From Colle Vareno to the Enchanted Forest path

Road access from Bergamo:

Clusone (Valle Seriana), Bratto, Colle Vareno Km. 50

Start of excursion:

Colle Vareno, plant square, Angolo Terme (1392 m.)

Travelling time:

 $1^{h}(a/r)$

Height difference:

135 m.

Difficulties:

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Recommended period:

April to october

Water on the route:

NO

Rest stop:

NO

Information:

ERSAF Ente Regionale Servizi Agricoltura e Foreste Tel: 02 67404451

Topographic map:

IGM F. O 34 IV N.E. Vilminore di Scalve

Geographical coordinates:

45,901261° N, 10,103987° E

This easy path crosses a splendid area largely owned by the Region of Lombardy (Forest of Lombardy Scalve Valley), rich in extraordinary panoramic viewpoints. The beauty of the places is enhanced by the numerous legends collected by Prof. Giorgio Gaioni of Angolo Terme, which allow one to read and experience this area also through the eyes of the imagination. To capture these evocative aspects, the pupils of the primary schools of Angolo Terme and the neighbouring municipalities of the Valle di Scalve illustrated these tales on special panels placed along the route. Workers from the Ente Regionale per i Servizi all'Agricoltura ed alle Foreste (ERSAF), which manages the forest, instead interpreted the legends with original wood carvings.



After parking the car in the designated space at Colle Vareno, we start our walk towards the path.



We reach a small lake, which we pass, keeping it to our left.



At a fork in the path, we turn right, keeping the wooden statue on our left.



We begin to climb along the grassy terrain, having a private fence on our left.



Reaching the end of the fence, we turn left and walk along a path that will take us to the forest road.



We join the fork in the forest road for Croce di Vareno.



We continue along the road into the forest.



A splendid panorama of the Scalve valley appears on our left.



A few metres further on, we see the forest and continue on our way.



We enter the forest and the road surface changes.



The path is pleasant and the terrain is easily passable.



Along the way we pass channels for the flow of rainwater.



At a crossroads, we continue straight ahead.



The terrain now features some outcropping stones, which we easily overcome.



Along the way, we encounter signs telling us about local legends.



We resume our ascent on a cobbled section and in the distance we see the end of the forest.



We now exit the forest and glimpse a wooden sculpture on the left.



When we reach the fork, we turn left and continue along the path; if we had turned left, we would have walked towards Cima del Vareno.



In front of us is a grassy ridge with various wooden sculptures.



On our right stands a 'Totem' carved in wood.



Looking to the right we see a memorial stone and another wooden sculpture.



Between the two works, we glimpse the Camonica Valley.



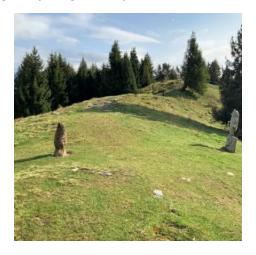
We resume our ascent along the ridge and encounter a signpost.



Continuing to our left we see a drinking trough and in the background the Scalve valley.



We continue slightly uphill on the grassy ridge and pass more wooden sculptures.



The path is always pleasant and invites us to look at the open spaces that present themselves.



The path is now a marked path on the grassy stretch, but not a difficult one.



Looking back, we see panoramic views that we had not seen on the way up.

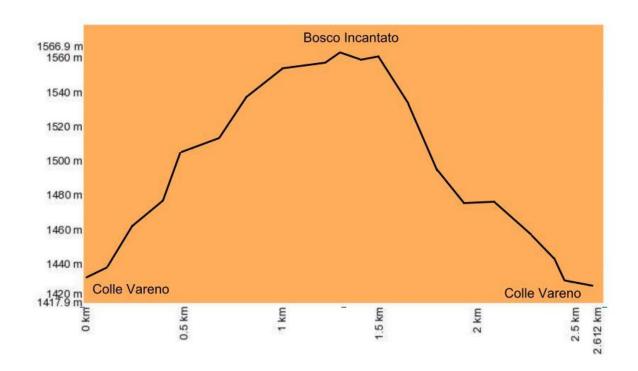


We now reach the viewpoint with a wooden barrier with information about the place.



From here we can admire the Camonica Valley, Darfo Boario Terme and Lake Moro. After a short stop to admire the view and a short snack, we return to the route taken on the way up and reach the Calle Vareno lift and the nearby car park.

Altimetry



Route Map

