

## Viareggio Pietrasanta Vallecchia Ruosina Passo del Cipollaio Arni Passo del Vestito Massa Viareggio

This is a beautiful tour of about 90 km to be done from spring to early autumn that begin in Viareggio.

After walking along the seaside until *Viale Apua* in Marina di Pietrasanta (loc.Fiumetto) turn right towards Pietrasanta and continue on the *Strada Provinciale* to Vallecchia.

Arrived at the bridge over the river Versilia turn right and continue in the direction of Seravezza.

The climb that leads to Passo del Cipollaio begins in Ruosina. From there you will start to climb with a regular and constant slope towards the Cipollaio, following the signs for Castelnuovo Garfagnana.

Passed the junction for Ponte Stazzemese and continue straight, the slope remains fairly constant, 14 km of beautiful and winding climb, up to the tunnel of Cipollaio at an altitude of about 800 meters above sea level.

The top of the hill is right in the middle of the tunnel, that is just over 1km long.

After the tunnel you have to go down the hill for just over 1km of downhill and then you have to turn left towards Arni - Massa.

Continue to climb towards Arni (950 m. amsl) through short but unlit tunnels and after about 5 km you will arrive at the Passo del Vestito tunnel at about 1080 m. mslm.

While the tunnel of Cipollaio, almost 1200 meters long, is well illuminated, this second one of just over 500 meters is completely dark.

At the exit the horizon changes, falling towards the sea with jumps of rock and marble quarries. A Beautiful descent, to be faced slowly to enjoy the view.

A few more very short tunnels, also unlit, going down towards Antona, then Altagnana, Pariana and the thermal baths of San Carlo. Another 5 km and you will arrive at the center of Massa.

Finally you will be back in front of the sea and after about 20 km you will arrive in Viareggio.