



Maison Felix

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A charming holiday cottage at the foot of Cordes sur Ciel

Walks

From Maison Felix, there are walks in all directions, long and short. Signposts in the village with colour coding, distances and times cater for the more serious hiker, and there are maps and directions for walks taking an hour or two in the house.

For a level stroll, taking less than an hour, leave the house and walk through the square and over the river, and you will find there is a track on the left the other side of the bridge. You can wander between the fields and the river for a while before joining the quiet lane between the hills away from Cordes, with the river on your left.

After a while you will reach a watermill on the left and a splendid building with battlements on the right. Keep going a short way after this until you see a track on the left. This takes you over the river Cerou on an ancient stone bridge which, from its

name, must once have been used by donkeys. This is the perfect site for a selfie....



After the bridge, continue along the edge of the fields with the bridge behind you. In late summer there will be blackberries and sloes in the hedge. After two or three fields you will reach a tarmac lane. Turn left onto the lane, and follow the road back towards Maison Felix. Not long after the beautiful water mill, there

is a fork to the left down to the back of Maison Felix. Last time we did this walk, a splendid ginger cat followed us all the way round. We rewarded him with a dish of cream when we got home!

Another of our favourite walks, taking longer than an hour, is covered by the directions in the house, and takes in the little Church of Campes. For this one, you set off from the left of the main square at the foot of Cordes towards the fire station, and then bear left up a steep chalky track with wild cornflowers. This is quite a steep



climb, best for a cooler time of day, but you are rewarded with a truly fabulous view looking back at Cordes when you reach the top.

Continue along the ridge, with great views of the countryside, and you will be surprised how quickly Cordes disappears from view. After a while you will reach a tarmac road. Bear left here and head

downhill for quite some time towards a village and some houses until you take a turning on the left

This road takes you downhill, back towards Cordes, past a small guest house, La Bouriette, and past the little Church. At the fork, some time after the church, keep left, and keep walking until you reach the main road into Cordes. Here you can turn left to get back to where you started, but don't do this. Cross the road, and follow the track opposite which takes you around the foot of Cordes and past the allotments. You may see a donkey too. A track to the left will take you back up to Cordes, just opposite the tourist office.