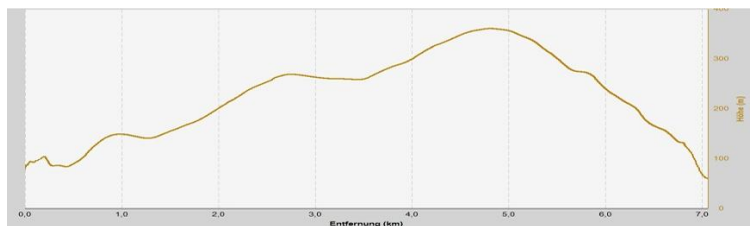


Dolcedo-Lecchiore-Acquasanta-Ripalta-Dolcedo



Elevation profile

Distance: 7 km

Time: 2 ½ -4 hours

Ascent: 280 m

Data on the hike

The starting point of the walk is the square in front of the town hall (Piazza Doria) in Dolcedo (Fig. 1).

Walk under the town hall, pass the gate, cross the square in front of the church of San Tomasso, climb the stairs and turn right (fig. 2). Follow the narrow lane along the stream (fig. 3) with a view of Ripalta (fig. 6), past an old bridge (fig. 6). Look back at the back of the church of San Tomasso (fig. 5). After a short time (approx. 3 - 4 min) and a steady, moderate ascent, you will reach a fork in the path (fig. 7). Keep to the right (arrow in Fig. 7) and continue uphill until you reach another fork in the path after approx. 7 - 10 minutes (Fig. 8). Keep right again here. You will see the San Bartolomeo chapel on the left (Fig. 9).



At the next fork in the path (Fig. 10) after approx. 3 to 4 minutes, keep right and follow the path straight ahead, which is marked with a red and white sign (Fig. 11). At the next fork in the path (Fig. 12) after approx. 14 to 20 minutes, keep left. Finally, after approx. 7 to 10 minutes, you will reach a paved road (Fig. 13) and follow this uphill past a wayside shrine. After approx. 10 to 15 minutes you will reach Lecchiore (figs. 14, 15, 16). Go uphill to the left and turn right at the car park by the church. Follow the road until you reach another road after approx. 5 to 8 minutes (fig. 17), turn right and follow this road, which leads to Acqua Santa.



After approx. 7 to 11 minutes (Fig. 18), turn right onto a narrow path that leads downhill, then along the stream to Acqua Santa (Fig. 19). There, turn right (fig. 20) and follow the paved road, sometimes steeply uphill. At the forks in the road (figs. 21, 22), which you reach after approx. 20 to 30 minutes, go straight ahead (arrows in figs. 21, 22), at the next fork (fig. 23) after approx. 5 to 8 minutes turn right and follow the path, which is initially flat and then goes downhill. After approx. 5 to 8 minutes (Fig. 24) continue straight ahead and after approx. 4 to 6 minutes (Fig. 25) you will reach some houses.



There and at the next two forks (fig. 26) and (fig. 27), keep right and descend to Ripalta, a district of Dolcedo. Now follow the path (fig. 28) to the right, pass the church of Ripalta (fig. 29) and after another short stretch you will reach a square from which you turn right onto a narrow path (fig. 30). Go downhill, turn right at the end of the path (fig. 31), pass the Casa del la Rocca restaurant, turn left, cross the bridge that you left on the right on the way there (fig. 32), turn left and follow the narrow lane until you reach the church forecourt under the first houses on the left via a staircase, go under the town hall and return to Piazza Doria.

