

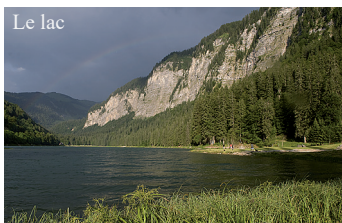
# TO SEE ON THE WAY...



## lake Montriond:

The lake was formed after a landslide from Nantaux mountain (to the north-west). A dam was built in 1990 to prevent the dramatic seasonal fluctuations in its water level.

Size: 33 ha  
Length: 1320 m  
Width: 235 m  
Depth: 19 m



## A little history...

**Oratories:** these were often built out of a desire to commemorate either something good (the end of a war, recovery from sickness...) or bad (epidemic, mortal fall...) or even to celebrate an episode in the life of a Saint.

The Vallée d'Aulps has at least 60 oratories, not forgetting numerous smaller shrines embedded into houses or rocks.

## Montriond church:


its distinctive and highly original bell tower is typical of the Kingdom of Sardinia, rather than the traditional bulb shape found more commonly in this region.




## USEFUL INFORMATION


This route follows a suggested itinerary which participants undertake at their own risk.

### Before you go:

 Check the weather forecast because storms happen frequently in the mountains.  
Tel. Chamonix weather station: +33 (0)8 92 68 02 74


 Let someone know where you are going.  
Avoid walking alone.


**EMERGENCY NUMBER: 112**

 Take water and food, warm and waterproof clothing, suitable shoes and a map showing footpaths.

### During the walk:

*To ensure you enjoy your walk or ride to the full, in complete safety and with total peace of mind, please observe the following guidelines:*

 Please be mindful of the Alpine meadows and private property. Please remember to close gates behind you and try not to disturb cattle or wild animals!  
Dogs should be kept on a lead.

 Out of respect for the beautiful surroundings, please stay on marked routes and take your litter home with you.

For more walks or to contact the Vallée d'Aulps Tourist Office, telephone: + 33 (0)4 50 79 65 09  
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## Montriond village to the lake



Difficulty level: easy



Duration: 2hrs15 there and back



Altitude change: 125 m



Weather guide: suitable any time



Starting point: Montriond Town Hall car park



Signposts: PDIPR approved

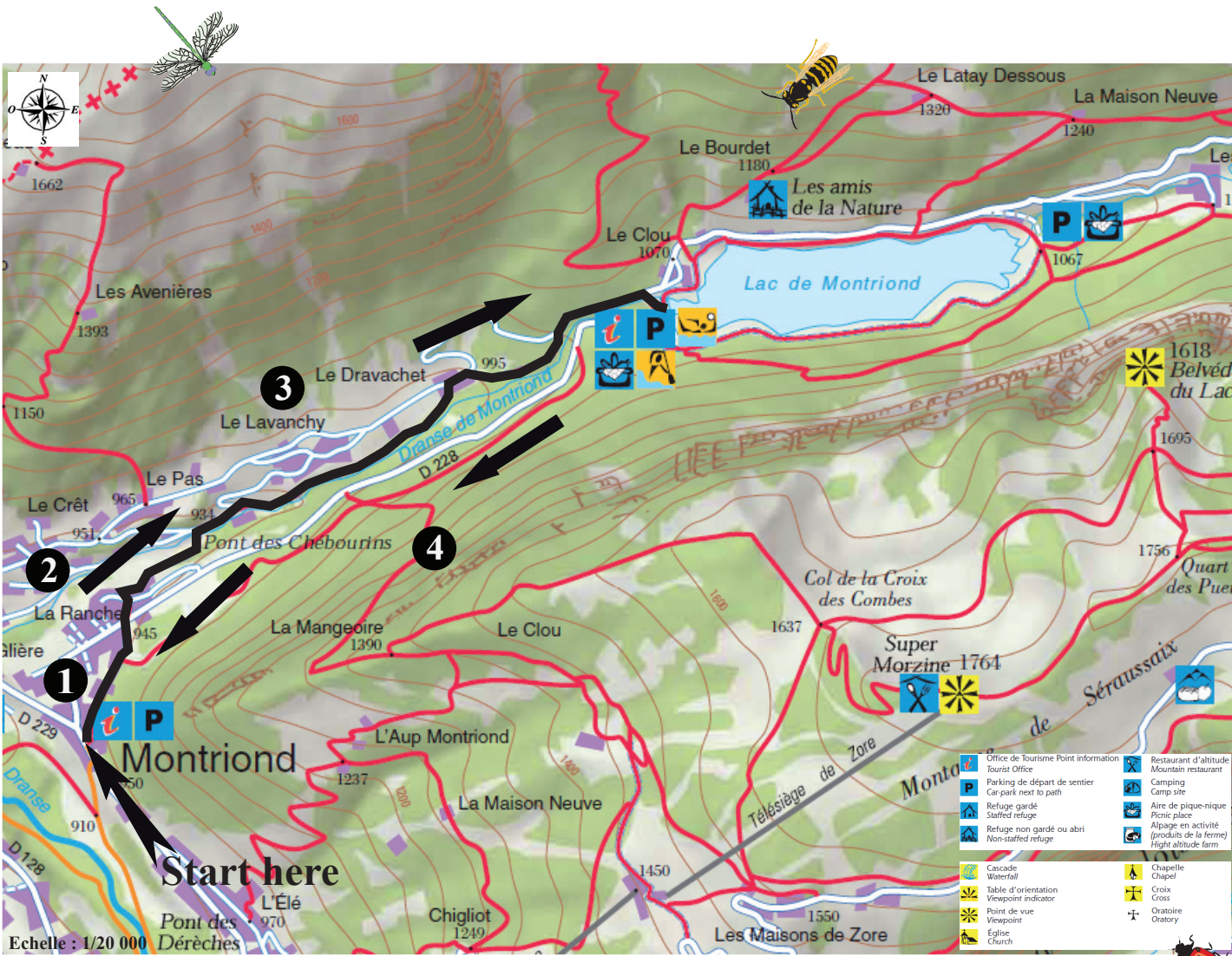


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Walks in Vallée d'Aulps







# Montriond village to the lake

## Directions ...



**Starting point:** town hall car park

- 1 Start from the car park between the town hall and the church, with its original bell-tower which is worth admiring for a moment. Take the lane towards La Ranche. You'll see an oratory on the way.
- 2 The lane leads to the main road (RD 228) which goes up to Montriond Lake. You should cross this road and follow the walking signs to the lake.
- 3 Continue along this route which passes by the hamlets of Le Lavanchy and Le Dravachet and goes along the river (La Dranse), before rejoining the main road around the lake.
- 4 Retrace your steps to return to the centre of Montriond.



## THE LAKE IN SUMMER...

In the summer, the lake is a focus for activities including canoeing, swimming (lifeguards on duty from 1 July to 31 August), pony trekking, fishing...

La zone de baignade du lac



Montriond's famous fireworks spectacular takes place on the first Saturday in August. It is a free event open to all.



## THE LAKE IN WINTER...



In winter, Montriond Lake is frozen up to nearly 1m thick in places.

Activities include ice-diving or cross-country skiing and snowshoe walks at the water's edge. Many signposted trails are available.

At Montriond Lake, you can walk further by following the "Le lac de Montriond" route suggested in the "Walking guide".

