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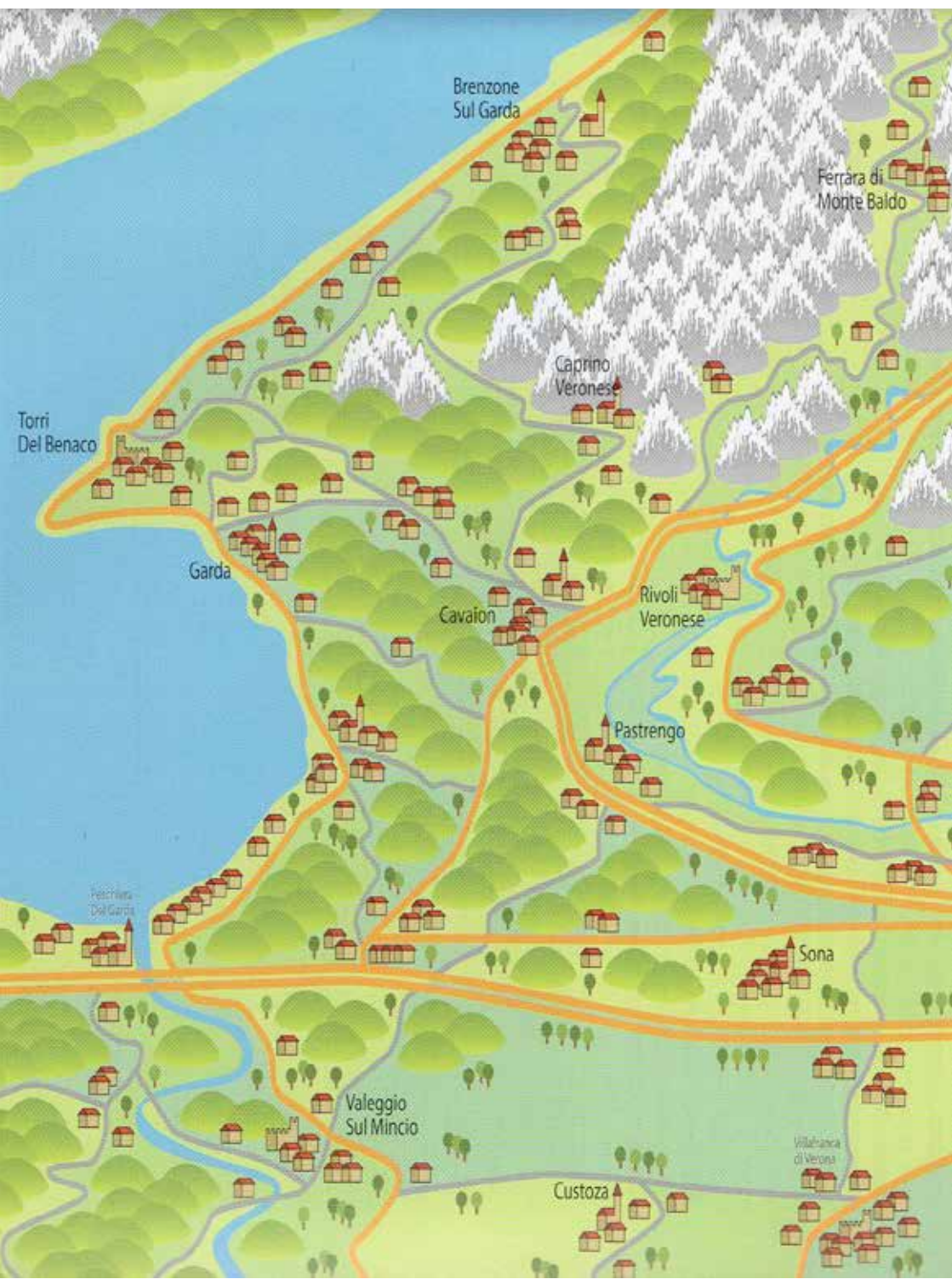
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Cycling route

Malcesine, Cassone, Somnavilla, Pozzo, Borago, Castello, Magugnano, Castelletto, Biazza, Fazor, Campo, Boccino, Porto, Assenza, Somnavilla, Cassone, Malcesine

Features

A quite sunny circular route. It is not particularly difficult. It is classified as touristic and covers 35 km. Departure and arrival in Malcesine. You can ride this route all over the year.

Description

Departure and arrival: car park in *Piazza Statuto*. Once you leave the car park, continue in *Viale Roma* towards *Via Lungo Lago*. Take the cycling

and walking lane along the lake up to Cassone. In Cassone, after the car park, leave the lane and take *Via Gardesana*. Pass river Aril, cross the road, ride on *Via Chiesa* up to the junction with *Via Somnavilla*. Once in Somnavilla, continue uphill and downhill towards Borago. Ride through it in *Via Belvedere* and reach the village Castello. Descend along *Via San Benedetto* and *Via Boccino* to reach Magugnago, seat of the Town Hall of the municipality of Brenzone sul Garda. Continue southwards along the State Road Gardesana Orientale for a few meters. Then, turn right and take the cycling and walking lane. Ride on prudently up to Pasola, a hamlet after Castelletto. Cross a small metal bridge and take the busy State Road Gardesana. After



Malcesine – The Captain's Palace garden.

some meters, take Via *Pasola* on the left at the traffic light and ride upwards. Once you reach Biazza, turn right uphill in Via *Monte Baldo*. Turn left in Via *Fasor* at the end of the street and ride down to Biazza. Once you pass the farm campsite after some 200 meters downwards, turn right after a significant braking and take the mule track towards the almost abandoned village Campo. Keep the right and then turn left at the church in Campo. Follow the pebbled path through the houses, take a steep slope and join the dirt path towards the church in Boccino. Turn first right and left right after and take a narrow path towards the hamlet Vanzo. Ride northwards through the hamlets Zignago, Pozzo and Somnavilla to Cassone. Follow the directions of the first part of this route and ride back to Malcesine.

Along the way

Food and drink in the municipalities of Malcesine and Brenzone sul Garda

Many restaurants and other facilities are available by the lake

Route highlights - Malcesine

Castle and Museum of Natural History

Ph. +39 045 6570333

Opening hours:

March-November 9.30- 19.00 every day;

December-February 11.00-18.00

on Saturdays and Sundays

Parish church

Ph. +39 045 7400065

Cable car "Malcesine-Monte Baldo"

Ph. +39 045 7400206



Small harbor on the lake.

The Captain's Palace
Ph. +39 045 7400837

Route highlights - Cassone

Anthropological Museum "Museo del Lago"
Ph. +39 045 6589904
Opening hours: November-March 10.00-12.00 / 15.00-18.00 on Sundays; April-October 10.00-12.00 / 15.00-18.00 Tu-Su
Ancient watermill on 175-meter-long river Aril

Route highlights - Magugnano

Town Hall: A stone with rupestrian incisions back to 2000 b.C.
Typical villages along the way

Route highlights - Castelletto

Church San Zeno 11th-12th-13th century

Rests of a Roman Villa
Ethnographical Museum Madre Maria Domenica Mantovani
Opening hours: July and August 10.00-13.00 every day; Beginning September-Mid September and Mid May throughout June 10.00-13.00 Mo, Tu, We

Route highlights - Biazza

Church Sant'Antonio (2nd half of 14th century)

Route highlights - Campo

Church San Pietro in Vincoli
Old stone fountain and washtub

Route highlights - Assenza

Church San Nicola with 13th-14th century frescoes



At the feet of the Castle in Malcesine.

Walking and cycling route

Chievo, Bussolengo, Rivoli Veronese, Rivalta, Belluno Veronese and back. Options (Rivalta, Ossengo, Peri, Dolcè, Ceraino, Volargne) - (Rivalta, Belluno Veronese, Mama, Avio, Pilcante, Chizzola, Rovereto)

Features

This 42-km-long route covers one part of the cycling and walking lane **Ciclopedonale Adige Biffis** and one part of the cycling lane **Ciclopista del Sole**. Relax areas available. Asphalt ground all along.

Description

A quite demanding route with several road crossings. It is also rather busy and cyclists and

pedestrians may even be somewhat arrogant. As it is open to everybody, we recommend to use common sense. Six well-equipped relax areas are available along the way. Departure in the center of the borough Chievo by Villa Pullè. Follow the road directions towards San Vito al Mantico through Via *Turbina*. Cross the canal after 800 meters and turn left taking the cycling and walking lane **Ciclopedonale Adige Biffis** up to Bussolengo. The lane leaves the canal and runs upwards to the town. Pass the cemetery and turn right in Via *Giuseppe Mazzini*. Continue in Via *Mazzini* at a roundabout and ride on in Via *Roma*. Turn right in Via *Pol* almost at the end of the slope, cross the canal and turn left taking the lane. You will enjoy a stunning landscape, particularly during springtime. After two panoramic



Austrian Fortress and Italian Barracks, Rivoli.

overpasses, the canal flows in a gallery, whereas the cycling lane runs upwards with a 10% gradient and narrow hairpin bends. Afterwards, you are back to a flat ground. Continue for 3 km and reach Rivoli Veronese. Ride through the village for a while and take the cycling lane downwards to Canale. Continue northwards. Take the new cycling lane **Ciclopista del Sole** which brings you to the region Trentino riding on the right bank of river Adige. Admire old villages, such as Preabocco, riding up and down and crossing the Provincial Road SP11 in several spots. You then ride around the villages of Preabocco, Brentino, Rivalta, Belluno Veronese and reach the border between the Province of Verona and the Autonomous Province of Trento. Continue on the right bank of river Adige past the border and reach

the village Chizzola quite easily. If you feel like, cross the river and continue on the left bank of river Adige below the village Peri once you reach Rivalta and take the cycling and walking lane **Ciclopedonale Adige Terra dei Forti**.

In the surroundings

Food and drink - Bussolengo

Restaurant **Al Fogolar**

Piazza Della Vittoria, 9

Ph. +39 045 7152606

Food and drink - Rivoli

Restaurant **Buonaparte** Corte Bramante

Ph. +39 045 6280112



Valley Valdadige along the cycling lane Ciclopista del Sole.

Restaurant La Bottega del Gilio

Piazza Napoleone I,
Ph. +39 045 7281208

Agritourism Tre Forti in Tessari

mob. +39 349 143 1675

Food and drink - Brentino-Belluno

Agritourism Revena in Revena, 3

mob. +39 393 986 1340

Agritourism Al Castel in Castel, 1

mob. +39 333 175 3240

Agritourism Costasene

Via Monte Baldo, 13
Ph. +39 045 723 0137

Agritourism Az. Agricola Roeno

Via Mama, 5 - Ph. +39 045 7230110

Hotel Restaurant Olivo

Via Don Cesare Scala, 35
Ph. +39 045 7270039

Trattoria Al Ponte

Piazza Della Vittoria, 12
Ph. +39 045 7230109

Route highlights - Bussolengo

Church San Valentino with frescoes
Parish church - Ph. +39 045 7150541
Shrine church Madonna del Perpetuo
Soccorso and Franciscan cloister

Route highlights - Rivoli

Wood Bosco degli Elfi on Mount Rocca
Museum Museo Napoleonico
Opening hours: March-October:
9.30-12.00 / 15.30- 18.00 Tu, Th, Fr, Sa, Su.
November-February: open
Fortress Wohlgenuth Opening hours:
14.30-18.30 on Sundays and national days
mob. +39 331 339 8574.
For bookings: Ph. +39 045 7281166
Barracks Batteria Bassa
Fortress Tagliata
Church in Rivoli - Ph. +39 045 7281040
Church in Canale
Aeolian Plant

Route highlights - Brentino-Belluno Veronese

The village and the church in Preabocco
Stone fountain and washtub in Brentino
Parish church in Brentino
Ph. +39 045 7290046
Parish church in Rivalta
Parish church in Belluno Veronese
Archaeological excavations
Rural church Pieve Sant'Andrea (11th-12th
century)



One of the crossing spots.

Walking route

The itinerary of the route “CamminaCustoza”

Features

The so-called “Sentiero-Natura CamminaCustoza” is a 8-km-circular route inside the municipality of Sommacampagna, in the hills north-west of the village Custoza. It covers a part of the wide morainic amphitheater of Lake Garda formed by the withdrawal of glaciers after the last glacial period in the Quaternary.

During the millenniums, moraines became real hills due to the action of atmospheric agents

and the continuous flow of water courses. This route is rich in history, nature and rural life, where small ecosystems are able to live together in harmony. We suggest to go on foot wearing suitable shoes. You will then experience short, still intense moments of peace in a complete harmony with and respect for the environment. Follow the path signs in white and green.

Description

Departure and arrival in front of the church – a neoclassical building dedicated to Saint Peter



Villa Pignatti-Morano.

in Chains consecrated in 1792. Walk towards the cemetery and admire the surrounding valley through the shadow of cypresses and the façade of Villa Pignatti-Morano (17th century). Continue through the hamlet *Valbusa* – which could be the first inhabited part of Custoza, according to some studies. Walk downwards to a watermills' valley (*Valle dei Molini*) with the river Tione dei Monti and a lovely river vegetation. Once at the country farmyard *Corte Molini*, have a look at the buildings built by the earls Ottolini in various times and the stone plaques with engravings in Latin. Two millstones are exhibited in the grass in front of a restored building. Walk on up to the spot *Molin Vecio* – a flat area among low hills where you can drink from a fountain.

Then, you reach the country farmyard *Margogna Longa* (a local dialect expression for “a huge amount of stones”). Have a look at the tuff round arch and the discolored fresco of a sundial in the central part of the rural building. Cross the little bridge on river Tione and walk through a humid zone offering an almost disappeared ecosystem. Walk upwards in the woods on Mount Cornone, where you can see a rich undergrowth with shrubs and local trees: European turkey oak, ash, hornbeam and field maple. Out of the wood, you enter a flat area surrounded by vineyards and trees. Walk up to the country farmyard *Ponte dell'Oco Becar* and continue towards the spot *Sgaripola*, an abandoned place with an imposing glacial erratic. Once in the hamlet Bagolina, you can admire valuable architectural features in the houses of the place. Right afterwards, you are in the highest point of this route: enjoy the wide landscape and try to spot the surrounding mountains and the closer and farther villages.

Walking through well tidy vineyards, you reach the fork bringing to Villa Medici: a building dating back to the end the 18th century, with a wide garden with old trees and a small pond on the back – whereas an orangery was built on one side of the yard to keep vases of citrus fruits during wintertime. Leave the villa behind you and walk to the point of departure.

Along the way

Food and drink - Custoza

Restaurant **Antico Ristoro**

Via Molino, 5

Ph. +39 045 516008

Restaurant **Villa Vento**

Via Ossario, 24

Ph. +39 045 516003

Restaurant **Pico Verde**

Via Ossario, 15

Ph. +39 045 516025

Route highlights

Charnel-house and Risorgimento Museum

Via Ossario, 17

Ph. +39 045 516184

Opening hours:

April-September

9.00- 12.00 / 15.00-19.00;

October-March

9.00- 12.30 / 14.00-16.00;

closed on Tuesdays

Obelisk

Hamlet Casino

Waterpark **Pico Verde**

Parish church

Walking route

Mountain hut Novezzina, Botanical Garden, Astronomical Observatory, Casara Gambone (mountain dairy), Malga Prazagano, Cerbiolo Pass, Malga Fassole, Wood Del Corondoler, Novezza, mountain hut Novezzina.

“Sentiero delle Trincee”(Trenches track) Casara Gambone (mountain dairy), Cerbiolo Pass, Peak Punta delle Redutte, Paloni Peak, Novezza

Features

The territory of the municipality of Ferrara Monte Baldo offers two routes, which are very similar regarding difficulty, time and panorama and coincide in various points. Here is the description of the first one. It is a 10-km-route with a 400-meter-gradient. Average time needed to cover it: 4 hours. We suggest to take this route

from May throughout October. It is not particularly difficult. Nonetheless, the following general rules should be taken into consideration when hiking in the mountains: *check weather conditions; *estimate the total walking time including breaks; *take always with you a hooded raincoat or a poncho; *wear suitable walking shoes to keep your ankles; *use trekking sticks; *do not forget your backpack. Your backpack should carry: a full water bottle, a towel, a jumper, a pair of spare socks, a hat or other covering, sunglasses, sunscreen and hankies. You may bring with you a packed lunch or a snack. Please, do not leave any waste in the environment!

Description

Departure in front of the mountain hut Novezzina. Take the easy path “Michele Dusi”, cross the *Botanical Garden*, go down to the *Astro-*



Towards Cerbiolo Pass.

nomical Observatory and walk up to the relax area in the shadow of a beech wood following the signs. Continue on a dirt road up to *Casara Gambone* (mountain dairy). After the fork to the building, go on for 30 meters and take the path to the site *Fontana de la Teia* on the right. In this place, various types of worked flint stones and other tools have been found in this area, witnessing that inhabitants of the Neolithic era used to live here. Out of the beech wood, take the dirt road towards Malga *Prazagano*. We suggest to leave the dirt road and take the mule track on the left walking through the wood to get to the windy *Corbiolo Pass* avoiding excessive sunshine.

Nowadays, this place marks the border between the Province of Verona and the Autonomous Province of Trento. In the past, it used to be the state border between the Republic of Venice (“*La Serenissima*”) and the Austrian Empire first and between the Austrian Empire and the Kingdom of Italy in more recent times. It deserves a break to have a look at the old boundary stones (“*Termini*”) engraved with inscriptions. They were first put into the ground after the Treaty of Rovereto in 1754, putting an end to local quarrels because of boundary matters. Boundary controls were then improved - smuggling accordingly. After your break, continue on the left towards Malga *Fassole* and take CAI path No. 661 (Italian Alpine Club), known as “*Sentiero del Corondoler*”. It leads to one of the most lovely place of Mount Baldo, surrounded by the continuous flow of a streamlet and the lively sound of birds, the pleasant smell of the woods and the grass of meadows moved by the wind. Continue uphill and downhill up to *Campione Pass*. Turn left and take the mule track No. 80. Once you

reach *Cavallo di Novezza*, go down back to the point of departure. If you would like to take the trenches track (“*Sentiero delle Trincee*”), turn left by *Casara Gambone* and take a well signed path leading to the trenches and the ruins of buildings going back to World War I to guard the Italian border of that time.

In the surroundings

Food and drink - Novezza

Rifugio **Chalet Novezza** (mountain hut)
in Novezza, 1
Ph. +39 045 6247170

Restaurant **AI Cacciatore**

Via Generale Graziani, 1
Ph. +39 045 6247163

Restaurant **Baita Genzianella** in Novezza
Ph. +39 045 6247205

Food and drink - Novezzina

Cooperative society **Rifugio Novezzina**
(mountain hut)
Via Generale Graziani, 10
Ph. +39 045 6247288

Hotel Restaurant **Rifugio Cedron**
(mountain hut) in Novezzina, 1
Ph. +39 045 6247071

Route highlights

Little church San Michele in Novezza
Botanical Garden in Novezzina
Astronomical Observatory in Novezzina
mob. +39 334 731 3710
Malga Prazagano
(a typical building of Mount Baldo)
Old boundary stones (“*Termini*”)

Walking route

Assenza, Sommovilla, Zignago, Castello, Venzo, Boccino, Cà Romana, Campo, Fazor, Biazza, Castelletto, Marniga, Magugnano, Porto, Assenza

Features

A quite sunny circular route. It is not particularly difficult. It is classified as touristic and covers 13.5 km. Time required: approx. 3 hours. Departure and arrival in Assenza. You can take this route all over the year. We recommend to wear comfortable shoes and a suitable hat or other coverage. Do not forget a full water bottle.

Description

In Assenza, take the road to Sommovilla, Via *Vecchia* first and Via *Degli Ivani*, Via *VI Alpini* and Via *Monteccio* afterwards. At the end, take the mule track on the left, walk under a typical vaulting and follow the directions for path No. 31. Continue on this track up to Zignago. After the first bend, turn right and go down to the church in Castello. Take the left for a short slope and then turn right on a pebbled track, which then becomes a path through the fields and olive groves. At the first fork, keep the left. At the second fork past a little church, keep the left up to the spot Cà Romana. Walk on asphalt road for a while and continue upwards follow-



A view nearby Campo.

ing the directions to Campo. Take a dirt road, which then becomes a mule track, and continue reaching Campo, a well-known abandoned village. The most demanding part of the track is over. Take the path on the left of the stone washtub in Campo and walk down on the mule track to Fazor and Biazza among olive groves. Turn right at the fork with a votive aedicule and take the steep slope towards Castelletto. Then, join the State Road Gardesana Orientale, cross



Campo, an abandoned village.

it and continue northwards by the lake through Marniga, Magugnano, Porto and Assenza, getting to the final end of this route.

In the surroundings

Food and drink in the municipality of Brenzone sul Garda

Many restaurants and other facilities are available by the lake

Route highlights - Assenza

Church San Nicola with 13th-14th century frescoes

Route highlights - Campo

Church San Pietro in Vincoli
Old stone fountain and washtub

Route highlights - Biazza

Church Sant'Antonio (2nd half of 14th century)

Route highlights - Castelletto

Church San Zeno 11th-12th-13th century

Rests of a Roman Villa

Ethnographical Museum Madre Maria

Domenica Mantovani

Opening hours:

July and August 10.00- 13.00 every day;

Beginning September-Mid September

and Mid May throughout June 10.00-13.00

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Route highlights - Magugnano

Town Hall: A stone with rupestrian incisions back to 2000 b.C.

Typical villages along the way