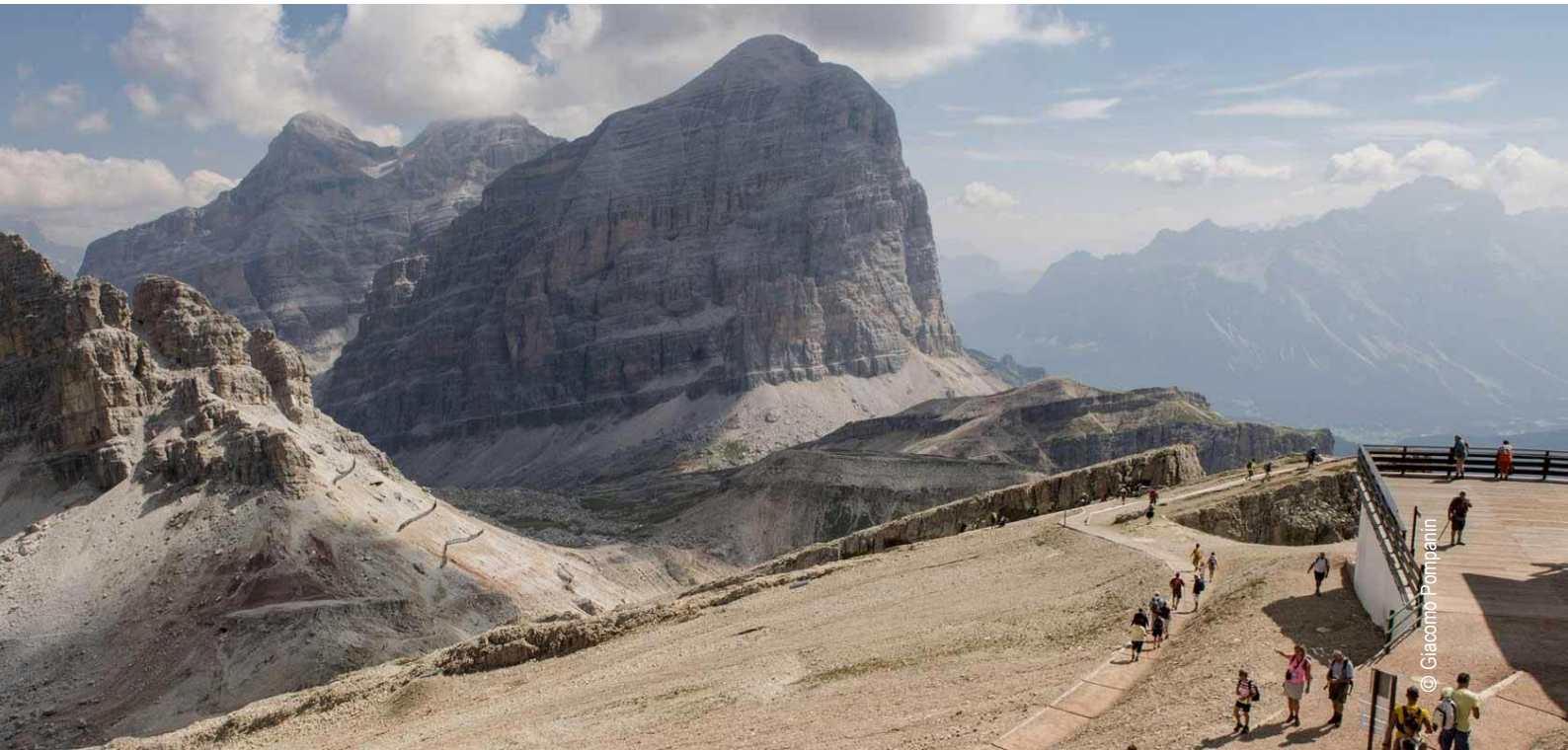


ACCESSIBLE VIEWPOINT - MOUNT LAGAZUOI



description

UNESCO Dolomites system	Dolomiti Settentrionali
mountain group(s)	Fanis
UNESCO values	<p>Landscape: the Dolomites are the universal archetype for a specific mountain landscape that takes its name, "Dolomite landscape", from these very mountains. A number of key features define this particular landscape. Firstly the extremely complex topography, distinctive for the mountain ranges that, while separate, are juxtaposed in a particularly contained setting. Secondly, the uncommon variety of shapes, both vertical (cliffs, needles, spires, pinnacles, towers and jagged peaks) and horizontal (ledges, roofs, overhangs, crags, plateaux and high plains). First and foremost however, the Dolomites are famous for their exceptional varieties of colour and the extraordinary contrast between the soft lines of the pasturelands and the sudden vertical thrust of the stark, bare mountain peaks.</p> <p>The remarkable mountain landscape that we see today has changed very little since it formed millions of years ago. The unmistakable, familiar shapes of the Dolomite peaks are none other than the atolls and coral reefs of those ancient times, while the Alpine passes and inhabited valleys we see today correspond to the deep stretches of sea which originally separated them. This is the only example in the world of a fossil landscape that is as recognisable as this, a tropical archipelago that has transformed into extraordinary towering mountains.</p> <p>Geology: The Dolomites are one of the best conserved examples in the world of fossil reefs and tropical environments of the Mesozoic era. They preserve</p>

	<p>fossil evidence of the organisms which were instrumental in their formation around 250 million years ago. The sequence of rocks illustrates the resurgence and evolution of life following the greatest extinction event ever recorded in the history of geology that occurred between the Permian and Triassic eras and led to the disappearance of more than 90 % of living species. The interaction between the atolls and the coral reefs of the Triassic and the powerful volcanic eruptions which were a common occurrence in those distant times are clearly and spectacularly visible here. The lack of tectonic deformation, the impressive outcrops, the thick layers of accumulated sediment and the extensive lateral continuity of these mountains reveal the history of the Earth like in a giant rock book and allow us to physically explore the ancient geography of those seas and islands.</p> <p>[source: UNESCO Dolomites Foundation, <i>UNESCO World Heritage Dolomites</i>, 2010]</p>
description of the route	<p>The accessible viewpoint of Lagazuoi, which lies at an altitude of 2752 metres, offers a stunning view over the World Heritage mountains and in particular Tofane, Marmolada with its perennial snowfields, Croda da Lago, Lastoi di Formin, Nuvolau, Antelao, Sorapis and Civetta. As well as being a lovely panoramic balcony, Lagazuoi is of great historical significance because it is a symbol of the destructive power of war. During the Great War, this peak was bombed by both Austro-Hungarian and Italian troops, altering the profile of the mountain forever. Today, this natural defence system with its trenches, walkways, posts and tunnels, where soldiers sheltered and weapons were stored, has been made into a large open-air museum, in remembrance of the war which was fought at this high altitude.</p> <p>The viewpoint and museum can be reached by the Lagazuoi cableway which leaves from the Falzarego Pass (2105 m a.s.l.).</p> <p>Access to the valley station is from the car park to the rear of the cableway and is manageable thanks to the slope. Take the first available cabin to the uphill station (2752 m a.s.l.). From the cableway terrace, take the path which is suitable for people of all ages to the summit cross standing at 2778 metres, in remembrance of all those who fell in the First World War.</p> <p>The path was built by the Kaisejäger regiments during the Great War and restored by the Alpini of the ANA branch of Treviso in 2018. It is very wide and accessible and can easily be tackled in a wheelchair or with hiking pushchairs.</p>
advice	
recommended period	<p>Summer (when the cableway is open);</p> <p>times: https://lagazuoi.it/EN/Information-Prices-and-useful-information-page20-Seasonal-opening-dates-timetable-and-prices-of-the-Cable-Car-Lagazuoi</p> <p>e-mail lagazuoi@lagazuoi.it</p> <p>tel. +39 0436 5921</p> <p>ticket office: +39 0436 867301</p>
recommended gear	<p>Wear layers, comfortable clothes and hiking boots. Always take some heavy clothing with you (even in the summer) and protection from the rain. It is advisable to take sunscreen and a hat to protect you from the sun.</p>
recommended equipment	<p>Hiking pushchairs and wheelchairs suitable for outdoor excursions (with off-road wheels and tyres with deep treads) and front wheel. The route can be tackled with a front wheel or with assistance.</p>

recommendations	Always travel with others, so they can help you deal with any difficulties you may encounter. In bad weather, contact the cableway on +39 0436 867301 before setting out to make sure it is open (e.g. if there is strong wind).
N.B.	The lift is completely accessible (https://lagazuoi.it/IT/Fare-Focus-su-page24-Una-montagna-accessibile). The cableway has a pump to pump up tyres for anyone following this excursion in a wheelchair or with a pushchair who may need it.

info

altitude	2100-2800 m a.s.l.
starting point	Valley station of the cableway, Falzarego Pass - 32043 Cortina d'Ampezzo (BL) GPS coordinates: 46°31'09.4"N 12°00'30.7"E Altitude: 2105 m a.s.l.
arrival point	uphill station and panoramic terrace at the Lagazuoi mountain hut GPS coordinates: 46°31'39.9"N 12°00'32.3"E Altitude: 2752 m a.s.l. Summit cross GPS coordinates: 46°31'47.0"N 12°00'11.2"E Altitude: 2778 m a.s.l.
distance	775 m (to the summit cross)
overall difference in height	38 m (path)
incline	Path at summit: average 5%; max 10% (short stretches)
minimum width	approx. 1.20 m
terrain	Paved with fine stabilised gravel
obstacles	None (narrow channels across the path - not deep)
exposed stretches	None (however the entire path has no guards or railings)

facilities

access	<u>Private transport</u> : the departure station is easy to reach by car <u>Public transport</u> : bus stop (from Cortina d'Ampezzo, Val Badia and Val Gardena)
restrictions	None
car park	Free car park at the Falzarego Pass (approx. 150 spaces, of which 2 are reserved)
accessible toilets	In the valley and uphill cableway stations and at the Lagazuoi mountain hut.
refreshments	Terrace Bar at the uphill station and at the Lagazuoi mountain hut, which is about 50 m from the station along a wide and easy path
recharging stations for electric batteries	None
network coverage	Good; wi-fi of cableway
GPS mapping	5A-so_track.gpx
street view	Car park and valley station (Falzarego Pass): https://www.google.com/maps/@46.519271,12.0080152,3a,75y,112.31h,93.52t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1stvEqO92QS9cuGWkDKyXmog!2e0!7i13312!8i6656?hl=it-IT Panoramic photo terrace at Lagazuoi mountain hut: https://www.google.com/maps/@46.5225023,12.051385,3a,75y,221.76h,85.73t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1sAF1QipP216xN1WUuITwWnKkG5WmskFHodFLdSrMgQABj!2e10!3e11!6shttps:%2F%2Fhl5.googleusercontent.com%2Fp%2FAF1QipP216xN1WUuITwWnKkG5WmskFHodFLdSrMgQABj%3Dw203-h100-k-no

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Panoramic photo path at summit:

<https://www.google.com/maps/@46.5292303,12.0062187,3a,75y,92.8h,97.02t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1sAF1QipPjysYoVwfU36VrG88udPNI53UigDVckGiE8toe!2e10!3e11!6shhttps://www.googleusercontent.com/fp/faf1QipPjysYoVwfU36VrG88udPNI53UigDVckGiE8toe%3Dw203-h100-k-no-pi-o-ya220.32008-ro-o-fo100!7i13312!8i3856?hl=it-IT>

Panoramic photo Piccolo Lagazuoi summit cross:

<https://www.google.com/maps/@46.5297633,12.0033691,3a,75y,61.55h,81.8t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1sAF1QipPK1iNYTSC7i3BeUW4K6RNBLfuFomzuCokZkist!2e10!3e11!6shhttps://www.googleusercontent.com/fp/faf1QipPK1iNYTSC7i3BeUW4K6RNBLfuFomzuCokZkist%3Dw203-h100-k-no-pi-o-ya86.78023-ro-o-fo100!7i5472!8i2736?hl=it-IT>

signs along the route	There is an info point in the valley station
UNESCO info points	None
guides and assistance	There are no assistants on the lifts but both the lift staff and the employees at the mountain hut provide assistance if needed. Guides, part of a historical re-enactment group, are available (no assistance)
rental services	None
reductions	Reduced ticket prices for people with certified invalidity > 51% and those accompanying them. Children under 8 are free if accompanied by a paying adult. Reductions for young people up to the age of 16
emergency numbers	112 European emergency telephone number 118 Italian emergency telephone number

contacts

contact for info	e-mail: lagazuoi@lagazuoi.it / tel: +39 0436 5921 ticket office: + 39 0436 867301
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information provided by and itinerary checked by	 <p>https://lagazuoi.it/EN/percorso4-Reach-the-peak-of-the-Piccolo-Lagazuoi</p>
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route mapped on	October 2018
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responsibility

The contents of this information sheet do not exempt hikers from responsible behaviour.

The weather in the mountains can change very quickly and the degree of difficulty of the itineraries depends on a number of factors which often cannot be foreseen, including the conditions of the route, how fit you are and your equipment. Before starting out, always check the weather forecast and contact the local tourist board for an update on the conditions of the route.

Weather: http://www.arpa.veneto.it/previsioni/it/html/meteo_dolomiti.php

Local tourist board: <https://www.dolomiti.org/it/cortina>

Lift opening times and periods: <https://lagazuoi.it/EN/Information-Prices-and-useful-information-page20-Seasonal-opening-dates-timetable-and-prices-of-the-Cable-Car-Lagazuoi>