



Chemin de CLUNY : GUYENNE - GASCOGNE

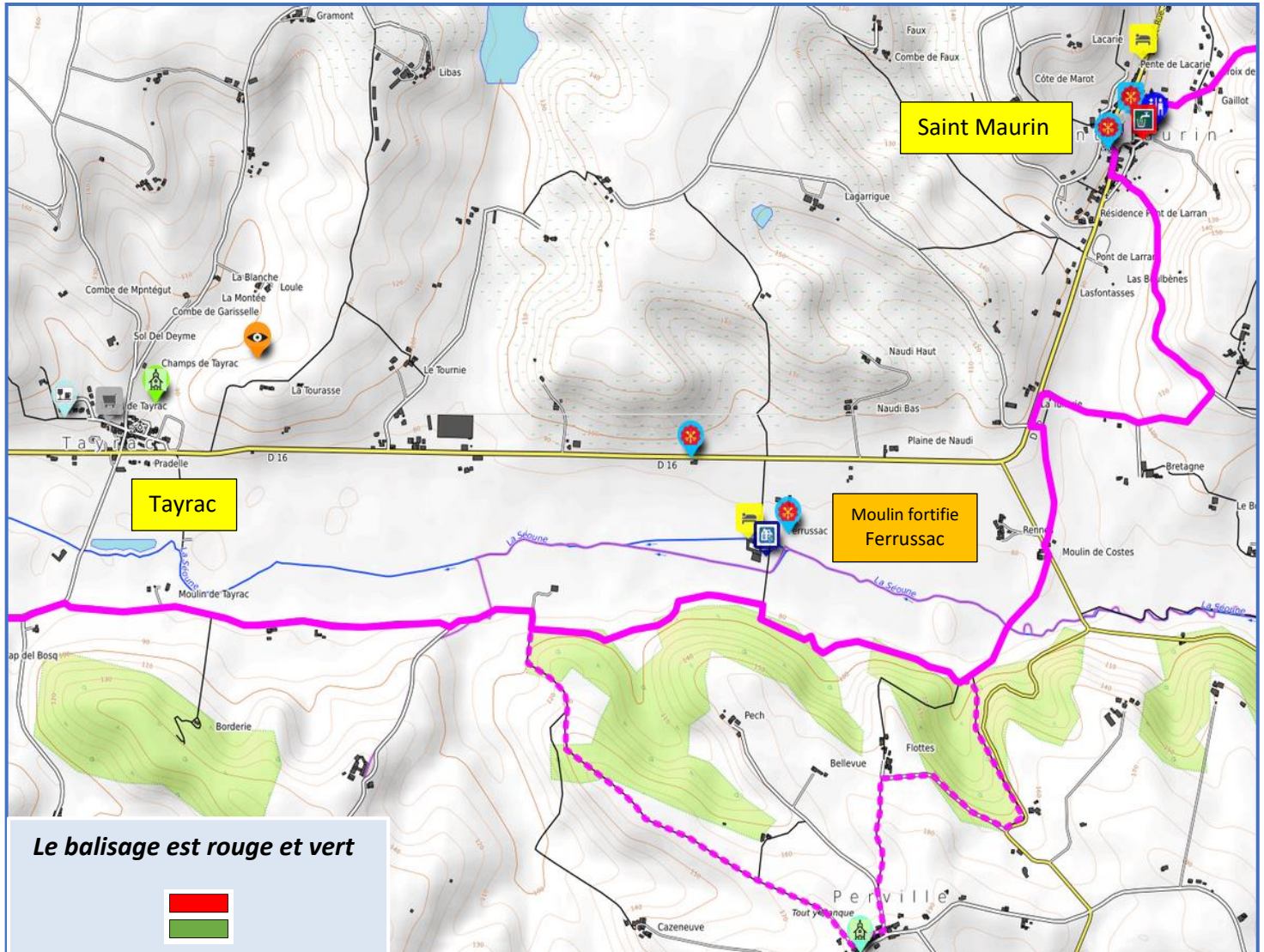


DIRECTION EAST - WEST : AGEN - MOISSAC



STAGE 6 Bis A : Saint Maurin – Perville –Tayrac

Section length: 9.4 km Allow : 2h 40mn Height difference : + 267m /- 243m Difficulty: Medium



Saint Maurin is 25km from Agen and 25km from Moissac

Park in the village square. Walk starts here.

In St. Maurin it is well worth visiting the remains of the ancient Benedictine Cluniac abbey. Follow the arrows of the bilingual information signs, taking you from the cloisters to the choir, passing the absidioles, the clock tower and the Abbot's garden.

During the summer there are late afternoon guided visits of the abbey. The ethnographic museum in the abbey building is also open between 15.00hrs and 19.00hrs.

Leave the village square beside the ancient half-timbered house.

Turn right towards village street.

Turn left. Pass in front of the shop and turn left at next junction.

Cross straight over next junction (**direction Montjoi**) and walk ahead up the winding road.

At the top of the hill, turn right on a shady path which descends between fields.

Where the path joins a tarmac track keep ahead to reach the road **(D16)**.

Turn left and after about **100m**, turn left onto a grassy track which descends to a hedge.

Turn right and keep alongside the mill stream between the hedge and an orchard of plum trees.

Cross the road diagonally and follow the track beside the property **Val de Costes**.

Cross the bridge.

A little further on leave the main footpath and follow the variant to Perville

The variant turns very sharp left and climbs through woods, passing a lavoir and two small rivulets.

Near the containers, turn right and follow the road.

Just after a house turn left up a grassy track (higher up, good views behind of St Maurin).

Where the track joins a tarmac road, turn left towards the village.

Turn right near the wayside cross. Walk through the village and climb the steps near the church.

Left of the cemetery gate, follow the wall to the footpath which leads back down to the valley, first along a ridge, then through woods and finally at the edge of the woods.

Below, at the corner of the woods, you rejoin the lower track of the chemin de Cluny.

Keep on down for a few metres, then turn left onto a stony track which leads up to a tarmac road.

Here keep ahead along the contour. Views of Tayrac on your right.

At the junction, turn right and walk along the road to the village.

