

# Alignements de Carnac

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Discover the Carnac alignments near the Morbihan Gulf. Explore the largest group of Megaliths of its sort in the world, and a key place in European prehistory.

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## Opening / Closing

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Times may vary

House of megaliths

Open

May and June : from 9 am to 6 pm

July and August : from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm

September to April : from 10 am to 5 pm

Closed

1st january, 1st may and 25th december

## Prices

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Guided tours

For individuals :

Full rate : 6 €

Reduced rate : 5 €

Specific rate : 4 €

Free for visitors under 18 years old

For groups :

Compulsory reservation +33(0)2 97 52 77 95 or [carnac@monuments-nationaux.fr](mailto:carnac@monuments-nationaux.fr)

1 to 15 visitors : 55 €

16 to 30 visitors : 100 €

Until 45 visitors : 155 €

School visitors : 68 € (until 35 visitors)

Disabled visitors : 35 € (until 20 visitors)

### **Prehistoric workshops**

For school groups :

Half a journey : 110 €

Full journey : 220 €

For adults groups :

Half a journey : 137 €

### ***Pass of Megaliths***

4 important megalithic sites and a Muséum regroup to offer you a reduced rate from the second visited monument (keep your ticket)(Cairn of Gavrinis, Megalithic site in Locmariaquer, alignments of Carnac, Petit Mont in Arzon and Muséum of prehistory in Carnac).

## **Going there**

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From Auray: secondary roads D 768 and D 781 towards Carnac (D 196 is forbidden to coaches going west)

Download and print the MAP OF ALIGNEMENTS by clicking [here](#).

## **Localisation**

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Maison des Mégalithes at Le Ménéac

56340 Carnac

T 02 97 52 29 81

F 02 97 52 60 03

### **GPS details**

Latitude : 47.5977

Longitude : -3.0634

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## Visit

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### Understanding the Carnac alignments

- **Among the first sites to be protected by the State.** The scientific approach of Prosper Mérimée, the Inspector for Historic Monuments, led the State to pursue a policy of acquiring and preserving megaliths from 1830 onwards. During the 21st century the sites have undergone restoration and development work.

- **Neolithic temples.** Recent studies have linked the history of these sites to changes occurring in the Neolithic period, when communities started to become sedentary. The lines of menhirs mark the way towards enclosures, spaces which were held to be sacred. The dolmens had a funerary function.

## Visits

### Lecture visit

Guided tour in English in the alignments

Departure of visits

12th of July to 23th of August 2011: every tuesday at 11:30 am

Sale of tickets ends 15 min before visit

Envisage high shoes

### Guide Dog allowed

**Dogs excluded**

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## Accessibilité

Information about accessibility by phone : +33 (0) 2 97 52 29 81



**Visiteurs à mobilité réduite**

Reception's building is accessible. Possibility to borrow a wheelchair (electric wheelchair) to move on

the sites.

Floors are not leveled.

Accessible sites : Kerlescan and Toul Chignan. For the other sites, 80cm wide gates, the wheelchairs we borrow are 62cm wide.



## **Visiteurs mal et non-voyants**

Document de visite en braille ou en gros caractères disponible à l'accueil.

## **Services**

Gift and book shop

Video room

Exhibition about megalithism and model of the alignments

Braille documentary available

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Parking

## **Useful links**

- [Cairn of Gavrinis](#)
- [Megaliths of Morbihan](#)
- [Virtual visit of Kermario site](#)
- [Kermario alignments](#)
- [Ménec and Quiberon's bay](#)
- [Museum of prehistory in Carnac](#)