

GTL - Grande Traversata delle Langhe - Leg 3B: Bergolo - Torre Bormida

Utilization Hiking

Official itinerary No

Lenght 6.20 km

Tempo 1 hour 25 minutes

Stage 3

Ascent elevation gain 155 m

Descent elevation loss 385 m

Difficulty Hiking

INFORMAZIONI

Region

Piemonte

Country

Italy

Address

Bergolo Via Roma 12074 Bergolo CN Italy

Coordinates POINT

(8.183967 44.548725)

Altitude 620 m

Arrival address

Torre Bormida Via Umberto Maddalena 12050 Torre Bormida CN Italy

Arrival coordinates POINT

(8.151453 44.563769)

Arrival altitude 385 m

Access

By car, motorways:

A6 - Torino Savona, Marene or Carmagnola exit

A21 - Torino Piacenza, Asti Est exit

A33 - Asti Cuneo, Alba exit

By plane:

Milano Malpensa and Linate - www.sea-aeroportimilano.it

Torino Caselle - www.aeroportoditorino.it

Cuneo Levaldigi – <u>www.aeroporto.cuneo.it</u>

By train:

Ferrovie dello Stato: www.trenitalia.com

Descrizione

Another GTL variation starting in the "village of stone", this connecting section takes you to Torre Bormida, where you can connect with Cravanzana and the central sections of the GTL.

From the square of **Bergolo**, head down alongside the tourist office, then cross the main highway. Continue down the very steep, narrow road that turns quickly to stone. Cross the main highway again, then turn left to cut through the next curve and follow the narrow, paved road to the hamlet of Bergamaschi. At the next curve, leave the paved road and head down to the right through the woods. When you reach a lovely hazelnut grove, turn to the right and descend along the edge of the woods. When you have passed the town's water reservoir, return to the paved road near the lovely Villa Bergolo. Take the road across from the house and continue along the garden toward a white house until you reach the gate.

Continue to the right along a trail that isn't very evident. Stay along the edge of the cultivated field and pass a second water reservoir. Enter the woods here and continue along the stony trail until you reach the first homes of the hamlet of Bergamaschi. When you have passed the courtyards of two homes, stay along the crest of the hill through a steep section of very rough road, then return to the paved road in the centre of town. Cross the Bormida river and head up to the left to the main highway. Follow the highway for a few dozen metres to the hamlet of Gorretta, then head up a steep paved road that will take you directly to the main square in **Torre Bormida**. The village is situated on the hillside overlooking the river. A single street runs through town to the church square, with the homes arranged in a circle below it. Beyond the original part of the village and nearby cemetery, in the

woods to the east, there are the remains of the castle, which shows how old this place is both in its defensive position and for the crossing of trading routes that were controlled here over the centuries.

But what makes this village particularly interesting is its rural architecture, which you can discover by wandering here and there, along the dry-stone walls that have terraced the southern slope over the centuries in order to carve out a bit of cultivated land in this impossibly steep valley. Alongside the dry-stone walls there are the farmhouses, situated in such a way as to take advantage of the sun and the wind, built out wood and stone with very few brick inlays. You will also find wells, drying structures (such as the amazing circular one at the crossroads down in the valley), stalls, storage sheds, tuff cellars and wood balconies in an infinite interplay of technique and need, wisdom and innovation, which has made this valley an open-air museum of Langa stone and of the age-old dignity in poverty of its inhabitants.

Public transport access Yes

Http://Www.grandabus.it/Tpl_orari.asp

Recommended period

Spring Summer Fall

March - November

Accessible to people with disabilities No

Interest points

Bergolo, The Village of Stone: Chiesa di San Sebastiano.

Devotional relevance No

Historical relevance No.

DETTAGLI

Local Tourist Agency (LTA) reference ATL Langhe Monferrato Roero

Code GTL

Classification Provincial - Mid and Low Altitude

Province

Cuneo

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ALTRE INFO

Accommodation facilities

Nuovo secolo

'I bunet

La bertorella

La costa

Le coccinelle

TAPPE

Variant B

Itinerary index No

Province names Cuneo