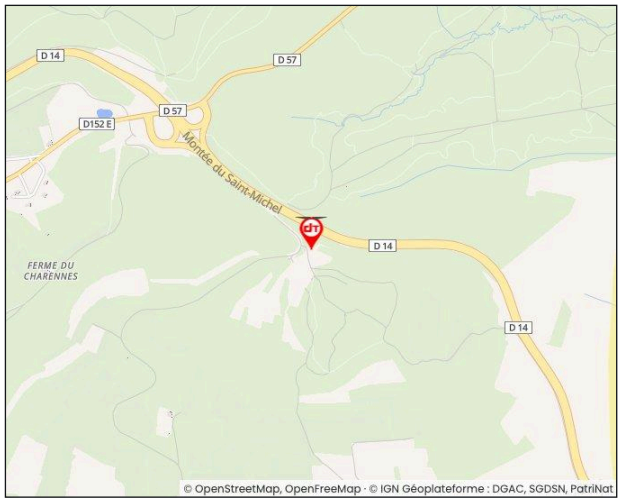
Mont-Saint-Michel - Beuvange

Unusual · Moselle

GPS coordinates	49.37757, 6.08703
Elevation	325 m
Maximum height	120 m max
Access	Direct access by car
Nearest aerodrome	Villerupt Aerodrome (LFAW) 15 km W · spot 70 m lower
Spot reference	304092



Spot location and restrictions (Drone-Spot map image)

Sun (local times, UTC+01:00)

Day	Dawn	Sunrise	Sunset	Dusk	Day length	Golden hour
Sat 21 Nov	07:20	07:56	16:47	17:23	8 h 51	07:56–08:47 · 15:56–16:47
Sun 22 Nov	07:21	07:57	16:46	17:22	8 h 49	07:57–08:49 · 15:54–16:46
Mon 23 Nov	07:23	07:59	16:45	17:21	8 h 46	07:59–08:51 · 15:53–16:45

Nearby aerodromes

Aerodrome	Type	Distance	Elevation
Villerupt Aerodrome	Aerodrome	15 km W	396 m
Centre Hospitalier Emile Mayrisch Heliport	Heliport	16 km NW	296 m

Description

Flying site located at the foot of the Mont Saint-Michel in Beuvange, a large wooded pyramid-shaped structure housing the ruins of an old hermitage built in 1251 at its summit and a memorial on the site of the crash of a B-17 Fortress on September 8, 1944 around 1:00 pm. While flying have a thought for the 3 crew members killed by Flak and the 5 others who were taken prisoner as their plane was shot down on their return from a bombing mission over Germany. Only one crew member who had parachuted out was saved from the Germans, notably by Emile Weisskoff and Nicolas Pauly. Views: To the South on the traditional Lorrain villages of Beuvange and Volkrange, on the agricultural areas still in small parcels of land delimited by hedges and coppice. Further to the East the town of Thionville, the Moselle valley and the nuclear power station of Cattenom. And to the North on the wooded hillsides …

Scan to open the up-to-date spot page: weather, map and restrictions.

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=304092

Before every flight: check the UAS zones map, NOTAMs and temporary areas, the weather and the Kp index.

Preparing the flight

Pre-flight Check-List

- ☐ Area checked: UAS zones, restrictions, protected areas
- ☐ NOTAMs and temporary areas checked
- ☐ Weather: wind, gusts, rain, visibility; Kp index
- ☐ Operator number displayed on the drone
- ☐ Training certificate or licence with me
- ☐ Third-party liability insurance checked
- ☐ Batteries charged: drone, controller, phone
- ☐ Propellers, motors and frame in good condition
- ☐ Memory card inserted and empty
- ☐ Software up to date, compass and IMU calibrated
- ☐ Return to home: home point and return height set
- ☐ Electronic signalling or remote ID active
- ☐ Take-off area clear, people informed and at a distance
- ☐ Observer present for FPV flights

Key rules of the open category

Recreational flying in France: European open-category rules, applied by the DGAC.

- Maximum height: 120 m above the ground, lower where a restriction requires it.
- Always keep the drone in sight; when flying FPV, an observer keeps it in sight next to you.
- Never fly over crowds and keep the distances of your subcategory (A1, A2 or A3).
- Respect UAS geographical zones: around aerodromes, prohibited or restricted areas, protected areas, sensitive sites.
- Register as an operator if the drone weighs 250 g or more or carries a camera (toys excepted), and display the number on the drone.
- Training: online A1/A3 certificate from 250 g or for a class C1 drone; A2 certificate to fly closer to people with a class C2 drone.
- Always give way to manned aircraft and land if one approaches.
- Respect privacy: no images that identify people without their consent; aerial photography is prohibited in some areas.
- Check your third-party liability insurance.
- In France: registration and training on AlphaTango (DGAC); a drone of 800 g or more must broadcast electronic signalling (or the remote ID of class-marked drones).

Non-exhaustive summary: rules change. Reference: the DGAC open-category guide and the country's regulations.

Useful links

UAS zones map around the spot : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/carte-uas.aspx?lat=49.37757&lon=6.08703
Drone pilot library : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque
DGAC open-category guide (French) : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque/guide-categorie-ouverte
Registration and training (AlphaTango) : https://alphatango.aviation-civile.gouv.fr
NOTAMs and temporary areas (SOFIA Briefing) : https://sofia-briefing.aviation-civile.gouv.fr

My flight notes

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