

Route description

Cerreto/Passerano/Sant'Andrea in Casaglio circuit

First stage (60 min). The walk starts from the main square in the square of Cerreto, where there is no shortage of parking spaces, at the foot of an extraordinary retaining wall for the hillside. It passes through the picturesque little town, spread over the crest of the hill, and allows you to admire the splendid façade of the Parish Church and the large building that houses the local Council offices.

Once you have gone through the town, continue for about 1 km, on an easy unpaved road, with scenic views and various viewing points overlooking the hills of Piovà Massaia and Cocconato. When you reach a fork in the road take the left fork, slightly uphill: on the right your gaze stretches over the villages of Passerano and Marmorito and on the Hill of don Bosco, but on clear days it is possible to see as far as the hill of Turin on which Basilica di Superga stands and, beyond that, as far as the majestic Alpine chain. The little town of Passerano provides a stop for food and drink and proposes a visit to the Castle (booking compulsory).

Second stage (30 min). The walk then continues downhill on an asphalted road, for about 2 km, as far as the Romanesque church of **Sant'Andrea in Casaglio**, which is much loved by the local inhabitants and has recently undergone restoration work.

Third stage (30 min). After leaving the church behind, go down the hill to the left in a wooded valley, along a pleasant unpaved road. Go right at the next junction, as far as the fountain known as Fontana dell'Oppio which has recently been restored. Here, in long gone times, the women of the village gathered to wash the clothes and the place has still kept its folklore name of "Washhouse". After leaving the fountain, continue as far as Cerreto, to return to the car park square.

Mondonio/Santa Maria di Raseto circuit (90 min)

The walk starts from the square at the traffic light in Mondonio, in front of the chapel dedicated to San Domenico Savio, where there is a large car park. Follow the asphalted road, which is little used by cars, towards the farmhouses of Tetti Garesio. When you come to the votive pillar, go uphill to the left on the unpaved road, as far as the Romanesque church of **Santa Maria di Raseto**.

After a break to visit the church, continue the walk towards the bottom of the valley, skirting alongside a green, wooded hill, as far as a farmhouse, in the district of Baritone/Lissone, where "strange" animals may be sighted, which definitely do not originate from our hills.

From the farmhouse, the asphalted road leads back to the square in Mondonio.

Linking the two circuits (90 min)

A road running along the bottom of the valley, through extensive wooded areas and passing over the tunnel on the provincial main road, links the church of Santa Maria di Raseto to the town of Passerano, and from there passes through the Cerreto/Passerano circuit to reach the church of Sant'Andrea in Casaglio.



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Romanesque walk

Cerreto d'Asti, Mondonio

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Church of Sant'Andrea in Casaglio,
Cerreto d'Asti

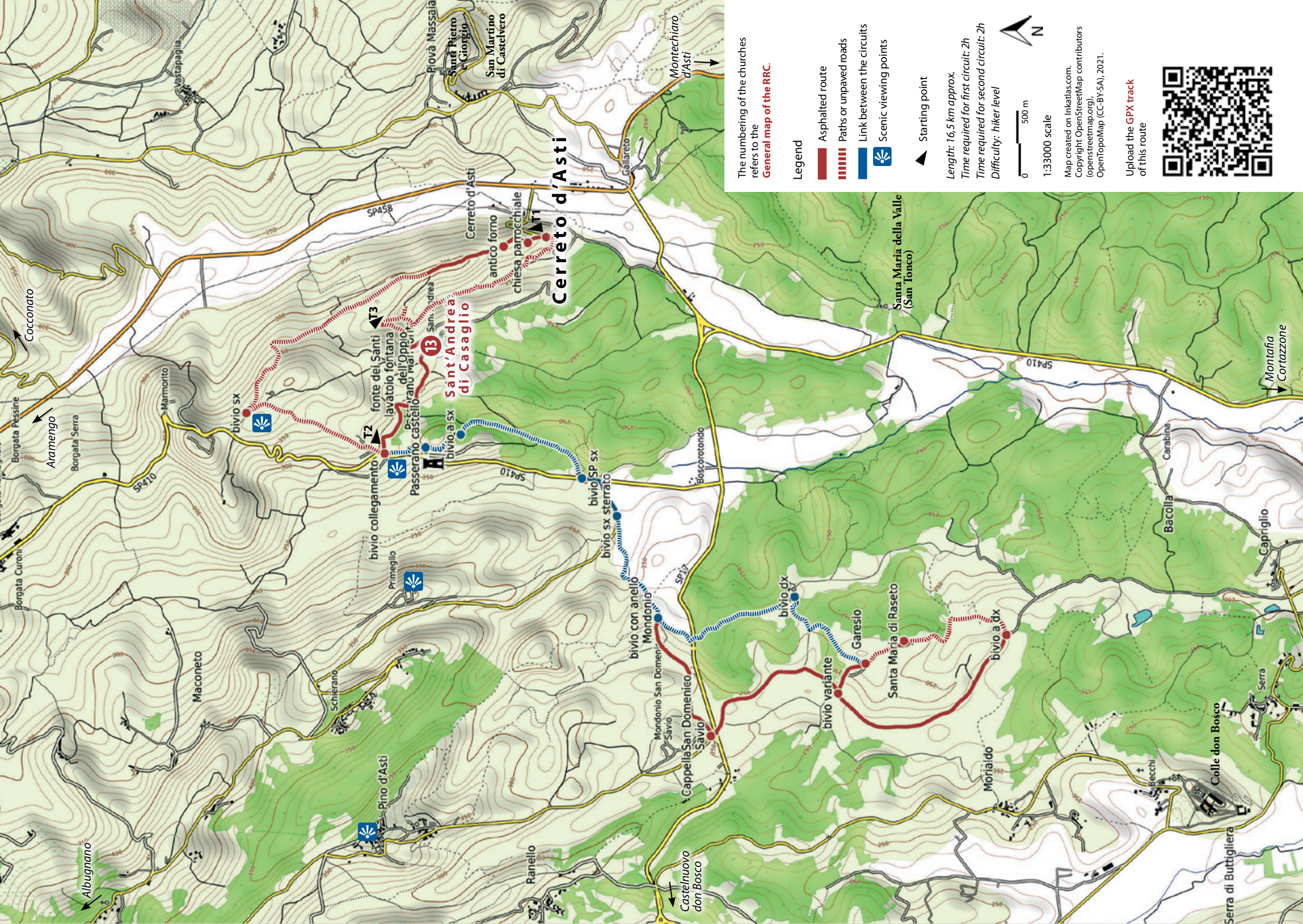


Church of Santa Maria di Raseto,
Mondonio



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
 - Link between the circuits
 - Scenic viewing points

▲ Starting point

Length: 16,5 km approx.
Time required for first circuit: 2h
Time required for second circuit: 2h
Difficulty: hiker level

0 500 m

1:33000 scale

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