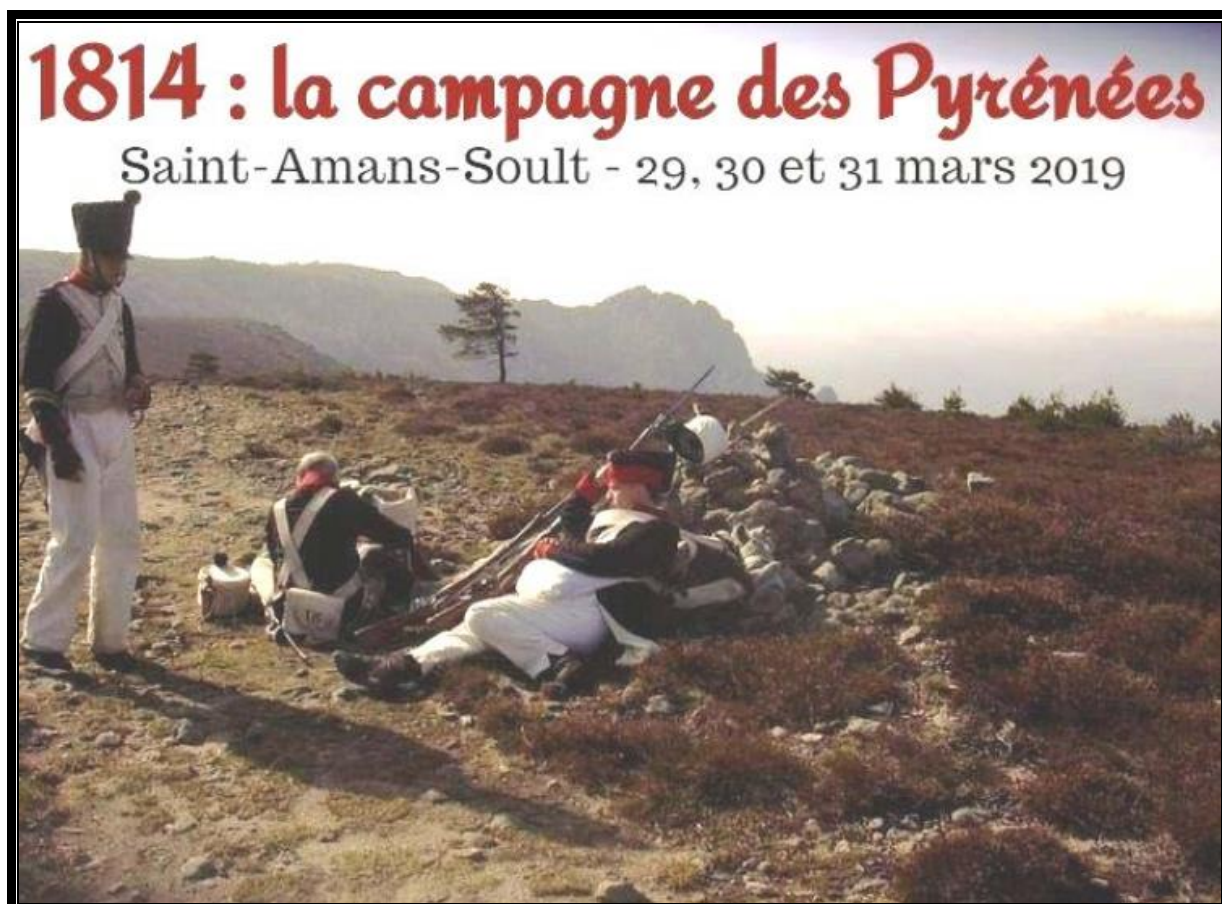


INVITATION AND INFORMATION



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Charte d'Histoire-Vivante

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Where?

The village of St-Amans-Soult, which is located in the Tarn department of France about 70km north of Narbonne and 3h car drive from Girona.

When?

The weekend of 29-31 March 2019.

What is proposed?

The event will consist of two distinctive parts:



Military men: The armies will be bivouacking in campaign conditions the forest of the Black Mountain (Montaña Negra), which was the site of a 1794 battle between French forces, under the command of generals Pérignon and Dugommier, and the Spanish army of Luis Firmin de Carvajal.

Civilians and non-military men, women and children: A civilian encampment will be installed in the grounds of the Château de St-Amans-Soult, which was previously the property of Marshal Soult.

Scenario?

It is March 1814 in the Basque country. An advance-guard of Wellington's Anglo-Spanish army, accompanied by French royalist partisans, has crossed the border. The French forces in the area have orders to resist them.



This is the second edition of the event. The first edition, which took place in 2016 and had the theme of French soldiers chasing a gang of bandits in the mountain, has a photo album available on the Charte d'Histoire-Vivante's Facebook Page, which can be accessed on the following link:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/chartehistoire/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1104497006238697

Program

Friday 29 March:

Participants will arrive and register officially within the grounds of the Château. The civilian camp will be installed and both soldiers and civilians will sleep in this camp.



Saturday 30 March:

Early in the morning, the French and Allied forces will leave the camp. The day will be spent in scouting and skirmishes. At night, the armies will construct temporary bivouacs in the mountain for the night.



Sunday 31 March:

In the morning, the armies will retreat back to the camp at the Château and will eat lunch together there. The afternoon will be dedicated to animating the encampment. For those that wish to do so, visits of the Château and the house where Marshal Soult grew up can be organised.

No-one may leave the event before 15h00.



Practical Information

1) Gunpowder

Each participant/group will need to organise their gunpowder.

If necessary, the organisers can acquire gunpowder for you at the price of 60€/kg. If you wish to buy gunpowder, you will need to let us know the quantities required, and payment, in advance.

2) Food and Drink

This is an entirely private event with no funding from either a sponsor or a public organisation. Therefore, it is impossible for us to provide food and drink to participants (except of a serving of complementary soup to participants on Friday evening in the civilian camp).

Each participant will need to organise their own rations for the weekend.

For the soldiers will be living in campaign conditions for an entire day and night, it is necessary that they carry their food with them in their backpacks (and in historical compatible wrapping – no plastic). There will be several water points in the mountain but it is also important that soldiers have historical-compatible equipment to be able to transport it.



For the civilians in the camp at the Château, an historical tavern will be on-site (“Chez La Cambuse”) and will gladly provide food and drink to those that wish to eat there. However, you will need to reserve your meal(s) before the event. (The tavern’s menu is available in Annex A of this document)

3) Hygiene and Toilets

At the civilian camp, there will be public toilets and showers close by. However, the soldiers that will be campaigning will be in the wilderness and will have to use laterines constructed by themselves.

There is a river close to the Château that can be used by the civilians in the camp as a place to collect washing water.



4) Straw and Wood

Straw will be provided at the civilian camp at the Château throughout the weekend and at the military bivouac areas in the mountain for Saturday night.

Wood will be provided at the civilian camp but the soldiers will have to cut and scavenge their fire wood in the forest during Saturday night.



5) Tents

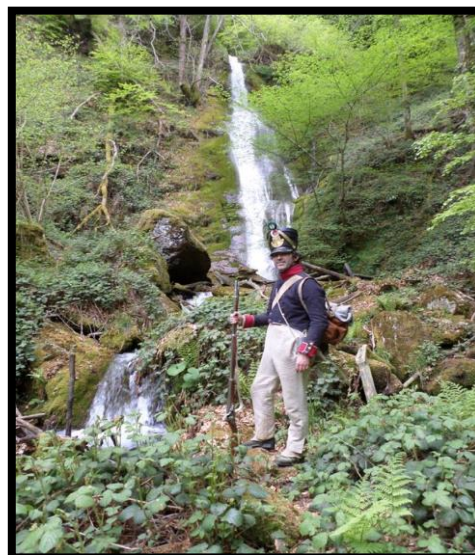
Tents can be installed at the civilian camp at the Château from Friday night to the end of the event on Sunday. However, for the soldiers campaigning in the mountain, it will not be possible to transport a tent on their backs and they will thus need to construct a campaign shelter with natural materials for Saturday night only.

6) Uniforms

Uniforms will need to be as close as possible for the period of the scenario (1814). If you have questions about this, we will be happy to discuss them with you in order to find the best way for your group to integrate our scenario.

7) 24-hour Tactical Campaign

This event wants to be as immersive as possible. Unless weather conditions demand it, the soldiers will be considered in 19th-century tactical conditions from Saturday morning to Sunday midday.



8) Soldiers in the Civilian Camp

If there are any participants, representing a soldier, that wish to participate in the event but are unable/unwilling to participate in the military tactical in the mountain, they can be left in the civilian camp and take part in their activities to animate the camp.

9) Participation Fee

In order to cover all associated organisation costs (such as buying/supplying straw, wood, the Friday evening soup, etc.), each participant will be asked to pay a participation fee of between 15€-20€. The exact amount will be communicated to you by the end of February (once the budget has been established) and must be paid either by cheque or bank transfer before 1st March.

10) Registration Deadline

Registration must be made before Friday 15 February 2019.

Registration Form
(to be returned before Friday 15 February 2019)

GROUP NAME: _____

REGIMENT REPRESENTED: _____

PLACE OF ORIGIN: _____

RESPONSABLE PERSON: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PARTICIPANTS:

- N° OF CAMPAIGNING SOLDIERS: ____ N° SOLDIERS THAT WANT TO STAY IN CAMP: ____

- N° WOMEN/CHILDREN/NON-MILITARY MEN : _____

- FRENCH ARMY ANGLO-SPANISH ARMY

- N° OF TENTS : _____

- N° OF MUSKETS/FIRE-ARMS: _____

- N° OF ARTILLERY CANNONS: _____

- DO YOU REQUIRE GUN-POWDER : YES NO HOW MANY : _____ (60€/Kg)

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS : _____ TOTAL SUMS TO PAY¹ : _____

REMARKS OR PRECISIONS TO MAKE:

¹ For a bank transfer payment : Association RHEMP – Banque Populaire et Occitane, 36, av de Gameville - 31650 St-Orens

LISTE OF PARTICIPANTS

(legal requirement which needs to be submitted to the police)

Regiment : _____

N°	First name and FAMILY NALME	Type of Fire-Arm	Fire-Arm ID Number
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ANNEX « A »

CHEZ LA CAMBUSE

Menu

Starter

- French Military Soup (a mix of vegetables and meats) : 5€

Main Courses

- Smoked pork, roasted chicken or grilled ham: 2€
- Egg and bacon mixed in red wine: 3€

Side Dishes

- Rice mixed with onions: 2€
- Potatoes mixed with bacon: 2€

Desserts

- French Military Biscuit: 4€ for 5 biscuits
- Different Pâtisseries: 2€

Drinks

Table wine served in a jug, included in the price of the meal.

To put your orders in, please get in touch by email.

