

12. CHIARESCONS

CHALLENGING HIKES

Natural Park of the Friulian Dolomites



Challenging hike on a marked trail but sometimes not very intuitive; the area is decidedly wild, with no support points and it requires real hiking and partly mountaineering skills.

The only difficulties of this track are in the final stretch (first level UIAA) but your feet must be firmly planted: the creek after the mountain pass Col Della Valle, under the final ridge is steep and exposed. From the village of Forni di Sotto the path descends to the hamlet of Vico and then it follows the signs for the "Val Poschiadea" the paved road leading down to the river Tagliamento (690 meters msl, usually to travel by car or in water). Once crossed the river begins the dirt road (trail 364) until you arrive at the Covardins barns (952 m. msl) and then the path continues to the departure station of the old cable car

used for the transportation of timber. Remaining on the left of the stream up to the village of Rubarai, at the junction you have to go straight, leaving the trail 364; this trail is marked but now much more steep and wild with two crossings of the stream (last water resource) that may be not immediately recognizable. The itinerary continues rising up to wild and uninhabited areas, arriving after a while at the foot of the beautiful northern rocky walls of Chiarescons, to travel then all the fantastic valley where it is rather difficult to follow the marked path; finally, you reach the panoramic mountain pass

of Col della Valle (1820 m msl). From here you go up to the right following the red trail marks, for the steep high meadows of Chiarescons up to a partition wall of two or three meters, with contained climbing difficulties; overcome the bumps through a gritty small channel, you reach the first peak (first level UIAA). Continue along the ridge and go down a couple of meters on the southern slope to the top marked by the cross 40 minutes (2168 m). From here you can enjoy the stunning views ranging from Amariana of Tolmezzo to Croda Toni up to the most famous Three Peaks.

Panorama



Chamois



Alpine salamander



Gorge of the Poschiadea river



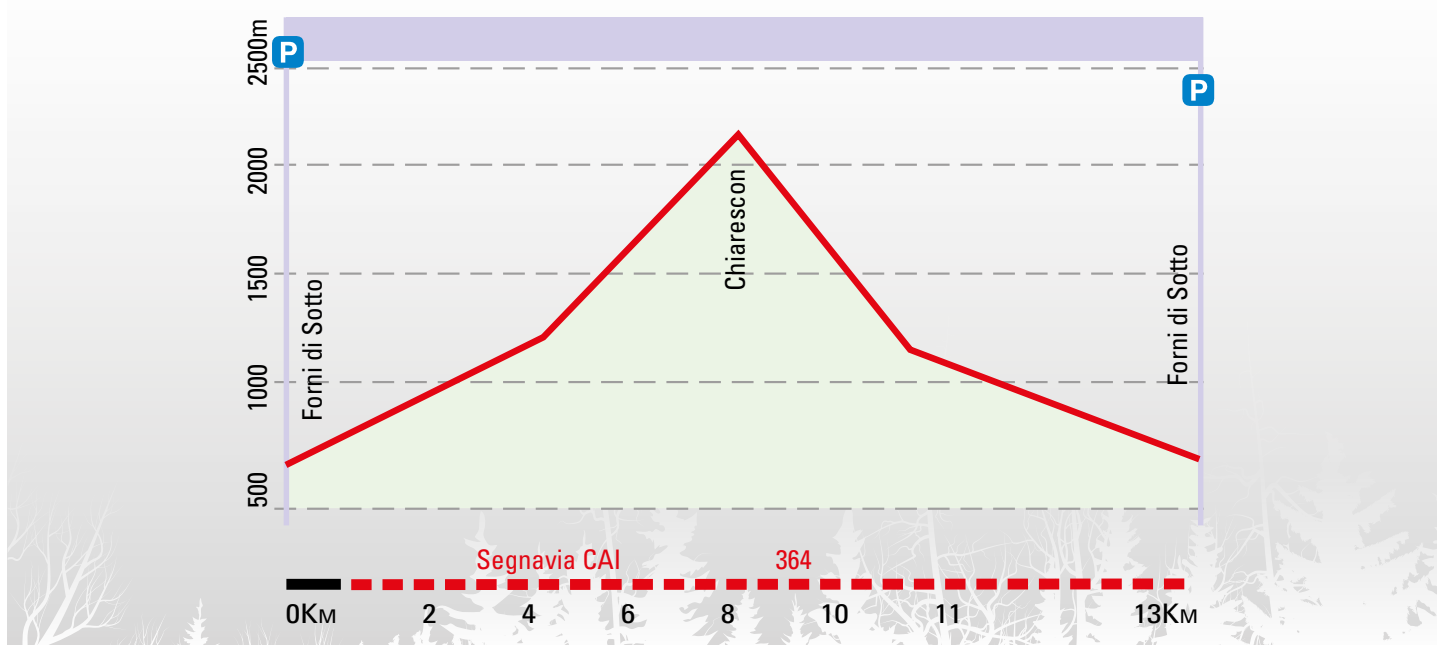
Top of Chiarescon mount



PATH TAB

Municipality	Forni di Sotto (UD)
Starting point	Forni di Sotto (UD) (777m)
Arrival point	Forni di Sotto (UD) (777m)
Recommended period	from June to October
Approximate walking time	6-8 hours
Peculiarities	Geological (walls and dolomitic landscapes) Geomorphological (morphology of landscapes) Botanical (ancient beech forests, the flora typical of rocks and screes) Fauna (plenty of deer, chamois, eagles, sporadically bears and lynxes)
Points of interest	Tagliamento river, the cableway Val Poschiadea, wilderness experience, great views
Markers	White-red trail marks CAI 364, red trail marks from the end of the trail up to the top.
Cartography	Map Edizioni Tabacco Natural Park Friulian Dolomites
Support points	Not present

PATH ELEVATION AND CAI DIRECTIONS



Clematis



Snowbell



Orange lily



PATH MAP

