The Bienfay Valley

A rural walk across the undulating, wooded countryside and through villages with traditional houses.

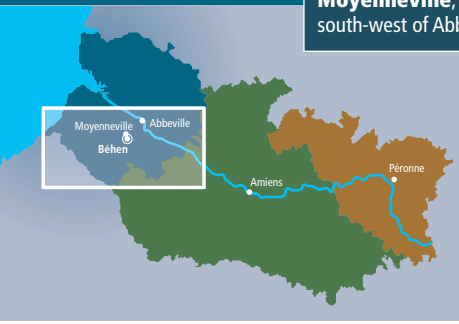
Time: **3 hours 10 mins**

Distance: **10.5km**

Route: **moderate**

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

Moyenneville, 8km south-west of Abbeville.

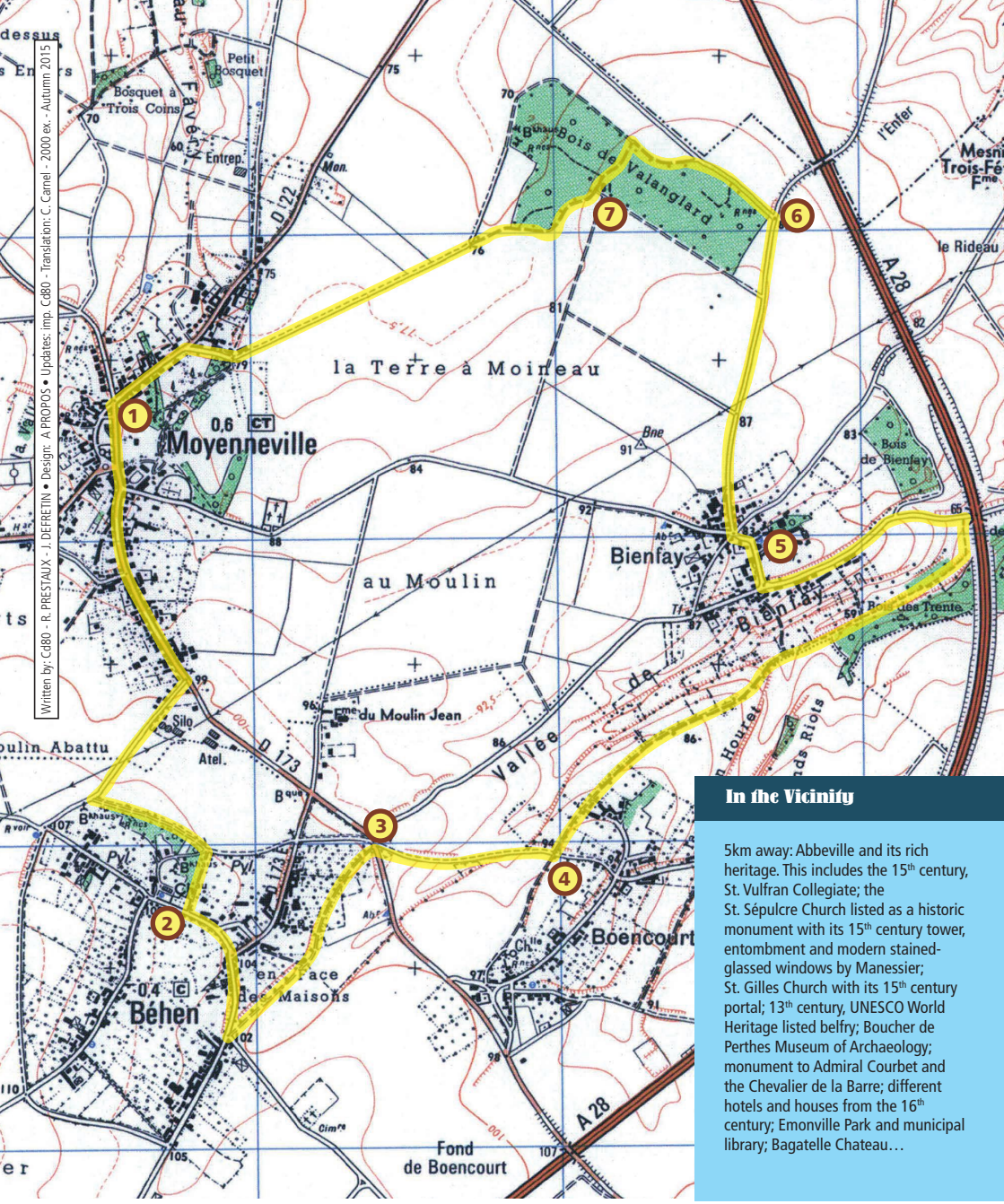




1. From the small square, walk to Place de la Mairie and take the D173 in the direction of Hallencourt. After 1km, take Rue du Château d'Eau opposite the Calvary, and pass in front of a silo. After 350 metres, turn left along a track and then right along the first trail that runs alongside the Béhen Chateau.
   ▶ *18th century chateau in brick and stone, restored 16th century St. Josse Church, ruins of a blockhouse.*
2. Turn left at the road and pass to the right of the church and town hall of Béhen, and head towards the hamlet of Alleux. Take the first track to the left, which will take you to some crossroads.
3. At the crossroads, take the earthen track to the right to reach the D173 and the Bienfay Road.
4. Take the track to the left before arriving at Boencourt. Follow the Bienfay Valley to the motorway. At the first road, climb to the left towards the hamlet of Bienfay.
   ▶ *At Boencourt, a hamlet of Béhen: St. Aubin Church and a stone turnstile.*
5. Head right at the Calvary at Bienfay. At the crossroads, take the Rue Yonval heading towards the woods.
   ▶ *At Bienfay: old tufa cross (from the 8th/9th century), steeple from the old school and remains of the 16th century St. Nicolas Chapel.*
6. Ignore the two earthen tracks and turn to the left behind the Valanglart Woods. Follow the road, and then the track at the edge of the woods. Take the trail to the left which crosses the woods.
   ▶ *Remains of V1 rocket launchers in the woods.*
7. As you leave the woods, turn right and follow the track which will bring you back to Moyenneville.
   ▶ *16th century church listed as a Historic Monument and which lost its 18 metre spire during the bombardments of 1940; remarkable 16th century interior beams; tufa cross, which used to be in the churchyard and is now at the centre of the old cemetery.*

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In the Vicinity

5km away: Abbeville and its rich heritage. This includes the 15th century, St. Vulfran Collegiate; the St. Sépulcre Church listed as a historic monument with its 15th century tower, entombment and modern stained-glassed windows by Manessier; St. Gilles Church with its 15th century portal; 13th century, UNESCO World Heritage listed belfry; Boucher de Perthes Museum of Archaeology; monument to Admiral Courbet and the Chevalier de la Barre; different hotels and houses from the 16th century; Emonville Park and municipal library; Bagatelle Chateau…

Sign posts

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Change of direction

Wrong direction

This hiking trail is maintained by the Communauté de communes du Vimeu Vert.

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