



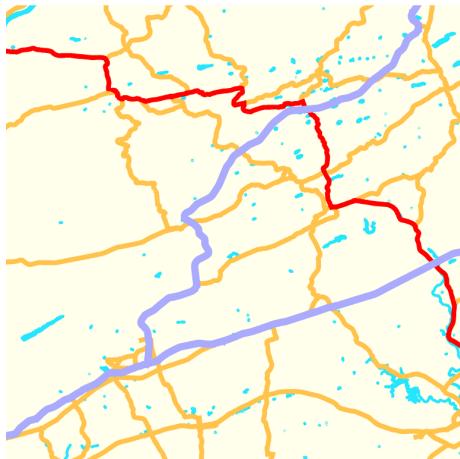
SUMMER SPRING & AUTUMN

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Val Chisone and Val Germanasca - Italy

In Piedmont

8 days, PRICE FROM € 633



Just beyond Turin and the **rolling vineyards of the Pinerolo area**, the **Alps** rise quickly and dramatically, opening onto **two valleys that still feel refreshingly authentic**. In **Val Chisone** and **Val Germanasca**, you'll walk through a quieter side of the mountains, where trails are peaceful, villages are full of character and each day brings new views to enjoy.

Your journey begins at the impressive **Forte di Fenestrelle, one of the largest fortresses in Europe, stretching for more than three kilometres along the mountainside**. From here, you set off on paths that wind through pine and larch forests, across wide meadows dotted with wildflowers and up to panoramic viewpoints where the Alps seem to go on forever.

As you make your way towards **Prali**, each day reveals something different: rushing streams, high pastures, small hamlets built from stone and wood, and welcoming mountain villages where life still moves at a gentler pace.

This is a trip for those who love fresh mountain air, big open landscapes and the simple rhythm of walking from one place to the next. Along the way, you may spot marmots among the rocks, hear cowbells in the distance and end each day with the satisfying feeling that comes after hours spent outdoors.

Less than two hours from Turin, these valleys feel like a hidden corner of the Alps: peaceful, scenic and full of the kind of quiet beauty that stays with you long after the journey is over.

Route

Day 1 Arrival in Fenestrelle

Your journey begins in Fenestrelle, a quiet Alpine village in the Val Chisone, where mountain landscapes meet a rich local history. After settling into your accommodation, you'll have time to explore the village and admire the impressive Fenestrelle Fortress, one of the largest Alpine fortifications in Europe. Surrounded by forests and steep valley slopes, the atmosphere here invites you to slow down, stretch your legs with a short walk, and ease into the rhythm of the mountains before the hiking begins.

Day 2 Selection of Walks in Fenestrelle

Today you can choose between two walks, depending on how much you feel like hiking.

Walk A – Selva di Chambons, 9,5 or 7,5 km

A gentle walk through the peaceful Selva di Chambons, following easy trails beneath larch trees and across quiet woodland clearings. It's a lovely way to ease into the landscapes of the valley, with fresh mountain air, birdsong and occasional glimpses of the surrounding peaks.

Distance: 9,5 or 7,5 km

Elevation Gain: +500/-500 m

Walk B – Fenestrelle-Pequerel-Usseaux, 17 km

If you're in the mood for a longer day, this route takes you along historic paths connecting small mountain villages such as Pequerel and Usseaux, one of the most beautiful villages in Italy. Along the way, you'll pass traditional stone houses, fountains and flower-filled corners before climbing towards the Strada dell'Assietta, where wide-open views stretch across the valleys and surrounding peaks.

Whether you choose the shorter or longer option, today offers a wonderful introduction to the atmosphere of these mountains: quiet forests, charming villages and plenty of beautiful scenery.

Distance: 17 km

Elevation Gain: +850/-850 m

Day 3 Selection of Walks in Fenestrelle

Today you can choose between two hikes, depending on how much distance and elevation you feel like taking on.

Walk A – Lago di Pourrières & Lago di Lux, 16 km

This enjoyable hike starts directly from Fenestrelle and follows scenic mountain trails through woodland and alpine meadows. As you climb, beautiful views open up over the valley before you reach the peaceful Lago di Pourrières and Lago di Lux, two quiet lakes surrounded by mountain scenery. It's a rewarding walk that offers a wonderful taste of the valley's natural beauty.

Distance: 16 km

Elevation Gain: +735/-735 m

Walk B – Lago dell'Albergian, 19 km

For a more challenging day, this hike climbs high above Fenestrelle to the remote Lago dell'Albergian. The route gradually leaves the forest behind and enters open alpine terrain, with increasingly wide views over the surrounding peaks. Set beneath the imposing summit of Monte Albergian, the lake feels wonderfully wild and secluded, making the effort more than worthwhile.

Whichever option you choose, today offers the chance to experience some of the most beautiful high-mountain landscapes in the area.

Distance: 19 km

Elevation Gain: +1350/-1350 m

Walk C – Fenestrelle Loop, 9 km

This challenging walk features several climbs and descents, rewarding hikers with varied scenery along the way. The trail passes through small mountain villages and, at several points, runs beside the impressive Fenestrelle Fortress. Beyond the village of Puy, the route opens onto beautiful panoramic views across the upper Chisone Valley and the surrounding Alpine peaks.

Distance: 9 km

Elevation Gain: +640/-640 m

Day 4 Visit Fenestrelle Fortress and transfer to Prali

Your final morning in Fenestrelle unfolds at a relaxed pace, giving you time to explore the village or join a guided tour of the impressive Fenestrelle Fortress. Its monumental stone walls, covered stairways and military buildings offer a fascinating glimpse into centuries of Alpine history.

In the afternoon, a private transfer takes you to Prali, where new mountain landscapes and walking adventures await.

Day 5 Selection of Walks in Prali

Today you can choose between two different walks.

Walk A – Bou du Col Loop, 10 km

This easy circular walk from Prali follows the Bou du Col and the Sentiero delle Borgate, linking a series of peaceful mountain hamlets along gentle paths. With little ascent and open views across the Val Chisone, it offers a relaxed introduction to the area, combining pastoral landscapes, traditional architecture and the quiet rhythm of life in the upper valley.

Distance: 10 km

Elevation Gain: +560 / - 560 m

Walk B – Conca dei 13 Laghi, 7 km

This scenic walk explores the beautiful Conca dei 13 Laghi, a high-altitude basin dotted with clear mountain lakes and surrounded by wide Alpine views. From July to September, the chairlift provides easy access to the area, making it possible to enjoy a relaxed walk among the lakes. Outside this period, the route becomes considerably more demanding, as both the ascent and descent must be completed on foot from Prali.

Distance: 7 km

Elevation Gain: + 315/ - 315 m

Day 6 Lago D'Envie, 16 km

This moderate walk to Lago d'Envie follows well-marked mountain trails, climbing steadily from Prali into a peaceful Alpine landscape. The route passes through woodland and across open slopes, revealing changing views over the Val Chisone before reaching the secluded lake beneath rugged mountain peaks. Combining a satisfying ascent with beautiful natural scenery, this rewarding hike captures the wild and tranquil character of the surrounding mountains.

Distance: 16 km

Elevation Gain: +710 / -860 m

Day 7 Sentiero delle Miniere, 11 km

The Via Forcia loop follows the Sentiero delle Miniere through the mountain landscape surrounding the villages of Ribba and Bou du Col, near Prali. Along the way, the trail passes former mining sites, traditional hamlets and open Alpine meadows, with a varied succession of gentle climbs and panoramic views across the Val Chisone. Blending beautiful scenery with traces of the valley's mining heritage, this rewarding walk offers both natural and historical interest.

Distance: 11 km

Elevation Gain: +580/-580 m

Day 8 Arrivederci Val Chisone & Germanasca!

The trip and our services end after breakfast, unless you have booked other nights of services with us. From Prali you can take the bus or organize a transfer to Pinerolo train station.

Practical info



How to Get There & Leave

The trip begins in Fenestrelle, in the Val Chisone.

The nearest major transport hub is Turin, which is well connected by train and plane. From Turin you can reach Pinerolo by train, and from there continue toward Fenestrelle by bus or taxi transfer.

At the end of the trip in Prali, you can take a local bus or arrange a private transfer to Pinerolo train station, from where regular trains connect back to Turin and other Italian cities.

Included

What is included

- 7 Nights in double room in **/** hotels , B&B and agriturismo with breakfast
- Luggage transportation from hotel to hotel
- Transfer (Transfer to Prali)
- Maps and detailed description of the itinerary in digital form, app
- Medical and luggage travel insurance
- 24h phone assistance

What is not included

- Transfers to the starting location and from the arriving location of the tour
- Lunches and dinners, if not otherwise stated
- Visits and entrance fees - tips
- Personal expense
- Possible sojourn taxes
- Everything that is not mentioned in the "What is included" section.

Optional Services

These services can be added to the ones included in the base price of the tour:

- Single room supplement
- Extra nights in Turin, Fenestrelle or Prati
- Cancellation insurance
- Transfers to reach the starting location or to leave the arriving location of the tour, which will be quoted on request.
- Travel documentation in printed form (maps and detailed description of the itinerary), shipped to the first hotel