

From the Cà San Marco refuge to the San Marco Pass (Priula Road)

Road access Bergamo:

Olmo al Brembo, Mezzoldo, road to the pass San Marco
Km. 57

Start of excursion:

Refuge Cà San Marco (1830 m.)

Travelling time:

1^h 10" (a/r)

Height difference:

160 m.

Difficulties:

AE Mule track



Recommended period:

From late spring until autumn in the absence of snow

Water on the route:

NO

Rest stop:

Refuge Cà San Marco Tel: 0345 86222

Information:

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Topographic map:

IGM F. ° 18 III S.E. Mezzoldo

Geographical coordinates:

45,8015° N, 9,5557° E

Ca' San Marco is the historic canton house built just below the San Marco Pass from which the 16th-century Strada Priula passed. Designed by Rector Alvise Priuli, Podestà of Bergamo, and built between 1592 and 1593, the Priula connected the Venetian Republic to Valtellina. The road was kept passable even during the winters and the 'Cantoniera' provided hospitality and assistance to travellers and caravans carrying goods. Recently renovated, today it is a beautiful refuge owned by the Province of Bergamo. It is a point of arrival for many excursionists who arrive here by car along the pass road, and a departure point for different destinations for hikers.



When you arrive at Ca San Marco, park your car in the large car park in front of the refuge.



The path we have to follow starts right next to the hut.



We follow the signs on the signpost, path CAI 101.



We ascend on a comfortable mule track with slopes that are never too steep.



After about 15' of walking we can see our destination, the milestone at the San Marco Pass.



Shortly before arriving at the San Marco Pass, we can admire rock sculptures depicting female faces on the side of the mule track.



They are still well preserved.



They can be admired without fear of being ruined.



Shortly afterwards we reach the pass with the characteristic cippus.

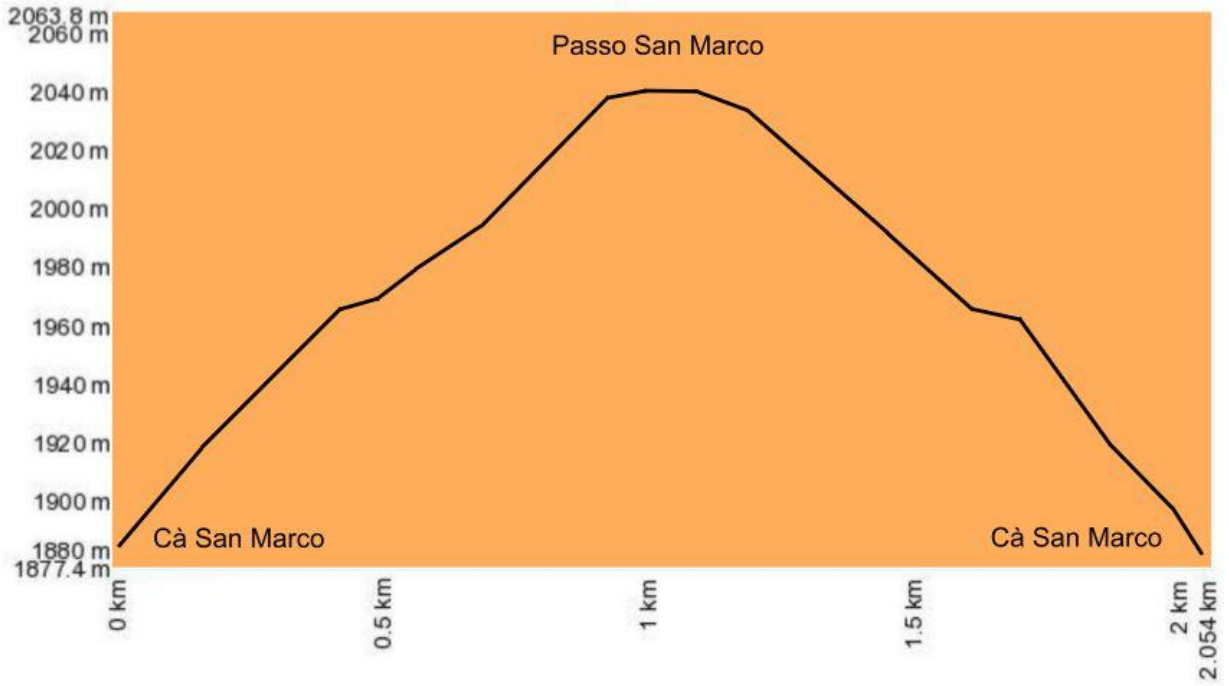


From here we can enjoy a beautiful panorama towards the Brembana valley.



And on the other side the Valtellina. We return following the ascent route.

Altimetry



Route Map

