From the Colle di Valcava to Monte Linzone

Road access from Bergamo:

Almenno S. Bartolomeo (Valle Imagna), Roncola S. Bernardo, Costa Imagna, Colle di Valcava Km. 37

Start of excursion:

Colle di Valcava (1340 m.)

Travelling time:

2^h 30' (a/r)

Height difference:

100 m.

Difficulties:

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Recommended period:

All year round in the absence of snow.

Water on the route:

NO

Rest stop:

Agriturismo 'Al Colle' open by appointment

Information:

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Topographic map:

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Geographical coordinates:

45,7863° N, 9,5099° E

After parking at the Valcava pass, we are about to climb to Monte Linzone. Once we reach the pass, we will find several parking areas where we can leave our car, and once parked we will begin to climb along a cemented road that starts right from the pass. The peak of Mount Linzone, one of the reliefs of the Albenza mountain system, seen from the south, appears as a rounded dome that, to the east, descends to the long ridge above the path starting from Roncola San Bernardo. To the north-west it slopes down with a succession of bumps and hollows to Colle di Valcava; the path from the pass follows, for the most part, the watershed ridge between the San Martino and Imagna valleys.



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We set off in the direction of the antennas. The path climbs with gentle slopes until it reaches the repeaters.



We are following CAI path no. 571.



The ground is rather uneven.



We reach the antennas and continue.



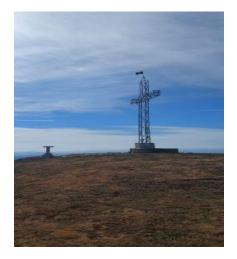
The path is increasingly varied.



Having reached the ridge of Prato della Costa (1418 m.), we continue on the track.



In the distance we see the summit to be reached. Where the ascent ends, a long stretch of ups and downs begins until we reach the mountain.



We have arrived at the summit of Monte Linzone (1392 m.).



From the peak of the mountain, it is possible to admire a beautiful panorama both towards the Orobie and towards the plain. After admiring the panorama, we descend on the other side.



At the end of this short descent, we reach and pass a ruined farmstead on our left.



In front of us is the beautiful Shrine of the Holy Family.



Small, but extremely fascinating in the way it is preserved.



We leave the sanctuary after a short stop and arrive in sight of a signpost.



We continue on this well-trodden path.



We pass two huts and continue our walk on an easy path with firm ground.



We enter a small beech grove where there are some large roots.



Once past the roots, we continue on a slight descent.



On the way out of the grove, we come across a signpost with boots hanging from it.



We continue on a stretch of path with small rocks.



We enter a dirt road, where there is a fence downstream and on the plateau below some rest areas.



We reach, after leaving the road, a downhill section of path with some small rocks.



At the end of the descent, we find a signpost on the left.



We take the dirt road again and continue in the direction of the asphalt road.



This section is definitely relaxing.



The walk is increasingly pleasant and allows us to look around.

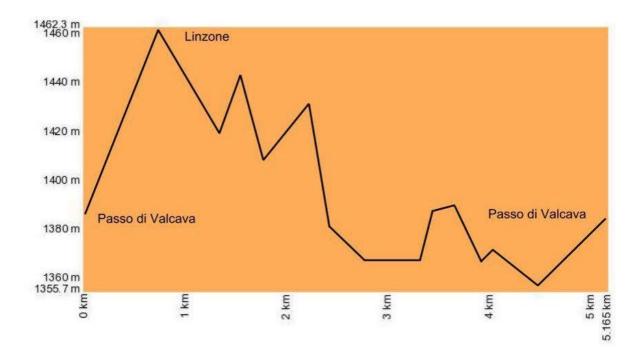


We have arrived at the end of the dirt road and we enter the asphalted one, turning right.



We arrive at the point from where we started, having the road sign of Torre de Busi behind us. le di Torre de Busi.

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Route Map

