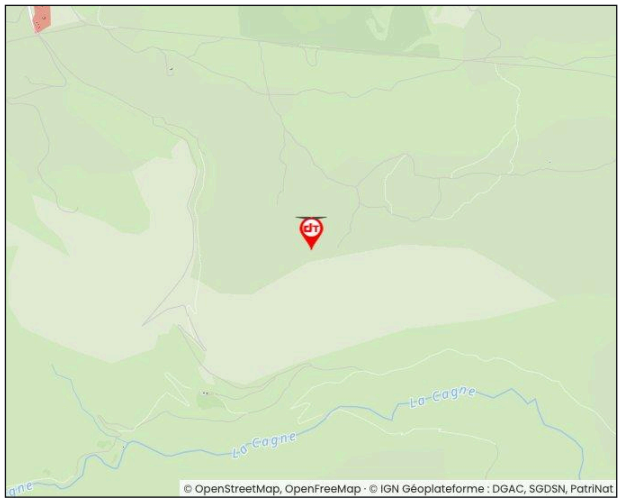
Colle de Menon - 1029 Mètres

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GPS coordinates	43.78773, 7.09731
Elevation	1,023 m
Maximum height	120 m max
Access	On foot > 1,000 m
Nearest aerodrome	Hôpital L'Archet 2 Heliport 14 km SE · spot 838 m higher
Spot reference	308421



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	07:02	07:34	17:01	17:33	9 h 27	07:34–08:18 · 16:17–17:01
Sun 22 Nov	07:03	07:35	17:01	17:32	9 h 25	07:35–08:19 · 16:16–17:01
Mon 23 Nov	07:05	07:36	17:00	17:31	9 h 23	07:36–08:21 · 16:15–17:00

Nearby aerodromes

Aerodrome	Type	Distance	Elevation
Hôpital L'Archet 2 Heliport	Heliport	14 km SE	185 m
Hôpital Lenval Heliport	Heliport	16 km SE	35 m
Nice-Côte d'Azur Airport	Major airport	17 km SE	4 m
Cipieres Alpes Dazur ULM	Aerodrome	19 km W	1,155 m

Description

Colle de Menon - 1029 Mètres - Côte d'Azur - Drone 4K/UHD - February 2022 The Mouton d'Anou, a fairly isolated summit, offers a wide panorama over the Côte d'Azur, the Mercantour and the Cheiron Massif. The route leaves Le Broc, a hilltop village, for a long hike that also visits the Colle de Menon, which is worth including, especially for its wild character. A good trail climbs quickly above the village to cross the Bois de Lausabéu and the Bois du Chier. A round trip to the Mouton d'Anou follows one of the many paths marked with cairns, before continuing the hike westward. The hike becomes more adventurous to reach the Colle de Menon and, from there, find the Vallon de Chanteperdrix. The return via Les Combes follows a small road and then a DFCI track to the surge tower of the Canal de la Gravière at Le Moulinet. Just a few more meters down the village trail to get back to the starting …

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

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=308421

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=43.78773&lon=7.09731
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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