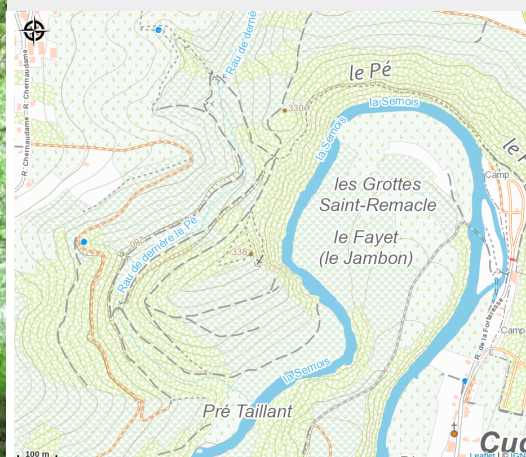


The cave and the legend of Saint-Remacle



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Description

The caves of Saint-Remacle, who is the apostle from the Ardennes par excellence, are in a rock slope. It is oratory made of three caves, that was dug on the slope of the rock and that overhang the Semois river, still being hewed in the schist. The "Saint Remacle" cave is said to be a witness of the evangelization of our countries from the 7th century on: Remacle would have tried set up in that place before founding the abbey of Stavelot.

People say that Saint-Remacle lived there with his donkey thanks to gifts the nearby-village inhabitants gave them. When Satan learnt this, he turned into a wolf for attacking the donkey who served Saint-Remacle. Thanks to his rosary, Saint-Remacle could dominate the wolf and he put him in charge of his supplies for the future. And so people got used to see the wolf wandering with his baskets in order to serve the Saint. It lasted for a while, then Satan could escape. This is what the legend says...

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