

Orlu national Reserve and En Beys Lake, 2 or 3 days

- ✓ Rather difficult, from 6-7 years old.
- ✓ 3 days, possible in 2 days.
- All inclusive package (board in refuge) or simple rent of a donkey.
- Accommodation in mountain refuge or campsite or wilderness camping.
- ✓ Srting and end point: Orlu, parking of Fanguil.
- ✓ Altitude 700–1600m.
- July– August.
- Dogs prohibited

Following a stony way, you climb to En Beys lake and refuge, in the middle of Orlu National Reserve (2000m). Famous for its wild fauna, the Reserve is a natural laboratory to study and observe isards and marmots. You can make marvelous excursions all around the lake , looking for wild fauna but, there are too much rocks, so the donkeys can't go with you: they wait for you near in their little cattle the refuge. fence. During the main part of this trek, the path is very steep. So, children can't ride the donkeys.

Dogs prohibited.

<u>All inclusive package, half board or full board</u>

With the all inclusive package, you eat and sleep in an accommodation each night (hotel, refuge and gite). You have 1 donkey for 2 or 3 people. We take charge of your booking in accommodations.

Day 1 : from Fanguil parking at Orlu (1000m) to En Beys lake (1954m) 4h30

Fairly long and difficult because of the great ascent. Fortunately, all your efforts will be rewarded when getting to Orlu National Reserve, wide natural space, privileged observation spot of wild animals. You enjoy the high mountain atmosphere: summer flocks with ringing bells, swift isards, marmot whistling, rhododendrons flowering round the lake.

You are welcomed at the Refuge d'En Beys with dormitories, located near the lake. +33(0)5 61.64.24.24 www.refuge-enbeys.com.

Day 2 : Orlu Reserve (2000m) trek from the En Beys Refuge

Beyond the En Beys refuge, the paths are not suitable for donkeys. So you'll leave them in the park, and wallk for a day or a few hours, discovering lakes, flora, and fauna, both particularly abundant.

Day 3 : from En Beys Refuge (1954 m) to Fanguil parking at Orlu (1000m) 3h30

Well, you have to walk away from those enchanted areas! You stop walking at the Fanguil Parking and you leave the donkeys in a park.



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

• Starting point

We meet in the car park of Fanguil above Orlu. After Ax-les-Thermes, take the direction of Orgeix-Orlu on the left side. After crossing the village of Orlu, you take the road on the left after the power station which is on your right. After 4 km, at the end of the road, you will reach the Fanguil car park. We are waiting for you on the other side of the wood bridge. A few days before your trek, you have to say us at what time you come between 9am and 11am. If you are in the valley the day before, you can come at the farm at Unac in order to take the backpacks you put on the donkeys. So you can prepare them in the evening.

• Prices 2025 per person, from 2 people

It's a three days trek. You can do it in two days if you don't want to hike in Orlu Reserve, above En Beys Refuge the day 2.

	Ad	ult	Children 4-11 years		
	Half board	Full board	Half board	Full board	
3 days (2 nights)	216€	244 €	192€	220€	
2 days (1 night)	133 €	147€	110€	124€	

5 people or more	-6%	Price per person, from 2 people.
10 people or more	-12%	

This all inclusive package includes the donkey (1donkey 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**)

It's not included : hot shower in En Beys refuge $(3 \in)$, drink, the board the day before your trek.

You need a sleeping bag to sleep in refuge and gite. You need your towel, soap... You may be in shared rooms.

A donkey carries 35 kg, the luggage of 2 or 3 people. There is a fence for the donkey near En Beys refuge. But you have to let it graze one or two hours out of the park.

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 En Beys refuge :

You can camp near En Beys refuge <u>http://www.refuge-enbeys.com/</u> +33(0)5.61.64.24.24.

Maps

We give you a road book to go up from Fanguil car park to En Beys refuge. Map **BOURG MADAME 2249 OT** is recommended for the day of hiking in the Reserve.

• Prices 2025

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

3 days	193€
2 days	130€

Donkey	2	:	-10%	
Donkey	3	•	-15%	

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

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

For all inclusive package : You have to fill this <u>form</u> to book and to do a transfer bank of 30% of the price. For simple rent of donkey : You have to fill this <u>form</u> to book and to do a transfer bank of 30% of the price.