

Departure and arrival:
Castagno d'Andrea

Public transport:

Line 322 departing from Florence (Autolinee Mugello Valdiseive)
Support facilities: La Burraia (Locanda Chalet La Burraia, Rifugio C.A.I Città di Forlì) and Campigna (Agriturismo Poderone, Albergo Lo Scoiattolo)

Difficulty: 2



First day:

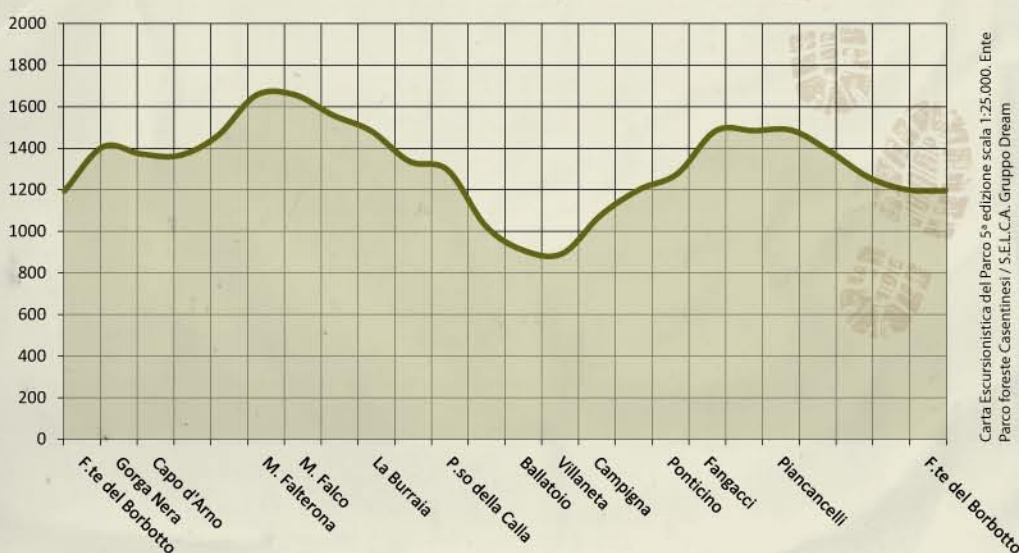
4.5 hours, 9 km length, 500 m uphill height difference, 300 m downhill

Second day:

4.5 hours, 10 km length, 450 m uphill height difference, 400 m downhill

Third day:

4 hours, 8 km length, 400 m uphill height difference, 250 m downhill



Falterona and the forest of Campigna



An interesting ring route which departs from the Florentine side of the Park, allowing to discover some of its most inspiring and evocative places: Gorga Nera, Capo d'Arno, and the Lago degli Idoli, mystical and spiritual places linked to ancient legends. The ascent to Monte Falterona will then take us towards the Grand Duke's Forest of Campigna, among centuries-old fir trees and beech trees.

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FIRST LEG > From Castagno d'Andrea, the road proceeds uphill for some kilometres, twisting into the forest, and upon reaching the no access sign there is a comfortable parking lot. Following what little road remains, we take the path on the right, which immediately leads us beneath the shade of the beech trees. After some minutes we reach the first area of naturalistic interest: the marshland of the Gorga Nera. The path immediately becomes steeper, and leads onto the meadow of the Crocicchie ridge. Our itinerary then continues straight along path 17 towards the springs of Lake Arno, and then to reach Lago degli Idoli we proceed through the thick of the woods, without particular height level differences, and past this inspiring stretch of water we go on through the beech forests until the meadows of Montelleri. The path now turns to the left and begins to rise once again, until reaching the foot of the Falterona peak. The most direct route to reach the peak is path 3. After having admired the landscape, we then descend among the pine trees, just after a natural terrace which allows to face eastwards. Descending from the summit, the path is the one on the ridge, the GEA, which soon passes by Monte Falco, with its wonderful view of Pian delle Fontanelle. Later on, the view extends as far as the Casentino valley, and as if by magic we find ourselves in the vast meadows of La Burraia. This is where the first day's hike ends.

SECOND LEG > The route of the second day begins by crossing the meadows of La Burraia, passing on the right side of Monte Gabrendo, where the old Enel electricity cabin lies. From here the meadows of Giogarello can be reached easily and, before entering the road on the left, path 82 heads into the forest, among large anthills, and reaches Passo della Calla. Beyond the paved road of the pass, our itinerary continues on path 241, which descends giving us spectacular combinations of rocks and imposing beech trees. The forest road of Cullacce proves that we are approaching a spring, which is not too far ahead, but our route actually goes to the left, until it turns to the right descending on another path which leads to the Ballatolo. If you are tired, the Cullacce road is also very pleasant and provided with information boards illustrating the most important trees of the Park, continuing on a levelled path until Campigna. Instead, our path continues downhill through some rather wild ditches, before rising again to reach the town of Villaneta, which announces our arrival to the small village of Campigna.

THIRD LEG > On the third day we find ourselves in front of the monumental fir woods of the Grand Duke, which we enter after crossing the paved road in the higher part of Campigna. The path is wide and the walk uphill only becomes challenging in the second part, when the fir trees gradually replace the beech trees. Upon reaching the Fangacci parking, our path corresponds to the road that continues to the right until Piancancelli. Here we will find a barrier, but it is only for cars: we can continue along the same road, as it will lead us to the parking lot of Fonte del Borbotto, which means to our cars.

FIRST NIGHT

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SECOND NIGHT

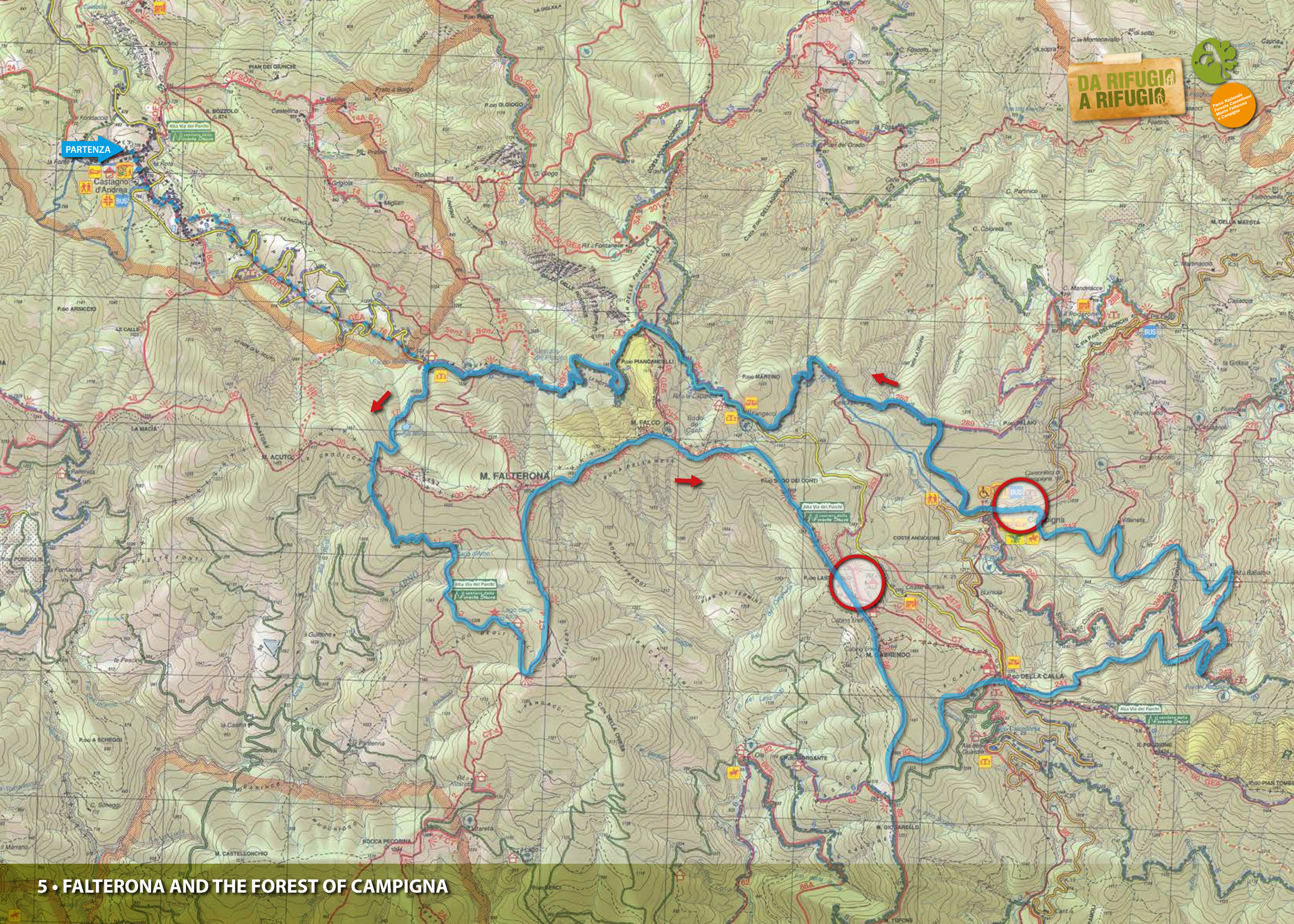
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