

# DUREFORT TOWER



Hiking through a valley, a true oasis of tranquility, you will come to the highlands at 1,000 m altitude, where crops are grown. Immense panorama over the Sault area.

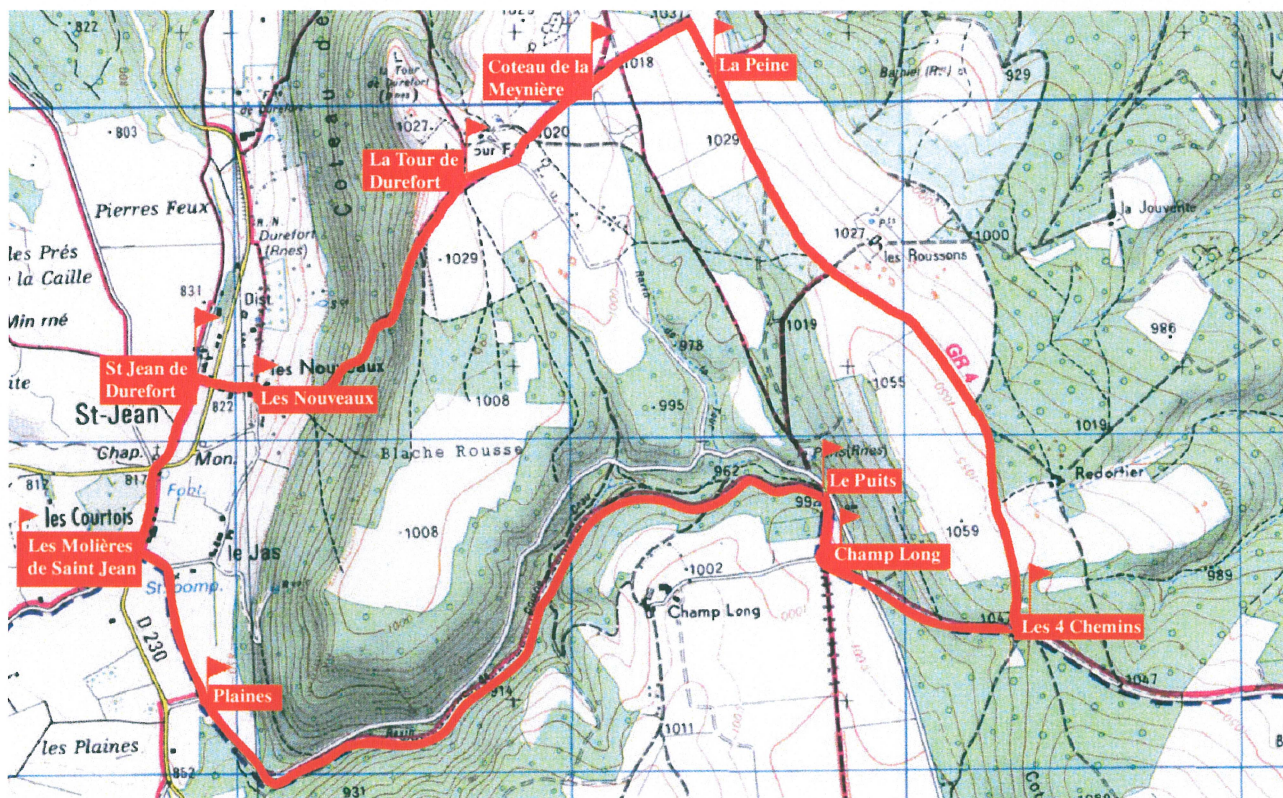
Distance: 8.5 km

Altitude change: 250 m

Lasts: 2 hours 50

Marking: white - red and yellow

Start from: St-Jean de Durefort



**Description:** Leave from the hamlet of Saint-Jean-de-Durefort

Hike 40 m into Saint-Jean, then, at the intersection on the "Abeille-Assoiffée" square, go on the left, on the "rue de la Pétanque" which turns into a stony path which leads to the chapel (fountain). Go to the south on the D 230, along the left shoulder, and go past "Les Courtois" to the end of the hamlet.

Go on the left 100m, in the direction of the Jas, then go to the right on the grassy path lined with trees.

Continue 300 m on this small road. As you enter a curve, go to the right on the path which goes up the Combe-Crau ravine. When the trail swings to the right, stay in the same direction on the path which grows narrower, then distances itself from the bottom of the thalweg. It is very shady, and reaches an intersection.

Go 200m on the path to the right. Take the small road which goes to Champ-Long on the left. Go past the intersection and go up facing the Quatre-Chemins.

Follow the path to the left (north), amid vast fields of fodder, cereals and lavender; overlooking Mont Ventoux, the Albion plateau, Ferrassières (26), Saint-Trinit (84), Revest-du-Bion (04), Lure mountain and the Préalpes du Sud). Continue straight, in front of the La Peine farm, swing to the left.

Leave the path to the right and continue straight. Pass the La Tour farm on the left, and come to a fork:

400 m northwest, past the peak, (1 027 m), view over the Durefort area on the highlands.

Keep to the southwest direction following the path in the middle of the grass. After a flat period, the downhill begins, (view of Saint-Jean, Monieux, Mont Ventoux, the Sault area). Then grows steeper. Again, take the road to reach Saint-Jean.