Seniga bridges route - Chapel of the Mortini

Road access from Bergamo:

Cenate Sotto (Val Cavallina), parking location "Fornaci", via Mazzini (Cenate Sotto) Km. 15

Start of excursion:

Parking of via Mazzini, location "Fornaci", San Paolo d'Argon (255 m.)

Travelling time:

1^h 45' (a/r)

Height difference:

30 m.

Difficulties:



Recommended period:

All year round, to be avoided after recent rains.

Water on the route:

NO

Rest stop:

NO, restaurants and bars are in the village

Information:

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Topographic map:

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Geographical coordinates:

45,696072° N, 9,813603° E

An excursion in the park of the PLIS delle Valli d'Argon, on dirt roads surrounded by greenery. The starting point is the widening of Via Mazzini, Cenate Sotto, on the left bank of the Seniga stream, where we can leave our vehicles near a former brick factory. This disused factory is a former brick kiln. The furnace's activity lasted until the late 1960s, and in the early 1970s it was converted into a farm for growing mushrooms.



After parking, we start the walk along the dirt track.



We move northwards, staying on the left bank of the Seniga. This is where the bridges trail begins, a name given to it by the trail users.



We continue along the dirt track and a little further on turn left and cross the first small bridge over the Seniga.



We walk along this wide and level path until we reach the next small bridge, at the foot of a hilly area covered with beautiful vineyards, a cobbled surface that is uneven in places.



We continue towards the second small bridge.



Beyond the small bridge, we continue to the left, still very close to the course of the Seniga, we pass an equipped rest area, the destination of many families who bring their children to observe and feed the domestic animals beyond the fence.



We pass the farmstead with the animals and continue straight on.



We continue on and cross another small bridge, beyond which we continue straight on towards the vineyards.



We turn right and cross the meadow area until we come to the edge of the forest, the ground is cobbled and uneven in places.



As we approach the forest at an obvious crossroads, we take the path to the right, the ground is cobbled and uneven in places.



Beyond the small bridge without barriers, we are about to make the only section of the route with a real ascent, with a graveled concrete surface.



Our climb ends with the end of the cemented section, at the beginning of the paved section.



We continue to the left, and after a short downhill section we continue on a bumpy, cobbled dirt road that needs to be surfaced for about a hundred metres.



We pass close to one of the nine registered springs of the Seniga, this is the 'Pioda' spring.



Further on we meet the Mortini chapel, erected in memory of those who died of the plague of Manzoni's memory.

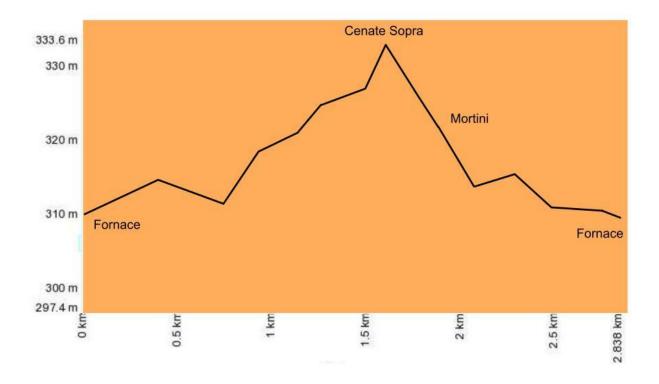


Here the road becomes asphalt again, until we come to a farmhouse, "La Cadela" for the locals. We now go around the cottage and continue to the right again on a dirt road.



After a short stretch we find ourselves at one of the small bridges we crossed on the way up. We continue on our way to the place from where we started.

Altimetry



Route Map

