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The Rideau Favery

Despite the heritage of Moyenneville suffering heavily during the last war, the surrounding countryside of the Valley of the Trie is very welcoming.



Route: difficult

Starting at: Small square opposite the war memorial at Moyenneville.

Moyenneville, 8km south-west of Abbeville.



From the small square, walk towards Miannay. After 400 metres turn right and continue for 1km. Take the first turning to the left towards the Rideau Favery.

This country curtain (rideau in French) is composed of copses and hedges. It does not mean to spoil the view; it is a natural protection against the cold and wind.

- Walk around a silo, head downwards and take the first track to the right.
- ③ Turn left at the junction and walk up to the road. Head left and then right and take the road almost opposite towards Bouillancourt.

 16th century St. Samson Church, in flint, and surrounded by a graveyard with beautiful stone crosses.

After the climb, take the first track to the right. When the track becomes tarmacked, take the steep track to the left, which leads down towards Bouillencourt. Cross the bridge over the River Trie at the square (a ford crossing also exists upstream) and join the D86.

▶ The River Trie is a short river measuring only 13km in length, this is not through lack of water, however, tens of sources like the one at Rogeant feed it as it journeys from Rogeant to the Somme Canal at Petit-Port

Turn left along this road and continue for 100 metres. In front of the camp site, walk up to the right, through the woods and onto the plateau. Descend to the right towards Zoteux and turn left at the end of this hamlet.

 Chapel dedicated to St. Fiacre, Patron Saint of Gardeners.

Take the road that becomes a track and which leads straight to the Calvary Raoul. Turn left, and then right heading down towards Chaussoy.

Turn right at the road and continue for100 metres, then turn left and cross the footbridge. Continue alongside the river for a few metres and then walk up to the woods. When you reach the plateau, continue along the long straight to return to Moyenville.

► The original 16th century church is listed as a Historic Monument and was restored from 1945, although it has lost its spire. It is dedicated to St. Samson, a missionary of the 6th century in Britanny. His relics are kept in the Cathedral of Dol. The graveyard that surrounded the church has also been lost but a lime-stone "tufa" cross still remains.

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