

CHALLENGE ROUTE

To Follow: Route 9

Chexbres

Map:

to Saanen-Gstaad

GPS points: 2.001 - 2.048

DAY 03

Distance: 80 km

Watch out for: Easy to miss turn after 2.35

Points of Interest:

POI Gruyère: (GPS: after 2.29)

We take the road that we came in on (*Route de Chardonne*) and continue on this road all the way to *Chatel St. Denis*, , but for a challenge and better views, some may choose to turn off on the RED route at 2.2. Either way, you end up in *Chatel St. Denis*. Note that today you will also encounter "Route 4" signs...no worries, the Route 4 and Route 9 run together at certain points.

Once in *Chatel St. Denis*, keep your eyes open for Route #9. Make a habit of checking at each intersection. The paths are well marked, but if you're not looking you will miss them.

The next town of note is "Bulle" and then it's onwards to Gruyère where we will stop for lunch. Lunch will be set up outside the cheese museum. You've probably heard of Gruyère: the town itself is a small medieval village perched on a hill above the museum. The village is definitely worth visiting, and so we'll take an hour or so after lunch to visit.

The next small town is Mont Bovon and the path is well marked. You'll be on a busy road once out of Mont Bovon. You'll follow this road for 1 or 2 kilometers before meeting a Route 9 sign on your right. This is easy to miss. No worries if you do miss it...just follow the main road into Chateau d'Oex .

Our hotel is in Saanen (right before Gstaad). The hotel has a full spa, so enjoy.

If the weather is nice, we'll have drinks outside behind the swimming pool before eating at the hotel's restaurant.

