

# FAMILY TREKKING

## FROM MARCESINA TO VEZZENA

STARTING FROM EURO 350

Check in at the Sporting Residence Hotel located in Asiago with a complementary cocktail and a quick introduction to the tour you selected. Dinner and accommodation

### DAY 1: TRANSFER TO PIANA DI MARCESINA

Distance: 10 km

Duration: 3/4H

Total Climb: +2446m -215m Average Slope: +5.1 -3.8 Maximum +23.8 -15

Level of Difficulty: intermediate

In the early morning, once you leave all backpacks at the hotel, you will be transferred to the starting point of your trekking to Piana di Marcesina close to Malga Fratte, where trekking adventures start. The feeling will be similar to "Finland in Italy" because of the natural oasis surrounded only by nature, peaceful and quiet places with landscape featuring "Scandinavian" trails. The path is merged with wide opening of grassland surrounded by pine trees forest, one of the most fascinating places in Plateau.

*"Nature around you is simple and clear, similar to a big fairy tale, where everything is simplified, big and friendly ..."* Luigi Meneghello

From June to September the area is pampered by the sound of cowbells; you will taste excellent cheeses and see how they are produced in this alpine location. Upon request, it is possible to book an educational visit to the local "moorland" to see rare species of plants and wild animals of the area.

You are expected to arrive late afternoon to the lodge Rifugio Barricata, for dinner and accommodation.

### DAY 2: From Rifugio Barricata to Rifugio Campomuletto

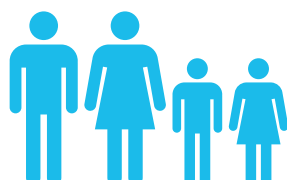
Distance: 8 km

Duration: 3/4H

Total Climb: +390 m-160m Average Slope: +6.9 -4.4 Maximum +19.6 -14.6

Level of Difficulty: intermediate

Today's trail follows the path at the edge of Piana di Marcesina, heading south through woods and open areas. Piana di Marcesina hosts the largest moorland of the Asiago Plateau. This interesting biotope with glacial origin was part of a complex of a wider wetlands, once much more extended. Trails will continue surrounded by forests and grass. In a relatively short time through the area of Mandrielle, you will be reaching the lodge named Rifugio Campomuletto. Once arrived, it will be possible to extend the tour visiting the "Path of Silence", a small open-air museum with 10 contemporary art installations remembering all world wars. It will give you time to think about horrors of wars VS value of peace; a quite place in the heart of nature and history with educational games and activities for kids. Lodge Rifugio Campomuletto will be the final destination for today with dinner and accommodation.



### **DAY 3: From Rifugio Campomuletto to Malga Galmarara**

Distance: 11 km

Duration: 3/4H

Total Climb: +400 m-391m Average Slope: +7.3 -6.4 Maximum +31.4 -26.2

Level of Difficulty: intermediate

Today's stage brings you to a variety of landscapes. The first part of the trek is surrounded by an environment of open grassland and coniferous forests leading up to the great "busa" of Campofilone, passing by one of the most interesting and mostly unknown forest area of the plateau called "Bosco Secco" (dry forest), a protected area with an ancient and primitive forest that will take you along the slopes of Mountain Zebio and Mountain Zingarella.

An easily detour from the main path will take you to this protected area for bird watching too. The second part of the trails goes up the eastern slopes of Mount Zebio through woods and across the main front line of 1st World War 1915-18 (it will be possible to visit the museum of Mount Zebio). You will then continue easily at the bottom of Mount Zingarella, where with a little attention it will be easy to spot chamois and deer stationed on the east slope of Mountain, until you will arrive to Galmarara Valley for one of the most incredible views of the Altopiano plateau.

You will check in at the local lodge, Malga Galmarara, for dinner and accommodation.

### **DAY 4: From Malga Galmarara to Rifugio Larici**

Distance: 14.51 km

Duration: 5/6H

Total Climb: +856 m-815m Average Slope: +9.7 -10.4 Maximum +40.0 -43.0

Level of Difficulty: difficult

A nice trekking day to discover a wild area populated with plants and wild animals. It is possible in the morning with a little bit of luck to encounter some eagles and deers. The trail climbs gently alongside of Mount Arsenale and then down the spectacular Portule Valley, one of the most beautiful valleys of the Altopiano Plateau, almost untouched, marked only by ruins left by the 1st World War. We are within an outdoor museum of endless dimensions. You can make a short detour to the site of Campogallina, one of the most interesting areas of the wider outdoor museum named "walk of peace."

The climb to the top of Mount Portule is richly rewarded with an opening horizon that allows the eye to admire some of the highest peaks of the plateau (Mount 12 and Mount Ortigara) and in addition the full view of the Eastern Alps (Dolomites).

You will then continue down to lodge Rifugio Larici where you will check in for dinner and accommodation.

### **DAY 5: From Rifugio Larici to Malga Vezzena**

Distance: 11 km

Duration: 3/4H

Total Climb: +326 m-565m Average Slope: +6.6 -8.2 Maximum: +19.4 -24.3

Level of Difficulty: intermediate

Starting from Rifugio Larici, this trail will take you to the great horizons on the South-eastern peaks of the Asiago Plateau. The path will lead through the beautiful forest of Cima Mandriolo and Mount Spitz Verle to Vezzena the western limit of the massive plateau. Along the route it will be easy to observe several colonies of marmots mostly concentrated at the edges of the multiple ponds in the area. You will continue easily in typical alpine areas marked by numerous species of plants up to Piana di Vezzena where it will be possible to see many small lodges where the original cheese named Vezzena is produced and sold. At the end of the trail you will be transferred to the Sporting Hotel in Asiago for the final check out.

## TREKKING DETAILS

Treks are organized by your choice. You decide the departure date and we will take care of everything else, starting with the first meeting to the end of your tour. We will take care of your luggage from one lodge to the other and we will provide maps with detailed description and reliable paths. Our help will allow you to enjoy completely the Asiago Plateau choosing time and rhythm of your vacation.

## ASIAGO TREKKING SUPPORT

Asiago Trekking's team will be available 24/7 to ensure the best result of your vacation. Assistance will be provided anytime. For emergency you can contact (tel.: +39 333 7503484 / +39 0424 462177, e-mail: [info@asiagotrekking.it](mailto:info@asiagotrekking.it) [booking@asiagotrekking.it](mailto:booking@asiagotrekking.it))

## DEPARTURES

From June to October

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## CHECK IN AND CHECK OUT LOCATION:

Starting point: Sporting Hotel Asiago

Arrival Point: Sporting Hotel Asiago

## ACCOMMODATION:

Mountain Lodge (Rifugio): 4 nights - Sporting Hotel 1 night

## DIFFICULTIES:

From 4 to 6 hours walking through short paths and easy trails (average).

## TREKKING TYPE

Trekking with no guide; detailed maps for all trails are available.

## YOUR LUGGAGE

Luggage will be picked up and delivered using our service car to the different meeting points; daily walking are made just with light equipment as a small backpack loaded with what you need for the single day trip. We recommend limiting the weight your main bag up to 15 kg to facilitate the delivery service and transportation.

## WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU DURING THE DAILY TREKKING:

- A small backpack with inside some water, your camera, sandwich for lunch and a waterproof jacket.
- To walk: wear comfortable hiking shoes with a good grip on the ground; socks made for walking, shorts and T-shirts. First aid kit is welcome.

## PRICE:

**Low season: from 01/06 to 20/07 – from 20/08 to 20/10**

Price per person € 350

Children from 3 years to 12 years old € 120

**High season from 20/07 to 20/08**

Price per person € 425

Children from 3 to 12 years € 250

## PRICE INCLUDES:

- accommodation, dinner, breakfast
- baggage transportation; daily map

## PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- drinks and lunch
- expenses not covered by the program
- guide service for hiking and bikes
- insurance
- bicycle rentals, Nordic walking sticks rentals

## FOOD

Continental breakfast by Rigoni di Asiago: tea, coffee, milk, butter, jam.

Dinner prepared with the unique local products.

Drinks are not included.

