



**IMPLANTED IN THE HEART  
FROM SOUTHERN ARDECHE**



**The must-see sites !**



# THE CIRQUE DE GENS

The Cirque de Gens is indeed an exceptional place, shaped by millions of years of erosion by the Ardèche river. This natural site offers a breathtaking landscape, with the spectacular meander of the Ardèche winding between imposing cliffs. The limestone walls offer a striking decor, witnesses of time and the force of nature. While exploring this place, you are enveloped by vegetation typical of the south of France, filling the air with Mediterranean scents. The atmosphere that reigns here is imbued with calm and serenity, conducive to contemplation and connection with nature. The Cirque de Gens is truly magical, offering an immersive experience in a preserved and captivating natural setting. Explore the site by canoe. Going down the Ardèche by canoe is an unforgettable experience that will allow you to see the Cirque de Gens from a unique point of view! Departing from the campsite, come and discover spectacular landscapes along the river and enjoy the fine sand beach for a relaxing break in the heart of the site. The real postcard!

Each activity offers a unique perspective on this exceptional natural site. Whether you like canoeing, hiking or simply relaxing on the beach, the Cirque de Gens will charm you with its natural beauty and impressive landscapes.



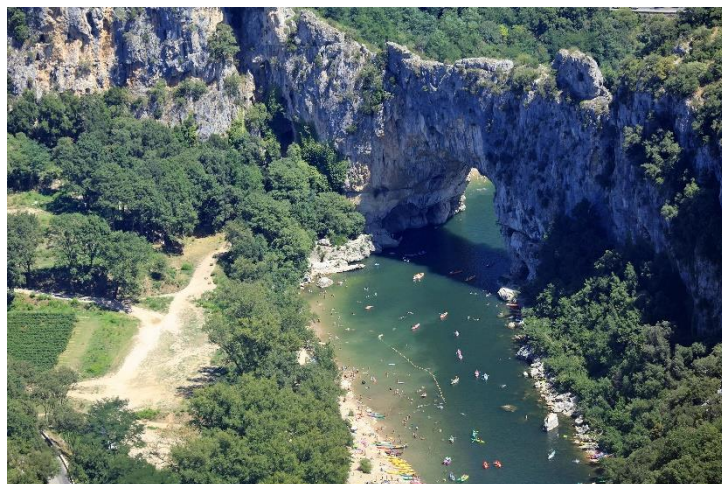




# THE GORGES OF ARDECHE

The Gorges de l'Ardèche tourist route is an experience not to be missed! Along the road, you will find 11 viewpoints offering exceptional views of the canyon. These stops allow you to admire the steep cliffs and wild beauty of the Gorges de l'Ardèche. Each lookout offers a unique perspective on this spectacular landscape. Located approximately 200 m above the river, you will be amazed by the view of the impressive cliffs and the grandiose landscape of the Gorges de l'Ardèche. By car or by bike, this route will allow you to discover exceptional natural landscapes. Treat yourself to an exceptional swimming setting, in the heart of a spectacular canyon and a preserved nature reserve. The fact that the Gorges de l'Ardèche is a protected nature reserve adds to their appeal. You can enjoy the crystal clear water of the Ardèche while being aware of the ecological richness and biodiversity of this preserved ecosystem. In addition to the refreshing water, you will enjoy incredible views of the cliffs and rock formations all around you.

In short, swimming in the Gorges de l'Ardèche is much more than a simple summer activity: it is a total immersion in an exceptional natural environment, where the beauty and preservation of nature combine to offer a memorable experience.





# PAÏOLIVE WOOD

The Païolive wood is a unique and fascinating place in Ardèche, offering an enchanting geological and plant landscape often described as a veritable labyrinth of rocks and vegetation. The trails wind through strange and jagged rock formations, creating a mysterious and intriguing environment. Erosion has remarkably shaped the limestone blocks into unique and inimitable natural sculptures. Strange and spooky shapes that create a magical place where the imagination can take hold. The Elephant: Imagine a huge rock whose shape is reminiscent of a majestic elephant. Its massive silhouette and rounded contours can evoke the power and grandeur of this emblematic animal. The Lion: Another block of limestone could suggest the shape of a reclining lion, with its mane sculpted by wind and erosion. The natural details of the rock could recall the majesty and ferocity of this king of the jungle. The Bear: A large rock with massive, rounded contours could be interpreted as an imposing bear. Perhaps its shapes evoke the powerful shoulders and stocky silhouette of this wild animal and many others...

In conclusion, the Païolive wood is a natural jewel of the Ardèche which deserves to be explored and appreciated for its wild beauty, mystical atmosphere and its fascinating history.



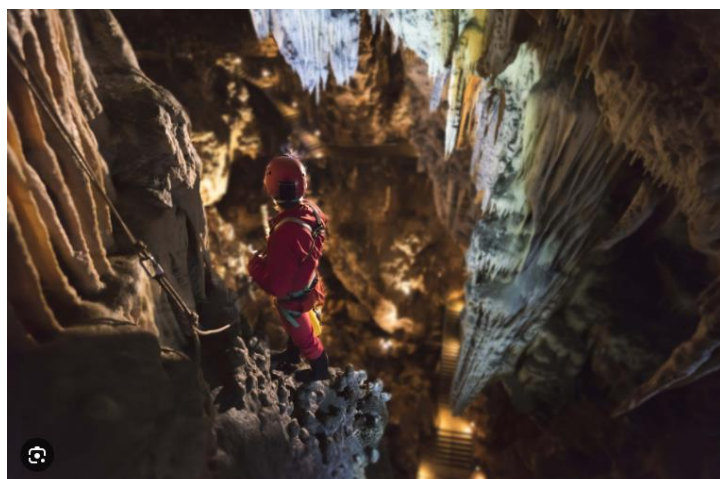




## THE AVEN D'ORGNAC

The Aven d'Orgnac is indeed a geological marvel located in Ardèche, offering a unique and magical experience to visitors. The adventure begins with the descent of 700 steps which take you 120 meters underground, into a fascinating underground world. This descent gives a taste of the immensity and grandeur of the rooms to be discovered further down. Once inside the cave, you will be amazed by the impressive size of the rooms, decorated with spectacular stalagmites and stalactites. These mineral formations, created slowly by dripping over millennia, are truly magnificent and a testament to the patience of nature. A subtle play of lights is used to illuminate the rock formations. The play of shadows and reflections amplifies the magical atmosphere of the cave, creating a captivating visual experience. With its exceptional beauty and its geological importance, the Aven d'Orgnac is recognized as one of the world's benchmarks for the underground environment. Visitors have the chance to discover a unique and preserved ecosystem, where time seems to have stood still.

Literally immerse yourself in a breathtaking underground universe, where every corner reveals a new wonder of nature. It's an unforgettable experience that transports you to a magical world.

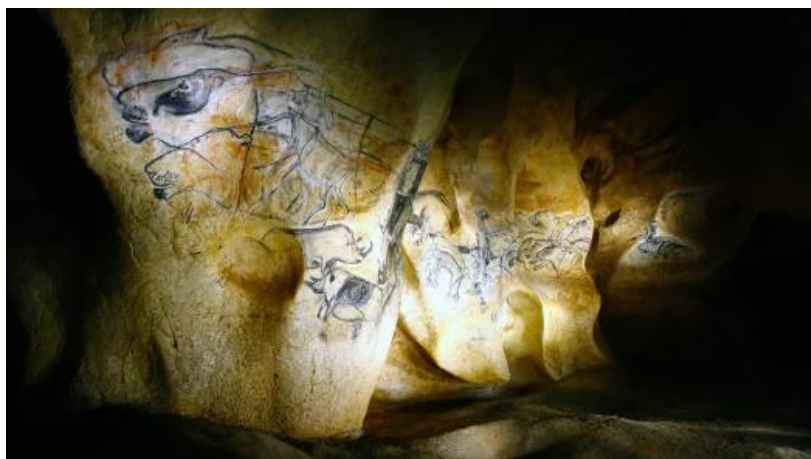




## CHAUVET CAVE 2

The Chauvet Cave, discovered in 1994, is an exceptional site housing prehistoric drawings dating back more than 36,000 years, making it the oldest testimony of art in the history of Humanity. Its exceptional value led to it being listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2014. Chauvet Cave 2 identically recreates the prehistoric frescoes and drawings that adorn the walls of the original cave. You will be able to contemplate the fascinating artistic representations left by our ancestors, including animals such as lions, horses, rhinos, and many others. In addition to the decorated walls, the reproduction also includes the floors, ceilings and archaeological remains discovered in the original cave. This helps recreate the authentic environment in which the first prehistoric artists lived. An immersive and educational experience, allowing you to delve into prehistoric history and art with an exceptional level of detail. This faithful reproduction allows this unique cultural treasure to be preserved and shared with the public, while respecting the preservation of the original cave for future generations.

A unique experience in the heart of a 29-hectare park. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. An immersion into the lives of our ancestors.







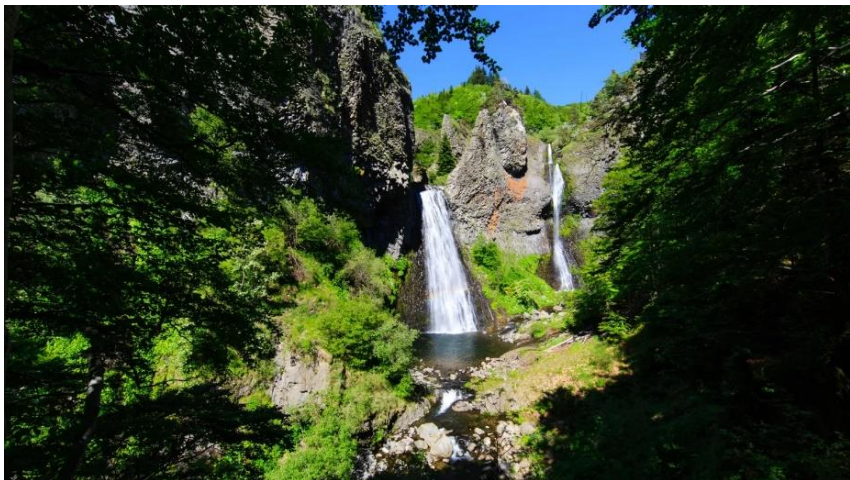
# THE CHASSEZAC

The Chassezac gorges are a magnificent and preserved place, offering exceptional natural wealth. The limestone cliffs that border the Chassezac create a spectacular and impressive landscape. For climbing enthusiasts and nature sports lovers, these rock walls provide ideal terrain for outdoor adventures. Trails winding along the cliffs offer panoramic views of the river and surrounding area. It's a magical experience in the heart of nature. Observing species such as the beaver, the genet, the bats, or the peregrine falcon in their natural habitat is a unique opportunity. The Chassezac gorges are also an ideal place for swimming and fishing. You can enjoy the clear waters of the river to cool off on hot summer days.

A little paradise for nature lovers and outdoor activity enthusiasts.

Whether you like hiking, climbing, swimming or simply relaxing while contemplating breathtaking landscapes, this preserved place offers an unforgettable getaway in the heart of Ardèche.





# THE RAY PIC WATERFALL

The Ray-Pic waterfall is a natural wonder located in the Monts d'Ardèche Regional Natural Park. A first roadside viewpoint offers an overview of the Ray-Pic waterfall. This is a great vantage point to take in the beauty and impressive waterfall before joining the trail leading closer to the waterfall. Walking through the forest offers an immersive nature experience, with illustrated panels tracing the geological and volcanic origins of this remarkable site. This meeting between water and volcanic rocks creates a unique and fascinating natural spectacle. Although the pure water of the waterfall may seem tempting, it is important to note that swimming there is prohibited for safety reasons.

The Ray-Pic waterfall is a powerful and unpredictable natural site, and it is essential to follow the instructions to guarantee the safety of all visitors.

It's an ideal location for hiking enthusiasts and geology enthusiasts, offering an unforgettable getaway into the heart of this remarkable region. A spectacular and preserved volcanic landscape, wild and authentic nature.





# LES GORGES DE L'ARDÈCHE

## LES INCONTOURNABLES



Discover the natural and cultural treasures of Ardeche: explore other unmissable sites!

