

Route description

First circuit, Romanesque church of San Pietro (2h 30).

Starting from Piazza Marconi, walk down C.so Matteotti to a crossroad in the area of Pozzetto (loc. Pozzetto), then continue towards the Cemetery. A short rise leads to the little **church of San Rocco** (junction with picnic area and S. Evasio bypass), then continue along Via Montà, past the cemetery, keeping to the road SP37, until you come to the signpost on the right for Bricco Lumello. Follow this tarmac road, ignoring two forks to the left, as far as the entrance to a house; take the dirt road that passes alongside its perimeter wall. This leads to a fork in the road and you take a path between them that goes down into the wood. The road becomes tarmac again near a house (Bricco Marmorito) surrounded by lavender bushes (the home of Pope Francis' ancestors) Turn left on the tarmac road, slightly downhill through the houses of the Marmorito local district. This leads to the road at the bottom of the valley, where you turn right, on the level, and walk about 200 metres to the main road SP26 which goes up to Portacomaro. Follow this to the right for about thirty metres, then turn left into Strada Cricca, to reach the local district of Angrisano. Keep to the tarmac road, passing between houses, woods and the brickworks. Ignore the road (Via Bottigliana) on the right and keep straight on along the slightly undulating road until you get to a house on the right, where there is a STOP road sign. To the right there is a gravel road leading down to the bottom of the valley; you come to a small lake and turn left on to a dirt road, Strada Borlotto. After a short level stretch, the road climbs up towards the town and when you reach the houses turn right into Viale A. Degiani. Under this tree lined street you get to the **Romanesque church of San Pietro**(26), and you continue after that into Piazza Marconi, the starting point.

Optional circuit little church of Sant'Evasio (1h 45).

After the church of San Rocco, between Via Castellazzo and Via Miravalle, there is a road going down the hill towards the bottom of the valley; this is Strada Canapale, initially in tarmac, then unsurfaced. Follow this on the level and after about 1.6 kms turn left on to a grassy track, leading into the woods after about 100 metres. This track becomes a footpath, which climbs back up the hill and joins a gravel road. Turn right and then after about ten metres right again, to climb up the steps to the little **church of Sant'Evasio**. Go back to the junction (gravel road), follow it for 20 metres then turn right, downhill on a dirt track to the **Well of Sant'Evasio**. Continue along the bottom of the valley, in the woods, to a T junction, then turn left, on the level, and continue to a fork, where you take a narrow grassy path; this path gets less and less clear as it runs along the bank of the Valscuro stream. When you get to a dirt track, follow it to the left, with the little church of S. Anna on the right; when you reach the main road SP26, carry straight on, on the gravel road along the bottom of the valley. After about 500 metres, turn left up the hill towards the town, on Strada Rio Crosia. When you reach the first houses turn right into Via Alfieri, to get back to Piazza Campo da Tamburello, alongside the walls of the Ricetto and then Piazza Marconi. Turn right along the street and, after about 100 metres, the **Romanesque church of San Pietro** stands on the right.



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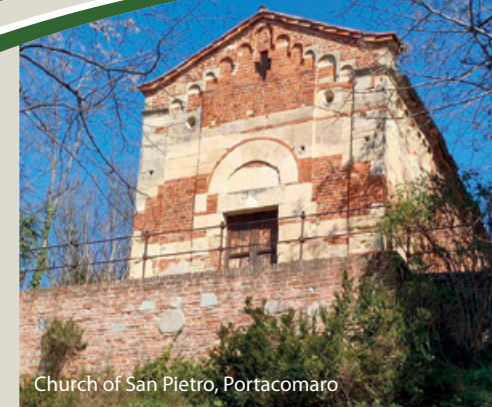
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Church of San Pietro, Portacomaro

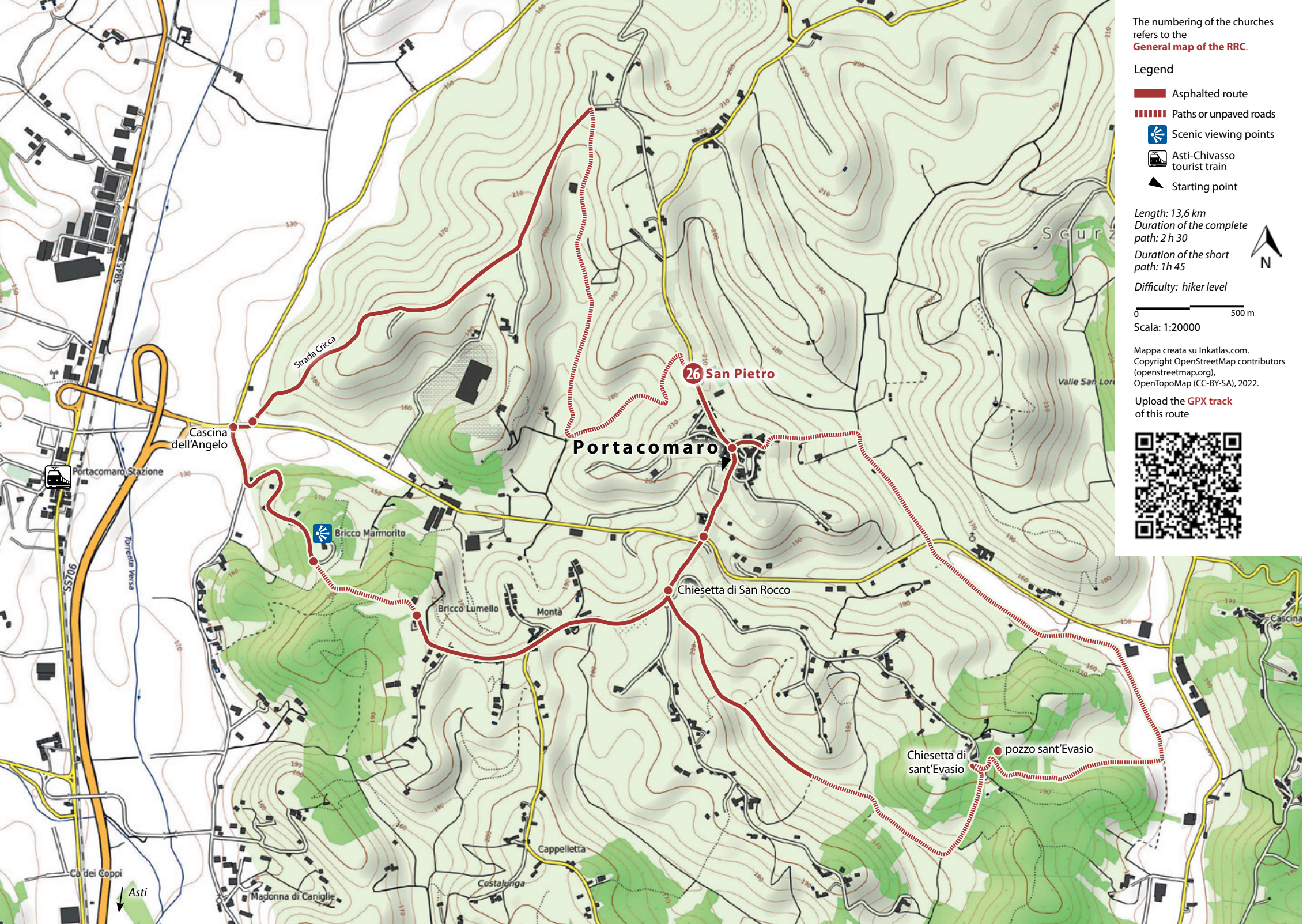


Church of Sant'Evasio, Portacomaro



Abbeys and churches between
the river Po and Monferrato





The numbering of the churches refers to the **General map of the RRC**.

Legend

- Asphalted route
- Paths or unpaved roads
- Scenic viewing points
- Asti-Chivasso tourist train
- Starting point

Length: 13,6 km
Duration of the complete path: 2 h 30
Duration of the short path: 1 h 45

Difficulty: hiker level

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Scala: 1:20000

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