Albino - Selvino mule track

Road access from Bergamo:

Alzano Lombardo, Albino, Piazzale Funicolare per Selvino, Santuario Madonna delle Nevi Km. 15

Start of excursion:

Albino via Madonna delle Nevi (550 m.)

Travelling time:

3^h (a/r)

Height difference:

456 m.

Difficulties:



Mountain mule track

Recommended period:

All year round in the absence of snow

Water on route:

SI at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

Rest stop:

NO

Information:

Municipality of Albino Tel: 035 759911 CAI di Albino Tel: 035 0040717 Municipality of Selvino Tel: 035 764250 sul sito del Comune <u>https://comunediselvino.it</u> dettagliate Information on the history and emergencies of the "Sentiero Antica Mulattiera Albino - Selvino". Possibility of returning from Selvino to Albino by cable car Albino-Selvino Tel: 035 763220

Topographic map:

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Geographical coordinates:

45,7637° N, 9,8015° E

After reaching the Albino - Selvino cable car station, we continue straight ahead and turn left along Via Madonna delle Nevi, where we park the car.



We park our car in one of these parking spaces.



At the Madonna delle Nevi Sanctuary we refuel with water, since we will not find any other drinking fountains until Selvino.



Past the sanctuary we walk along the path on a cemented and paved stretch.



Spring has arrived, and on the left a primrose blossom.



We reach a signpost informing us that we are walking along the mule track.



At the fork, we turn right and continue along a stretch where there are stones.



We walk along the mule track and begin our ascent, on the left side of the valley.



The bottom of the path is very varied and there are occasional steps to control the rainwater.



The height of these steps can be overcome quite easily.



We reach an S-shaped section that allows us to easily overcome a difference in height.



The ground is now cobbled and with small steps, with a masonry barrier towards the valley.



At the end of a right-hand bend, the path is slightly narrower, with masonry barriers on the right and a rocky section on the left.



After a bend to the left, we admire a sacred painting set into the rock at 'Ol Quader' at 610 m.



The mule track now flattens out slightly on a stretch of compact terrain.



The route then follows a slightly uphill section with steps.



When we reach the bench, we turn left along a path until we reach the Alabaster Quarry.



The section of the path has been secured.



Once inside the rock fissure, the veins of alabaster can be admired.



Inside, suggestive images can be created.



We admire the veins of the alabaster.



Rocks with wonderful colours can be encountered.



This quarry is also a destination for school classes on educational visits.



Having resumed the mule track, we now reach a small bridge that allows us to cross the Albina stream and pass on the right side of the valley.



After an uphill stretch on cobbled ground, just before reaching the "Madonna del Portico" chapel, we turn towards the "Bus de la Scabla".



In this cave, artefacts from the Copper Age were recovered, which are now kept at the Bergamo Archaeological Museum.



We approach the entrance with care and respect.



We see the Albina valley from inside the cave.



Back on the mule track, we pass the "Madonna del Portico" chapel.



Continue our ascent and reach a junction for Ama.



We continue on, passing the "Salve Regina della Valle" chapel.

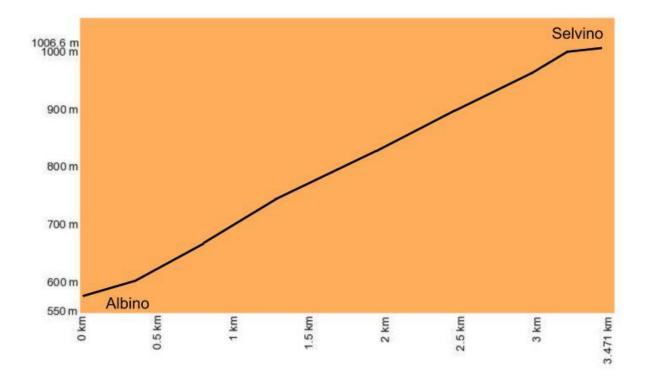


A trench path leads us towards the last asphalted part to Selvino.



A final signpost near a drinking fountain indicates the final stretch to our destination.

Altimetry



Route Map

