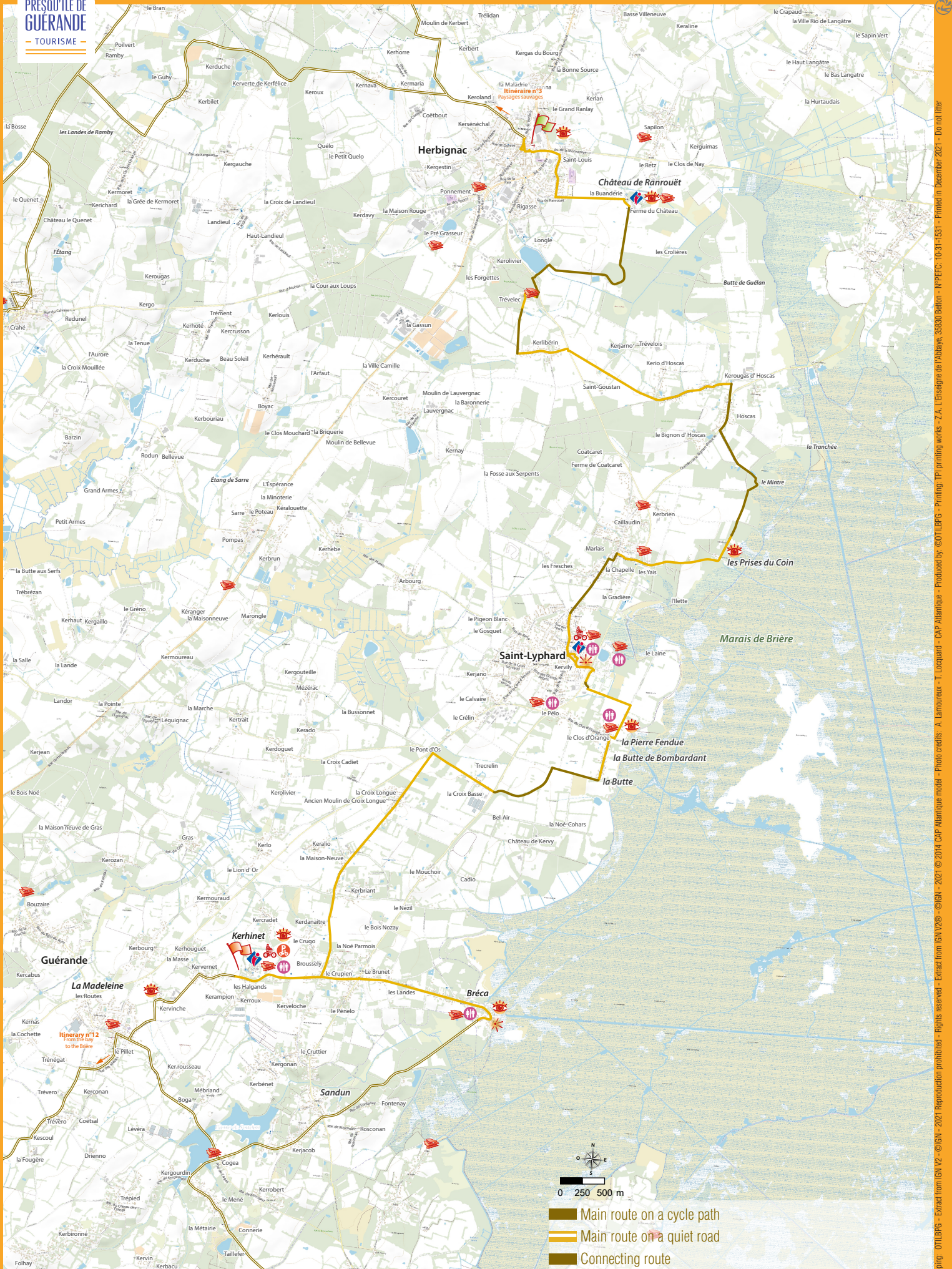
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- Main route on a cycle path
- Main route on a quiet road
- Connecting route