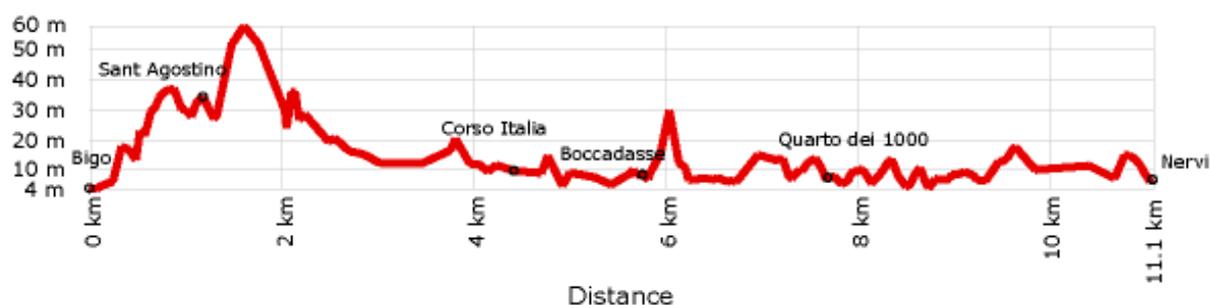




Leg 12 from Genova Porto Antico to Nervi

Total length	11,1 km
Hiking time	4 h
Cumulative elevation gain	95 m
Uphill percentage	18 %
Downhill percentage	18 %
Percentage of hike on natural earth	0 %
Percentage of hike on asphalt	98 %
Percentage of hike on paved surface	0%
Percentage of hike on other surface	2%

Profilo altimetrico



General description:

The 12th leg of the Sentiero Liguria starts from the Porto Antico (Old Port) of Genova and ends at the little marina of Genova Nervi, after passing through the eastern neighbourhoods of the Old City of Genova. Even if the itinerary has an urban development, it consists of many tracts of considerable interest in terms of landscape, history and culture. Worth seeing: the narrow alleys of the old centre and the famous Palazzi dei Rolli of Genova, declared World Heritage Site by UNESCO, the promenade Corso Italia, the picturesque fishing village of Boccadasse and the Monumento ai Mille in Quarto.



Description of the itinerary

From the Old Port of Genova the Sentiero Liguria offers different possible routes to the Marina of Nervi:

- Along the coast, through the picturesque hamlet of Boccadasse and the neighbourhoods of Sturla, Quarto dei Mille and Quinto al Mare;
- along the coast until Sturla and then by following the High Variant, climbing up to the hamlet of Apparizione to continue along the slopes of Mount Moro, before intersecting again the main route nearby the marina of Nervi;
- by public transportation: AMT line bus along the coastal Via Aurelia (n° 31) or along the internal road (n° 17), or with metro-train Brignole – Sturla – Quarto - Quinto – Genova Nervi.

From the Old Port, reach Piazza Sarzano. You are in the heart of the old city of Genova and the itinerary can follow different routes through the many narrow alleys flanked by beautiful palaces and Churches. Once near the Museum of Sant'Agostino, walk up Via Ravasco to Piazza Carignano, surmounted by the imposing Church of Santa Maria Assunta, designed by the architect Galeazzo Alessi. Continue down on Via Bixio and turn right in Via Corsica to reach Corso Aurelio Saffi, which offers a very interesting view over the infrastructures of the harbour and the shipyards. Walk eastwards in the direction of the buildings of the Fiera Internazionale di Genova, used for fairs and descend the stairs on the right. Take Corso Marconi and continue eastwards on Corso Italia, de beautiful promenade that, after circa 3 km, end at the Church of Boccadasse, devoted to S. Antonio da Padova.

From the Church and the scenic lookout Belvedere Firpo, descend to the picturesque hamlet of Boccadasse, with its typical bright coloured fisherman houses and the small marina.

Cross the little square in front of the pebble beach (Piazza Nettuno) and walk up the stairs of Via della Scalinata until Via al Capo di Santa Chiara, with its the scenic lookout, surmounted by the Turcke Castle, built in 1903 on project of the architect Gino Coppedè. From here you can enjoy a wide view over the eastern coast until the Promontory of Portofino. Continue on Via al Capo di Santa Chiara and, after about 100 metres take the paved alley Via Flavia down to the right. Continue on Via Urania and descend toward the sea in Piazza Vernazzola. Cross the beach westwards and take Via del Tritone until the mouth of the Sturla Stram.

Cross the bridge near Via Redipuglia. Here the route intersects the “High Variant” of the Sentiero Liguria. Which climbs up to Apparizione and Mount Moro to join the main route nearby Nervi.

Continue eastwards on Via 5 Maggio; pass in front of the Paediatric Hospital “Giannina Gaslini” and reach the monument of Quarto dei Mille. The rock where the monument was built is the place from where the mission of unification of Italy by Garibaldi started. The monument commemorates the sacrifice of the thousand soldiers captained by Garibaldi.

Continue following the seaside on Via Quarto, Via Quinto, Via Gianelli, Via Murcarolo (this are the names of the different sections of the main coastal road Via Aurelia). Enter Nervi by following Via Oberdan. You will soon reach a scenic lookout terrace from where you can enjoy a wide view over the Promontory of Portofino. Take Via Provana di Leyni on the right and descend towards the characteristic marina of Nervi.