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

Utilization

Cycle touring

Official itinerary

No

Length

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 Ossoina. 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 Doxa 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

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