

Servas members in Piedmont (Italy) are organising:

“Sentierinsieme” /“Pathways Together”

When: from 7th to 13th July 2023

Where: Oropa, Biella, Piedmont – Italy

What is “Sentierinsieme” /“Pathways Together”



"Sentierinsieme" is our traditional yearly alpine event - organized since 1985 - where Servas members from all over the world come together. Italy, France, Switzerland and Germany take turns each year in hosting this event aiming to meet people and getting to know each other as well as the surroundings, according to the most genuine Servas spirit.

Participation is reserved to Servas members in good standing with their annual fee.

Hiking excursions have been classified in different levels of difficulty, from easy (up to 400-500 m elevation gain per day) to difficult (up to 1,400 m elevation gain per day).

Where to stay - Location and accommodation

We will be staying at 1180 m above sea level at the guest quarters of the “Santuario d’Oropa” (Sanctuary of Oropa), in the heart of the Alps of Biella, known for their wonderful views and cool summer climate.

Oropa lies in the center of a mountain basin that constitutes a Special Reserve (protected area) of the Piedmont Region that borders the “Mont Mars” Regional Park of the Aosta Valley. It is a place of art and history that, since 2003, has been part of the system of the “Sacri Monti” (sacred mountains) of Piedmont and Lombardy, UNESCO World Heritage Sites. It can be easily reached by bus from Biella station, which is about 80 km from Turin, 110 km from Milano Malpensa airport.

Program

Arrival and check in: Friday 7th July - reception of the “Santuario” guest house starting from 4:00 p.m.

The week end (Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th): daily excursions in the surroundings of the Sanctuary.

The following three days (Monday 10th, Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th): treks of varying difficulty levels divided into 5 groups (from "easy" to "hard plus" level).

You can choose to participate only in the weekend program (arrival on Friday and departure on Sunday evening or Monday morning)

Registration terms and conditions

The detailed program and accommodation costs will be available on-line by 15 th February 2023 at the following address <https://servas.it/home-sentieri-2023>.

A pre-registration form will be available at the same address. Only completed forms submitted from **08:00 a.m. Sunday 19th February 2023 until 05:00 p.m. Sunday 12th March** will be considered. In the event we will receive more enrollment forms than available places, we will give priority to those who submitted the form earlier.

Registration will be retained completed and confirmed with payment of the fee by 13th April 2023. Failure to pay by this date will be considered as a waiver and the vacant place will be assigned to the first person available on the waiting list.