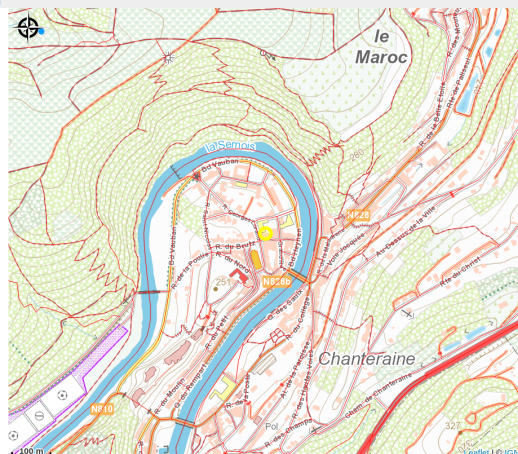


Pont de France bridge



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Useful information

Category : Discovery and recreation

Rating : No rating

Description

The end of the 19th century in Bouillon is marked by a great project: joining the train station of Poix-Saint-Hubert to Sedan and to Pussemange, passing by Maissin, Paliseul, Menuchenet, Bouillon and Corbion

For doing this, it is necessary to cross the Semois river in Bouillon and to dig a tunnel under the stronghold in order to continue on the road towards Corbion. One only bridge existed by then, the pont de Liège, but it was unusable because of the important difference in height there is when coming from Noirefontaine. So, they had to decide to create a new bridge that will be reached thanks to a curve starting from the train station, passing through a tunnel near the Saint-Pierre fountain and near the Roche aux fées rock. The fishermen' houses would be preserved downstream the Trou de Vanne dam. The Saint-Pierre l'Ermite small cave would also be kept at the mouth of the Chanteraine brook.

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Discovery categories

Built heritage, Industrial site/building, bridge, engineering structure.

This topographic map shows the area around Chanterraine, France, with the Semois river flowing through it. The map features contour lines, roads, and buildings. A yellow circle highlights a specific location near the river. The map includes labels for 'le Maroc' and 'Chanterraine'. A scale bar indicates 100m.

All useful information

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