

« MONT DE L'OUEST » TRAIL



Length: 6.9 km

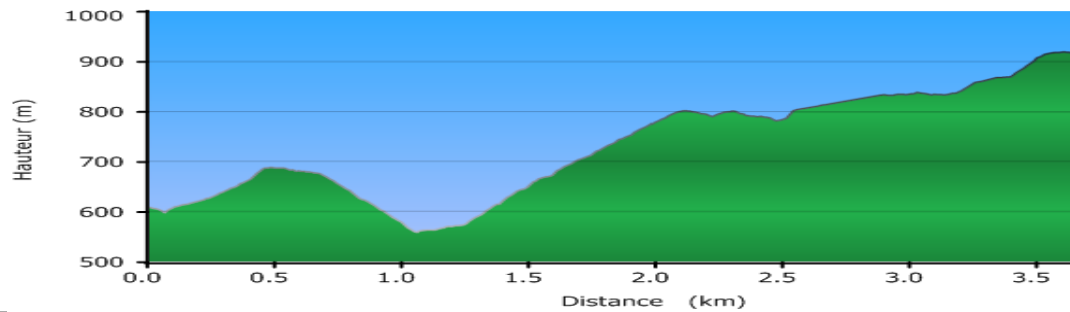
Type: round-trip

Difficulty level: difficult

Elevation: 300 metres

Starting point: the IAT junction with the old Montagne route in Valcourt (via the Route 4 of the Matane wildlife reserve)

PROFILE OF THE HIKE

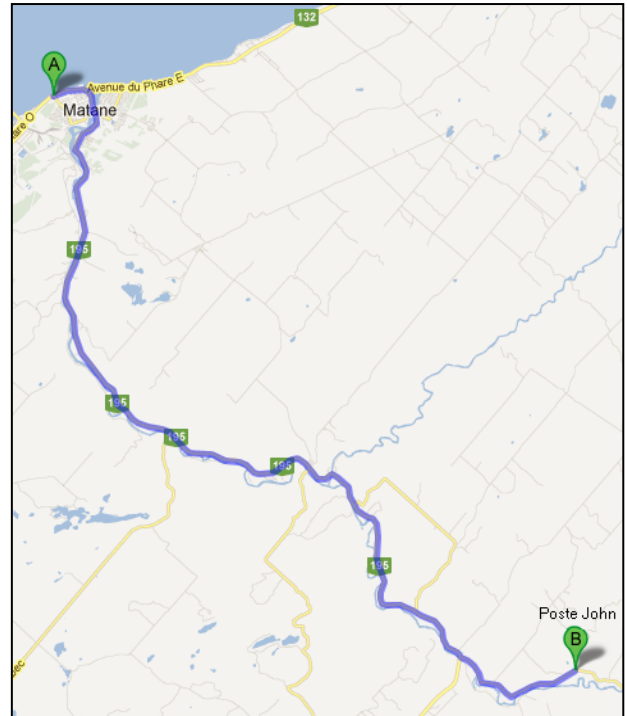


ACCESS POINT DESCRIPTION

The starting point of this hike is accessible via Route 4 of the Matane wildlife reserve (the route 4 and Route 1 junction is 22,0 kilometres from the John registration centre). Take Route 4 and reach the starting point of the “mont de l’Ouest” trail, 6,2 kilometres further. Because of its steep climb, it is preferable to use a 4x4. **WARNING:** at 5,6 kilometres from the start, it is important to not miss a turnoff to the left. This turnoff is actually the old layout of this route and allows you to reach the starting point, 600 metres further.

DESCRIPTION OF THE HIKE

From the starting point, head west on the IAT, all the way to the junction of the “Mont de l’Ouest” access trail, 2,5 kilometres further. Get on this access trail from the north (right) all the way to a loop junction 400 metres further. Follow the loop to the right and the climb will become a little steep, as you reach the 992 metres high summit. On the way to the top, hikers get peeks of the surrounding sceneries. From the top, end the loop with another 400 metres and get back on the IAT. Back on the IAT, retrace your steps to the starting point. Near the starting point, you can find the “montage à Valcourt” campsite. Two rustic camping platforms and a lean-to-type shelter, as well as a dry toilet, are available for hikers.



LOCALISATION

From Matane, get on the 195 for approximately 35 kms. After the St-René village, turn to your left on the secondary route which brings you to the Matane wildlife reserve. There is only 5 kms left before the John registration centre.



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SENTIER DU MONT DE L'OUEST

Route principale
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0 0,5 1 km

Equidistance des courbes : 50 pieds



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