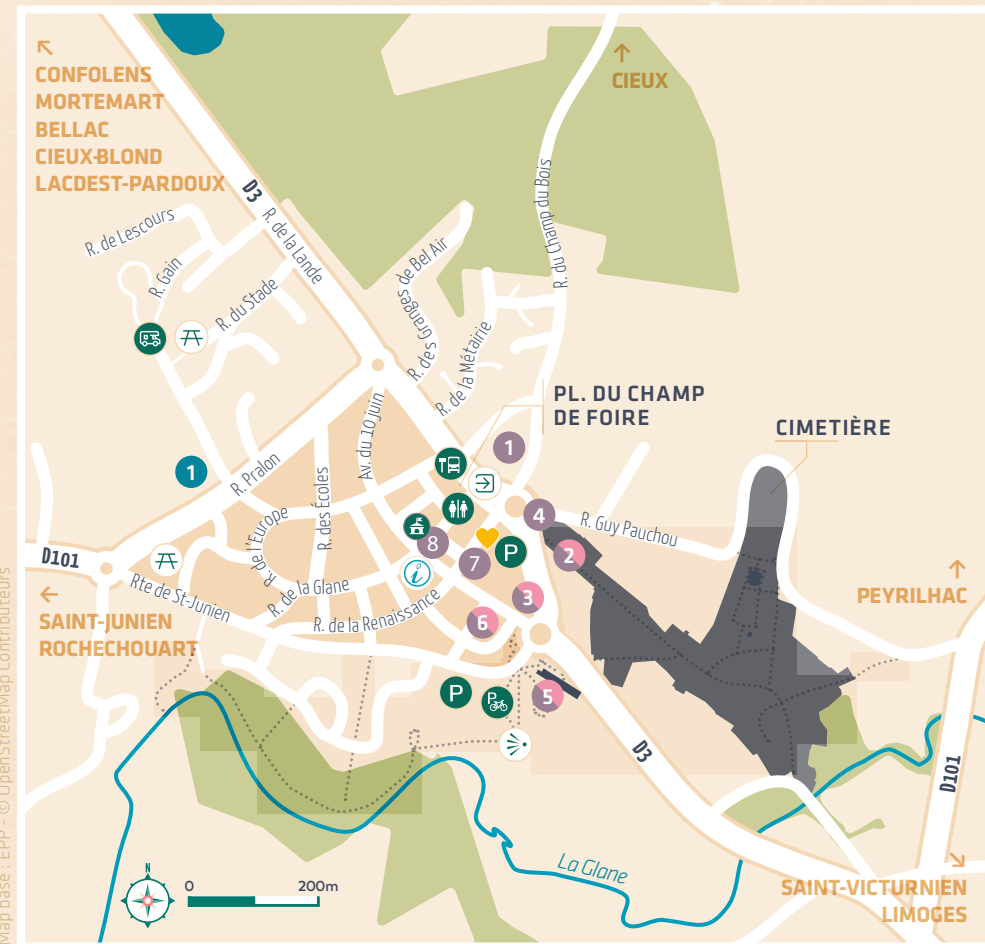


VISIT ORADOUR-SUR-GLANE

Explore our city center with the help of our discovery map ! Also available as an game booklet for children (in French), they invite you to wander in town as a family. If you're looking for a different way to explore the region, take one of our cycling routes !

Don't miss the Tèrra Aventura geocaching trails which take you on a fun and original journey of discovery through the history of our town centres.



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- Town Hall
- Camper van parking area
- Cycle parking
- Public toilets
- Bus stop
- Hiking trail starting point
- Panoramic view
- Picnic area
- Comptoir Limousin (information point)

HISTORICAL HERITAGE

- Martyr village
- Monument to the Martyrs
- Statue Fenosa
- Remembrance centre / Martyr village information point
- Saint Martin Church

KNOW-HOW

- Artisan shop and workshop

LEISURE, CULTURE & SPORTS

- Inter-municipal sports centre

Oradour sur Glane entered history on 10th June 1944 and its name became one of the symbols of Nazi barbarity. That day, 200 German soldiers from the Das Reich division circled the town, grouped the men in barns and women and children in the church and then brutally machine gunned and burnt 643 innocent victims. Only 6 people managed to escape. It was decided the same year to conserve the ruins, and on 4th March 1945 the temporary post war government presided by the General de Gaulle decided to rebuild a new town to symbolize the rebirth of France after the second World War.

Today Oradour-sur-Glane is a place to remember, to meditate, and to honour and commemorate the war victims.

1 THE HOUSE OF ORADOUR

This house is one of the historic symbols of the town. It was the only house left standing after the massacre, and became the centre of activities, the life and soul of Oradour. Shops and offices settled there and wooden huts were built nearby.

2 THE MARTYR VILLAGE

The ruins of the Martyr village have been preserved since the massacre and were classified Historic Monuments in 1946. Each house bears the name of its owner, an invitation to meditate and honour the innocent victims. Guided tours are organised by the Centre de la Mémoire.



3 FENOSA STATUE

This statue, created during the winter of 1944-45 by the Spanish artist Apel-Les Fenosa, was commissioned to commemorate the tragedy at Oradour-sur-Glane and is entitled 'To the Martyrs of Oradour'. It depicts a naked, pregnant woman raising her arms to the sky as she tries to escape the flames.



4 PAPERBOMB SCULPTURE

To mark the anniversary of the massacre, the artist Nessi Nezilla created this monumental sculpture 'to combat the risk of forgetting'. Crafted from aluminium and folded like origami, it forms part of a European art project centred on remembrance, reconciliation and peace.

5 REMEMBRANCE CENTRE (CENTRE DE LA MÉMOIRE) - CLOSED FOR WORKS UNTIL 2027

The idea of creating a museum to explain the massacre of Oradour and Nazism to the many visitors began in the 80s.

A project was presented to François Mitterand on the 50th anniversary of the massacre, and the museum was inaugurated on July 16th 1999 by the President Jacques Chirac. The Memory Centre, in symbiosis with the surrounding landscape, is a kind of « non architecture ». The scenography and architecture are the work of a team lead by Yves Devraïne (scenographer of the Caen Memorial) and two architects Jean-Louis Marty and Antonio Carrilero.

The building is composed of a sloping roof underlined by a central rip. Represented by rusted steel blades, this rip symbolises destruction, the passage of time and gives an aging feeling to the construction. The glass facades along the esplanade evoke peacefulness, calm before a storm. The underground passage leading to the Martyr Village evokes rebirth.

Whilst temporarily closed for renovation work, the Centre de la Mémoire continues to offer guided tours of the martyred village.



6 THE NEW CHURCH

The new church marked the end of the construction work for the new town in 1953. It is located at the entrance to the town on the main avenue, and constitutes the biggest attraction of the town. Linking the past to the present, it was built to be seen from afar. Built in concrete, it uses the same symbolism as the commemorative monument. It's volume is simple : a high tower and a square building. Admire the statue of St Victurnien and the stained glass windows made in the Chigot workshop in Limoges.



7 THE NEW TOWN

At a Cabinet Meeting on November 28th 1944, Adrien Tixier (Home Secretary) decided to build a new town and preserve the ruins of the old one. Building norms required consistency in the choice of materials and many rules had to be respected concerning the height of the buildings, rarely more than one floor, the basements to be covered in square stones, the ground floor to be higher than street level with steps up to the main entrance, windows to provide daylight in the cellars, roofs to be covered in local tiles and no gable walls, since all the house sides were treated as facades with windows and roofing. The reconstruction therefore respected the building rules for the Reconstruction of medium sized towns during that period and Oradour benefited from a « reasonable modernisation » policy.

THE FOUNDATION STONE

The foundation stone for the reconstruction was laid on 10 June 1947 by Vincent Auriol, President of the Republic. Oradour was officially reborn from its ashes.



8 THE TOWN HALL

Only a few public buildings – the school complex (Modernist style, emphasising architectural functionality), the Town Hall (Classical style: an illustration of the solemnity and importance of the ruling authority) and the church (Sacred Art style: reflecting theological advances and the modernity of religious architecture) – can be regarded as examples of the architectural styles of the period. The new town of Oradour was designated a '20th-Century Heritage Site' by a decree of October 2007.



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AN INVITATION TO EXPLORE...

Explore the area **within a 20-minute radius of Oradour-sur-Glane**.

From museums and castles to exploring local craftsmanship, nature walks and leisure activities – the choice is yours from this extensive list of must-see attractions!

OUR MUSEUMS

LEATHER MUSEUM (CITÉ DU CUIR)

A museum space dedicated to the leather trade, with a stunning view of the River Vienne! Open from Wednesday to Sunday
20 Chemin Notre Dame du Goth, Saint-Junien
05 55 02 76 68 - www.citeducuir.fr

HAUTE-VIENNE CONTEMPORARY ART MUSEUM

In the heart of Rochechouart Castle. Open Wednesday to Sunday, from 1 March to 15 December, 10-12.30 / 13.30-18
2 place du château, Rochechouart
05 55 03 77 77 - www.musee-rochechouart.com

MARTYR VILLAGE AND REMEMBRANCE CENTRE OF ORADOUR-SUR-GLANE

A site of remembrance. Guided tours are available from the Centre de la Mémoire. Open daily from 15 January to 15 December
L'auze, Oradour-sur-Glane
05 55 43 04 30 - www.oradour.org

LOSMONERIE CASTLE

Explore the estate : a furnished castle, a formal flower garden and a raspberry garden !
Aixe-sur-Vienne
06 07 11 04 96

OUR KNOW-HOW

LEATHER

Saint-Junien has long been a centre of the leather industry, particularly for its expertise in glove-making and tanning. This expertise is still very much alive in this town renowned for its glove-making!

BUT ALSO...

Every year, many craftspeople and designers set up shop in our area. Pop into their workshops or shops to discover their talents.

AGNELLE GLOVE FACTORY

Glove manufacturer. Shop open all year round from Tuesday to Saturday.
30 bd de la République, Saint-Junien
05 55 02 13 53

EXPLORE WITH OUR AUDIO GUIDES AND ACTIVITY BOOKLETS...

Explore the town centres of Saint-Junien, Rochechouart and Oradour-sur-Glane with your family using our activity booklets for children. A fun tour for children aged 6 and over.

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OUR ACTIVITIES

LESPINAS EQUESTRIAN FARM

Whether you're an experienced rider or a beginner, enjoy a ride around the farm
Lespinas, Oradour-sur-Glane
05 55 03 14 93 - www.ferme-equestre-lespinas.fr

JAVERDAT EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

If you're on holiday in the area, why not explore the many horse riding trails?
Les Herses, Javerdat
06 83 30 92 72 - www.ecurieslesherses.fr

FEERILAND

Outdoor games, water garden and an animated world to discover
Veyrac
05 55 03 16 71

SAINT-VICTURNIEN LEISURE CENTRE

Climbing, archery, orienteering, slacklining
Saint-Victurnien
07 64 05 26 90 - www.porteoceane-dulimousin.fr

SAINT-VICTURNIEN CANOEING

Canoe hire, self-guided or guided trips
Saint-Victurnien
05 55 03 25 84 - www.ckc-saintvicturnien.fr

AÏGA BLUÏA WATER LEISURE CENTRE

Outdoor and indoor pools, sauna, steam room
Saint-Junien
05 55 01 11 00 - www.porteoceane-dulimousin.fr

«LE VILLAGE» LEISURE COMPLEX

Bowling, laser tag and children's play area...
Chaillac-sur-Vienne
05 55 02 52 11 - www.lecomplexe-village.com

AMUSEMENT PARK «BELLEVUE»

A family-friendly leisure park featuring play areas and spaces to relax.
Bellegarde, Limoges
05 55 48 03 62

TÈRRA AVENTURA

Take part in a treasure hunt to uncover the secrets of the Haute-Vienne with the free Terra Aventura app.
Explore « La première pierre du nouvel Oradour » trail (The foundation stone of the new Oradour) in Oradour-sur-Glane
05 55 02 17 93

ELECTRIC BIKE HIRE AT THE TOURIST OFFICE

Why not explore the area on our electric bikes? Follow our cycle tourism routes and discover our region in a whole new way !

- Daily or weekly hire available from Saint-Junien tourist office
- Routes mainly on roads
- Booking by telephone

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SCAN TO DISCOVER OUR
CYCLING ROUTES



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OUR FAVOURITE NATURE SPOTS

Le saviez-vous ? En Porte Océane du Limousin, ce sont plus de 280 kilomètres de sentiers de randonnées qui vous attendent avec impatience !

THE TREE AND THE BEE

The walk gives you a better understanding of bees, their environment and their importance to our ecosystem.
Javerdat

SITE COROT

A must-see natural site that offers a chance to immerse yourself in the heart of a steep-sided, wooded valley with a rich industrial history.
Saint-Junien

MONTs DE BLOND

Set off on a walk along the Megaliths Trail, where the stones tell stories dating back thousands of years.
Blond

LAKE SAINT-PARDOUX

3 beaches, a swimming pool, sports, water skiing, wakeboarding, treetop adventure courses, mountain biking and children's activities...
Razès - www.lacsaintpardoux.com

NAVIÈRE ISLAND

A 2-kilometre interpretive trail to explore one of the largest islands on the River Vienne.
Chaillac-sur-Vienne



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THE INTERACTIVE MAP
to discover Haute-Vienne
EASILY

TO FIND :



a walk



an activity



a market



somewhere to eat

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