

Travel 33 Este and Colli Euganei

To get to Este, take the plane to Venice, then drive (or train to Padua and bus) towards Bologna, exit Monselice.



Veneto, south

It is practical to stay at or near Este as a basis, because the hotels are relatively cheap and so the restaurants.

From the city, there are many routes for walking or for biking.

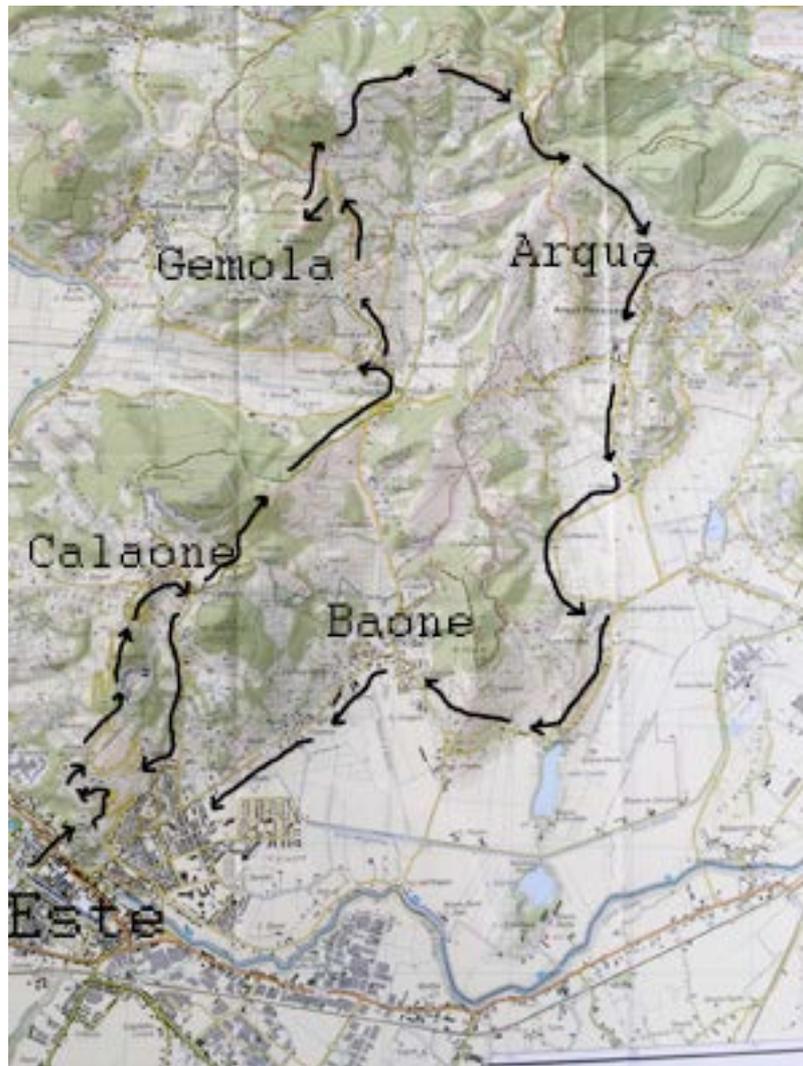
A short walk is for example:

- Este departure from the Duomo, Calaone and return via Meggiaro. About 2-4 hours, 5-7 km.

Start at Piazza Tecla at the Duomo of Este.



Piazza Tecla, Este



- 1) Short walk: Este-Calaone-Este
- 2) Long walk: Este-Calaone-Valle San Giorgio-Gemola-Arqua-Baone-Este

Continue to Via dei Cappuccini and go up to the square/ via Byron.



Via Byron



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From via Byron continue to via Palazzo del Principe



Beginning of via Palazzo del Principe

The road goes up and becomes a path where no cars pass. A nice path.



Via Palazzo del Principe



View from via Palazzo del Principe



Via Palazzo del Principe



Palazzo del Principe

Continue on the same path Palazzo del Principe.

At the end of the path, cross the main road via Mandorlari and keep going straight on the path.

Until it ends up on the main road that goes up to Calaone.



Calaone

Arrived at the peak of the hill, 300 meters before Calaone, you can take a break in the restaurant 3 chimneys. The owners are good people.



Restaurant 3 Camini

Then, continues until Calaone to the square in front of the church.



Calaone

Here you turn right and go down to return to Este. The road is easy and beautiful.



Route from Calaone – Meggiaro- Este

End of short walk.

2) Start of long walk.

Instead of returning to Este, at the Church of Calaone take the road to Valle San Giorgio.

The road dips and rises. Beautiful views.

After a few miles, you are at Valle San Giorgio, a village with a large church and few houses.

At Valle San Giorgio there is also a youth hostel in a Venetian villa, Villa Benavides.



Valle San Giorgio, villa Benavides and the church

Arrived to church, go up toward the house villa Beatrice, on the mount Gemola.

Ca. 3.4 km.

Villa Beatrice was a convent of nuns or monks, but now abandoned. From its garden there is a beautiful view above the hills.



Villa Beatrice

Go back downwards on the same road, and continue on the road that leads to Monte Fasolo, where there is a very pretty wine cellar.

In the garden of the wine cellar there is a small church and a kind of prison, looks like a toilet. Inside there is a statue (at least there was the summer of 2015) of a friar. Strange!



A friar on monte Fasolo

From the wine cellar Mount Fasolo continues on the same path until you get on the road to go to Arqua.
It is a beautiful road, passing through Vignalta.



Vignalta, from monte Fasolo to Arqua

After a few miles you will arrive to Arqua Petrarca.



Arqua Petrarca

The Venetian Lion in Arqua

Arqua hosted the poet Petrarca. Its house still exists, but not sure that it was the original.



To the house of Petrarca

From Arqua continues to Baone, 2-3 miles.



Road to Baone

From Baone continues to Este.

On this road there is a traffic light, just in front of it, there is wonderful Venetian villa, villa Borin.



Villa Borin



Beautiful Villa Borin o Borini

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