

ITINERARY 3D

ORSERA NATURE TRAIL - CANZOI VALLEY



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description

UNESCO Dolomites system	Pale di San Martino, San Lucano, Dolomiti Bellunesi, Vette Feltrine
mountain group(s)	Dolomiti Bellunesi, Sass de Mura
UNESCO values	<p>Landscape: the Canzoi valley presents a stunning natural environment and is home to some of the most beautiful paths in the surrounding mountains. It is a geomorphological transitional landscape and an exceptional example of the different landscapes found in this part of the World Heritage Site. The highly accessible Orsera nature trail is one of just a handful of easy itineraries in this area with its typically pre-Alpine morphology: barely accessible elongated ridges, cliffs overlooked by gentle, grassy peaks, and deeply carved valleys and gorges. This itinerary is of great interest from an environmental and ecological point of view and affords a stunning view of some of the wildest and most intact areas of the Dolomiti Bellunesi and the Vette Feltrine.</p> <p>Geology: in this sector of the World Heritage Site, the extremely thick, continuous layers of rock date from the Ladinian period (Dolomia dello Sciliar) to the Cretaceous period (Scaglia Rossa), covering some 165 million years. Starting from the west, it runs along the ridge of the Vette Feltrine, providing a unique section of the southern Jurassic edge of the Trento platform, yielding rare fossils of calcareous and siliceous sponges. The Cimonega and Pizzocco peaks are of typical Dolomite rock, while on Piz de Sagron there are outcrops of Dolomite rock forming an edge of the large Ladinian island of Pale di San Martino.</p> <p>[source: https://www.dolomitiunesco.info/?lang=en]</p>
description of the route	Start from Soranzen, a hamlet of Cesiomaggiore, and follow the directions for

Val Canzoi. The road continues for about 5 km through a beautiful rural landscape with farmland and hay pastures. When you get to Orsera, at the entrance to the Dolomiti Bellunesi National Park, you can leave your car in one of the many car parks along the route. We recommend you park at the Centre for Environmental Education "La Santina", or a little bit further on where refreshments are available.

This is a circular route which takes in the Sant'Eustachio lakes, a site of national herpetological importance. It is one of the rarest examples of a damp habitat where common toads, edible frogs, common frogs, agile frogs, European tree frogs, yellow-bellied toads and three newts (Alpine, Northern crested and smooth) coexist. Reptiles found here include the grass snake and one of the birds of note is the grey heron, which can sometimes be spotted here.

Along the route, not far from the lakes, you can visit one of the many "calchère" (lime kilns) which, in the past, provided work in the valley.


advice

recommended period	From spring to autumn Info: http://www.dolomitipark.it/en/page.php?id=607
recommended gear	Wear comfortable clothes in layers. 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, as well as something to drink, a snack, a change of clothes and a first aid kit. Always carry a tyre repair kit and pump. Tyres with deep treads are recommended.
recommended equipment	The itinerary is accessible for normal wheelchairs but a wheelchair that is suitable for outdoor use with a front wheel is recommended.
recommendations	Always travel with others, so they can help you deal with any difficulties you may encounter. When following the itinerary in a wheelchair, on a mountain bike or with a pushchair, fit tyres with deep treads and always carry a complete tyre repair kit with a pump and spare inner tube.
N.B.	When using an electric wheelchair, it is a good idea to take some spare batteries.

info

altitude	600 m a.s.l.
starting point	Orsera Val Canzoi Restaurant in Val Canzoi - 32030 Cesiomaggiore (BL) Altitude: 589 m a.s.l. GPS coordinates: 46.1074214,11.9379116
arrival point	Orsera Val Canzoi Restaurant in Val Canzoi - 32030 Cesiomaggiore (BL); circular route Altitude: 589 m a.s.l. GPS coordinates: 46.1074214,11.9379116
distance	2100 m
overall difference in height	36 m uphill; 38 m downhill
incline	Average of 3 %
minimum width	Average width of route and pedestrian bridges: 2.0 m
terrain	Tarmacked (70% of the route), walkways and wooden bridges (30% of the route); itinerary closed to traffic
obstacles	Terrain slippery in some sections
exposed stretches	None

facilities

access	The starting point can be reached using private means only (road open)
restrictions	None
car park	Free car park with no reserved spaces
accessible toilets	Centre for Environmental Education "Alla Santina" - Dolomiti Bellunesi National Park, with a sensory experience that is suitable for everyone
refreshments	Refreshments (bar-pizzeria) in the Dolomiti Bellunesi National Park
recharging stations for electric bikes	None
network coverage	Coverage in the area is very weak. It is stronger near the refreshment area
GPS mapping	3D_track.gpx
street view	There is GPS mapping of only certain stretches of the route which can be downloaded from: https://www.google.it/maps/place/Orsera+Val+Canzoi/@46.1073478,11.9378565,3a,75y,32.05h,86.49t/data=!3m5!1e1!3m3!1sGHpXOoZDiPR4pYiudol5oA!2e0!6s%2F%2Fgeoo.ggpht.com%2Fcbk%3Fpanoid%3DGHpXOoZDiPR4pYiudol5oA%26output%3Dthumbnail%26cb_client%3Dmaps_sv.tactile.gps%26thumb%3D2%26w%3D203%26h%3D100%26yaw%3D106.937065%26pitch%3D0%26thumbfov%3D100!4m5!3m4!1s0x4778fc080c06cfab:0x2417dd4aaf471214!8m2!3d46.107594!4d11.937863
signs along the route	Educational and information boards about the natural features along the route
UNESCO info points	None
guides	Local guides available who have attended the special training course run by the UNESCO Dolomites Foundation-Accademia della Montagna del Trentino [info: https://www.mazarol.net/en/]
rental services	None
emergency numbers	112 European emergency telephone number 118 Italian emergency telephone number
contacts	
contact for info	Mazarol Guide Naturalistiche; guide.pndb@gmail.com
information provided by and itinerary checked by	 COOPERATIVA MAZAROL https://www.mazarol.net/en/
route mapped on	22/09/2018 (ASSI onlus)
revised	17/06/2019 (Cooperativa Mazarol)
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: https://www.arpa.veneto.it/previsioni/en/html/meteo_dolomiti.php Local tourist board: https://www.infodolomiti.it/en/info/uffici-di-informazione-turistica/iat-feltre/6809-l2.html http://www.dolomitipark.it/en/page.php?id=607