



CHEMIN DE L'ABEILLE ROSE

LES FOULETS (H)
LE CRÊT-DU-LOCLE (A)
via le Mont-Jacques
5,04km • 1hr 30 mins • quite easy

Start (H)

Bus 303 - Get off at: Foulets

End (A)

Bus 360 - Get off at: Le Crêt-du-Locle

Level of difficulty: quite easy Possible with pushchairs or in winter

using an alternative path around the Mont-Jacques to point (2)

Distance: 5,04 km

Variation in altitude: +108 m; -148 m

Length: 1hr 30mins **Altitude at start:** 1055 m **Altitude at end:** 1015 m

Highest point: Mont-Jacques, 1118 m

Season: all year round

Panorama: view of the north of the town with its checkerboard street plan, from the

south

Refreshments:

Thai-Restaurant Siam-Orchidée

Description of the path: from the Foulets bus-stop (H), a path along the edge of the Montagnons district takes you to the foot of the Mont-Jacques (1); climb to the top to enjoy an interesting view of the town. Otherwise, (with a pushchair or in winter), you can go around it to join the Roulets valley (2) where you will see a few beautiful farms that are typical of canton Neuchâtel. Turn right at the Bénéciardes (3), go up and then down the Torneret hill (4), which is another place with a good view, to reach le Crêt-du-Locle (A) on the boundry between La Chaux-de-Fonds and Le Locle.

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The watch company Cartier owns a large factory here (5) and, following a competition for ideas, the local authorities plan to encourage mixed land-use, with both industrial buildings and housing. From le Crêt-du-Locle, catch a bus or a train back to La Chaux-de-Fonds. If you wish, you can make a detour by walking about 600 m along the main road to the Thai restaurant named Siam-Orchidée.