



Simone Etter

Swiss artist **Simone Etter's 'Walk Book'** is full of techniques to disorientate you, not necessarily to get you lost, but to muddle your thoughts, even on a familiar route. Andrew Stuck, producer of *Talking Walking*, and Simone set out on a walk together towards a campsite beyond La Romieu in south west France, where they have been attending *Made of Walking*. They know where they are aiming for but don't know the way to get there, and once they are there, they are not sure as to how to return via a different route. Along the way, Andrew is convinced that Simone is applying her techniques, as he becomes increasingly more disorientated as to the route - his only hope is that you as a listener can follow it too. 16'38" 7.8MB

Notes from the podcast interview by **Andrew Stuck**: Recorded on the 31st August 2017 on a walk to close to La Romieu in south west France, during the Made of Walking even. Published in May 2019 on <http://www.talkingwalking.net>

Find out more about who took part in Made of Walking 2017 <http://www.themilena.com/pdf-files-projects-the-milena-principle/List-fLa-Romieu-MOW-2017.pdf> and how you can join Made of Walking 2019 from 1st - 7th July <http://www.themilena.com/made-of-walking>

View Simone Etter's own work as Marsie Collective: <http://www.marsie.ch/walks/> and more on the development of her Walk Book: https://irf.fhnw.ch/bitstream/handle/11654/25565/IBA_Input_161021.pdf?sequence=1

La Romieu is a starting point for pilgrims on the Camino de Santiago de Compostelo <https://www.france-voyage.com/cities-towns/la-romieu-11042.htm> Pilgrimage to Santiago https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Camino_de_Santiago

Simone attended Cite International des Arts in Paris on a year long Atelier Mondial fellowship: the https://www.ateliermondial.com/de/kuenstler/2017/etter_simone.html

The Arcades project of Walter Benjamin <http://www.hup.harvard.edu/catalog.php?isbn=9780674008021&content=reviews> and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arcades_Project

The Flaneur <https://www.tate.org.uk/art/art-terms/f/flaneur> Edmund White's book on the Flaneur in Paris <https://www.theguardian.com/books/2001/feb/17/travel.travelbooks> or Lauren Elkin's Women who walk the City <https://www.theguardian.com/cities/2016/jul/29/female-flaneur-women-reclaim-streets>

Simone Etter's WALKBOOK is currently only available in German at the University of Art and Design Basel. 'Walk Book' began as part of a research project undertaken at the University of Basel called 'Grenzgang – Artistic Investigations on Perception and Communication of Space in a Trinational Border Area'.