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NATURALISTIC - ETHNOGRAPHIC TRAILS AND VISITOR CENTRES

## CLAUT: TRIASSIC PARK DINOSAUR FOOTPRINT FOSSILS



### PROGRAMME

The trail is located in the village of Claut, known for its important war-related historical events. In fact, the famous alpine road that connects two main valleys winds through this area.

These days, Claut is a point of reference for sport thanks to its prestigious facilities, such as a sports hall and ice rink, but also thanks to numerous natural sites suitable for mountain sports such as canyoning, climbing, bouldering and ski mountaineering.

- Meet with the nature guide in Claut piazza (PN).
- Depart on the dinosaur footprint fossil excursion. The route runs along the village of Lesis and continues to Casera Casavento. La Casera cheese hut is about 5km from Lesis and the average journey time is about 2 hours and 30 minutes with a difference in altitude of 400 metres. The footprints belong to a rather large theropod dinosaur (biped and carnivorous), 5 to 7 metres in length. Evidence of its existence is imprinted in a large dolomite rock formation deposited in the upper Triassic more than two hundred million years ago. The footprints were discovered by a school pupil visiting the park in 1994 and were then studied and confirmed by leading experts. An entire footprint can be observed at the centre of the rock, while another partial footprint has been preserved on the edge of the rocky surface. The full footprint was created by the rear right foot while the partial footprint was made by the rear left foot. In addition to this important prehistoric discovery, visitors can also see the source of Cellina river.
- Packed lunch in the environment.  
(if the weather is bad, packed lunches will be enjoyed at the visitor centre).
- Return to the village of Claut. Architectural visit to Ciasa da Fum, a four-hundred-year-old house restored and preserved in all its original glory and the park's visitor centre, which houses the "Casa Clautana Museum," an ethnographic museum dedicated to women who worked at home, in the fields and in barns, walking "fora par mont" (around the world), a pivotal figure at the heart of family life and the activities that supported the mountain populations many centuries ago.
- End of guided tour.

### LENGTH OF TIME

- Full day, adaptable half-day  
If it's raining, activities will take place indoors, and alternative activities will be arranged at the visitor centres.  
The programme can be modified according to group needs.

### MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR THE EXCURSION

- Hiking boots or sturdy trainers and appropriate clothing for a mountain hike.
- Waterproof jacket

