From Piazzolo to Ave

Road access from Bergamo:

Ponte Nossa (Valle Seriana), Ardesio, Piazzolo (783 m.) Km. 40

Start of excursion:

Parking of Piazzolo (783 m.)

Travelling time:

2^h 10' (a/r)

Height difference:

315 m.

Difficulties:



Recommended period:

All year round in the absence of snow

Water on the route:

YES

Rest stop:

NO

Information:

Municipality of Ardesio Tel. 0346 33035

Topographic map:

IGM F. º 34 IV N.O. Pizzo della Presolana

Geographical coordinates:

45,9394° N, 9,9410° E

From Ardesio, follow the signs to Piazzolo, where you can park at the end of the asphalt road.



A few metres beyond the car park, we set off on a small road that climbs, and soon becomes steep, skirting the Rino torrent (C.A.I. signpost 312).



We continue on this uphill stretch following the C.A.I. 312 signpost.



The bottom of the path is cemented with small compact stones.



The path now turns left onto a section with a gentler slope.



Continuing on, again on a steep slope, we reach some small houses.



Once past these houses, the path becomes almost flat.



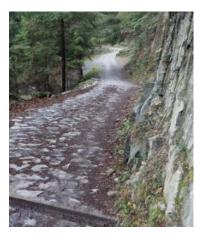
At the top, the slope flattens out and we begin to descend into a small valley.



At the fork we continue downhill.



We continue our descent and the air becomes colder and colder.



After crossing the small bridge at the end of the descent, we resume the climb.



The ascent resumes its gradient and the varied but compact terrain makes the effort easier.



A log fence appears on the right, which instils security.



Now the ground changes again, it is made of stone slabs.



The section is now unpaved and compact.



We reach and pass a bend on a cemented section mixed with slabs.



On the left of a bend, we meet and pass a small chapel.



At the fork, we continue on the road that climbs, following the signposts.



We pass a well-kept house on our right.



At last the sun is shining and on the top right the first houses of Ave.



Above us is a fork in the road; we turn right, while on the left we glimpse a spring.



The spring we pass is full of fresh water.



Climbing out of the cold valley and reaching our destination in the sunshine is a splendid gift.



In the distance we admire the mountains of Bergamo.



Finally on the level and in the sunshine, we make our way towards the small village of Ave.

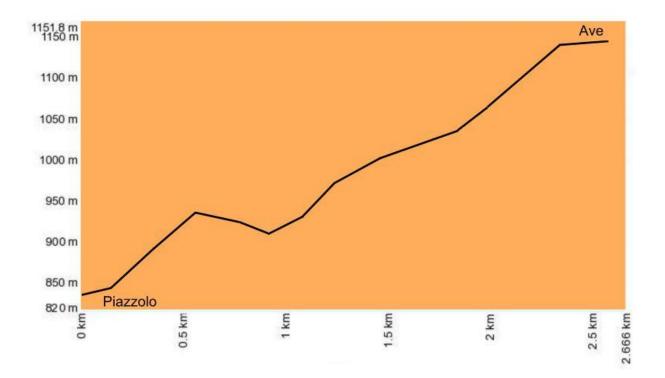


The houses we encounter are very well maintained.



Each house is beautifully restored. When our visit is over, we leave this corner of paradise and walk on to the Piazzolo car park, following the outward route.

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