

Towards the remains of the aqueduct and the Pont du Gard

HIKING TRAIL N°2 6 km - 1 h 30

The very origin of the name VERS (from latin *versium* which means “water valley”) indicates the strong presence of water. Our village is built on a limestone massif from which many springs originate. The three main sources supply the wash houses built during the XIX century.

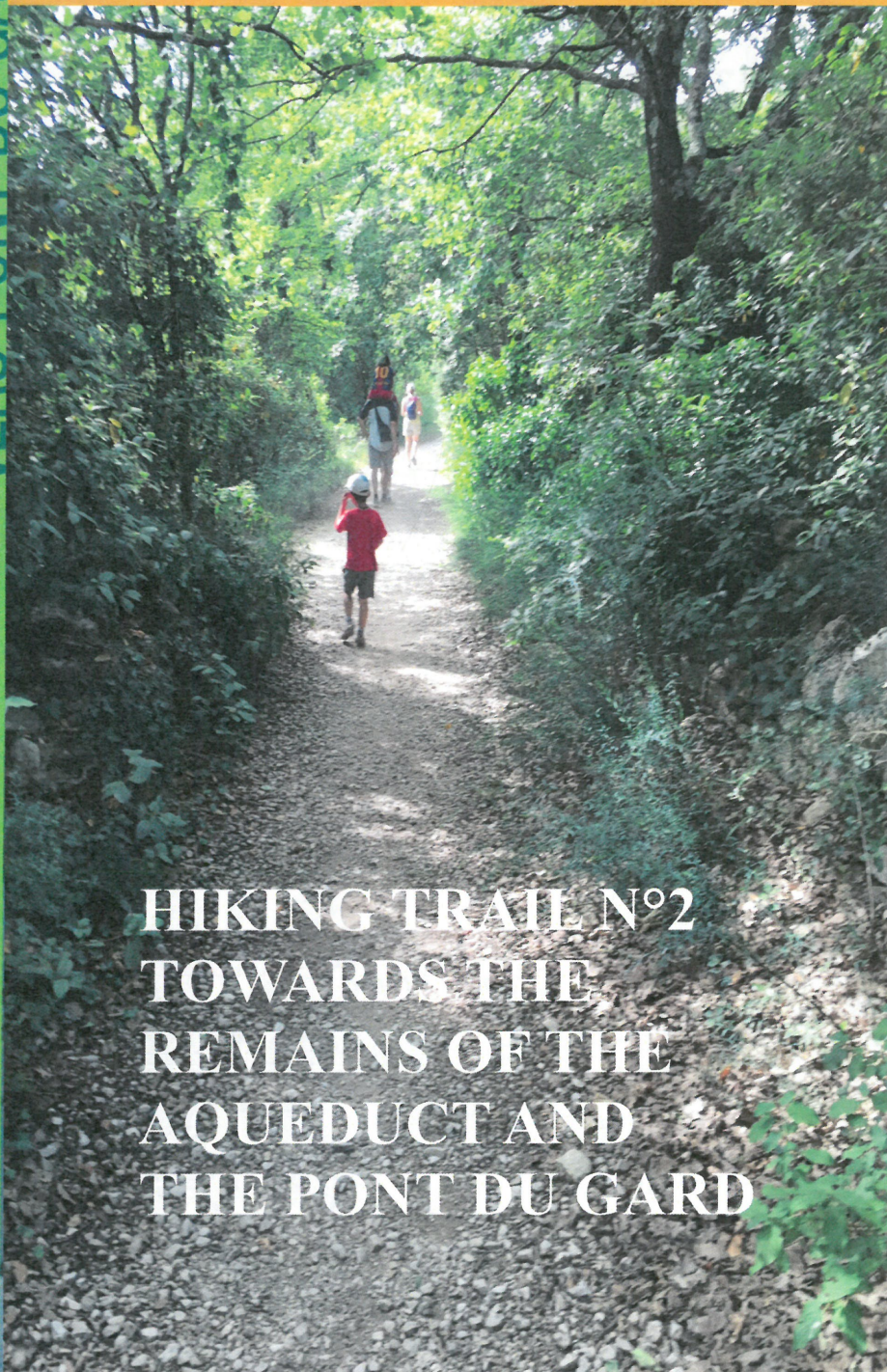
The fame of Vers’ stone (noble material, natural, with many properties), is due to its quarries that have been dug since classical times. The Romans used this golden stone to build the Pond du Gard, which is located on the territory of our village. To underline the proximity of this famous monument inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list, the village of VERS even decided to become VERS-PONT DU GARD in 1971!

In this context, this hike focuses on the discovery of the past and present stone path and on our cultural and natural heritage. You are invited to discover, through the vineyards and olive groves, our “capitelles” (*stone shelters made according to an ancient construction technique used by shepherds more than 500 years ago*), our wayside crosses, our limestone quarries and wash houses.

- 1 Start at the Grand Font wash house, on the Place de la Fontaine (fountain square)
- 2 Track of the Roman remains
- 3 Misserand wash house
- 4 The remains of the aqueduct : Pont de la Lône (Lône bridge)
- 5 Possibility to access to the Pont du Gard site (museum, Mémoires de Garrigues, Pont du Gard and beach) or to follow the ruins of the Roupt Bridge without crossing it, and continue straight ahead on the small track in the south direction
- 6 Saint Pierre Chapel
- 7 « La Maire» (little path flanked by stone walls) and back to the Place de la Fontaine (Fountain square)

A village of stone and water deep in the garrigue

VERS-PONT DU GARD



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