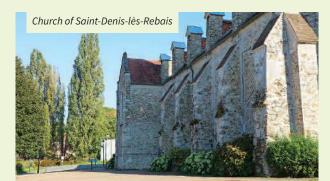
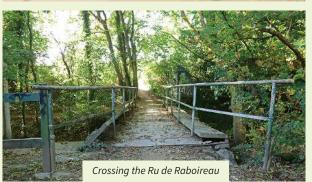
## **Rebais monastery**

Rebais monastery was founded in 630 by Dadon (now known as St Ouen) alongside Resbac brook, on land belonging to Dagobert I. Agilus (now known as Saint Aile) was entrusted with running the monastery. He was proactive in organising the monastery, but also liked to go on retreats. Once while on a retreat, he felt an intense thirst. He touched the earth with his walking stick and a spring miraculously burst forth. After his death (circa 650), this place became a pilgrimage centre for monks in Rebais, who decided to add a priory and a chapel. They remained there until the French revolution. These buildings were then sold off as state property, but gradually deteriorated. In the 19<sup>th</sup> century a priest from Meaux bought them. He had the place restored as an orphanage.

The priest also made a feature of the miraculous spring. Every year, on the first Sunday in September, a mass is celebrated in honour of Saint Aile. His relics have been conserved at the church Saint-Jean-Baptiste de Rebais which also features the "Gisant de Saint-Aile", a 13<sup>th</sup>century sculpture depicting the saint with his cross and a book.







Access: Paris Porte de Bercy, A4 for 33 km (exit 16), then D934 for 18 km to Coulommiers. From Coulommiers, Rebais is 12 km ENE on the D222. Line 77 Express N°1: Melun station-Coulommiers-Rebais station. Practical information: all shops and restaurants. Positive elevation: 90m.



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## REBAIS COUNTRY Around Rebais

This hike will take you through a variety of scenery in Rebais country: the valleys of Le Raboireau and Le Resbac and the agricultural lowlands to the south of this area.



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## **Around Rebais**

**1** Starting at Place du Marché, take Rue de l'Hôtel-de-Ville then turn left into Avenue de la Libération. Cross over Resbac brook.

**2** Turn right into the path. Cross over the Le Raboireau brook. Go straight ahead, through the hamlet Les Jolys until you reach the hamlet Le Vinot.

3 On the small square, take the alley on the right between two houses then turn left twice to come back to the road. Follow it on the right for 200m.

Go down the road on the left then follow the one on the left towards Le Raboireau brook. Cross over the brook and go up to Saint-Denis-lès-Rebais church.

**5** You go past the war memorial then take Rue de l'Eglise on the left. It becomes a path shortly afterwards. Follow this path for 1,000m.

**6** Take two left turns, cross the D55, turn left then right to follow the road opposite. It goes round Bois Maugé farm, and leads to the D204. Cross this road and take the dirt track opposite for 1,200m.

7 Follow the road on the left then, at the crossroads, bear left, taking the path through the fields to Rebais, which you enter via Rue de la Brandonnerie.

8 Go back up Avenue de la République to your right and head left on Avenue des Tilleuls to the junction with Avenue de la Libération. Turn right back to Place du Marché..



Saint-Denis-lès-rebais



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