

## The “roman” way to Saint-Cergue

Often, when talking to the locals, I heard about this “roman” way to Saint-Cergue. I have therefore travelled this way and get informed about it.

The interesting fact is that this path is not very old and must have been built in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. However, magnificent ruts are existing along this path. It is because of the ignorance of the speed at which such ruts are cut in the stone that one thought that such paths were very old.

The origin of these ruts is simple to explain: when a waggon had to go down from Saint-Cergue one had to brake or even strangle the wheel. The wheels therefore, carved the stone so that in a short time, ruts appeared. These had, in addition the advantage to prevent the waggon to skid sideways.

Nevertheless, one suspects that Saint-Cergue was an important passing point at roman time. The ways, back then, were passing on the other bank of the Colline stream.

### **Price:**

For the current prices, please refer to the on-line programme.

This fee includes everything, except:

Transportation fees from the place of residence to the meeting point. Transportation by the organiser (4 seats available): CHF 5.-

Your own picnic, beverages, your personal expenses.

### **Level: 1 day hiking**

The level is easy.

### **Altitude gain:**

550 m

### **Duration:**

4h

### **Registration deadline:**

72h before start

### **Topographic maps:**

CN 1:25 000 no. 1261 Nyon

### **Meeting:**

8:00 AM at P+R Bernex

8:30 AM at Parking of Bois de la Dame (Trélex)

### **If you come by car**

Highway towards Lausanne, exit Nyon and take direction to Saint-Cergue.

### **Return:**

Around 4:00 PM at Parking of Bois de la Dame (Trélex)

Around 4:30 PM at P+R Bernex

Couldn't you find any scheduled date for this outing? Then please have a look at <http://www.destination-montagne.ch/En/Schedule.html>

web page.

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