

Travel day (and a bit of sight-seeing)



Ever since my first trip to France, riding the Ventoux stage which began in Carpentras that year, and riding underneath this very large roman aqueduct that seemed built with the road I was cycling on in mind, I'd had a desire to see the BIG one, the one you see in all the history and "Wonders of the World" books. Pont du Gard. So today we took a slight detour after a couple of train rides and then renting a car to get from Lourdes to Avignon, and went to see it.

It's big, what can I tell you? What the romans did with cut stone was pretty amazing. Sure, the Incas and Aztecs and Egyptians built huge monuments out of amazingly-precise cut stone, but that's for the most part what they were. Monuments. The romans built stuff that worked.

More later, including stories about food at Pont du Gard and maybe even an admission about where we had to eat tonight. But time to get ready for tomorrow's adventure, which, if it works out, will have us viewing a Tour de France feed zone. --Mike--