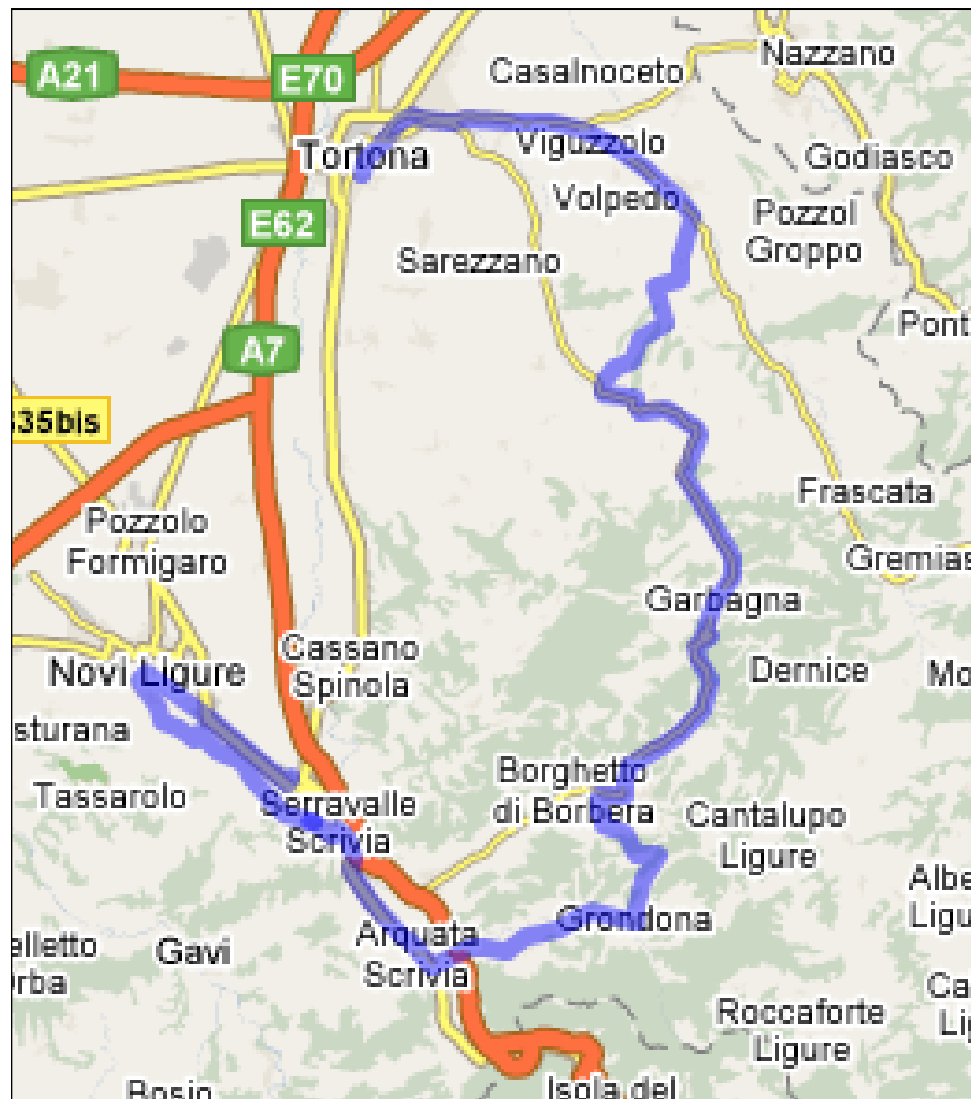


Desperate Housewives



You can go all over this route wholly or only parts of the way from Novi Ligure to Tortona, having fun with shopping, art and ,culture and wild nature

Duration of the stay: 4 days, 3 nights

Difficulty: medium

Distance: 70 Km about

Daily average distance: 15 Km about

Recommended bike: city bike or mountain bike

Kind of ground: asphalt, dirt road, hills, somewhere flat

Recommended period: September, first half October; from April to June

Starting point Novi Ligure

Arriving point: Tortona

ITINERARY

1st day



Arrival at Novi Ligure and hotel accommodation.

Shopping tour to Serravalle Outlet and its 180 shops featuring the best Italian fashion and international designers: thanks to discounts between 30 and 70 % available all year round, you'll have the chance to go on a shopping spree. The "shopping card" made available by "Il Cuore di Novi" Combine entitles you to benefit from further discounts.

2nd day

Get up on your bike and pedal quietly to the discovery of the artistic treasures of this territory.



Peddalling along the historical centre of Novi Ligure is the ideal training to warm up in order to undertake a harder track: a path away from the traffic will lead you to Serravalle Scrivia: take the way to Gavi and at the crossroads turn onto the path leading to Monterotondo. Then, turn onto Strada del Castellone and continue along this countryside path until you reach "La Bollina" villa; take the downhill descent to Serravalle Scrivia: a short distance past the town, you'll come to Libarna archaeological area for a visit to the ruins of an important Roman settlement built along the Via Postumia, which dates back to the I Century.

Afterwards, you'll reach Arquata Scrivia: take a stroll along its historical centre enclosed between two medieval portals; look at its

tower-shaped house at the entrance, its ogive windows, its coats-of-arms and its wells. It's a world apart, made up of alleys arranged as a comb and opening onto backyards and gardens, with sleeping cats resting quietly along this pedestrian quiet street.

Lunch break.

Cross the Spinti river and climb its valley; you'll come to a romanic church plunged in the quiet of the countryside: this is the Church of the Assunta, which dates back to the XIII Century; inside it, you'll find a series of amazing frescos probably painted by Boxilio brothers during the Fifteenth Century. Then, you'll come to Grondona: look at its ghastly Fieschi tower facing a mountain that earthquake slid down.

Dinner and overnight stay at a nearby farmhouse.



3rd day



Waking up into the heart of nature is priceless. After breakfast based on local food, plunged yourself into the Valle Spinti woods: you'll have the chance to sense the quiet and scents of the countryside during a Yoga session delivered by a trained teacher.

In the afternoon, you'll ride along the valley lanes (naturalistic track).

Dinner and overnight stay.

4th day



You'll reach Volpedo (Val Curone) by bus and pay a visit to Giuseppe Pellizza's studio. Take a stroll along the historical centre of the village in order to find out about the places that inspired the painter.

Lunch at a local restaurant.

You'll reach Tortona by bike along an amazing flat track. Visit to the art gallery belonging to Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio which displays some important Pellizza's oils on canvas as well as other Divisionist painters' such as Plinio Nomellini's.



Giuseppe Pellizza da Volpedo – Autoritratto



Giuseppe Pellizza da Volpedo - La donna dell'emigrato

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- **Albergo Ristorante Viaggiatori**
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Web: www.albergovillaviola.com
- **Hotel Ristorante Cavallino S. Marziano**
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Farmhouses

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- **La Rosetta Cascina Laura**
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- **Le Petit Chateau**
Via Mazzini Giuseppe, 90
15067 Novi Ligure (AL)
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- **Ristorante Dely Ennegi Snc Di Grosso Rita & C.**
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- **Ristorante Pizzeria E Sibadu**
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- **Bar Ristorante Il Ciliegio**
Frazione Bastita, 4
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- **Ristorante Da Giuseppe Di Davico Silvio**
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15050 Volpeglino (AL)
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Via Morandi Rodolfo, 3
15057 Tortona (AL)
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- **Ristorante La Locanda Del Seicento Di Montanari Paolo**
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- **Mediterraneo Snc Di Miranda Carmine & C.**
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15057 Tortona (AL)
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Cultural opportunities and facilities

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