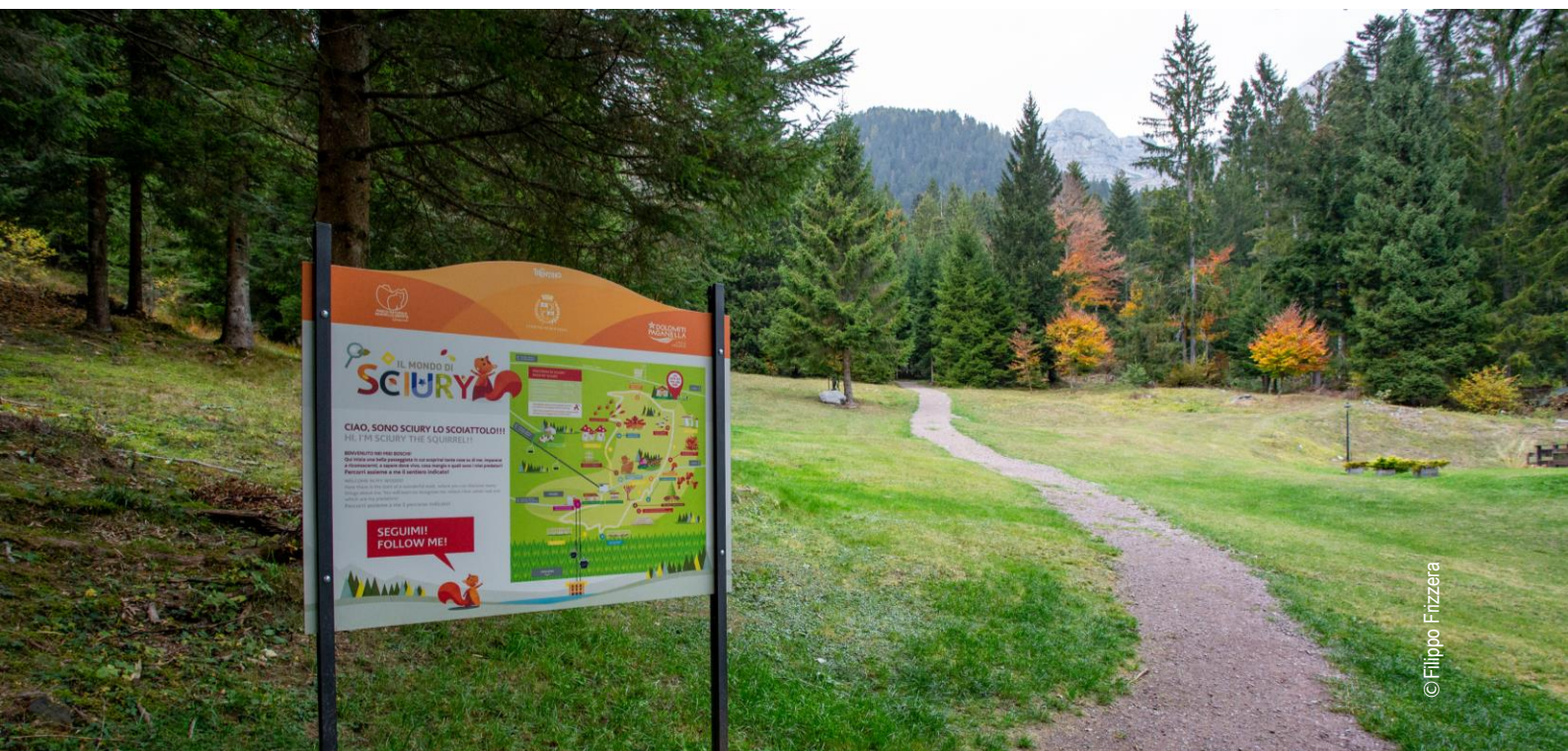


## ITINERARY 9C

## SCIURY EDUCATIONAL TRAIL - PRADEL PLATEAU



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### description

UNESCO Dolomites system	Brenta Dolomites
mountain group(s)	Pradel Plateau
UNESCO values	<p><b>Landscape:</b> Pradèl is a lovely grassy plateau lying on the wooded slopes of the Brenta mountain group, extending to the south and overlooking Molveno Lake. As it is flat, in the past it was used for farming (hay pastures and grazing). Today it is mainly used for recreational and leisure activities and its well-equipped facilities offer a variety of easy outdoor activities, with something for everyone (nature trail and adventure park). The area can also be reached by the accessible cable car, "La Panoramica", which affords a spectacular view over the most famous peaks of the Brenta Dolomites and the magnificent Molveno Lake.</p> <p><b>Geology:</b> the Brenta group ranges from the early Triassic to the Cretaceous (about 185 million years). The main features can be found in the rocks of the end of the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods which bear witness to the opening up of the Lombardy basin and the evolution of the western edge of the Trento platform. There is a great deal of Main Dolomite which was deposited when the Dolomite region was a huge mudflat, repeatedly flooded by the tide (late Triassic). Some of the most famous peaks in the system are made of this rock (Cima Brenta, Cima Tosa and Grostè) and some marvellous valleys, such as Valle di Tovel, Val delle Seghe and Val Brenta Alta, have been carved out of it.</p> <p>[source: <a href="http://www.dolomitiunesco.info">www.dolomitiunesco.info</a>]</p>
description of the route	The route starts at the uphill station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car. The

cable car is accessible and there is a car park with reserved spaces at the valley station. After a short downhill section with fine gravel, the path winds up and down until the final part after Baita Pineta which is short but steep. Along the way you will see numerous wooden sculptures, installations for children to play with and viewpoints with benches where you can admire the most famous peaks in the Brenta Dolomites, as well as a lovely view of Molveno Lake. There are also educational and information boards along the whole route. This is a circular route, ending up at the uphill station of the cable car after a downhill counterslope.  
The terrain is mainly a dirt track with stretches of light gravel.

### advice

recommended period	From spring to autumn, when the ski lifts are open (for info: <a href="https://www.funiviemolveno.it/timetables-and-prices/?lang=en">https://www.funiviemolveno.it/timetables-and-prices/?lang=en</a> )
recommended gear	Due to the position and characteristics of the itinerary, all you need is a small/medium-sized backpack with water and a snack or a packed lunch which you can eat at one of the rest spots. It is important to have sunscreen with you at all times and a change of clothes. Hiking boots can be light but must be waterproof and have a non-slip sole in Vibram or similar.
recommended equipment	Due to the conditions of the terrain and the inclines, the route is not suitable for push wheelchairs. People, on the other hand, with experience driving electric or Triride wheelchairs will find it feasible, albeit with a couple of challenging uphill stretches. The route does not present any particular difficulties for the blind or anyone with artificial lower limbs.
recommendations	Always travel with others, so they can help you deal with any difficulties you may encounter. The weather can change very quickly in the mountains and hikers must be ready for this by packing suitable clothing. Even in the summer temperatures can vary greatly. For your safety, always check the weather forecast before you set out. When following the itinerary in a wheelchair, we recommend you use off-road equipment and check the autonomy of your batteries.
N.B.	Details of the route and facilities along the way can be found on the website <a href="https://www.molveno.it/it">https://www.molveno.it/it</a>



### info

altitude	1000-1500 m a.s.l.
starting point	Uphill station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car, "La Panoramica". Loc. Pradel GPS coordinates: 46.151797, 10.960642 Altitude: 1357 m
arrival point	Uphill station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car, "La Panoramica". Loc. Pradel GPS coordinates: 46.151797, 10.960642 Altitude: 1357 m
distance	2490 m
overall difference in height	Uphill = 152.2 m (over 914 m) Downhill = 152.6 m (over 1230 m) On level ground = 163.7 m (incline < 1.0%)
incline	Average uphill 16.7 % (over 914 m) Average downhill 12.4 % (over 1230 m)
minimum width	1.60 m
terrain	Relatively even (mainly dirt track with short sections of fine gravel)

obstacles	There are narrow drainage channels across the path in the steep sections (10 cm wide). See attached photo (Sciury 12) and waypoint. When you have to cross the forest road (1 km into the route), there is a partly mobile gate to prevent access by unauthorised vehicles. It is opened by simply pushing it
exposed stretches	Two kilometres into the route, there is a short section with no protective barriers in a steep wood. The path is, however, wide enough so you are never too close to the edge. See attached photo (Sciury 14) and waypoint
<b>facilities</b>	
access	The valley station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car can easily be reached by either public transport or private vehicle. The bus stop is for more long-distance buses (which run all year round) and local buses (which run in the summer). For cable car times and prices, visit the website: <a href="https://www.funiviemolveno.it/timetables-and-prices/?lang=en">https://www.funiviemolveno.it/timetables-and-prices/?lang=en</a>
restrictions	There are no restrictions to reach the valley station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car. If you wish to drive to the uphill station in your car, you must have a pass from the Municipality of Molveno. Guests staying in accommodation on the Pradel Plateau can drive up from Andalo (Valbiole)
car park	Car park at the Molveno-Pradel cable car with reserved spaces. Alternatively, on busy days, there is parking near Molveno Lake. Parking is free of charge for the disabled
accessible toilets	Uphill station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car and Albergo del Brenta (at the beginning of the route); Baita Pineta (halfway along the route); Hotel Piccola Baita (at the end of the route)
refreshments	There are 3 options along the route: Albergo del Brenta - at the beginning of the route, restaurant and accessible toilet Hotel Piccola Baita - at the end of the route, restaurant, accessible toilet and rooms Baita Pineta - halfway along the route, restaurant and accessible toilet
recharging stations for electric bikes	At the uphill station of the Molveno-Pradel cable car
network coverage	The whole route is covered by the main phone operators
GPS mapping	<a href="#">gC_Sciury-Pradel.gpx</a>
street view	None
signs along the route	There are information boards along the route, illustrating the local flora and fauna and with special focus on the life and habits of the squirrel. The boards are in Italian and English
UNESCO info points	None
guides	Local guides from Activity Trentino <a href="http://www.activitytrentino.it/">http://www.activitytrentino.it/</a> Guests staying in hotels which have an agreement with Activity Trentino can take advantage of its regular promotions, as well as a wide range of free activities. Details can be found in the hotel or on the website which also has a list of the partners
rental services	None
emergency numbers	112 European emergency telephone number 118 Italian emergency telephone number



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information provided and itinerary checked by	  <a href="https://www.dolomiti-open.org/">https://www.dolomiti-open.org/</a> <a href="http://www.sportfund.it/home/">http://www.sportfund.it/home/</a>
route mapped on	22/10/2018
<b>responsibility</b>	<p>The contents of this information sheet do not exempt hikers from responsible behaviour.</p> <p>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.</p> <p><b>Weather:</b> <a href="https://www.meteotrentino.it/#!/home">https://www.meteotrentino.it/#!/home</a>  <b>Local tourist board:</b> <a href="https://www.visitdolomitipaganella.it/it">https://www.visitdolomitipaganella.it/it</a></p>