

The Cliffs PR®

Starting from one of the three "sister towns", discover the magnificent panoramic views from these chalk walls that fall straight into the sea.

 Time: 1 hour 30 mins

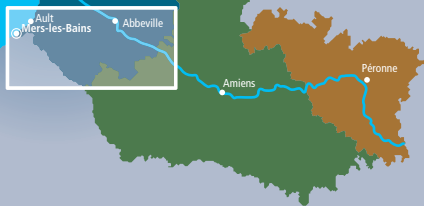
 Distance: 5km

 Route: easy

Starting at: Mers les Bains esplanade, opposite the Papillons Villa.

Be careful: keep away from the cliff edge, risk of landslides.

Mers-les-Bains, 35km west of Abbeville, 8km south-west of Ault.



La Somme

- ① Follow Esplanade de General Leclerc, which runs alongside the beach.
- ② When you reach the end, turn right along Rue Jules Barni. At house number 10, climb the stairs to the left towards the church.
 - ▶ *The Mers-les-Bains St. Martin Church was rebuilt in 1928 and houses an altarpiece from the 17th century.*
- ③ Turn left once again and heading right climb up to the statue of Our Lady of the Cliffs, also known as Our Lady of the Tide.
 - ▶ *This statue was originally constructed in 1878 but rebuilt in 1955. As shown by the bas-reliefs bearing the names of the patron saints of Eu, Mers and Le Tréport, it watches over the seamen and inhabitants of these three sister towns. It also makes a good navigational point - fixed points such as steeples, buildings or any other type of tall construction - helping sailors avoid the cliffs.*
- ④ From the statue, head to the right, inland.
- ⑤ Cross the road and take the trail opposite. Take the immediate right along a path and then turn right again heading towards the Facette District.
- ⑥ Walk down the road, follow Rue du Dr Roux and then turn right along Rue Joseph Legad and return to Mers-le-Bains Church.
- ⑦ Go down the steps and return to the esplanade.

Of Interest

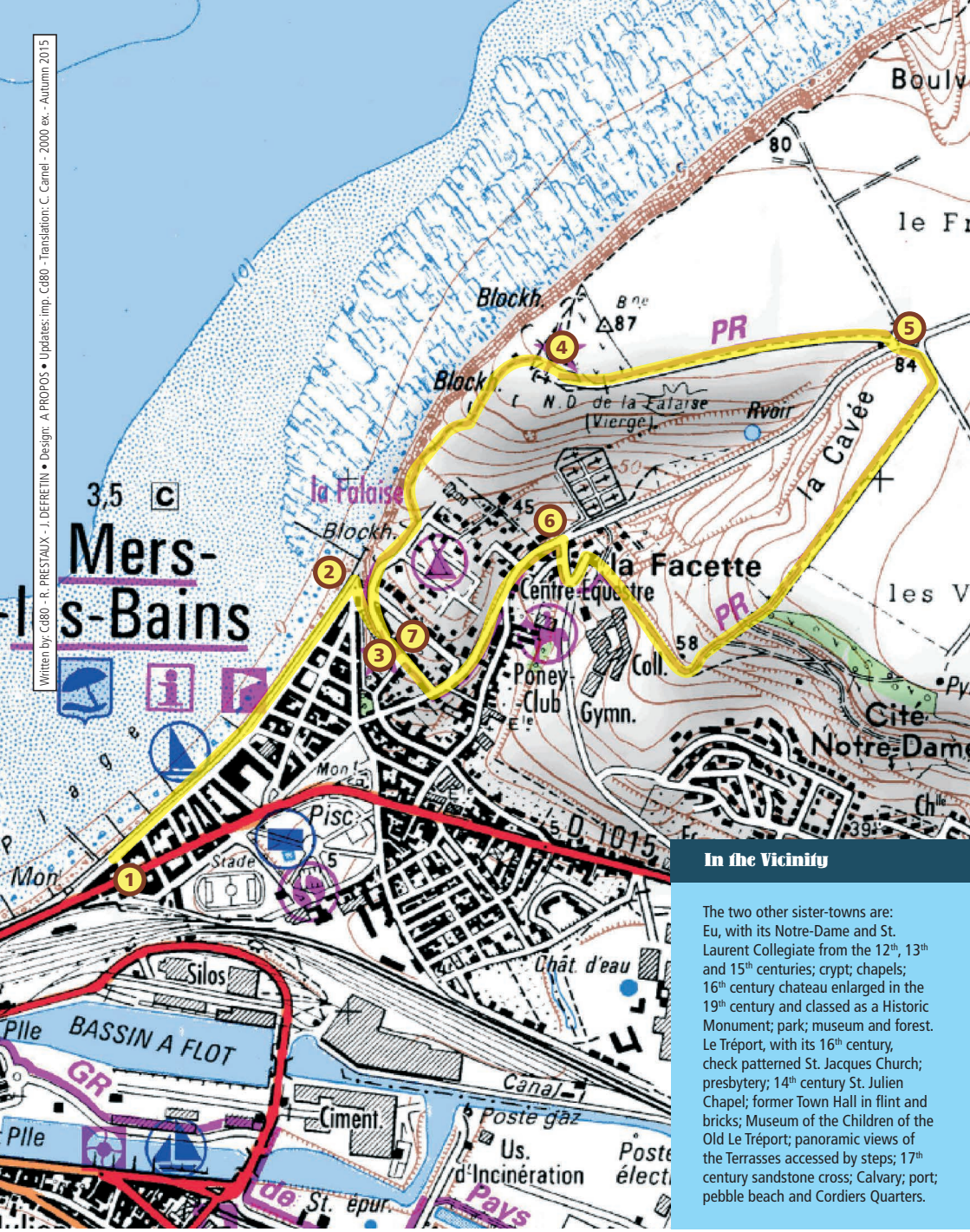
A Decorated and Colourful Seafront

The esplanade is unique in France with its 600 villas dating from the 19th century. In a profusion of styles from the "Belle Epoque" their facades are interlaced with wood and wrought iron presenting a wonderful palette of colours. The names given to the houses speak of families, flowers and the sea, while others show great originality. The seaside resort was listed as a "Secteur Sauvegardé" (preserved sector) in 1986. **Mers-les-Bains** - This coastal town, listed as a "Station Verte", has a freely accessed pebbled beach at high tide that becomes a 1 kilometre wide sandy beach when the tide goes out. The 2.5 kilometre long coastline at Mers-les-Bains is composed of chalk cliffs and home to a distinctive type of fauna and flora.



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In the Vicinity

The two other sister-towns are: Eu, with its Notre-Dame and St. Laurent Collegiate from the 12th, 13th and 15th centuries; crypt; chapels; 16th century chateau enlarged in the 19th century and classed as a Historic Monument; park; museum and forest. Le Tréport, with its 16th century, check patterned St. Jacques Church; presbytery; 14th century St. Julien Chapel; former Town Hall in flint and bricks; Museum of the Children of the Old Le Tréport; panoramic views of the Terrasses accessed by steps; 17th century sandstone cross; Calvary; port; pebble beach and Cordiers Quarters.

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This hiking trail is not suitable for horse riding or cycling (steps). WARNING: dogs, even on leads, are prohibited. Stay away from the cliff edge.

This hiking trail is maintained by the Communauté de Communes Bresle Maritime.

