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Pleasures of the Carso – Summer 2022

4 nature trails on the Carso

Nature, culture, history and gastronomy

On Sundays, from 7 August to 4 September

Carso environments and ecology presented by “Curiosi di Natura” guides
With live readings (in Italian) about local nature, history and culture

Itineraries along shaded paths. Suitable for all ages and fitness levels
Long trousers and closed shoes with treaded soles recommended

Possibility of discounted meals at affiliated “Saperi del Carso” restaurants

CALENDAR OF EXCURSIONS

On Sundays: 7, 14 August (17.30-20.30)

28 August (17.30-22.30), 4 September (17.30-21.30)

Meeting time: 20 min before departure, at indicated venue (see GPS & Google Maps)

SUNDAY 7 AUGUST “The old village of Aurisina and its history” A culture walk through the alleys, courtyards and quaint corners of Aurisina, accompanied by **Gabriela Caharija**, vicepresident of SKD – Slovenian Cultural Centre “Igo Gruden”, and an expert on local history. To learn about life as it used to be, through stories and testimonies. **Meeting point: square in Aurisina** (San Rocco Church). Bus n. 44 from Trieste.

GPS: [45°44'59.1"N 13°40'24.3"E](https://www.google.com/maps/place/45°44'59.1)

SUNDAY 14 AUGUST “Bazzoni Wood and the Black Cave” A walk across Bazzoni Wood, the result of black pine reforestation efforts in the late 19th century, as far as the Black Cave and the botanical collection of the Experimental Plot. Return along the Carso ridge, with splendid views of the sea and Rosandra Valley. **With themed readings. Meeting point: Foiba of Basovizza.** Bus n. 51 from Trieste to Basovizza town centre; then a 10' walk.

GPS: [45°38'06.9"N 13°51'50.4"E](https://www.google.com/maps/place/45°38'06.9)

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST “Star gazing on Mount Cocusso” A slow-paced excursion with a rise of 300 m through shaded woods, up to the top of the highest point of the Trieste Carso (672 m) to see the sunset. Dinner at leisure (packed or at Mount Cocusso refuge). After sunset, **the astrophysicist Giulia Iafate of the Trieste Observatory** will illustrate the celestial dome and constellations. Return with electrical torches along the forest track (arrival at the parking area around 22.30 h). **Meeting point: parking area at the ex border crossing at Lipizza.**

GPS: [45°39'05.2"N 13°52'44.1"E](https://www.google.com/maps/place/45°39'05.2)

SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER “Monrupino Stronghold – Tabor amidst nature and poetry” A walk in the woods between Repen and the Tabor, talking about geology and nature. While taking in the extensive views from the stronghold in the magic sunset light, reading of poetry and literary fiction. Return to Repen along the village streets. **Followed by free tastings of gastronomic specialities and wine from the Carso at the restaurant Križman** (until around 21.30 h). **Meeting point: square in Repen.**

GPS: [45°43'24.9"N 13°47'30.1"E](https://www.google.com/maps/place/45°43'24.9)

**PRICES: € 10 adults; € 5 under 14 years; (4 September: € 15; reduced:€ 8)
Free: under 6 years**

BOOKING IS REQUIRED

FOR GROUPS, ON REQUEST: excursions also possible on other dates, all year round
Tour languages: IT, ENG, DEU, SLO - www.piacevolmentecarso.it

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AFFILIATED RESTAURANTS



**All participants in a “Curiosi di natura” excursion
will receive a coupon for 2 persons, valid from 23 July to 30 September 2022
entitling them to a 10% discount on menus of the following “Sapori del Carso” restaurants**

Trattoria OŠTERIJA FERLUGA – Conconello / Ferluga (TS), Via / Ulica Bellavista 12, tel. 347 1396133 - dimitriferluga@gmail.com - *Always open at dinner time; Fri-Sun at lunch and dinner time*

Trattoria Gostilna VETO - Opicina / Opčine (TS), Via di Prosecco / Proseška ulica 35, tel. 040 211629, pizzeriaveto@libero.it - *Closed: Tues; in August closed at lunchtime*

Hotel & Restaurant KRIŽMAN - Repen 76, Monrupino / Repentabor, tel. 040 327002 www.hotelkrizman.eu - *Closed: Mon, Tues; Wed-Fri closed at lunchtime*

Trattoria sociale Društvena gostilna GABROVEC - Sgonico / Zgonik, Gabrovizza / Gabrovec 24, tel. 040 2296036, gabrovec1902@gmail.com - *Always open at lunchtime; Thurs-Sun at lunch and dinner time*

Trattoria Gostilna SARDOČ - Precenico / Prečnik 1/b, Duino Aurisina - Devin Nabrežina, tel. 040 200871 - www.sardoc.eu - *Closed: Mon, Tues*

Trattoria Gostilna LOKANDA DEVETAK Savogna d'Isonzo / Sovodnje ob Soči (GO), S. Michele del Carso, Vrh sv. Mihaela / Brežiči 22, tel. 0481 882488 - www.devetak.com – *Closed all day Mon and Tues, and lunchtime Wed and Thurs. Road-side tavern-bar open Sat and Sun only*

Antico Caffè San Marco, Trieste, via Battisti 18/A, tel. 040 2035357 - www.caffesanmarco.com – *Discount on lunch, dinner and brunch only. Closed on Sun evening*

CALL TO CHECK IF OPEN - BOOKING IS RECOMMENDED