



## Did you know ?

### → THE TWO CASTLES OF VILLENEUVE-LEMBRON

The castle of Uilleneuve was built at the end of the 15th century on the initiative of Rigaud d'Aureille, lord then baron de Uilleneuve. Completing the rapid social rise of his family, he becomes captain and headwaiter of the king, becomes a royal favourite and is in charge of diplomatic missions. He undertakes the construction of a new residence, away from the village and of the old family residence. This vast quadrilateral with a medieval appearance, flanked by large towers and surrounded by wide ditches, is also the expression of the Renaissance with its inner courtyard and its remarkable collection of painted decorations from the 16th and 17th centuries. Medieval fantasy and Renaissance inspiration nourished by ancient mythology unfold on the walls of the galleries, rooms and stables of the castle. State property classified as a historical monument since 1926, the castle welcomes the public all year round.

The Hôtel d'Aureille, the old castle of Uilleneuve, is a medieval fortified perimeter that includes an 11th-century Romanesque keep, the 15th-century residence itself, a wall and 16th century corps de logis.

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## Hiking guide

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### Villeneuve, Boudes, Chalus

Starting point : Villeneuve

**Auvergne  
Pays  
d'Issoire**  
*Ressentez-Vibrez-Savourez*



Distance : 9 km



Hiking Time : 3 h



Difficulty : Medium



Marking Out : Yellow



Height Difference : 320 m



