North Adda Park Imbersago Ferry

Road access from Bergamo:

Terno d'Isola, Carvico, Villa d'Adda, via al Porto Km. 25

Start of excursion:

Ferry boat landing stage di via al Porto (245 m.)

Travelling time:

2^h (a/r) plus ferry time

Height difference:

22 m.

Difficulties:

ΑТ







Recommended period:

All year round not after the rains

Water on the route:

NO

Rest stop:

NO

Information:

Pro Loco Villa d'Adda, Tel: 035 791343

Topographic map:

IGM F. o 33 III S.O. Caprino Bergamasco

Geographical coordinates:

45,7175° N, 9,4564° E

Along the banks of the River Adda, both on the Bergamo and Lecco sides, there are unpaved roads that lend themselves well to easy excursions, even for wheelchair users. From Villa d'Adda, along Via del Porto, we reach the landing stage where we can park.





After parking, we walk in the direction of the landing stage.



Since there is no ferry, we walk past the bar on the path on the Bergamo side.



We pass a signpost.



We quickly reach a green space equipped with gazebos for a rest.



Looking northwards, we catch a glimpse of the ferry area and the Lecco shore.



We reach another area also equipped with gazebos.



Near a footbridge, we decide to retrace our steps to reach the landing stage.



One must bear in mind that in the winter period the ferry only operates at weekends, unless there are weather-related problems. From spring to the end of summer, the service also operates on weekdays.

We board the ferry and cross the Adda. The ferry that crosses the river, linking the Bergamo side of Villa d'Adda and the Lecco side of Imbersago has a long history, starting many centuries ago. It is not known precisely whether its inventor was the great Leonardo da Vinci. The drawing, dated 1513, can be found in the Windsor Codex, kept in the royal library of the castle of the same name in England. On the occasion of this commission, Leonardo had the opportunity to see, study and admire the banks of our river in order to design, among other things, one or more navigable canals linking Lake Como to Milan, the famous Navigli, works that were to be realised in the following centuries on the basis of his studies.



Having disembarked on the Lecco shore at Imbersago, we turn left onto the cycle path.



We pass the bench area on the right and continue towards the path.



We continue past the barrier and join the cycle path.



The path is flat and easy.



We reach and pass a picnic area on the left, along the bank of the Adda river.



The route is always particularly suggestive and inviting.



We reach a bend in the river and the landscape changes.



The water seems still and the whole landscape is as if suspended.



In this stretch there are concrete barriers protecting the bank.



The path continues on a compact and easy surface.



Bend after bend, different landscapes await us.



We have now arrived at a section of the path with a small pond on the right-hand side and tables and benches for a short break on the opposite side.



The area we have reached is cosy, but we decide to continue further.



We cross a small bridge and continue on our way.



We walk along this beautiful avenue.



After turning slightly to the left, we continue on our way.

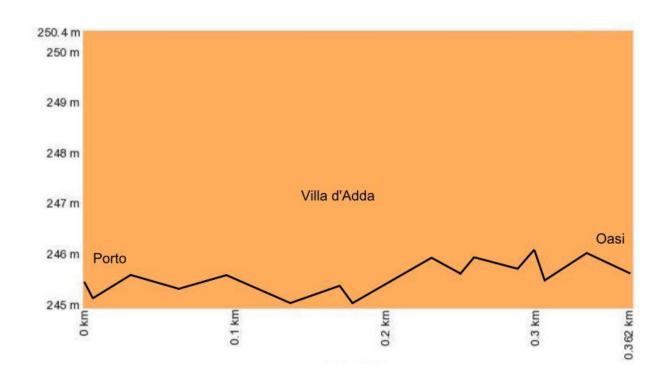


The place is more and more enchanting.

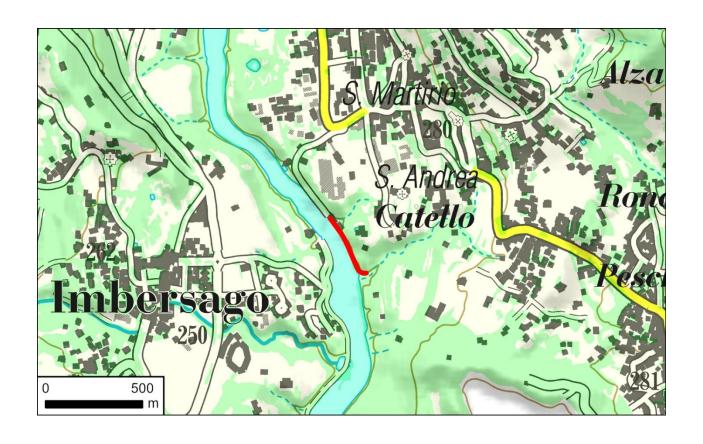


Having reached this point on the track that would take us to Paderno d'Adda, we decide to retrace our steps to the ferry that will take us to the car park on the Bergamo side.

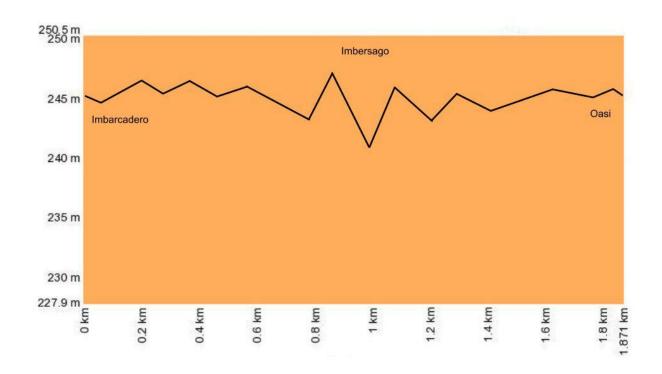
Altimetry of Villa d'Adda



Route Map of Villa d'Adda



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