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Cammini delle alte colline ombrose e delle colline chiare: Stage 12: Calliano - Castell'Alfero
Utilization
Cycle touring
Official itinerary
No

Lenght
9.60 km

Tempo
2 hours 20 minutes

Stage
12

Max altitude
315 m

Descent elevation loss
24 m

Difficulty
Easy

Informazioni

Region
Piemonte

Country
Italy

Address

Calliano
14031 Calliano AT
Italy

Coordinates

POINT (8.25719 45.00653)
Altitude
244 m
Arrival address

Castell'Alfero
14033 Castell'Alfero AT
Italy

Arrival coordinates

POINT (8.20963 44.98207)
Arrival altitude
220 m

Descrizione

The route is 10 km long and connects Calliano with Castell'Alfero. Estimated travel time: 2 hours and 15 minutes. The difference in level is 25 m.

The municipality of Calliano separates Valle Versa from Valle Grana; on its territory are present remarkable architectural monuments such as the romanic church of San Pietro dating back to 11th century and the parish church complex that hosts many paintings. Some events are organized throughout the year, such as Palio degli Asini (donkey race) each October, and festivals related to the typical local products – as for example, agnolotti pasta filled with donkey meat, donkey stew, and donkey sausage.

The point of depature of this stop is located outside the inhabited area of the village, next to the cemetery. Go to Valle della Pirenta along the hillside that leads to Cascine Pietra. Go past Strada provinciale 457, then take the road that passes behind the company "Fassa Bortolo". Now you are very close to "La Pirenta", a sulphur spring known for its depurative and curative properties.

Behind the company, the route continues along fields and farmlands for about 3 km and passes through the municipality of Perrona, until it intersects with Via Montiglio. Take it and then take the small street that leads to Valle di Castell'Alfero. On the way you will see Gioia Lake where it is possible to do sport fishing. Go past the lake, keep going for about 400 m until you reach a small bridge where Valle river flows underneath. Go down Via Valle for about 300 m until it intersects with Via Casale. Turn right, go straight, and turn left after 100 m. You are in one of the industrial areas of Borgo Stazione of Castell'Alfero.

Keep the right and go past the industries. Go down the dirt road that passes through the fields, until you come to the intersection with Via Asti (Strada Provinciale 57 A). Turn right, and shortly after turn left into a road that leads to località Contessi.

After about 150 m, turn right into a road that goes up for about 1 km. At the intersection with Via Robino, turn right and go up for about 500 m in order to get to the historic centre of Castell'Alfero. Christian martyr Giovanni Battista De Rolandis was born in this village. He is the one who conceived the Italian flag, together with Luigi Zamboni from Bologna.

The historic centre of the village is known for Piazza Castello, where the castle belonging to Earls Amico is home to the City Hall, a wine bar, and a guest room. In its tunnels there is a museum of peasant life named "Il Ciar", which can be visited with prior booking. This square is adorned by public gardens with breathtaking views of Monferrato hills.

Public transport access
Yes

Recommended period

All Year round

Accessible to people with disabilities

No

Devotional relevance
No

Historical relevance
No

Dettagli

Code
CCC

Classification
Provincial

Province
Asti

Ultima data di aggiornamento
24/10/2024

Altre info
Accommodation facilities
Relais San Desiderio
Casa dei ciliegi
Cascina castagneto
La foresteria del castello

Itinerary index
No

Province names

Asti