

# The Bois de Cauchy Valley

## (La vallée du bois de Cauchy)

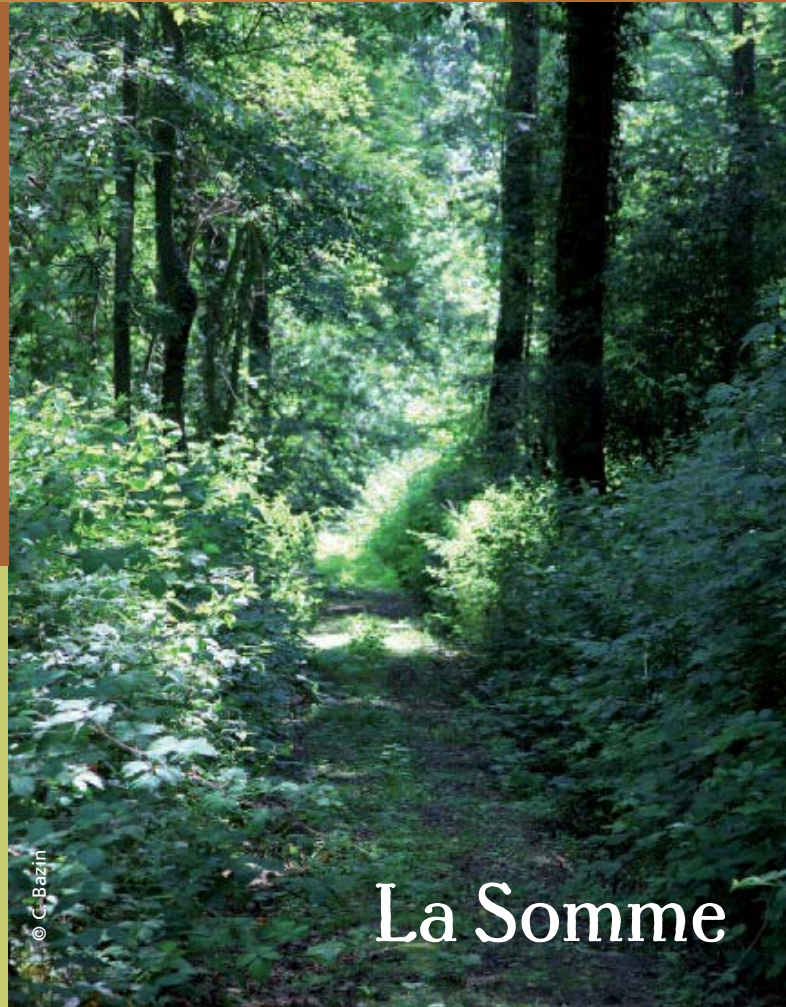
A stroll among the woods and plains taking you to the heart of the Haute Somme with its traditional agriculture.

🕒 Time: 2 hours

📏 Distance: 6 km

🚶 Route: easy

📍 **Leaving from:** Church in Aizecourt-le-Bas



## La Somme

- ① Your walk begins at the church of Aizecourt-le-Bas, which lies outside the village. Circle it to the right, then walk up the lane.
  - ▶ Notice the plaque on the farm opposite, commemorating the fact that three villagers died there for France on 28<sup>th</sup> June 1944. Their comrades were taken prisoner, shot, or deported.
- ② Enjoy the view of the plain. Bear left, then right. At the wayside cross, turn right and follow the Chemin de Guerre. Turn right and head down towards Templeux-la-Fosse.
  - ▶ Admire the stonework of the old mill in Templeux-la-Fosse, dating from the 16th century, the church of the Nativité-de-la-Sainte-Vierge, rebuilt after the First World War, and the castle.
- ③ Go into Templeux-la-Fosse, and take the first street on the right. Follow it along, then turn right onto the road, then left to walk up towards the Bois de Gurлу. Walk through the wood, taking care not to stray from the path.
- ④ Turn right onto the road, to walk alongside the Bois de Gurлу.
- ⑤ Turn right to continue through the Bois de l'Épinette, down towards the Bois de Cauchy Valley.
- ⑥ Turn left, and after 25 m turn right to dip down to Aizecourt-le-Bas once more.



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### Of interest

#### Louis-Roch Plomion

Louis-Roch Plomion, a battalion commander during the Revolution and under the Empire, was born in Aizecourt-le-Bas on 15th August 1764 and died in Péronne on 21st August 1847. He was an Officer in the Legion of Honour, and received a Sword of Honour from First Consul Napoléon Bonaparte for his bravery. Commander Plomion was on active service for thirty-two years, in twenty-three campaigns. In particular, he fought in the Austrian, Prussian and Polish wars, between Year XIV (1805) and 1807, with the Grande Armée. After being retired in 1814, he settled in Péronne, where he was held in high regard.

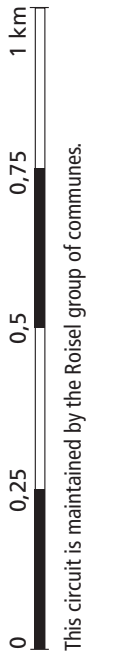
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**In the vicinity**

11 km away, Péronne: Historial de la Grande Guerre, Hôtel de Ville, Hardines or floating market gardens, Musée Alfred-Danicourt, church of Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Étang du Cam, Porte de Bretagne, Ramparts, etc.  
 9 km away, Rancourt: French Chapel of Remembrance. This is the largest French necropolis in the Department of the Somme. The commune has the sad privilege of hosting three of these large cemeteries: French, British and German.  
 6 km away, Guyencourt-Saulcourt: a village renowned for its floral displays, rewarded with the Entente Florale Europe Competition Gold Medal in 2010.

Route not suitable for motor sports.  
 This walk is inadvisable during the hunting season.



Signage

- Route continues
- Change of direction
- Wrong direction

This circuit is maintained by the Roisel group of communes.