



LANGHE BIKE TOUR

18 MAY 2024 – 22 MAY 2024

The daily routes take place in the most famous wine region of Piedmont - Langhe, Roero and Monferrato - which in 2014 became part of the UNESCO heritage. This journey will take you to discover food and wine excellences, but not only; the hills we will travel are dotted with ancient villages, castles, churches and works of art (sometimes even bizarre), which will satisfy all tastes.

May 18th. Arrival in Langhe region (Bra or Cherasco)

Depending on arrival, bike fitting and short guided bike tour in the neighborhood.

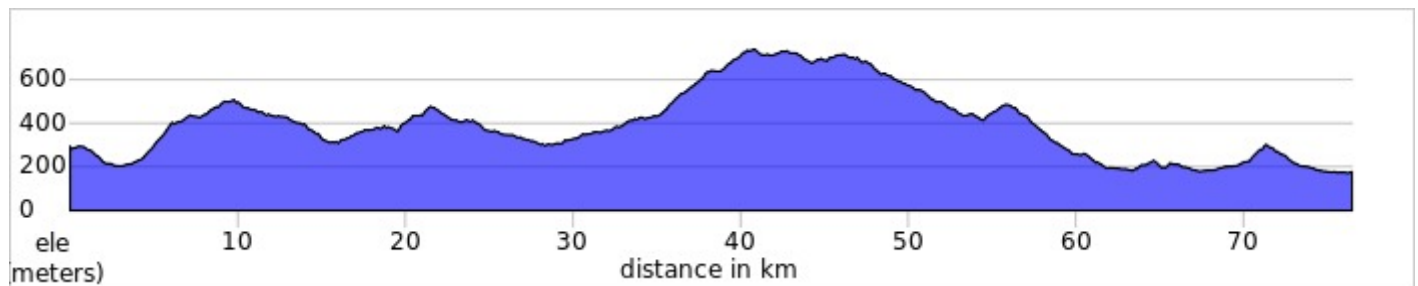
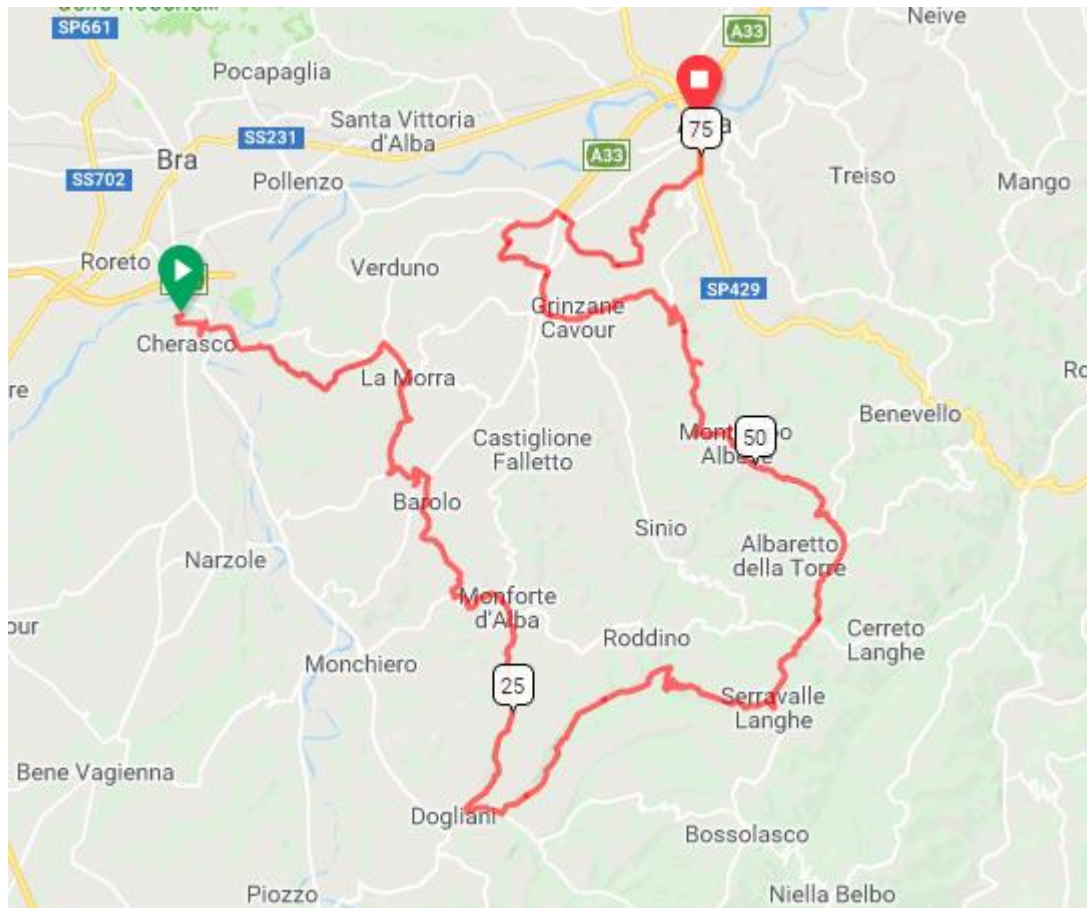
Dinner: both the hotels have their own restaurant

Overnight: Cherasco – Somaschi Hotel 4* or Bra - Hotel Ascheri 4*

May 19th. Cherasco – Alba: 76 km cycling / 1313 mt

In the morning we cycle up to La Morra, whose terrace offers one of the best views of this region, that has become part of the UNESCO heritage; then we encounter Barolo, and we cannot miss a stop at the castle wine shop or in one of the many wineries of the village. The castle houses the Wine Museum and in the village there is also the curious Corkscrew Museum. We continue to Monforte where we go to see the open air "Auditorium Horszowski".

We can stop for Lunch in the village of Serravalle Langhe; in the afternoon, before reaching our destination in Alba, we pass by the castle of Grinzane (Museum and regional wine cellar) and the castle of Roddi.



Lunch suggestion: Serravalle - Trattoria Belvedere

Dinner: The city of Alba offers various possibilities for dinner; it is possible to dine in the hotel restaurant or in one of the numerous venues in the city center, including the renowned Piazza Duomo, 3 Michelin stars

Overnight: Alba - Hotel Calissano 4* or Hotel Langhe 4*

May 20th. Alba – Acqui Terme: 76 km cycling / +1051 mt

In the morning we climb up to another village famous worldwide for its wine, Barbaresco, where we can visit the tower that dates back to year 1000 AC; then we reach the heart shaped village of Neive. For lunch we can stop in Santo Stefano Belbo, birthplace of the writer Cesare Pavese, whose house can be visited with a guide. Soon after we stop in Canelli, renowned for its sparkling wine; we can visit one of the historic cellars, which here are called “underground cathedrals” and extend for about 20 km underground. One last climb, and we descend to the city of Acqui Terme whose name means “hot waters” and is a renowned thermal destination.

Optional: after a short break in hotel, in the late afternoon we can move with a short transfer to Villa Ottolenghi, a historic residence built in the first half of the 20th century, located a few km out of the city; here we can have a guided tour followed by an aperitif and dinner. After dinner, transfer back to the hotel



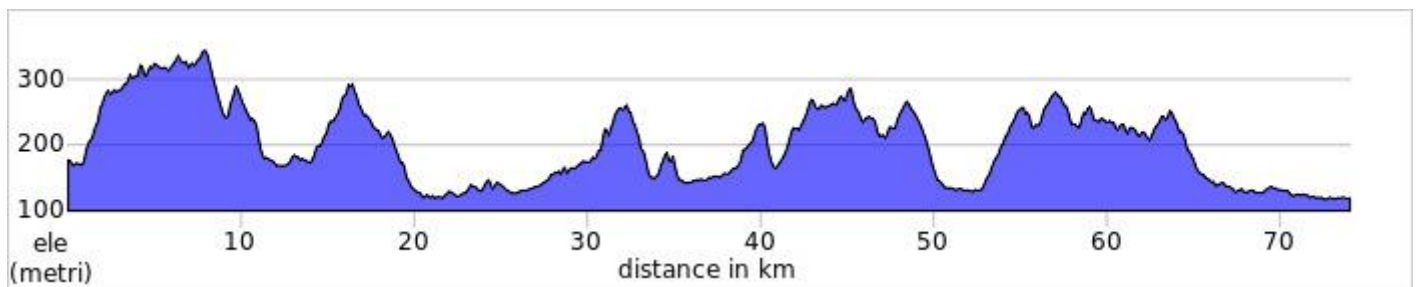
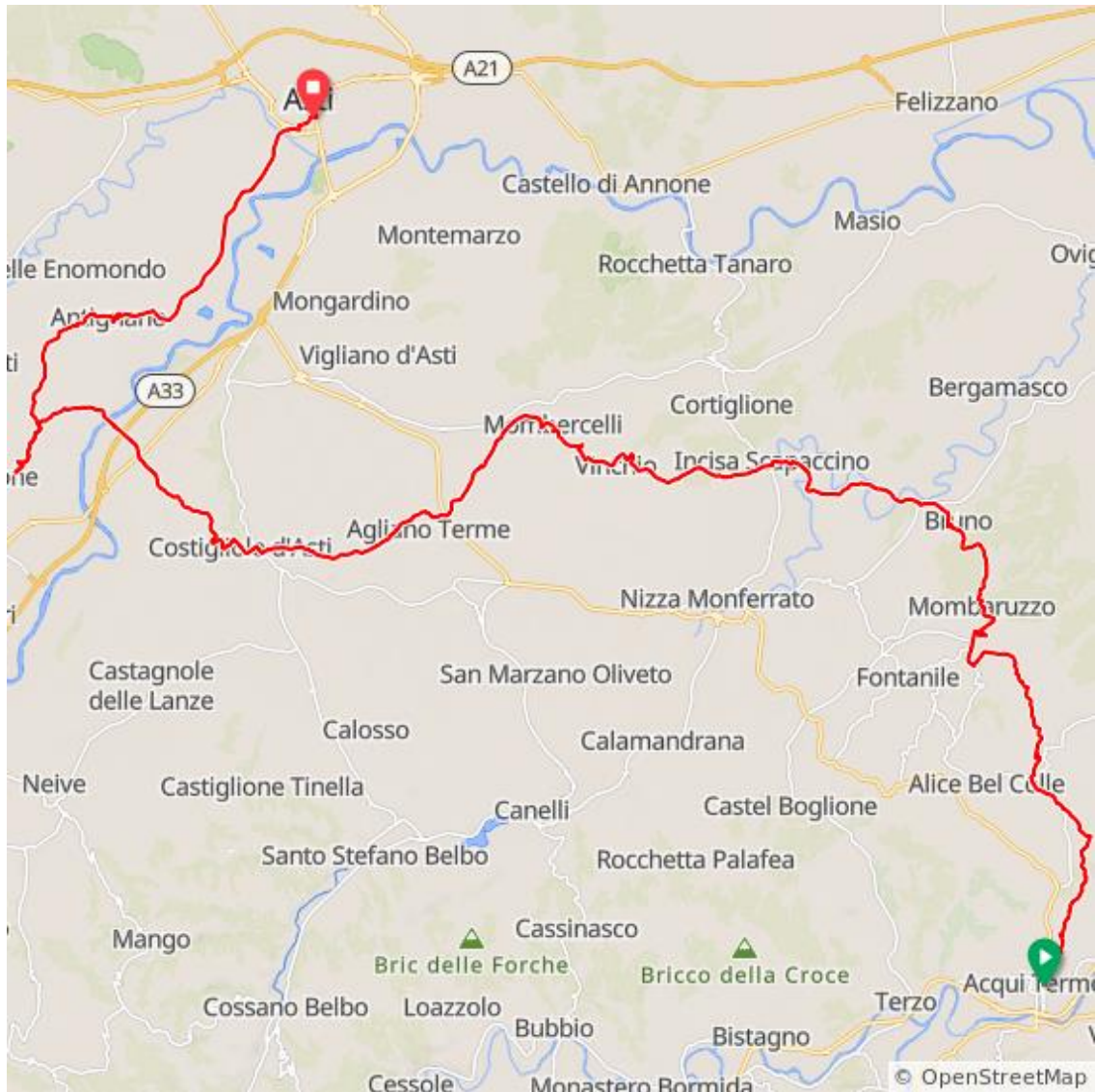
Lunch suggestion: Santo Stefano Belbo - Fischio del treno

Dinner: Acqui Terme – In hotel or Villa Ottolenghi

Overnight: Acqui Terme - Hotel Valentino 3* or similar

May 21st. Acqui Terme - Asti: 74 km / +1240 mt

We leave in the morning north of Acqui, land of the Dolcetto red wine, even today the main landscape is that of the vineyards that extend as far as the eye can see; in Mombaruzzo, to rest after a hard climb, we suggest a stop in a historic bakery to savor the "Amaretti", typical sweets made with almonds and hazelnuts. We cycle on the hills of Monferrato, less famous than the Langhe, but equally beautiful and with excellent quality wines. We can stop in the late morning for a small tasting of wines and local products at Vinchio & Vaglio cellar, famous for Barbera wine. The ideal place for a lunch break is the town of Agliano, in the shadow of its panoramic tower. In the afternoon we cross the Tanaro river and reach the town of San Martino Alfieri, where it is possible to organize a guided tour of the wine estate inside the castle. If we have enough time, we can make a detour to the Govone castle, otherwise we continue along the hills north east to Asti, where we spend the night



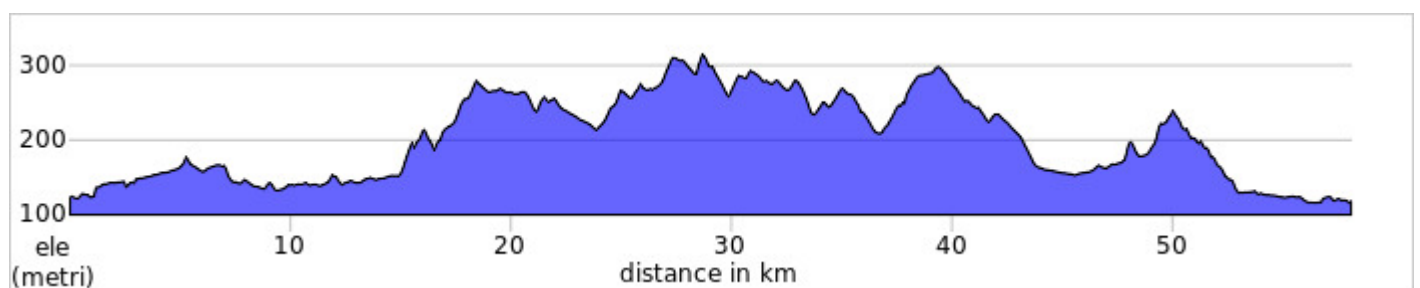
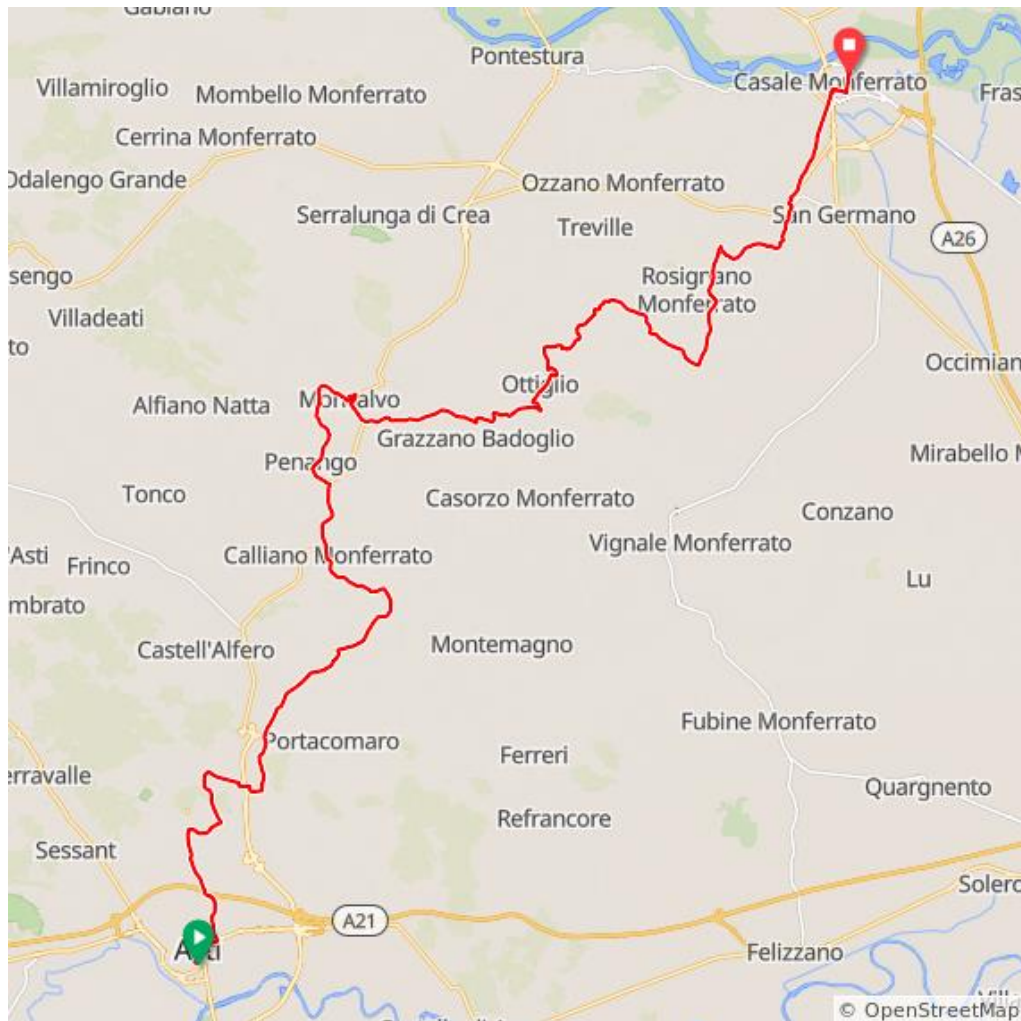
Lunch suggestion: Agliano – La Dolce Vigna

Dinner: our hotel is located in the center and there are numerous restaurants within a short distance

Overnight: Asti - Hotel Aleramo 4* or similar

May 22nd. Asti – Casale Monferrato: 60 km / +740 mt

We start in the morning from the center of Asti towards the north and in a short time we reach the village of Portacomaro, a place unknown to most, but which was the birthplace of Pope Francis I's grandfather; around lunchtime we reach Moncalvo, here it is recommended to stop in the square of the ancient castle, from which you can have a splendid view of the surrounding hills; if the day is clear, the panorama extends up to the Alps. Continuing along the route, you come across some giant benches (<https://bigbenchcommunityproject.org/>), curious artistic installations scattered throughout the region; the one in Sala Monferrato is located exactly on our road and invites us to stop for photos. Once we arrive in Casale, the private minibus that will take us to Milan awaits us. Before leaving the city, we recommend a visit to the Cathedral of Sant'Evasio; sweets lovers cannot miss a stop in the shop where Krumiri, the city's typical biscuits, were born.



Lunch suggestion: Moncalvo – Osteria Aleramo