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Via geoalpina: leg 1a piancavallo - pian vadà
Utilization
Hiking
Official itinerary
No

Lenght
13.90 km

Tempo
4 hours 10 minutes

Stage
1

Ascent elevation gain
470 m

Descent elevation loss
75 m

Difficulty
Hiking

Informazioni

Region
Piemonte

Country
Italy

Address

Piancavallo
28824 Oggebbio VB
Italy

Coordinates

POINT (8.626 46.00529)
Altitude
1215 m
Arrival address

Pian Vadà
28812 Aurano VB
Italy

Arrival coordinates

POINT (8.57471 46.0443)
Arrival altitude
1607 m
Access

Piancavallo can be reached by car and by bus

Descrizione

This leg represents an alternative departure of the itinerary from Verbano. You depart from the car parking of the panoramic viewpoint in the municipality of Oggebbio at the intersection of SP 133 of Piancavallo and SP 56 Premeno-Colle. From there, along the Premeno-Colle road (already route VBAR10), you reach the entrance to the Cadorna military road leading to Monte Morissolo, just beyond the Auxological Institute of Pian Cavallo; follow it to Colle. From Colle, again along the Cadorna military road, continue towards Passo Folungo, going past Pian d'Arla and Pian Puzzo, remaining along route VBAR10 on the orographic left side of the upper Intrasca Valley, facing Lake Maggiore. From Passo Folungo, go up towards Pian Vadà, again along the Cadorna military road identified as route VBAR20. The route climbs a slope of more than 350 m with six easy hairpin bends and gets to Pian Vadà where the leg ends. In Pian Vadà you can stay overnight in a non-managed refuge or in a bivouac. Both facilities belong to the Park Authority. The refuge provides 14 beds in a large room, it is heated with a wood-burning stove and has electricity produced by a photovoltaic system. For the overnight stay, reservations are required at no. 0324-87540 of the Park Authority. The bivouac, unattended and always open, provides 3 beds on wood flooring and it is not heated. There is a water fountain in the pertinent area of ??the buildings.

Public transport access
Yes

Recommended period

Spring
Summer
Fall
From April to October

Accessible to people with disabilities

No

Support points

bivouac of Pian Vadà

Interest points

From Pian Cavallo to Pian Vadà and Zeda you walk along cart tracks, paths and fortifications belonging to the "Cadorna Line" that was built during the First World War as a war road and is now a precious resource for mountain hiking. The route is already equipped with a series of didactic panels that were set up during a wide conservative restoration project of the Cadorna Line artefacts, which was implemented by the Park and the Municipality of Aurano with funds from the Ministry of the Environment and Interreg. The strategic geographical location of the defensive lines, together with the orographic location of the fortified positions, today offers great landscape opportunities and astonishing views up to the Apennines, Monviso and the Insubric lakes below. The geological theme offers an extraordinary opportunity to read about the phenomena of the birth of a continent and the alpine orogeny related to the so-called "Serie dei Laghi". The chosen itinerary, with the scientific support of the University of Milan, is perfectly suitable to illustrate the complex geological phenomena that lead to the formation and growth of the continental crust. In fact, the ground clearly shows the evidence of a succession of events that took place over about 300 million years and that are connected to the global tectonics of the planet. Through the restoration project, the sites that best respond to the enhancement of the studied lithological and geomorphological components have been identified and the most suitable points for the arrangement of 13 explanatory panels/reading stands have been selected.

Devotional relevance
No

Historical relevance
No

Dettagli

Code
VGP

Classification
Provincial - Mid and Low Altitude

Province
Verbania

Cell phone coverage

Partial

Climbing type (other)
Medium and low mountain provincial route

Ultima data di aggiornamento
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Altre info
Accommodation facilities
La dislocanda
Canetta
Hotel moderno
Premeno
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Villa rosy depandance
Vittoria
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Variant
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Verbania