

La Rayrie,

near Gavray, near Villedieu, between St Malo and Caen, Normandy France

SatNav: Longitude N48°55.471' Latitude W1°20.178'

Coming from East, South or West – take the A84 to Villedieu:

Sortie 37 off A84 at Villedieu

Follow signs around several roundabouts to GAVRAY. You should be on the D9. Follow the D9 for about 15km to Gavray. (alternative route to Gavray: follow signs to Le Mesnil Garnier – D33 – then on to Gavray, turn left when you meet the D9)

Turn right into town over the river (D7, direction Coutance)

After about 100m, take the next major turn right (D38, direction St Denis le Gast)

You are now going north on the D38 which goes gradually up hill. After about 2km look on the left for a white post with a conical top and a red reflector, and a tiny white sign that says “La Rayrie”. [If you see a driveway on the left with big iron gates then you’ve gone 100m too far. The turnoff to La Baleine on the right is about 200m too far.]

Follow the tiny road into the Commune de la Rayrie and at the end turn right down the hill towards the house.

Coming from North (Cherbourg)

The best route will be via St Lô (when the dual carriageway is finished). In the meantime this is what Google Maps says (rather cross-country):

Take N13 towards Caen

After Carentan, take N174 exit Rennes/Le Mont-Saint-Michel/Saint-Lô

At Hébécrevon exit onto D77

Go through Saint Giles

At Canisy join the D38

Cross the D13 at Saint Denis le Gast

You are now going South on the D38 towards Gavray. After about 1.5km pass the turnoff to La Baleine on the left and then about 100m later see a driveway on the right with big iron gates. After about 100m look on the right for a tiny white sign that says “La Rayrie”. Follow this tiny road as described above.

Alternatively, from Cherbourg follow the road to Coutances via Valonges. This goes on through Gavray and you then turn left up the D38. This seems to be less cross country.



From Calais to Villedieu:

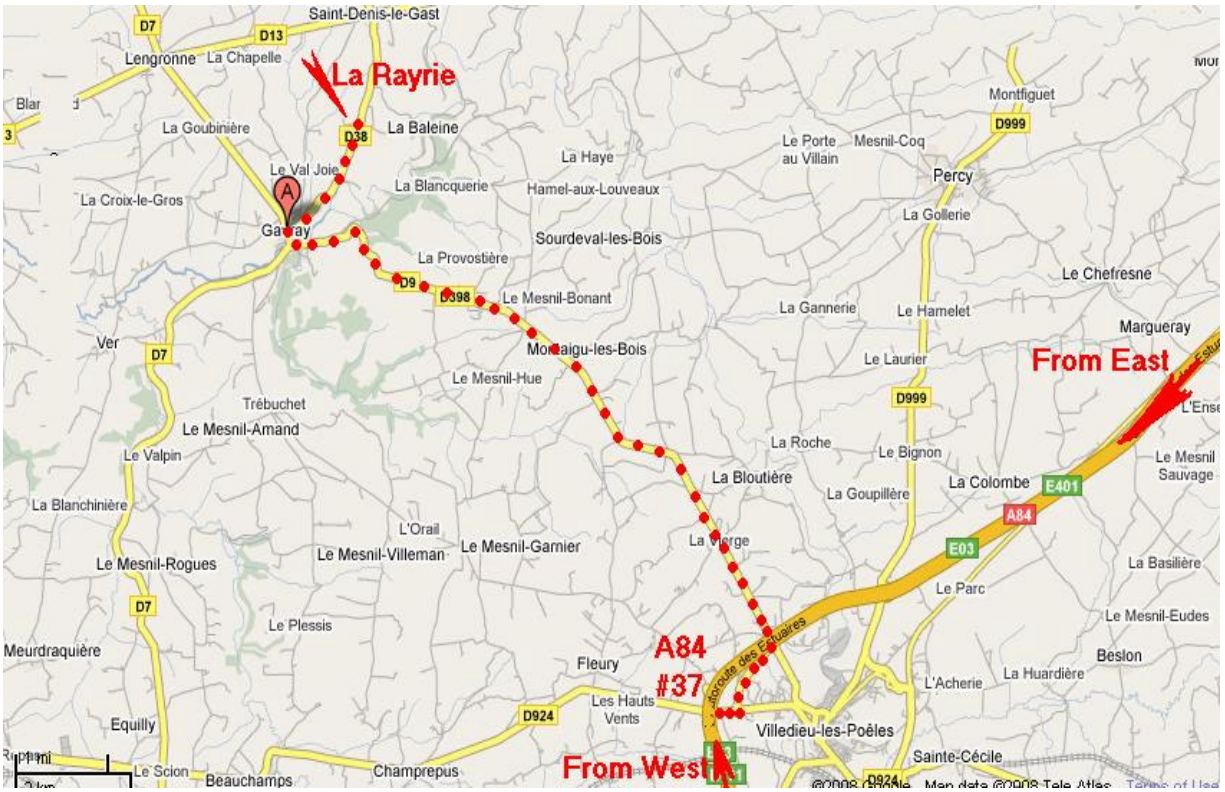
- Take A16 direction Amiens, Paris, exit at Sortie 23***
- Take A28 direction Rouen, exit at Sortie 11***
- Take A29 direction Le Havre, exit at the end
- Take A13 direction Caen, exit at the end
- Take Peripherique Sud, exit at Sortie 9
- Take A84 direction Rennes, exit at Sortie 37

From Villedieu to Calais:

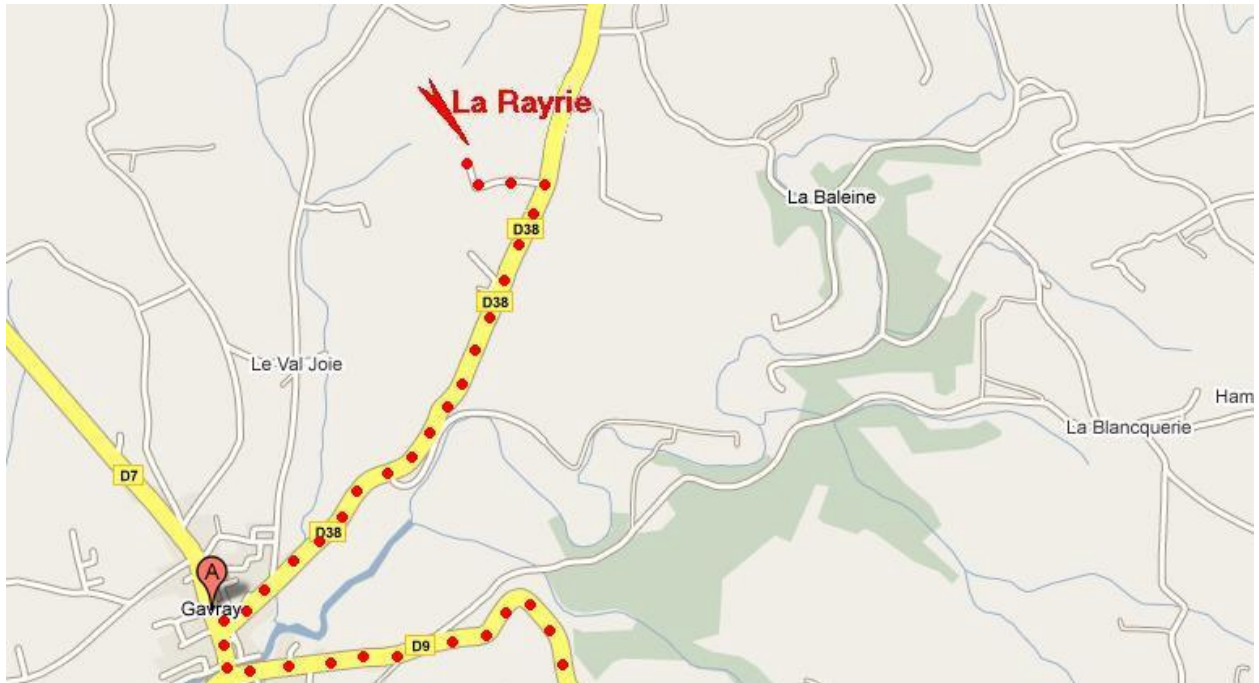
- Take A84 direction Caen, exit at the end
- Take Peripherique Sud, exit A13 Direction Paris
- Take A13 direction Paris exit for A29 Pont de Normandie***
- Take A29 direction Le Havre exit for direction Calais***
- Take A28 direction Calais
- Take A16 direction Calais

*** means EASY TO MISS

Detail showing Villdieu to Gavray



Detail showing Gavray to La Rayrie



If you're coming from DINARD Airport (Saint Malo) these maps may be useful

Signposting is not great. Either go north into St Malo and cross over the Barrage, then follow signs to Rennes
Or go south to Pleurtuit Sud, then follow Dinan, and then look out for a turning towards Dol de Bttagne



