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# Land of the Giants

A spectacular circular itinerary through the most beautiful and least known Dolomite mountains, in the Veneto region. An epic hut to hut journey on the side of giants mountains, colossal rocky bastions that impressed so much the first English travelers early on the XIX° century. We linked together a network of ancient trails used by shepherds, miners, woodcutters and smugglers. An unique mix of killer climbs, technical trails, hike-a-bike sectors and medieval pilgrimage roads. Now is your turn to deal with the Giants.

6 days - 220km/140mi - 11.300mt+/37.100ft+ demanding+

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The departure point is in the town of Arabba, from where you will head towards the very first highlight of the day, reaching an outstanding outlook point over the Marmaloda, the highest among all Dolomite's peaks and on your way down you'll visit the amazing Serrai di Sottoguda Natural Reserve (it will re-opened on 2026, 8 years later the dramatic hurricane which has shocked the area) with a masterpiece gelato stop in town. A last epic climb will finally takes you to our favourite refugio ever, our second home, placed on a stunning position facing the mighty west face - the longest and highest wall and among the most technical climb of all the Dolomites - of Civetta mountain. The journey continues southward along the Cordevole valley cycling at the foot of the magnificent Pale di San Lucano and the impressive Agner mountain.



From the nice, Venetian style city of Agordo - home of some of the best Italian gelato shops - you will cycle toward the Moiazza mountain to then start exploring the Val di Zoldo, with its century old traditional wooden huts still perfectly preserved. From here on out your gaze will be magnetically attracted by the most beautiful of all Dolomite's peaks: his majesty the Pelmo! Cycling towards it's unbelievable rocky mass it mean to hardly look where to put the wheels... take care!

On the last two days of your epic adventure you will cycle across the Cadore region and the Boite river valley and with some unforgettable climbs you'll get up to the surreal landscape of the Croda da Lago - Monte Cenera area with Mondeval grassy land, where more than 7000 years ago our ancestors where used to go hunting ibex and bears. Another stop in one of the coziest refugio of the whole Dolomites before to start riding on a medieval road to reach the enchanting castle of Andraz. A last stop to our favorite dairy is the best place where to celebrate with cold beers and artisanal cheeses!

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## How to:

**Starting point:** Arabba

**Ending point:** Arabba

## Stages&Overnights:

- B&B/hotel overnight in Arabba the day before the tour starts
- Day 1\_ 32km/19,9mi - 1900mt+/6234ft+\_mountain rifugio overnight
- Day 2\_30km/18,6mi - 1500mt+/4922ft+\_mountain rifugio overnight
- Day 3\_ 44km/27,3mi - 2040mt+/7870ft+\_mountain rifugio overnight
- Day 4\_37km/23mi - 2100mt+/6890ft+\_mountain rifugio overnight
- Day 5\_37km/23mi - 1570mt+/5151ft+\_mountain rifugio overnight
- Day 6\_45km/28mi - 2180mt+/7150ft+\_B&B/hotel overnight in Arabba

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