



This itinerary follows part of the two day trekking route called “Dorsale del Triangolo Lariano” that starts in Brunate and finishes in Bellagio after roughly a 12-hours walk. The walk described here below starts in Bellagio and follows “La Dorsale” in the opposite direction as far as Bocchetta di Terrabiotta (1426 m), from where you can enjoy one of the best views of the Triangolo Lariano area.

ITINERARY: Bellagio - Guggiate - Brogno - Rovenza - Parco Monte San Primo - Bocchetta Terrabiotta - Pian del Tivano

WALKING TIME: 6 h

ASCENT: 1171 m

DIFFICULTY: walk for trained hikers

TRAIL SIGNS: red - white - red, No.1

CONNECTIONS: Bellagio is connected to Guggiate with bus line C30 (Como - Bellagio)

From Pian del Tivano bus line C32 (Como - Nesso - Pian del Tivano) to Nesso then line C30 to Bellagio or Como



ROUTE: From the centre of **Bellagio** walk for 1.5 km along the lakeside road towards Como until you reach the hamlet of **Guggiate** (also reachable by bus line C30), where the trail No. 1 begins. From piazza S. Andrea (bus stop), walk to the church and turn onto via Ciceri to the right of the scenic fence of Villa Ciceri. This cobblestone lane leads through the village and over the river Perlo bridge (on your left, note the remains of a trout farm and old spinning mill). Past the bridge, walk up the steps to emerge onto a concrete road. Turn left and continue uphill until you walk past an emergency helicopter landing area and a farmhouse overlooking the pastures and the orchards of **Cagnanica**. Where the road ends, a path starts heading uphill between low walls covered with ivy; at the end of the climb, turn left towards **Perlo** (the deviation to the right takes you to the hamlet of Vergonese in 15 min). After about 200 m, turn right and take the trail that goes uphill past the last group of houses and a farm. Winding its way through a thick chestnut wood, the trail reaches **Begola**, where there are two farmhouses which stand in a clearing. The path now widens into a cart track that climbs up gently between meadows and woods skirting the park of Villa Mariani to arrive at **Brogno**. From here follow trail sign No. 1 as you head to the right along a cart track that ascends in the direction of **Rovenza**. At the end of the climb you emerge into a clearing with a chapel, then continue straight on among clearings and terraced meadows all the way to the hamlet of Rovenza. Now take the paved road on the right that goes uphill and ends after about 2.5 km in the locality called **Paum**.

Past a gate, continue uphill along the path that ascends through a beech wood until it comes out in the pastures of **Alpe delle**



View from Monte San Primo (© L. Siclari)

Ville. The trail, after crossing some meadows, arrives at a gate and onto a dirt road. Turn left and pass the building of the closed down Colonia Bonomelli (former summer camp) and continue on the level track until you reach the paved road and the car park of **Parco San Primo**. Here you follow the paved road (trail sign No. 1) to the right that leads to **Alpe del Borgo**, across the fields that in winter compose the ski slope of the Forcella. Continue the ascent while keeping to the right side of the pasture, along the path that leads behind the farm



Bellagio (© P. Ortelli)



house, then turn onto a cart track to the right that enters a beech wood. Within a few minute walk you will reach a saddle. From here take the path to the right that ascends the pastures along the crest of the mountain. At the end of the pasture, follow the track diagonally halfway up the slope to the saddle called **Bocchetta di Terrabiotta** (1426 m). The stunning view embraces the peninsula of Bellagio and the whole Northern part of Lake Como.

From the saddle continue on the Dorsale trail (trail sign No. 1), along the Val di Torno and descend in 1h 15 m to Pian del Tivano where you can return by bus line C32 via Nesso to Como or change at Nesso and take C30 to Bellagio or Como (please note that the bus Pian del Tivano – Nesso does not operate all year round).

Return on foot from Terrabiotta to Bellagio: 4 ½ h

From the Bocchetta di Terrabiotta (trail sign No. 39) you can reach the top of Monte San Primo (1681 m) in approx. 50 min. From the top, a trail descends very steeply to Alpe dei Piccè where Rifugio Martina stands, and from there to Alpe delle Ville. From here you return to Bellagio the same way you came.