



## B7 A look into the past



**45.0** km

**3.5** ore  
+ stops

### Municipalities visited:

San Daniele del Friuli, Rive d'Arcano, Ragogna, Pinzano al Tagliamento, Forgaria nel Friuli, Majano

**Departure:** Sopralaludo in San Daniele del Friuli **P**

**Length:** 45.0 km

**Difficulty:** Medium, with some height difference (DH 500 m.)

**Average travel time:** 3 and a half hours + stops

### Sites of interest:

- 1 Colle del Tiglio (Arcano Superiore, Rive d'Arcano)
- 2 Borgo (Arcano Inferiore, Rive d'Arcano)
- 3 Castelliere (Arcano Inferiore, Rive d'Arcano)
- 4 Canonical House (Rive d'Arcano)
- 5 Villa Locatelli (Pignano, Ragogna)
- 6 Church of S. Maria Maddalena and the remains of the Castle of San Giovanni (Flagogna, Forgaria nel Friuli)
- 7 S. Vincenzo Ferreri Oratory (Cornino, Forgaria nel Friuli)
- 8 Ways of Invasion (Cornino, Forgaria nel Friuli)
- 9 Rio dell'Acqua caduta (Cimano, San Daniele del Friuli)
- 10 Loggia and the ancient Centa (Susans, Majano)
- 11 Susans Castle (Majano)
- 12 Sanctuary of S. Maria Assunta (Comerzo, Majano)

Starting from Sopralaludo, a locality north-east of San Daniele del Friuli, we head towards the restaurant "Al Cappone" taking a slightly uphill road. At the STOP sign near the former Shooting range we turn left onto an uphill road and continue towards Flagogna on S.P.116. At the crossroads, after about 3 km, we turn right towards the "Castello d'Arcano" farm, crossing the two columns at the entrance to the road; after 800 meters we turn left towards Rive d'Arcano: the small roadway offers panoramic views through meadows and woods, and reaches **Colle del Tiglio**, so named in honour of a monumental example of lime tree on the top of the hill. Going pleasantly downhill, after about 1.5 km we reach the crossroads at the **Borgo di Arcano Inferiore**, where we turn left: continuing towards main town of Rive d'Arcano we go along a prehistoric site where there was an ancient fortified settlement (Castelliere) dating back to the Bronze Age. After crossing the bridge we find on the right another historical testimony, the 18th century **Canonical House** that now houses the Benedictine nuns' Monastery, before reaching the junction with a STOP sign (7.1 km in total) near the church, where we turn right downhill on Via Roma.

We thus arrive at the hamlet of Raucicco, where we turn left onto Via Giovanni XXIII; at the following crossroads we turn right, then, after 900 meters we turn left at the Giavons crossroads taking Via San Daniele. We continue straight in the direction of San Daniele del Friuli until we reach a traffic light intersection (Km 13.0), which we pass by taking Via Carducci. At the following STOP sign we turn right and immediately after - again at a STOP sign - left onto Via Piave. Turning right we take Via Valeriana at the following crossroads and continue straight on this road also after the traffic light intersection with S.S.463. After 1.5 km we are in Pignano in the municipality of Ragogna and we turn right onto Via Locatelli until we



meet, on the right, **Villa Locatelli**, a noble eighteenth-century building with a closed courtyard. We go backwards to the STOP sign and here we turn right and continue for about 800 meters until the intersection with S.P.5, which we take by turning left along Via Udine. After over 1 km we reach Piazza Giovanni XXIII in San Giacomo, with its parish church of San Giacomo Apostolo, where we go straight on the main road in the direction of Pinzano and continue left downhill (18.4 km in total).

After crossing San Pietro and passed the narrow stretch of Pinzano al Tagliamento we come near the homonymous town, where we turn right towards Flagogna taking S.P.1 downhill. We follow the FVG 3 itinerary following its indications; after over 1 km we turn right towards Pontalba, passing the level crossing and continuing straight up to the crossroads near the sports facilities: here we go left and go through the railway underpass, after which we go right again and remain on this pleasant road that goes alongside the Mulino del Muro.

We meet S.P.1 again after over 1 km in a riparian environment, and at the crossroads we turn right and then reach the Armistizio bridge over the Arzino stream (25.0 km in total). Here we turn right towards Forgaria nel Friuli and continue straight on Via Ponte dell'Armistizio uphill towards Flagogna at the following intersection; after 300 meters we turn right and, once in the square, we proceed along Via Garibaldi. On our left there is the climb to the **Church of Santa Maria Maddalena** and its Presbitery and the remains of the Lombard Castle of San Giovanni.

After the visit we proceed out of the inhabited centre, we turn left at the crossroads that leads us onto S.P. "Napoleonica", which leads us alongside the picturesque railway line; we follow the FVG 3 signs towards San Daniele. At the crossroads near the "Ai Glicini" restaurant (31.0 km in total) we continue straight for about 900 meters. At the crossroads we take Via Sompcornino on the left towards Forgaria and arrive at Borgo di Somp Cornino, where there is the eighteenth-century **Oratory of San Vincenzo Ferreri** (private) and the characteristic houses examples of spontaneous architecture; then either we go back to the "Ai Glicini" restaurant or we continue uphill to Cornino, where we turn left towards the church and go down to the left along a cemented but steep footpath (bike by hand) to the same restaurant (pay attention). Here we proceed towards San Daniele along S.P. "San Daniele - Cimano". We cross the bridge over



Castello di Arcano  
(Rive d'Arcano)

the Tagliamento and at the following crossroads we take Via dei Ponti on the right towards S. Daniele del Friuli. Leaving the **Rio dell'Acqua Caduta** on our right, we reach a crossroads after about 700 meters, where we turn left onto Via Susans. After over 2 km we reach the Susans square in the municipality of Majano near the church of this locality, where the **Loggia and the ancient Centa** are located, a classic example of medieval enclosure and defence: we cross this square going straight and continue to the following intersection towards Borg di Plos, arriving at a crossroads near the Susans Castle (see the dedicated page), where we turn right downhill, carefully passing the STOP sign after 800 meters and entering with equal caution on S.S.463, which we follow for 200 meters climbing on the sidewalk and crossing it near the **Sanctuary of Santa Maria Assunta**, where we turn left towards the town. After 600 meters we find a crossroads: here we go straight on Via Deveacco, then turn right on Via dei Barazzi at the following intersection; after more than 1 km we arrive at an intersection with a STOP sign, where we turn right onto Via San Daniele, crossing the following roundabout and turning left at the following crossroads towards San Daniele until we reach the point of departure after having travelled 45.0 km in total.

## THE SUSANS CASTLE IN MAJANO

IN DETAIL



In 1636, Count Fabrizio di Colloredo, who grew up and was educated in Tuscany at the court of Ferdinando I, decided to build a splendid "Tuscan villa" with a Medici style on previous medieval ruins. Inhabited for three centuries by the noble Colloredo-Mels family, the Castle has a square plan reinforced at the corners by four massive towers.

After the 1976 earthquake, the fortress was restored and brought back to its former glory. Today it houses large spaces and elegant halls suitable for private events, while the outdoor spaces can accommodate exhibitions, events and shows. One of the towers elegantly furnished and organised in four small apartments is an evocative and exclusive guesthouse. The castle is privately owned.

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