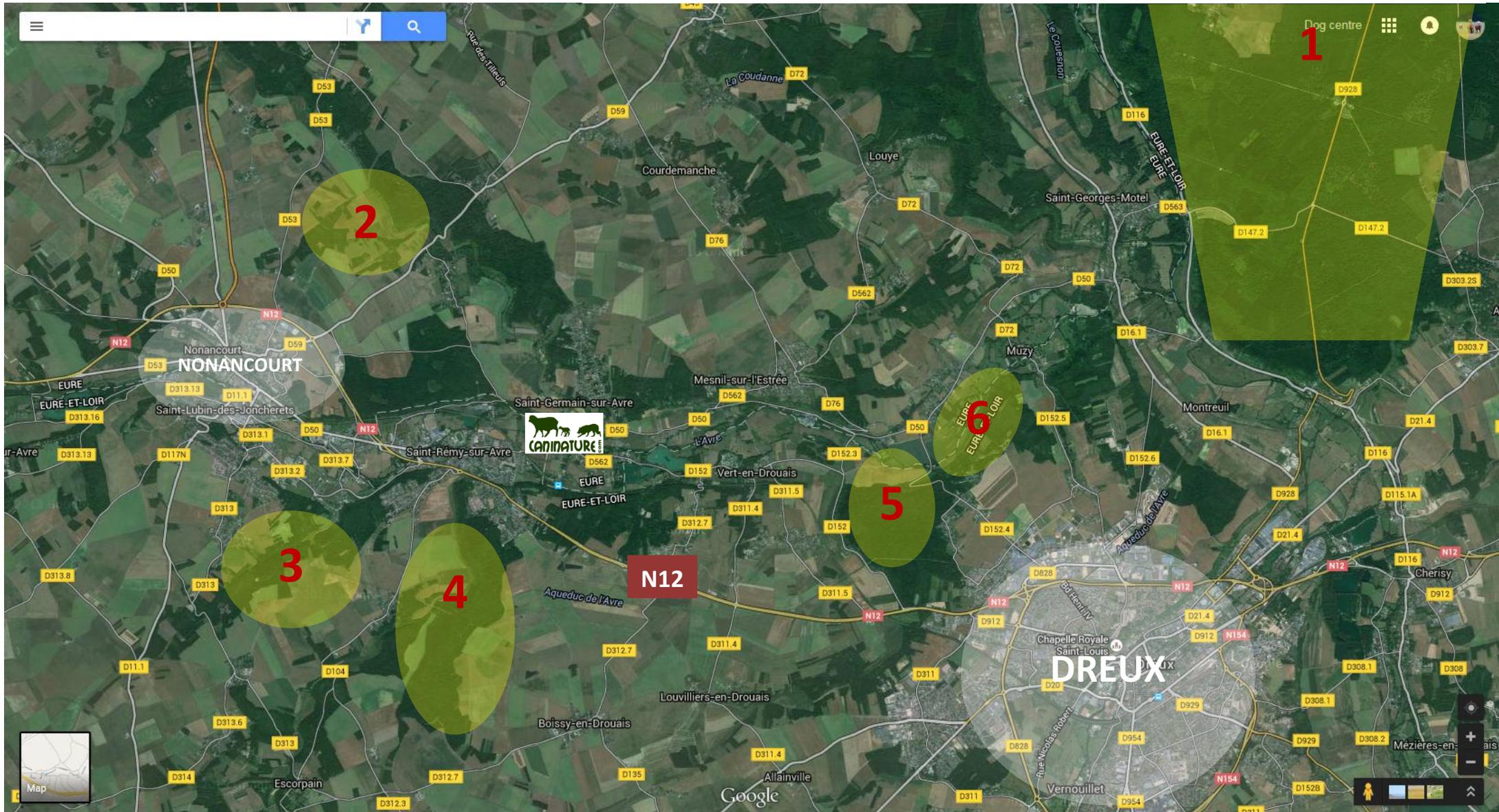


## NICE DOG WALKS NEAR



All these are also suitable for cycling.

1. Big forest with many walking paths. A bit further to drive. No hunting allowed.
2. Mix of fields and forest, about 40 minutes. Drive through cute village to get there.
3. Mix of field and forest. Can be made shorter or longer, up to 1.5 hours.
4. Mix of fields and forest. Can be made shorter or longer, up to 2 hours.
5. Forest walk. Can be made short or long, up to 1.5 hours. Possible to connect with walk 6.
6. Mostly in fields, follows river with nice bathing spots. About 40 minutes.  
In summer, there can be many people here, especially in the weekends.



# 1/ FORET DOMINIALE DE DREUX

Drive into the forest from the village St Georges Motel, and park in one of the designated parkingings, for example by the Octagonal Pavillion.

From each parking place there are several paths to take.

The forest of Dreux covers an area of 3405 hectares and is located on a plateau with an average altitude of 130 meters. In Gallic times it was called “The Crothais forest” (a Celtic word meaning cave); the nearby village of Croth is from these times. Until the 1556 this was the Royal Forest and the property of Henry II. It then passed successively to several families until it was incorporated into the state domaine 1917. Since 1966 it is administered by the National Forestry Office.

Traditionally hunted with hounds, the forest had a state-of-the-art network of roads and alleys forming a star converging to the Octagonal Pavilion, built in 1756 by Count d'Eu. Other interesting sites: The Polissoirs (Neolithic era), the Robertière castle (ruins from the 12th century), the archaeological site of Fort Harrouard, la Croix de la Tasse (1730), and the castle of Sorel.

On 26 December 1999, an exceptional storm devastated 82% of the forest. More than 100,000 trees were felled, the equivalent of 75,000 m3 of wood (over 6 annual harvests).

Detailed map:

<http://www.123randonnee.fr/data/IndeXysBibliothèqueHTML/contenu/DEPLIANT-FD-Dreux-recto.pdf>

A/ The Octagonal pavillion

B/ Croix de la Tasse

C/ The Robertière castle

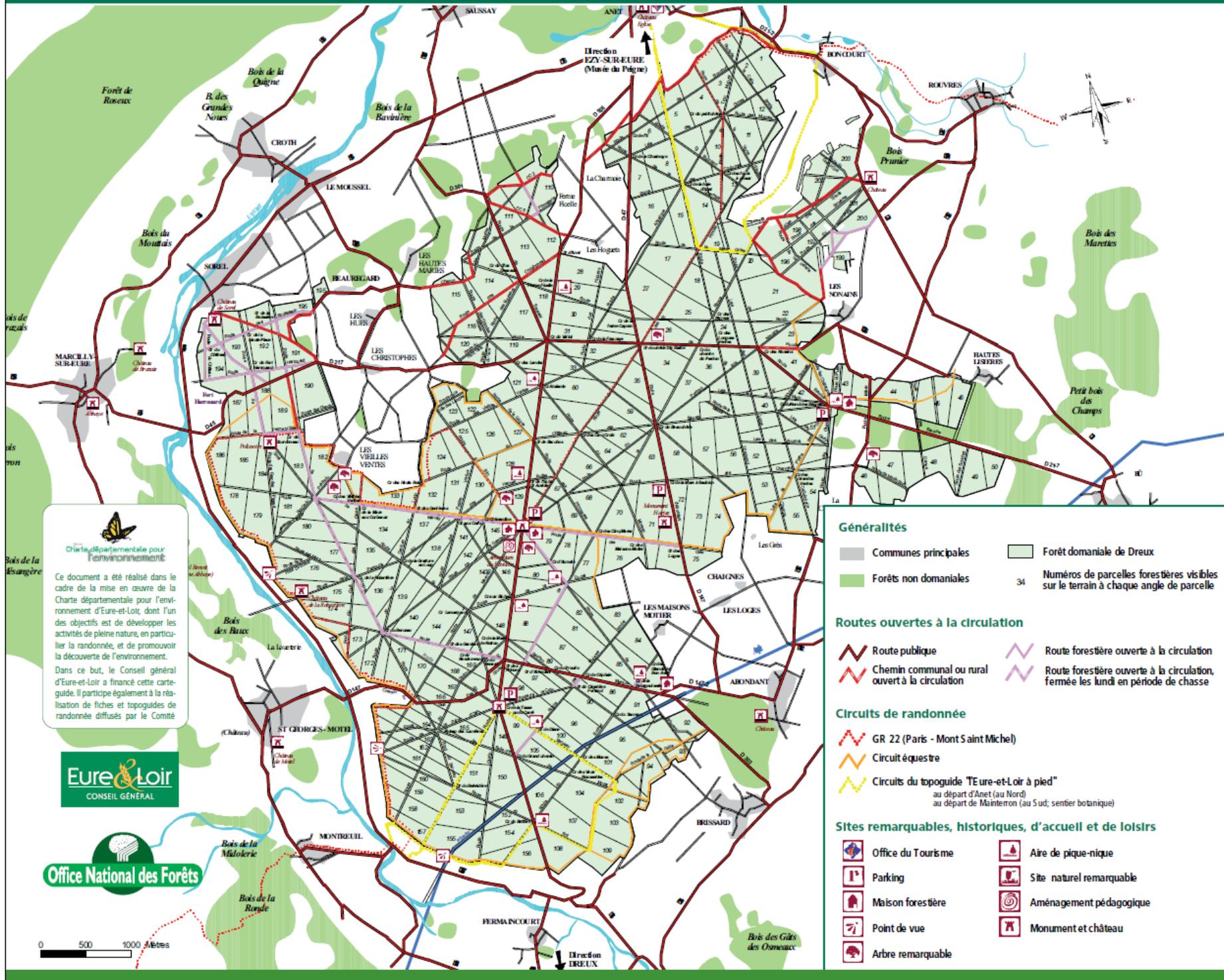
D/ Castle of Anet

E/ Castle of Sorel

F/ Other castles



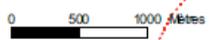
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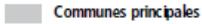
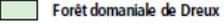
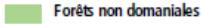
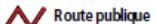
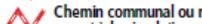
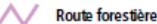
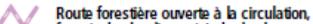
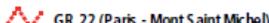
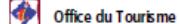
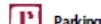
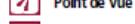
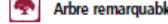
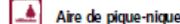


  
Charte départementale pour l'environnement

Ce document a été réalisé dans le cadre de la mise en œuvre de la Charte départementale pour l'environnement d'Eure-et-Loir, dont l'un des objectifs est de développer les activités de pleine nature, en particulier la randonnée, et de promouvoir la découverte de l'environnement.

Dans ce but, le Conseil général d'Eure-et-Loir a financé cette carte-guide. Il participe également à la réalisation de fiches et topoguides de randonnée diffusés par le Comité



- ### Généralités
-  Communes principales
  -  Forêt domaniale de Dreux
  -  Forêts non domaniales
  -  Numéros de parcelles forestières visibles sur le terrain à chaque angle de parcelle
- ### Routes ouvertes à la circulation
-  Route publique
  -  Chemin communal ou rural ouvert à la circulation
  -  Route forestière ouverte à la circulation
  -  Route forestière ouverte à la circulation, fermée les lundi en période de chasse
- ### Circuits de randonnée
-  GR 22 (Paris - Mont Saint Michel)
  -  Circuit équestre
  -  Circuits du topoguide "Eure-et-Loir à pied"
  - au départ d'Anet (au Nord)  
au départ de Mainterron (au Sud; sentier botanique)
- ### Sites remarquables, historiques, d'accueil et de loisirs
-  Office du Tourisme
  -  Aire de pique-nique
  -  Parking
  -  Maison forestière
  -  Point de vue
  -  Arbre remarquable
  -  Site naturel remarquable
  -  Aménagement pédagogique
  -  Monument et château

## 2/ FONTAINE

Drive through the cute village of Fontaine. Park the car on the other side of the road D59.

The marked walk takes about 40 minutes and goes through forests and fields. You can include the paths to the left to make it longer.

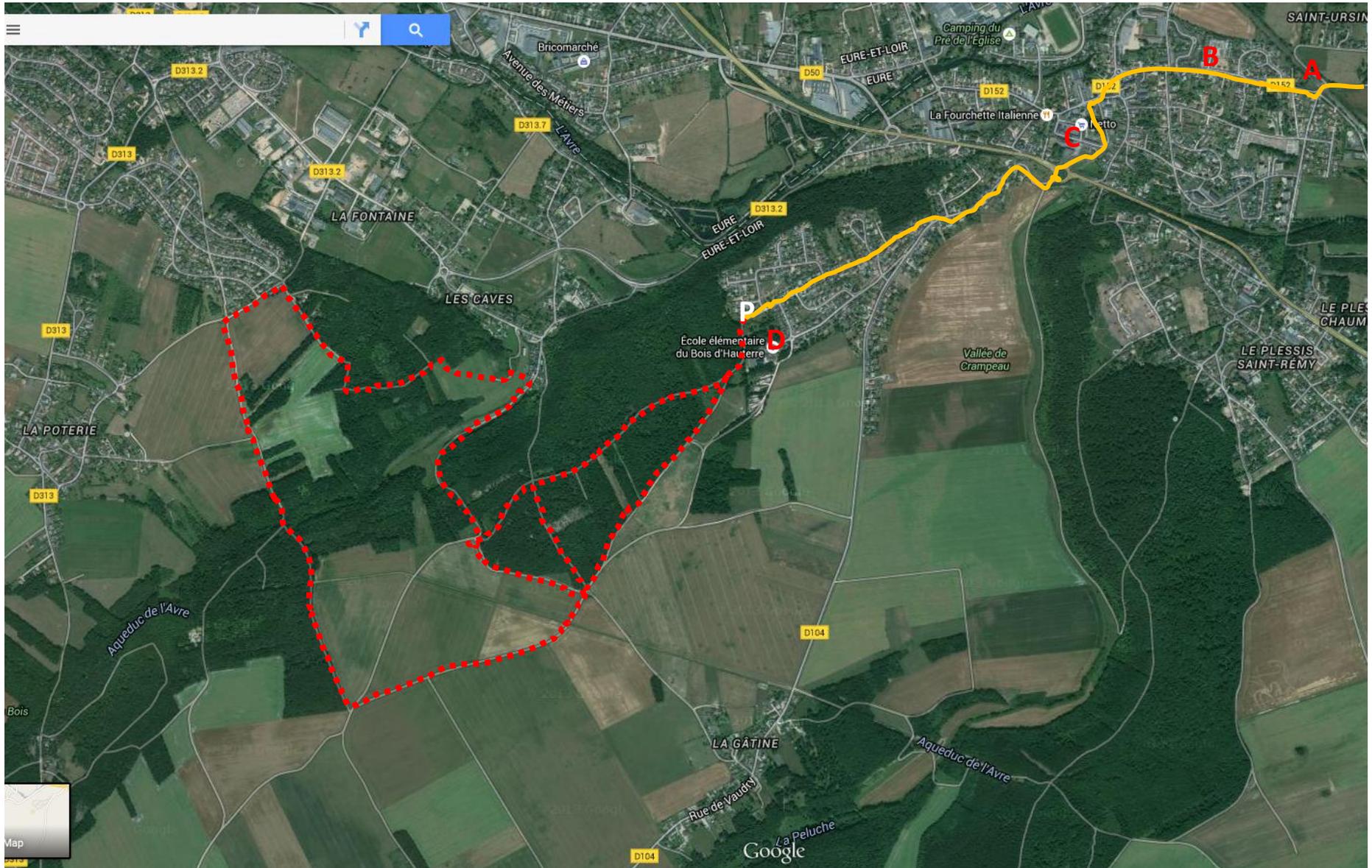


### 3/ LA GATINE

Drive past the supermarket Netto and the post office in St Remy. Go through the roundabout and take right in the Y-crossing in the village, parking behind the school.

There are many walking paths here, both through forests and fields. The shortest marked walk takes about 30 minutes, the longest 1.5 - 2hours.

- A/ Railroad crossing
- B/ Gendarmerie
- C/ Netto supermarket
- D/ School



## 4/ THE WATER TOWER

Drive past the supermarket Netto and the post office in St Remy. Turn left in the roundabout and take right by the small traffic light after about 300 meters. Keep right while driving through the residential area and then take into the woods after the little roundabout. Park by the water tower.

There are many walking paths here, both through forests and fields. The shortest marked walk takes about 30 minutes, the longest 1.5-2 hours.

- A/ Railroad crossing
- B/ Gendarmerie
- C/ Netto supermarket
- D/ Traffic light
- E/ Water tower



## 5/ VERT EN DROUAIS

Turn left outside Caninature, go across the three bridges over Avre and take the first left by the bus stop. Continue a couple of kilometres, through the village Vert en Drouais, to the T-crossing. Park right ahead, by the fence and the barrier.

Up to the right, behind the barrier, you have a path leading into the forest with many different walking paths. If you go straight from the car, between the two fences, you have the river Avre left up ahead where the dogs can go for a swim, and further on, across the street, walk 6.

- A/ Church
- B/ Barrier
- C/ River access
- D/ Walk 6



## 6/ BOURG L'ABBE

This is a quite short walk, but it follows the river Avre with two good bathing places for the dogs, and it can be combined with walk 5 to make it longer.

Turn right outside Caninature, then follow the road straight for about 3 kilometers to the village Bourg L'Abbé. Inside the village, take the first right and cross the river. Right after the bridge, turn left onto a small dirt road and park to the right under the trees.

The walk follows the small dirt road ahead with the river to the left. Stay on the road and turn up right at the first Y-crossing. Stay on top of the ridge for a few hundred meters, then turn left, following a small path down towards the river. This takes you to a nice picnic place and shaded beach for the dogs. Stay in the fields close to the river for the walk back to the car, where there is another nice place to swim for the dogs.

- A/ Bridge
- B/ Dog beach
- C/ Dog beach
- D/ Walk 5

