



Comune di Schio

GUIDE MAP TRETTO TRAILS

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"LEARNING... IS AFOOT"

There may be many ways to gain an understanding of our surroundings, but walking is perhaps one of the most

extraordinary approaches.

When walking we are asked not only to see and hear, but also to

listen to the sounds and voices around us and to our inner voice

as well. Moreover, we must never forget that, when walking,

we are following in the footsteps of many others and that many

others will follow. This is why we avoid making useless noise

and contribute to the maintenance of the itineraries by removing

stones and fallen branches, or by cutting back brambles that might

invade the trail. The descriptions of the itineraries we suggest

also help those who may lack sufficient notions of topography to

follow the map. Each symbol ✨ stands for a site of interest

Times are calculated at a comfortable pace (nearly double the time

Association).

SC1 Santa Caterinella

This trail takes its name from the votive church of Saint

Caterinella, built in memory of an event and a miracle of

yesterday. The track merges with and intersects important

migratory routes of birds, resulting in hunting activities that

must be taken into consideration when blazing, maintaining

and hiking the trail.

Duration: 2 hours

Elevation gain: 150 m

Starting point: Santa Caterina (parking near the church)

SC2 Valbona and Valmara

Valbona and Valmara are the names of the two main valleys of the

territory of Santa Caterina; the more gently sloping one is where it

was possible to grow crops, thus giving rise to small settlements

and villages. The harsher of the two, instead, is steeper but rich in

waterways, along which there are still some mills. The trail passes

through both.

Duration: 3 hours

Length: 4.9 km

Elevation gain: 200 m

Starting point: Santa Caterina

(parcheggio in prossimità della chiesa)



SM2 Lands and mines

The slope where Santa Maria stands features minerals and materials that over time were extracted and used by man: silver, kaolin, quartzite, baryta, and others. The itinerary passes through some of these sites and, in particular, through the kaolin mining area.

Duration: 2 hours
Length: 3.8 km
Elevation gain: 200 m
Starting point: S. Maria (parking lot near the church and hairpin bend just beyond the settled area of the village)

From the village of **Santa Maria** (the last homes to the west) you can head upwards on a trail that immediately crosses the provincial road and continue in the same direction. After another crossing, take the access road to the quartzite quarry that runs uphill toward the left. (Minor detour ✨: once you pass the upper edge of the quarry, head slightly downhill and eastward where there are two very old chestnut trees, one of which may very well be the oldest chestnut tree of the Tretto area). Instead of following along for the provincial road, head right along the outskirts of a meadow and follow the trail that leads to the quarry area in the vicinity of **Pozzani di Sotto**. From here you can access the mineralogical area of **Pozzani** that certainly remains fascinating despite its ostensible state of abandonment. (Alternative route: it is also possible to enter a short and safe tunnel, **Buso Bedin**, with access from the **Saccardi - Pozzani di Sotto** road near the fork in the road to **Pinzerle**). Cross the village and head downhill on a stone-paved road as far as the paved municipal road. Heading up this road for a few hundred metres you will reach the trail that starts on the left near two large rustic dwellings with thatched roofs. Follow this trail westward to return to **Santa Maria**.



SM1 Along the Acquasaliente Valley

The itinerary, which heads up the valley of the Acquasaliente and follows the waterway in some points, is an opportunity to discover the ties between the names of places (toponymy) and the physical characteristics of the territory (Aqua saliens), the crops (Nogare, Pornaro), the legends (Quartiero).

Duration: 3 hours
Length: 6.5 km
Elevation gain: 300 m
Starting point: S. Maria (parking lot near the church and hairpin bend just beyond the settled area of the village)

Follow the paved road toward **Bonati and Acquasaliente**. From the latter, near the fountain, the trail heads across the village and climbs towards **Quartiero**. The itinerary is in part paved in stone and flanked by stone drywalls. From here, take the unpaved municipal road down to **Laita** and continue on the paved road as far as **Contrà Nogare di Sopra**. Crossing the provincial road you enter **Nogare di Sotto**. Continue eastward into the wood along a trail that runs parallel to the paved road. This stretch cuts through a very steep slope and requires caution, especially if you are hiking with children. Having crossed the little bridges, you reach the vicinity of a **mining quarry**. Follow the south side of the quarry, heading down toward **Santa Maria**. Cross the provincial road again and continue in the same direction. The starting point is just a short distance away.

SU1 Alta Vista

This is an itinerary that offers spectacular panoramas of the

plain in various points, but also walks through woods that vary

greatly due to the altitude and unique exposure (chestnut, maple,

ash, hornbeam, beech...).

Duration: 3 hours

Length: 4.9 km

Elevation gain: 200 m

Starting point: Santa Caterina (parking near the church)



To the left of the paved road that goes up to **Paile Soggio**, follow the level dirt track first to **Conta Velle** and then to **Giardino**. Continue along passing between the two houses and head up towards **Contrà Soggio**. Leaving this settlement, continue westward, taking the lower trail and follow it for 500 m. After crossing two small valleys, turn right and, after a beautiful double beech, keep left (westward) heading upwards along a trail often flanked by large boulders. Once out of the woods, the trail crosses clearings and passes below a campground, before opening onto a large pasture (where you will find a cross that commemorates a wartime cemetery). When you reach the paved municipal road, first turn right and then left toward **Mount**

Novogno (trail CAI 433 - 435).

After the first hairpin bend, turn right (panoramic lookout

continue in the same direction (north-east), heading downhill

through a beautiful beech tree grove and walk as far as **Contrà**

Alba. The municipal road leads to **Bosco**, backtracking the

Sentiero Natura (Nature Trail). To avoid stretches of paved

road, from the westward-most restaurant parking lot, follow a

headland that cuts through the meadows and then turns left.

Having passed behind a shed, continue towards **Sant'Ulderico**, uphill to **Contrà Paile**. From there, head down the paved road to

Sant' Ulderico.



SR2 Sojo Negro

An outcropping of volcanic rock from which the trail takes its name marks the first part of this itinerary. In the second part, instead, there are the rural settlements for cultivations that make this walk particularly lovely.

Duration: 2.5 hours
Length: 5 km
Elevation gain: 240 m
Starting point: S. Rocco (parking near the church)

From the municipal road that goes to **Bosco**, turn left amidst the houses in the village towards **Busi** and follow the steep unpaved road to the trail that heads out leftward and slightly uphill. Cross the woods of hornbeam, downy oak, and chestnut trees, passing near **Sojo Negro** and you will arrive at an unpaved road that heads upwards to **Gonzati**. Turning right, follow a brief stretch of the municipal road. Leave it shortly after and enter the village (to the right) where walking is safer. Once you return to the municipal road, cross it again to enter **Contrà Cà Vecchia** and then continue on to **Contrà Snorche**. From the centre of the village continue leftward and uphill to the **Buso de la Vecia** wayside shrine, built near a characteristic crossroads. If you go straight, you will reach **Contrà Dalla Vecchia**, but the itinerary instead heads right, opening up views of spectacular panoramas. At the next intersection, head west again (towards **Féro**, a place whose name means "iron" in the local dialect, because of an iron rope and pulley system used to transport firewood. This method was dangerous but also spectacular to see when in use). After crossing a particularly significant area for agriculture, you reach **Ca' Dall'Alba** and rejoin the municipal road that leads to **San Rocco**.

SU2 Above the Orco Valley

This trail passes through some settlements where you can observe

different building styles and materials, perfectly representing the

typical construction methods of this territory. This gives us some

insight into how people live in these areas.

Duration: 2.5 hours

Length: 6.8 km

Elevation gain: 200 m

Starting point: S. Ulderico (parking in the square in front of the civic centre, next to the schools)



this trail you come out directly at **Sant'Ulderico**.

along its edge for a brief stretch, before veering right. Following the trail goes downhill, crosses a small valley and then follows that passes by the first house of the village on the west side. The trail passes through a beech tree grove and walk as far as **Contrà Alba**. The municipal road leads to **Bosco**, backtracking the *Sentiero Natura* (Nature Trail). To avoid stretches of paved road, from the westward-most restaurant parking lot, follow a headland that cuts through the meadows and then turns left. Having passed behind a shed, continue towards **Sant'Ulderico**, uphill to **Contrà Paile**. From there, head down the paved road to

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HOW TO GET THERE

By car: A4 Milan-Venice Motorway,

towards Santorso, at Timonchio turn left and enter

provincial road 65.

For Santa Caterina and Monte Novegno, from Schio,

follow on for the Polesio village then keep to the road signals.

By train and bus: Schio station, on the Vicenza-Schio line

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SR1 Meadows of S. Rocco

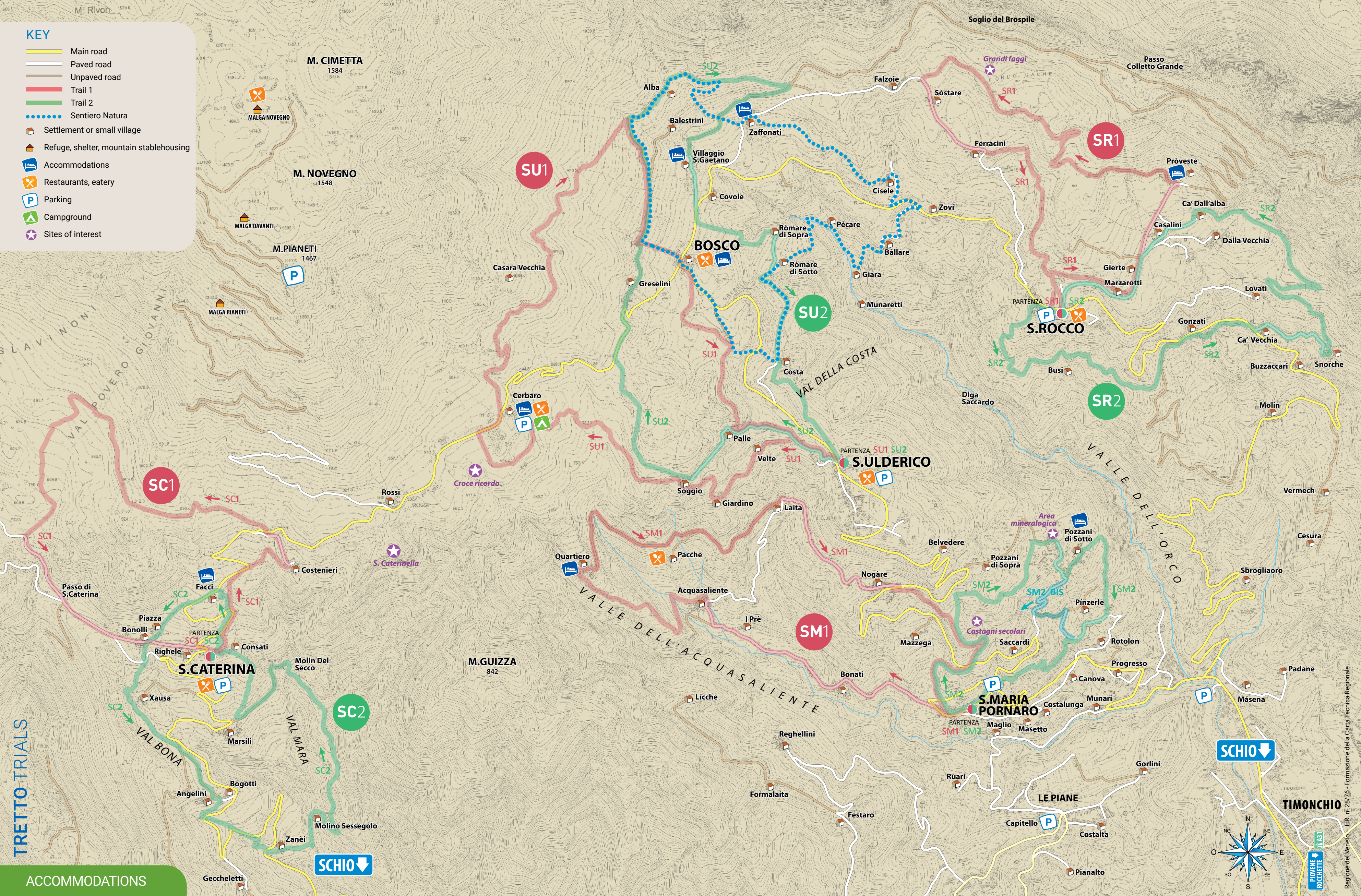
Meadows and pastures are typical of the area of San Rocco and this itinerary: the existing traces indicate that just a few years ago there were many more of them. The beauty of these landscapes must be associated with the role and value of open spaces in the hill-mountain ecosystem, especially if we consider that there are always fewer of them.

Duration: 2 hours
Length: 4.8 km
Elevation gain: 120 m
Starting point: S. Rocco (parking near the church)

Walking up the road towards **Colletto**, turn immediately to the left of the cemetery and continue northward as far as the first fork. Turn right here and continue again on the municipal road to Colletto (to avoid the paved road). Head toward **Pròveste**, turn left and follow the unpaved road that leads to the meadows on the summit. From this point, continue along a trail (westward) that turns sharply to the right toward **Colletto**. A new left turn inverts the direction: continue along this trail until you reach a vast grassy area known as **Sacche** ✨, with large beech trees along the left side. Following the main trail there are no more turns until you reach the paved road near **Falzoie**. From here the road heads downhill towards the **settlements of Sòstare and Ferracini**. Near the hairpin turn that wraps around Ferracini, continue straight eastward along the unpaved road that enters the woods. Following the indications at the forks, return to the cemetery of **San Rocco** and continue on to the village.

KEY

- Main road
- Paved road
- Unpaved road
- Trail 1
- Trail 2
- Sentiero Natura
- Settlement or small village
- Refuge, shelter, mountain stablehousing
- Accommodations
- Restaurants, eatery
- Parking
- Campground
- Sites of interest



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