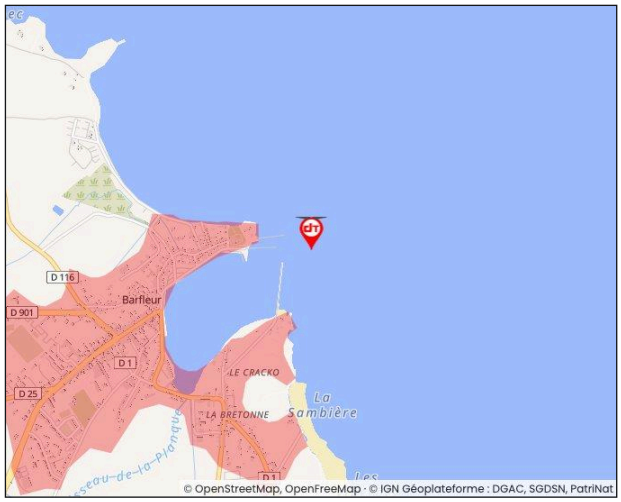
Barfleur

Water · Manche

GPS coordinates	49.67236, -1.25635
Elevation	0 m
Maximum height	120 m max
Access	Direct access by car
Nearest aerodrome	Cherbourg-Maupertus Airport (LFRC) 16 km W · spot 140 m lower
Spot reference	316664



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	07:50	08:26	17:16	17:51	8 h 49	08:26–09:18 · 16:23–17:16
Sun 22 Nov	07:52	08:28	17:15	17:51	8 h 47	08:28–09:20 · 16:22–17:15
Mon 23 Nov	07:53	08:29	17:14	17:50	8 h 44	08:29–09:22 · 16:21–17:14

Nearby aerodromes

Aerodrome	Type	Distance	Elevation
Cherbourg-Maupertus Airport	Airport	16 km W	140 m

Description

Located in the heart of Normandy, in the Manche department, in the north-east of the Cotentin peninsula, the small coastal town of Barfleur is now ranked among the Most Beautiful Villages of France. Commonly called "The Pearl of the Val de Saire", the little village of Barfleur is rich in heritage and history and takes you, for a weekend, to discover the charms and hidden treasures of Normandy and its prestigious past. This little corner of paradise can be visited all year round: the same charm whether in summer when the café terraces are open or in winter when the waves crash fiercely against the sea wall. Long sheltered from mass tourism, this small fishing port only saw the comings and goings of old sea dogs busy unloading their crates of fish from their trawlers. Today, Barfleur and its harbor have become one of the main tourist attractions of the Cotentin. The landscape changes with …

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

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=316664

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=49.67236&lon=-1.25635
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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