



## Chioula great loop, 7 days

- ✓ Sport trek, over 7 years old.
- ✓ 7 days, or 6 days.
- ✓ All inclusive package (board in gîte) or simple rent of a donkey
- ✓ Accommodation, campsite or wilderness camping
- ✓ Starting and ending point : Unac.
- ✓ Height level: from 700 to 1700m
- ✓ Dogs allowed
- ✓ From May to October

It is a mid-mountain trek with open landscapes, beautiful views of the Pyrenean chain.

The stages of the first and last day are sporty because they have a significant height difference (900m). On these two stages, children cannot ride on the donkey in the steepest parts.

This circuit is therefore recommended for children aged 7 and over.

The departure is from the farm at Unac. After a good shaded climb, you reach the magnificent site of Chioula.

The next day, if the weather is favorable, you join Camurac by the ridges, in open landscape.

After a night in Camurac, you go to Belcaire, alternating forest landscape and summer pastures. You hike or rest for one day around Belcaire.

The next day, you will discover small treasures of nature between Belcaire and Comus. You can even enjoy a panorama on Montségur castle, great place of Catharism.

You are staying at Comus gîte.

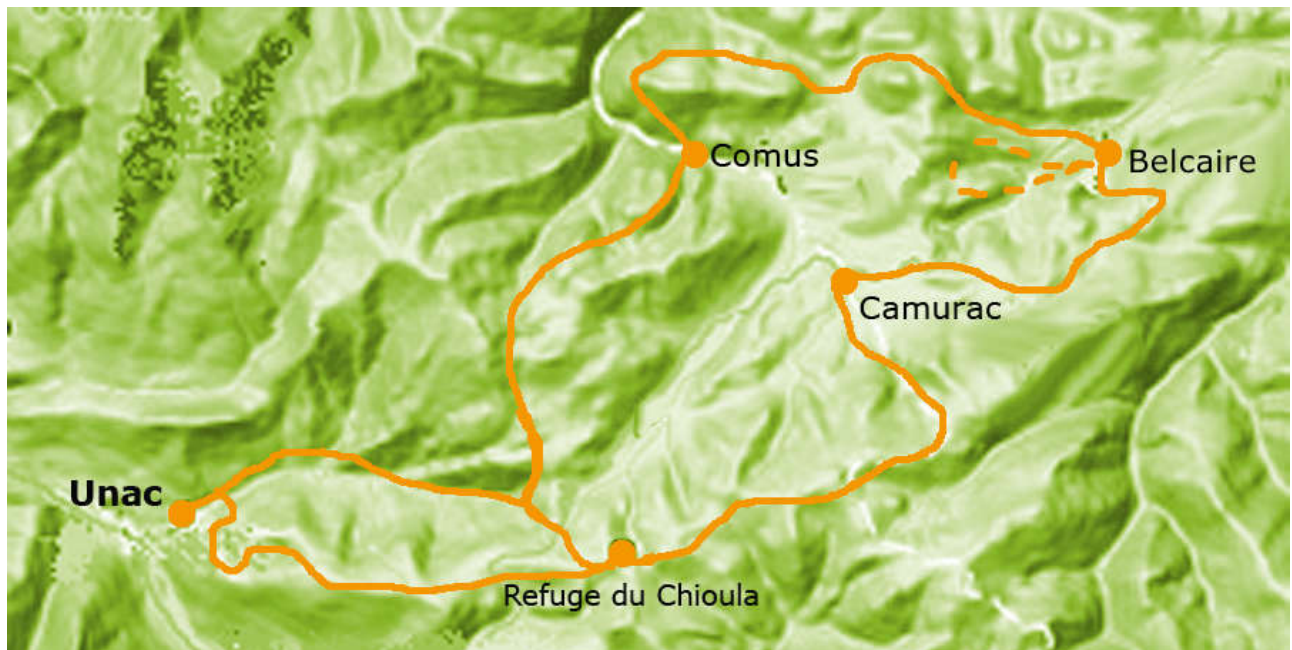
Then you will discover the mountain pastures of Prades, during a fairly long stage (5h), but without technical difficulty. You reach the Chioula refuge. On the last day, you follow the ridges of Chioula and go down to the villages: Tignac then Unac.

You can also do this tour with a simple rent of donkey , camping for example.

### All inclusive package, half board or full board

All inclusive package is a turnkey formula, with accommodation every evening (refuge, hotel or lodge). We take care of booking your accommodation.

### The steps day by day



**Day 1 : from Unac (700 m) to Refuge du Chioula (1600 m) 5h**

You leave the bottom of the valley where Unac is sheltered to reach the first heights and discover a wonderful panorama of the Pyrenean range. You sleep in Chioula refuge. +33(0)6 67 73 60 91 [www.refugeduchioula.com](http://www.refugeduchioula.com).

**Day 2 : from Refuge du Chioula (1600 m) to Camurac (1200 m) 4h**

If good weather, you hike in the summer pastures of Chioula, reach the Col de Balaguès and cross the ridges of Camurac in an open landscape. This stage leads you in Aude, to the village of Camurac. If the weather does not allow a hike in crest, you join Camurac by the valley. Gîte La Marmite 33 (0)4 68 20 73 31 [www.gites-camurac.fr](http://www.gites-camurac.fr). Grocery in Camurac open in the morning and late afternoon.

**Day 3 : from Camurac (1200 m) to Belcaire (1000 m) 3h**

You first hike in the forest and then cross an open landscape before reaching Belcaire, in the heart of Sault Plateau. You sleep at the family hotel in Belcaire. Hotel 33 (0)4 68 20 31 05 [www.hotel-bayle.com](http://www.hotel-bayle.com) All shops.

**Day 4 : A day at Belcaire or walk around Belcaire (1000 m), you can choose the duration**

Belcaire Pond is reserved each afternoon for swimming and it always enjoys walkers. You will spend a pleasant day there: bathing and walking to discover the landscape around the village.

You can choose to hike all the day. You enjoy the beautiful view between Belcaire and Roquefeuil. You come back by an other path.

**Day 5 : from Belcaire (1000 m) to Comus (1200 m) 4h**

Along wide pastoral and forestry tracks, you will reach Comus, a charming village. You go to the belvedere overlooking the Montsegur castle and Gorges de la Frau and you cross the beautiful Pla du Boum.

Longer step possible via Languerail plateau (adding an hour).

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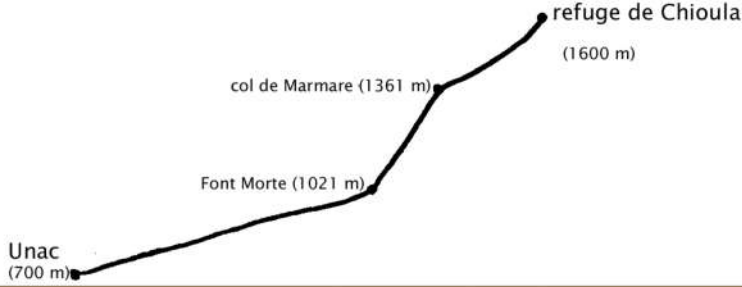
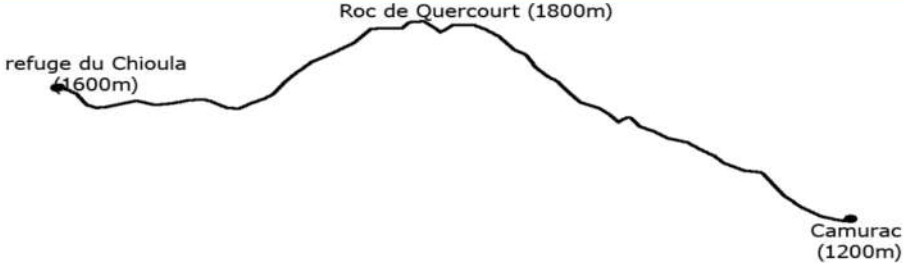

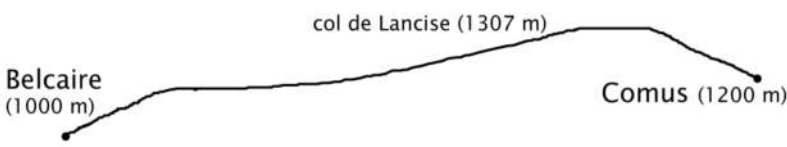
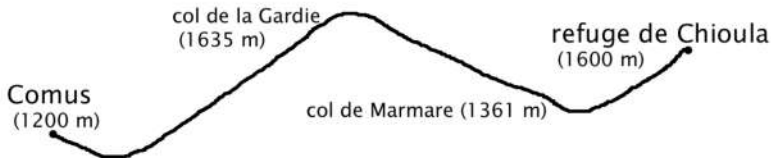
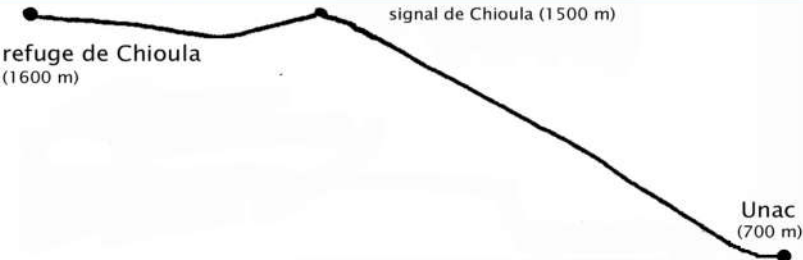
**Day 6 : from Comus (1200 m) to Refuge du Chioula (1600 m) 5h**

You reach, through mountain pastures and forests, Chioula refuge and its magnificent panorama of the Pyrenean ridges. Accommodation is in small comfortable dormitories. Refuge du Chioula. 33(0)6 67 73 60 91 [www.refugeduchioula.com](http://www.refugeduchioula.com). No grocery store.

**Day 7 : from Refuge du Chioula (1600 m) to Unac (700 m) 4h**

Wonderfull prospect during the whole day. You follow the path on the top of this smooth mountain.

The times indicated are the time you go on hike, excluding breaks.

Day1 5 hours	 <p>Unac (700 m)</p> <p>Font Morte (1021 m)</p> <p>col de Marmare (1361 m)</p> <p>refuge de Chioula (1600 m)</p>
Day2 4 hours (ou variante 2h)	 <p>refuge du Chioula (1600m)</p> <p>Roc de Quercourt (1800m)</p> <p>Camurac (1200m)</p>
Day3 3 hours	 <p>Camurac (1000 m)</p> <p>Belcaire (1000 m)</p>
Day 5 4 hours	 <p>Belcaire (1000 m)</p> <p>col de Lancise (1307 m)</p> <p>Comus (1200 m)</p>
Day6 5 hours	 <p>Comus (1200 m)</p> <p>col de la Gardie (1635 m)</p> <p>col de Marmare (1361 m)</p> <p>refuge de Chioula (1600 m)</p>
Day 7 4 hours	 <p>refuge de Chioula (1600 m)</p> <p>signal de Chioula (1500 m)</p> <p>Unac (700 m)</p>

## Prices 2025

We propose this loop in 7 days. You can do a 6 days trek if you choose to stay only one night in Belcaire.

	Adult		Child 4-11 years		Young child 2-3 years	
	Demi-pension	Pension complète	Demi-pension	Pension complète	Demi-pension	Pension complète
<b>7 days(6 nights)</b>	<b>621 €</b>	<b>705 €</b>	<b>500 €</b>	<b>566 €</b>	<b>418 €</b>	<b>466 €</b>
6 days (5 nights)	535 €	605 €	434 €	489 €	362 €	402 €

5 people or more	-6%
10 people or more	-12%

**Free for children under 2 years**

This all inclusive package includes the donkey (1 donkey for 2 or 3 people), its pack-saddle and bags, accommodation, transportation of the donkey and maps (IGN 1/25000ème TOP 25 Ax les Thermes n°2148ET) and:

half-board (night+breakfast+evening meal)

full board (night+breakfast+evening meal+picnic except picnic of the day 1)

Not included: hot shower in Chioula refuge, drink, board the day before your trek.

*Exemple of price for a family with 3 children 8, 10 and 12 years old going for a 7 days trek in full-board*

*2 adults :  $2 \times 705 = 1410$  € 1 teenager  $\times 705 = 705$  € 2 children :  $2 \times 566 = 1132$  € total before reduction: 3247 €*

*Family reduction for 5 persons and more (-6%) : - 194,82 € Total 3052,18 €. This family will hike with 2 donkeys.*

*The same thing with 1 donkey : 2714,63€*

Far from the main tourist sites of Pyrenees, this itinerary offers you pleasant accommodation in hotels, gîtes or refuge, in rooms or dormitories with 4 to 10 beds. Their common point is their excellent food and their warm welcome.

You need a sleeping bag to sleep in refuge and gîte. They provide blankets. You need your towel, soap...

You may be in shared rooms.

A donkey carries 35 kg maximum. There is a stockyard near each accommodation for your donkey. We explain you how to give it some hay and water.

## Simple rent of a donkey

You can hike the same trek with just the rent of the donkey. You can organize yourself the booking of your accommodation or choose to camp near the accommodation or do wilderness camp. You can camp and book your meals in accommodation.

### **You want to camp near accommodation :**

At Camurac : camping Les Sapins. You make the park for the donkey in the place indicated by the owner of the campsite. [www.lessapins-camurac.com](http://www.lessapins-camurac.com). +33(0)4.68.20.38.11.

At Belcaire : little welcoming camping near the pond. Snack. [www.camping-pyrenees-cathare.fr](http://www.camping-pyrenees-cathare.fr) +33(0)4.68.20.39.47

At Comus : The gîte d'étape Le silence du Midi has a camping ground. [www.lesilencedumidi.com](http://www.lesilencedumidi.com) +33(0)4.68.20.36.26.

At refuge du Chioula : you can camp near the refuge and you have to pay something. You can use toilets and can enjoy of the common area (but you can't cook because there isn't common kitchen) if it's not full. [www.refugeduchioula.com](http://www.refugeduchioula.com) +33(0)6 67 73 60 91.

### **You want to camp on the wilderness:**

When we meet the day before your trek, we explain you where you can camp on the wilderness, near springs. But in Belcaire, you have to camp in the municipal campsite. Near Comus, it depends if the spring flows.

### **Map**

You need map 1/25000ème TOP 25 AX LES THERMES n° 2148 ET by IGN.

### **Prices 2025**

Rent of a donkey with its pack-saddle, rope and bags.

<b>7 days</b>	<b>399 €</b>
<b>6 days</b>	<b>355 €</b>

<b>Donkey 2 : -10%</b>
<b>Donkey 3 and more : -15%</b>

A donkey carries 35 kg maximum, the luggage of 2 or 3 people.

*Example of price for a family going on a 7-day hike with 2 donkeys:*

*Donkey 1: 399 € Donkey 2 (-10%) 359,10 € Total: 758,10 €*

For more information: +33(6).85.34.20.22 or [contact@la-ferme-aux-anes.com](mailto:contact@la-ferme-aux-anes.com)

### **To book all inclusive trek,**

please fill the [form](#) to book and make a abank transfer of 30% of the price.

### **To book a simple rent of donkey**

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