

Il giro dell'Orizzonte

Today we do the Orizzonte ride for the second time.

Probably one the most beautiful rides I have ever done.

The Giro dell'Orizzonte passes through a military path dating back over 100 years from the First World War.

It connects the Bruffione Pass to the Val Marza Pass. All at an altitude of 2000 meters.

Completely passable for regular MTB and E-bike MTB mainly flows, except in some points descending from Passo Brealone where the rock surface is sometimes bumpy.

This super trail offers not only maximum fun, but also an extraordinary panorama.

The Adamello massif to the north, Tremalzo and Monte Baldo to the east, the solitary mountains of Passo Croce Domini to the west and Lake Idro to the south.

It is a hard climb from 350 mt. to 2250 mt. It takes about 4 hours of bike climbing and 40 minutes more of walking.

Some pieces of this trial are too bumpy to bike.

We left Storo with a temperature of 30 degrees, and we got to the top with a very pleasant temperature of 20 degrees.

The route proceed up and down for 13 km all on the top of the mountains never lower than 2100 mt.

We enjoy a breath-taking view and the silence of the mountains which is sometime interrupted by the pleasant sound of a cowbell.

After almost 6 hours biking, we start descending and in a bit more than one hour we are down where we started.

Wow! What an adventure.

Spiazzi Chierego Telegrafo

This is the day we have been waiting weeks for.

We go for a night mountain bike ride to the top of Monte Baldo at an altitude of 2150 mt.

The weather is perfect, the temperature won't be too low when we come down at night.

And moreover, we will have a fabulous full moon giving us light on the mountains on the way back.

We leave at 4.00 pm from Spiazzi at about 850 mt. of altitude.

After 1 hour of climbing, we reach the parking place Due Pozze – most people hiking to the top, leave their car here.

After a short break we start biking again and in 50 minutes we reach the first refuge called Rifugio Chierego.

We have already climbed more than 1000 mt. and we are now at 1910 mt.

From up here, on the west side of the Baldo, we can see about 80% of Lake Garda.

On the east side we can see the fantastic Val D'Adige.

We keep going heading to the top. This is the most difficult part as the path will get very stony and very steep.

Along the way we see a herd of beautiful chamois grazing very peacefully and looking at us.

They are used to people up here but they do not like people

getting too close.

After stepping off the bike, as some parts are too dangerous to be biked, we reach the base of the refuge.

We leave the bikes here and in 10 minutes on foot we are at the Telegrafo refuge.

The air is getting colder.

We get some water; we look at the magnificent view and we start going back as we need to be out of this last part before it gets dark.

In 1 hour we are back at the Chierago refuge. It is about 20.45 pm and we are just in time to see a breathtaking sunset that can be seen only from this place.

The refuge is very crowded as a lot of people come here to watch the sunset and the full moon.

After a nice dinner we put some warm clothes on as the temperature has dropped from 28 to 10 degrees. We turn on the lights on our helmets and we start going down in the dark.

On the way down we have the company of a herd of cows but with a bit of patience we manage to go through the herd and continue the descent.

The full moon is lighting up the whole southern part of Lake Garda offering us a fabulous view.

It's 11.30 pm, we are back in Spiazzi. Wow! It has been quite an adventure.

Ponale – Bocca Larici

Today we start our tour from Riva del

Garda

We head toward the famous Ponale old road and Punta Larici. The Ponale road was built in the mid-19th century and immediately became the main artery connecting the Ledro valley with the Garda side and was used for normal vehicular traffic.

Over the years the original route has undergone various changes.

The most critical points, either due to the danger of falling rocks or due to the excessively exposed position, have been replaced by short sections in the tunnel and therefore abandoned.

Often the route was subject to prolonged closures for its safety following the fall of stones that put those passing through it in grave danger.

It remained in operation until 1995.

In that year it was closed definitively following the opening of the new tunnel connecting to Riva del Garda.

Since 2004 it has become a cycle path and path suitable for hiking.

In about one hour we get to the end of the Ponale Road in Pregasina, where the altitude is 535 mt.

After a short stop at the little square in Pregasina to enjoy the beautiful panoramic view on the lake, we head towards Punta Larici at 1000 mt.

The Punta Larici is in front of the Monte Palaer.

It is separated from it by a less pronounced saddle (Bocca Larici).

Although Punta Larici stays below 1000 m altitude, it is still a prominent point.

The eastern flank drops very steeply towards Lake Garda. From the summit there is an excellent view to the north-east and

south-west over the Lake Garda.

In about 50 minutes we get to Bocca Larici.

The views of Lake Garda and Mount Baldo on the east side are breathtaking.

Coming up here with a regular MTB takes a bit of effort but it is surely worth it.

Have a look at the movie's tour below.

Sella Ronda Bike Day first edition June 2022

For the second time I wanted to participate in this fantastic world-famous event, the Sella Ronda Bike Day.

Last year the event had 28,000 cyclists. This year, at the first edition in June, despite the fabulous weather, only 25,000 people took part in the event.

I think many people are still afraid of Covid. From 8:30 to 16:00 the 53 km itinerary around the Sella Ronda is closed to all types of vehicles.

Only cyclists can circulate on the street. The itinerary crosses 4 passes: Sella (2240 Mt), Pordoi (2239 Mt), Campolongo (1875 Mt) and Gardena (2121 Mt).

You can join the itinerary at any time you wish. This is not a competition! Each cyclist goes at his own pace. You can stop whenever you want to take a break or to photograph the extraordinary landscape offered by the Dolomites. We started at 9:00 and finished at 13:15.

The second edition of 2022 will take place on 17 September. Would you like to be with us? [Book this Sella Ronda Bike Day](#)

tour and fun is guaranteed!

Alpe di Siusi

I have been several times on the Alpe di Siusi by car or motorbike.

As it is Saturday and I am in Ortisei to join the **Sella Ronda Bike Day 2022**, I have decided to climb the **Alpe di Siusi** with my road bike tomorrow.

Leaving Ortisei I come across the very beautiful Passo Pinei and then I head to San Michele and Castelrotto.

It is a very sunny day with a temperature of 26 degrees that makes this ride even more appealing.

After the Passo Pinei I go down to a lower height than the starting point.

Ortisei is 1230 mt. and now I am at 1050 mt. of altitude. So now I have to climb about 1000 mt. to reach the top of the Alpe di Siusi.

After three hours of climbing, 2 km from the top, I come to the end of the paved street. 2 km of stone road are still to be biked.

After a few minutes of doubt, I decide to go with my road bike on a route that would be difficult even for an MTB.

I have to walk for some short parts as it's really not possible to bike due to stones on the way.

It takes about 15 minutes to get to the

top.

The view from here is breathtaking! Having reached the top, the effort was worthwhile.

After a nice meal at the restaurant enjoying the sun and the fantastic view, I go to get a ticket for the cable car that in about 15 minutes will take me down to Ortisei.

This is really one of the most exciting rides I have ever done.

Would you like to be with me on this ride next time? Have a look at these tours:

- [Dolomites Road Bike Tour from Thursday](#)
 - [Dolomites Road Bike Tour from Monday](#)
 - [Dolomites Sella Ronda Bike Day](#)
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Fantastic 10 Castles Ride

Awesome ride of 110 km. starting from the city of Orzinuovi

Me and 2,000 friends went through ten beautiful towns.

Every town with a beautiful castle.

The route was fantastic. Passing mainly along the shore of the Oglio river through the very beautiful countryside of this area.

This event is organized every year so if you would like to join us stay tuned.