

24 &amp; 25 JUNE

2 DAYS / 43 KM

ROWING LEVEL 

A rowing tour on the "most beautiful river of the kingdom" according to Henri IV, in the heart of green landscapes, where nature lovers will be able to discover otters, storks, or kingfishers and enjoy the wet flood meadows and the riverbanks with alders and ash-trees. Starting from the rowing club, you will go and turn to the town centre of Saintes (a town of Art and History, because of its Gallo-Roman or medieval monuments). Admiring the Arch of Germanicus at a low angle view, you will turn and take the direction of Saint Savinien downriver. Moving with the meanders of the Charente River, you will discover many monuments and remains

dating from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> century. On your route, you will see the Manor of Courbiac, then the village of Bussac and its castle, via Port Ber-teau which was home to the painters Corot and Courbet. Then you will navigate along the village of Taillebourg, known for a battle which saw the victory of Louis IX of France over the English army. After about fifteen kilometres, you will be able to observe successively the castles of Pan-lois, Coulonges and Crazannes. And finally, after 22 km of efforts, you will reach the village of Saint-Savinien and admire its houses along the riverbanks which reflect their images in the water of the Charente River.

## PROVISIONAL PLANNING

### DAY 1


One way 21.5 km. Welcoming picnic. Departure from Saintes at 2.30 p.m. Stopover at halfway, if needed. Arrival in Saint Savinien sur Charente at 5.30 p.m. Dinner at the camping and accommodation in mobile homes in Saint Savinien.

### DAY 2

Return 21.5 km. Departure from Saint Savinien sur Charente at 9 a.m. Arrival in Saintes at noon. Lunch at the club in Saintes.

It is possible to arrive the day before. Visit of Saint Savinien and tasting typical local products.

 Charente, river

 recreational double scull, recreational four-person sculling boats

€ Rowers: 150 € with accommodation, 1 night, 3 meals / 110 € without accommodation, 3 meals  
Companions: identical fees  
31 seats available, 25 €

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