

# 'La Via dei Campioni' Cycle Route : **STAGE 1: Costa Vescovato - Rifugio Montaldo di Cosola**

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**Utilization** Cycle touring

**Official itinerary** No

**Lenght** 67.80 km

**Tempo** 5 hours 30 minutes

**Stage 1**

**Max altitude** 1659 m

**Ascent elevation gain** 1960 m

**Descent elevation loss** 1300 m

**Difficulty** Easy

## **INFORMAZIONI**

**Region**

Piemonte

**Country**

Italy

## **Address**

Costa Vescovato  
15050 Costa Vescovato AL  
Italy

## **Coordinates** POINT

(8.92819 44.81764)

**Altitude** 270 m

## **Arrival address**

Rifugio Montaldo di Cosola  
15060 Cabella Ligure AL  
Italy

## **Arrival coordinates** POINT

(9.17852 44.66963)

**Arrival altitude** 930 m

## **Access**

From Tortona to Costa Vescovato: take provincial highway SP 35, then SP 130 to the village of Costa Vescovato.

From Tortona to Montaldo di Cosola: take superhighway A26, take the exit for superhighway A7, then exit at the Vignole Borbera toll station; from there continue along SP 140.

## **Descrizione**

Start the first stage from the village of Costa Vescovato, taking CAI (Italian Alpine Club) Trail 124 (Passo dell'Airone) and then climb provincial highway SP 130 in Valle Ossona. Follow the paved highway until the intersection of

the Castellania-Tortona provincial road; after entering this road the route climbs to the level of an abandoned alabaster quarry. From here, continue along Trail 139 (La Via dei Mercanti) to the village of Vigoponzo. From Vigoponzo, continue towards the village of San Sebastiano Curone, along Trail 155. Continue through San Sebastiano Curone up to the astronomical observatory, then along Trail 103 towards Fabbrica Curone. Taking Trail 104, the route arrives in the village of Selvapiana, where there is a public water fountain. Continue on Trail 105, along which you will find Bivacco Pian dei Laghi, Rifugio Pian della Mora and Rifugio Monte Chiappo, then continue towards Montaldo di Cosola.

### **Public transport access** Yes

To reach Costa Vescovato by public transport, you need to take the ARFEA bus service (<https://www.arfea.it/Orari.html>).

To reach Montaldo di Cosola by public transport, take the bus service Val borbera (<http://www.autolineevalborbera.it/>), up to Cabella Ligure and then the line for Dova Inferiore. You can continue on foot for about 2 km.

### **Accessible to people with disabilities** No

### **Support points**

Info point and bike maintenance/repair facility in Castellania municipal buildings;  
cycle-tour rest services in the village of Costa Vescovato;  
along Trail 105 there are Bivacco Pian dei Laghi (near Selvapiana locality), Rifugio Pian della Mora (near Monte Boglelio) and Rifugio Monte Chiappo.

**Devotional relevance**      No

**Historical relevance**      No

## DETTAGLI

**Local Tourist Agency (LTA) reference** [ATL della provincia di Alessandria "Alexala"](#)

**Code**      VDC

**Classification**      Regional

**Province**

Alessandria

**Cell phone coverage**

TIM, Vodafone, 3WIND

**Ultima data di aggiornamento**

15/12/2023

## **ALTRE INFO**

Accommodation facilities

[Cascina montesoro](#)

[Cascina san leto](#)

[Il melograno](#)

[L'angolo del benvenuto](#)

[Valli unite](#)

[Casa castellini](#)

[E-maieu](#)

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[Val curone](#)

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**Itinerary index**      No

**Province names** Alessandria