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NORTH EAST LANDSCAPES FROM THE CANSIGLIO AREA TO PIANCAVALLO

The **Mount Cavallo group** stands out like a real giant up to an altitude of 2,251 meters above sea level of the **Cima Manera** peak and the lower surrounding peaks, such as **Mount Sauc** and Col Cornier, dominating the entire Pedemontana of Pordenone. To the west, the Friuli part of the **Cansiglio Forest** is a magical and silent place of paths and dirt roads ideal for naturalistic excursions. It represents a naturalistic microcosm of great charm. In the eastern plain of Mount Cavallo, a short distance from the **Cansiglio Forest**, rises Piancavallo, a large natural basin located at 1300 metres above sea level. It is constantly bathed by the sun, with thousands of fascinating sites in summer and winter. **Sport, fun** and **relaxation** go perfectly with the idea of a holiday suitable for sportspeople and families, on the snow or during the summer. Piancavallo is only a few kilometres from the main cities of the **Friuli Venezia Giulia** plain and is also located a short distance from the protected area of the **Friulian Dolomites Park**. This feature makes it an ideal starting point to complete your holiday by dedicating yourself to discovering the countless **treasures in the hilly inland area** or enjoying the luxury of relishing the silence and unspoiled nature of the territory of the **Friulian Dolomites**. It is a real paradise for hiking, **UNESCO Natural Heritage**, an area of great geological, environmental and naturalistic interest, characterized by so much wilderness. The wide choice of activities proposed and the fascinating spaces make Piancavallo a **pleasant** and **unexpected surprise**. The view is like a postcard: from the highest peaks, on sunny days, the gaze reaches the Adriatic Sea, while all around, a **typical landscape of the Dolomites** extends.



#Family Experience



↑ Alpine Pasture - Pian Mazzeza

DISCOVER THE SECRETS OF ANCIENT TRADITIONS

In a large barn of the **Capovilla malga** (shepherd's hut) in Piancavallo, you can discover the secrets of an ancient craft: that of the malgaro (cheese makers). Here a small **museum** of the **mountain pasture** has been rebuilt where some tools used many decades ago by the malgari are exhibited. Each object is accompanied by a caption that illustrates its use and characteristics. Old sledges, butter churns, a hearth with caldiera (pot),

cowbells and dozens of other objects are the witnesses of an activity that has almost disappeared in the mountains today. The hard work of the **charcoal makers** should also not be forgotten. Until the 1950s, they transformed wood into coal through a careful and meticulous process. Even today, you can see the patches of the charcoal makers hidden among the foliage along the path.

↓ Malga Capovilla - Alpine Pasture Museum



↑ Piancavallo

EXPERIMENTING IN NATURE

Thanks to the summer and winter **entertainment** programs, young guests can experiment in nature by building **igloos**, discovering **fossils** and **animal tracks** or participating in real **botanical treasure hunts**. Excursions with donkeys, by bike or on foot with a stop for a picnic in the woods, will lead you along paths that cross old malghe (pastures) and reach the Tornidor, the only source of water in the area with unique geological peculiarities. At sunset, there is no shortage of appointments with readings around the fire and entertainment for all ages. Within the "La Busa di Villotta" area, you can find the homonymous **botanical path**: here,

flowers and plants frame a small natural oasis, also perfect for a family treasure hunt! Descending to the valley, in the village of **Polcenigo**, the ideal place for a trip is the **San Floriano Park**, where various activities of cultivation of local fruit and horticultural species and the breeding of animals, including endangered breeds, are practised. Inside the park, there are many wonderful paths to experience on foot or by bicycle, a gymnastic path for children and a barefoot path, built partly on the natural soil of the park and partly on areas specially covered with bark, straw, mud, sand and gravel.

A MOUNTAIN OF ADVENTURES

In Piancavallo, even children can enjoy breathtaking experiences. The **bobsleigh on rails** guarantees fun for all ages, both in summer and winter, thanks to a descent of a thousand metres in length by one hundred metres in altitude, two laps at three hundred and sixty degrees, and parabolic curves and bumps. A short walk away, the “**Rampy Park**” acrobatic forest park offers several paths

suspended among the trees, activities and games to experience in total safety immersed in a wonderful beech forest. In the resort, there is also the possibility of carrying out other sports activities thanks to the presence of **tennis** and **football courts**, a **sports hall**, a **rock gym** and a **minigolf course**.

↓ Rampy Park



THE MAGIC OF SNOW

In winter, the offer for children is ensured by the presence of the **Nevelandia playground**. A fenced area is set up with inflatables, snowtubing rides and sliding games to play on the snow in complete safety. The **school camps** and the spacious ad hoc areas give the opportunity to budding skiers to try their hand at their first descents flanked by ski instructors.



↑ School camp

↓ Alpine Coaster



↑ Nevelandia



Active Experience



A WHITE WINTER

Piancavallo was founded in the 1960s. It developed rapidly thanks to its closeness to the plain and the convenient access routes. The location quickly became a well-known **ski resort in Friuli Venezia Giulia**, very popular with families and sportspeople of all ages. The ski lifts rise from the small town perfectly nestled among the snowy peaks, connecting the various ski runs. The many high-level sporting events and the possibility of

combining skiing activities with outdoor experiences have given this tourist village a dynamic image able to satisfy all tastes and needs. Piancavallo offers various places to rent the equipment necessary for the various winter sports activities and two **ski schools** to try your hand at the different disciplines.



↑ Piancavallo - Ski Area

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EXPERIENCE THE SKI RUNS

Ski enthusiasts have **seventeen kilometres of skiable areas** with guaranteed **programmed snow-making**, offering fun descents along the main routes and also along the many alternative routes. The main ski runs, including the Salomon, the Nazionale and the Sauc, are characterized by exciting walls intended for the enjoyment of the most experienced skiers. There is no shortage of simpler ski runs and school camps for skiers who are taking their first steps on the snow. For those who love **cross-country skiing**, **fifteen kilometres of ski runs** are immersed in a beautiful beech forest, suitable both for those looking for

challenging routes and those who simply want to admire an unequalled view. On some specific evenings, an **illuminated ring of 1300 metres** is open to cross-country skiers for night outings. Dedicated to the most reckless, the **Funk Park** is open to all kinds of skills and offers different lines divided by difficulty level to satisfy all riders. The resort is also equipped with a **Bordercross** and **Skicross** track with parabolic jumps and whoops designed for those who want to approach these activities on the snow.

↓ Piancavallo - Area Roncjade



NOT ONLY SKIING

Those who want to enjoy all the tranquillity of nature can independently follow some sections of the most popular trails with **snowshoes** or **fat bikes** or follow an **expert guide** for a safe experience. In the Roncjade area, the maximum elevation difference is about one hundred metres, and for a short stretch, you enter a beautiful beech forest. The "Passeggiata delle Malghe" is much appreciated by walkers even in winter in the Collalto area with about four hundred metres of elevation difference and a maximum track of nine kilometres. Do not miss the exciting guided **snowshoeing at night** in full moon. The ice **skating rink** completes the winter offer.

↑ Piancavallo - Collalto area



↓ Piancavallo - Ski Area





- 101 Daini Magic Carpet
- 102 Genzianella Magic Carpet
- 103 Casere Chairlift (4AF)
- 104 Sauc Chairlift (4AF)
- 105 Busa Grande Chairlift (4AF)
- 106 Sole Chairlift (3AF)
- 107 Tremol 2 Chairlift (4AA)
- 108 Tremol 1 Chairlift (4AA)
- 109 Caprioli Magic Carpet
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- 111 Nevelandia 2 Magic Carpet
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- 113 Bambi Magic Carpet
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| 1 Daini School Camp | 6 Busa Grande | 14b Caprioli 2 | A Alpine Coaster |
| 2 Genzianella | 7 Tublat | 14c Caprioli 3 | B Funpark |
| 3a Casere | 8 Sole | 15a Nevelandia 1 | C Nevelandia |
| 3b Casere 2 | 9 Variante Sole | 15b Nevelandia 2 | D Sledding area |
| 3c Casere3 | 10 Nazionale alta | | E Cross-country skiing by night |
| 3d Casere 4 | 11 Nazionale bassa | | F Cross-country ski area |
| 4b Sauc Alto | 12 Salomon | | G Ice-Arena |
| 4b Sauc Basso | 13 Variante Salomon | | H Palasport |
| 5 Sauc 2 | 14a Caprioli 1 | | |

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| Skipass ticket office | Magic carpet | Snowtubing |
| Infopoint | Chairlift | Campervan area |
| Ski-school | Detachable Chairlift | |
| Ski-rental | Ice-Skating | |
| Eatery | Cross-country skiing | |
| Snowpark | Sledding area | |
| Snow Playground | Alpine Coaster | |
| First Aid Point | Snowshoeing | |

BESA design



Wild flowers - Campanula Morettiana ↑



Piancavallo ↑

AN OPEN AIR PARADISE

When summer arrives, Piancavallo turns into a real open-air gym and becomes the ideal starting point for **routes suitable for every need** and with various elevation differences. It will be a surprise to discover that on sunny days from the highest peaks, your gaze can reach the blue of the Adriatic Sea. The location also offers its guests a rich program of **guided** naturalistic **excursions** to discover flora and fauna, outdoor **workshops** for children and families, and **activities** to relax and enjoy sports **in nature**.

GREEN WELLNESS PATHS: TREKKING FOR EVERY AGE

For those who love to keep fit, the **Green Wellness** project contains twenty routes suitable for both younger tourists and their families and the most experienced hikers. It includes the most classic **Alpine Ski Walk**, the famous **Path of the Charcoal Makers** that reaches **Col Cornier** and the **Tornidor Walk**, for a total of about two hundred kilometres and eleven thousand metres of ascent accompanied by special signs and maps. Thanks to the contribution of Dr. **Ciro Antonio Francescutto**, the proposed tracks are illustrated not only with their geographical characteristics,

green wellness paths. Trekking for every age also illustrates health indicators such as calorie consumption, the hours of life gained and the energy contribution obtained from typical regional dishes. An original way to bring awareness to the benefits of physical activity and a balanced diet!

Map of the paths

PIANCAVALLO AVIANO
1:20.000

on sale at the Infopoints of Pordenone and Piancavallo.

THE ALTA VIA DEI RONDOI

The most experienced who want to savour the essence of these mountains can take the splendid itinerary that follows the ridge and **connects all the five main peaks of the Cavallo group**. It is a highly panoramic mountaineering route, suitable for **experienced hikers equipped with helmets, harnesses, and ferrata kits**. It can be covered in a **minimum of 6 hours**

of walking or by trying a two-day excursion. The name “**Alta via dei Rondoï**” comes from the “swifts”, the migratory birds that nest along these ridges. It is very interesting for the flowering that can be admired along the way.



Wild flowers - Friulian Dolomites ↑

ADRENALINE AT HIGH ALTITUDE

Enthusiasts of **air sports** in Castaldia find an ideal and comfortable launch pad to take flight with a **hang glider** or **paraglider** from a thousand metres above sea level and then glide over the plain below. Learning to fly is not only fun: adding to the thrill of flying with a two-seater tandem led by expert pilots, there is also the wonder of the infinite shades of the blue sky, which blend with the reflections of the sun on the sea in the distance. In **Dardago** di Budoia, near the creek Artugna and the church of San Tomè, there is the **natural rock gym “Carlesso”**, a cliff consisting of various types of rock with fixed anchors to enjoy vertical experiences in the open air.



Castaldia Area ↑ ↓





↑ Golf

ALL ABOUT SPORTS

The pleasant climate of this town nestled between the highest peaks of the foothills makes practising any kind of sports enjoyable. Therefore, Piancavallo becomes an ideal destination for organizing sports retreats: it guarantees training in conditions of relaxation, harmony and tranquillity, such as to combine the best performances of the champions. The indoor and outdoor facilities are often chosen to host important away matches for **rugby**,



Bike ↑

football, skating, hockey, fencing clubs and many other disciplines. There are various spaces and regulation fields with all the necessary services available to the teams to make the retreats comfortable and efficient. Teams such as Atalanta, Reggiana, Triestina, Venezia Calcio and Pordenone have chosen Piancavallo for their training sessions. In summer, it is possible to spend pleasant moments

playing **minigolf** or **tennis** or descend to the valley for a game of golf surrounded by centuries-old trees and water features in Villa Policreti, a Castel D'Aviano residence or enjoy **horse riding** thanks to the stables along the Pedemontana.

↓ Trekking



↓ Horse riding



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PALASPORT

Internal useful area 40 x 70 metres with a floor covered in Elastiflex, separate sectors all equipped with retractable grandstand.

- 3 basketball courts;
- 1 volleyball court;
- 1 5-a-side football field;
- 1 7-a-side football field;
- martial arts equipment.

The facility is also set up for **artistic gymnastics** and sports activities where balance and agility training are necessary, using a **"PRO-TRUMP"** trampoline with a harness for evolutions on both axes of the body.

ICE SKATING AREA

Oval track of 60m x 30m of concrete for "inline" wheeled skates.

FOOTBALL

2 regulated outdoor soccer fields;
1 field for 5-a-side football in synthetic grass.

TENNIS:

1 concrete tennis court;
1 synthetic grass tennis court.

FACILITIES

Laundries, massage rooms, weight room.

INFO AND CONTACTS

Piancavallo 1265
www.piancavallo1265.com

↓ Piancavallo - Palasport



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↑ Valcellina Area - Friulian Dolomites

↓ Barcis Lake



The Peak of Val Montanai, ↑

ON THE BORDER WITH THE PARK OF THE FRIULIAN DOLOMITES

In summer, the Pian delle More panoramic road connects the Piancavallo mountain resort with the area of the Friuli Dolomites Park. The first town you meet is **Barcis** with the lake of the same name, the heart of Valcellina. From here, it is

possible to reach the Forra del Mobina Nature Reserve and the typical hamlets of Andreis, **Claut**, **Cimolais**, **Erto** and **Casso** with the Vajont Dam to discover the symbolic and panoramic **Peak of Val Montanai**.



Bike Experience



Piancavallo - Bike ↑

DISCOVER THE TERRITORY BY BIKE

Piancavallo - MTB routes ↓



Due to its position, **Piancavallo** is an interesting strategic point for **bicycle enthusiasts** who like to plan their excursions on dirt roads or panoramic roads among landscapes of remarkable scenic beauty. The locality offers routes for all difficulty levels to be covered by mountain bike or e-bike.

In the **Roncjade area**, you can try your hand at the winter cross-country trails that plunge into the beech forest. Alternatively, the classic **“Malghe Tour”** is an excellent opportunity to relax surrounded by nature and can be completed along several different routes. Those with more experience can continue along the **panoramic road Pian delle More** that leads to Lake Barcis, then choose the **Piancavallo - Cansiglio**

ridge, or venture along the **“Venezia delle Nevi”** that connects the mountain resort with Dardago, for a more demanding experience. Bike and e-bike rental points are available in Piancavallo, Aviano and Budoia.

MTB Routes available on the **PIANCVALLO AVIANO 1:20.000** on sale at the Infopoints of Pordenone and Piancavallo.



Piancavallo - Bike ↑

MTB routes ↓



PIANCAVALLO LANDSCAPE

Belvedere – Casera Valfredda

Itinerary: P. le della Puppa – Belvedere – Casera del Medico – Casera Valfredda and return

Distance: 15 Km

Time: 2 hours

Elevation difference: about 330 mt

Ground: 100% dirt road

Recommended for: adults

Giro delle Malghe e Sorgente del Tornidor

Itinerary: P. le della Puppa – Collalto – Casera Caseratte – Casera Valfredda – Sorgente del Tornidor / Pian delle More – Malga Valli – Casera Caulana – Casera Paronuzzi – Casera Capovilla – P. le della Puppa (circular route)

Distance: 25 km

Time: about 4 hours

Elevation difference: about 650 mt

Ground: 20% asphalt road, 60% dirt road, 20% single track

Physical Difficulty: medium

Technical Difficulty: medium-high

Recommended for: experienced

*It is possible to continue the itinerary up to **Lake Barcls** (about 400 metres above sea level), returning to Piancavallo (about 1300 metres above sea level) along the 14 km panoramic road (e-bike recommended).*

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The itinerary develops south of the Piancavallo area and crosses the **forest of the Cansiglio plateau**, between Friuli Venezia Giulia and Veneto. The breathtaking landscape and the presence of **nature reserves** created within the forest make it particularly interesting. The itinerary is accessible almost all year round, but the most beautiful period is undoubtedly autumn when the woods offer a triumph of colours.

Bus del Gias

Itinerary: P. le della Puppa – Baracca Sauc – Casera Campo – Casera Valle Fritz – Bus del Gias and return (outward and return itinerary)

Distance: 18 km (9 outward + 9 return)

Time: 2/3 hours

Elevation difference: about 450 mt

Ground: 70% asphalt road, 30% dirt road

Physical Difficulty: medium

Technical Difficulty: easy

Recommended for: adults

↓ Experiences on MTB



Experiences on MTB ↑

Col dei Scios

Itinerary: P. le della Puppa – Baracca Sauc – Casera Campo – Casera Valle Fritz – Bus del Gias – Foresta del Cansiglio – Casera Ceresera – Casera Candaglia – Col dei Sciose rientro (outward and return itinerary)

Distance: 35 km (17,5 outward + 17,5 return)

Time: 5 hours

Elevation difference: about 850 mt

Ground: 60% asphalt road, 40% dirt road

Physical Difficulty: medium – high

Technical Difficulty: medium – easy

Recommended for: experienced

There is no shortage of pleasant variations that reach Piana del Cansiglio with about another 20 km of distance and a greater physical effort.

Venezia delle nevi

Itinerary: P. le della Puppa – Baracca Sauc – Casera Campo – Casera Valle Fritz – Fork for Mezzomonte (beware of the asphalted but steep descent) – Tagliafuoco up to San Tomè di Dardago – ascent along the Venezia delle Nevi up to Piancavallo

Distance: 35 km

Time: 5 hours

Elevation difference: about 1450 mt

Ground: 60% asphalt road, 40% dirt road

Physical Difficulty: medium – high

Technical Difficulty: medium

Recommended for: experienced



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A MOUNTAIN OF WELLNESS

Piancavallo and its valley are the ideal places to enjoy pleasant moments of relaxation immersed in the tranquillity and silence of nature. Among the beech woods at about 1300 meters above sea level, it is possible to get away from the frenzy of everyday life and experience the pleasure of slowing down, breathing in the scents of the forest and listening to the sound of the wind in the pleasant summer climate. Piancavallo is synonymous with a regenerating holiday

where you can practice activities such as **forest bathing, yoga, sensory walks** and **breathe in nature.**

The **Arnica valley** extends near the Casera del Medico in Castaldia, where since 2011, this medicinal plant with pain-relieving and anti-inflammatory properties has been grown organically. Every year in June, there is a day entirely dedicated to arnica where it is possible to discover all its peculiarities.



↑ Arnica Cultivation

↓ Piancavallo



AMONG FORESTS AND WATERWAYS

↓ Wild flowers - *Pianella della Madonna*



Arriving for the first time on the **Cansiglio** plateau, the site of Rete Natura 2000, the first thing that stands out is the majesty of the beech and fir forest, the expanses of pastures and meadows and the beauty of the animals that inhabit the area. The environment's scarce human activity keeps the entire area's naturalistic value high. Here the drive to conserve nature, tradition, and biodiversity make the Cansiglio a place with a particular landscape.

↓ Beech forest



Caneva, Polcenigo, Budoia and **Aviano**, the municipalities of the western foothills at the foot of the **Cansiglio-Piancavallo** ridge, share a little-known, very suggestive historical and naturalistic landscape. The villages rise between the steep limestone bastion and the plain that descends towards the sea, hidden among the hills and surrounded by vineyards in a landscape full of sudden glimpses of views. Hidden springs feed flowing waters, and rock walls tower over white creeks.

Not far from **Caneva, Palù del Livenza** is a pile-dwelling site dating back to the

Neolithic period, included in the **UNESCO World Heritage** sites for its archaeological significance. A short walk away, in an area of extreme naturalistic and landscape interest, you can admire the extensive and scenic sources of the **Livenza river**, which while emerging a few dozen metres above sea level, give rise to a waterway of considerable flow. The **Gorgazzo** creek flows into the Livenza, which with its emerald waters, is one of the deepest underwater caves in the world and has never been fully explored.

↓ Caneva - Castle



↓ UNESCO site - Palù del Livenza





Taste Experience



ZERO KM TASTES AND FLAVOURS

Travelling through this territory, you can savour a great variety of tasty traditional dishes.

There are many agricultural realities that value typical ancient products such as **mountain cheeses, wine, grappa, oil, honey** and local **varieties of fruit**. There is no shortage of new and peculiar products, such as **Friuli saffron, goat** and **buffalo cheeses, craft beer**, and various types of sausages, including the precursor of Hungarian salami. Among the sunny slopes of the Caneva hills and its castle, olive trees and vines are grown from which excellent **extra virgin olive oil** and **Marzemino wine** are made. Typical of this area is the

Figo Moro, an exquisite black fig with an elongated shape and soft pulp, represented by the Consortium for the protection and enhancement of the homonymous product.

In the woods of the mountain above, there are various species of **edible wild herbs** with which to prepare excellent recipes suitable for every season. Some of these local agri-food productions can be tasted in the companies of the **Strada del Vino e dei Sapori** (The Route of Wine and Flavours) of **Friuli Venezia Giulia**, a project that enhances various food and wine realities of the area and gathers them in quality itineraries and routes.



↓ Figo Moro



↓ Malga cheese



↑ Mountain Dairy - Pian Mazzega

THE MALGARI TRADITION

Immersed in the beech woods of the plains of Mount Cavallo and Cansiglio, you can discover the tradition of the mountain pasture in person. Continuing from Piancavallo towards Barcis along the Pian delle More panoramic road, you will find the historic **Malga Pian Mazzega**, active since the 19th century. Here you can relive the difficult life of the herdsmen, marked by the rhythms of nature and the summer transhumance of livestock. Cattle, horses and pigs inhabit this place where it is possible to buy dairy products, cured meats and meats.

Nearby in the **Valli** locality, the homonymous malga has now been converted into an agritourism and educational farm where animals are raised, and cereals and vegetables are grown for a 0 km holiday.

Along the **Cavallo - Cansiglio ridge**, among the municipalities of Aviano, Caneva, Polcenigo and Budoia, there are a series of agritourism shepherd huts and farms where you can taste typical dishes of their own production and organic products.



Art & Culture Experience



↑ Cristo - Helmut Schmalzl

LORD OF THE PEAKS

On the peak of Mount Tremol stands a wooden **Christ** of 2.40 metres in height fixed on a cross of 5 metres, and it is a tribute that the author wanted to pay to the people of Piancavallo. The work dates back to 2020 and was sculpted by **Helmut Schmalzl**, a former athlete of Valanga Azzurra and a nationally and internationally recognized professional in the world of winter sports very attached to the Piancavallo area, where he worked for several years as director of the station. The wood with which the crucifix was made comes from a larch felled by the Vaia storm in 2018. The Christ can be reached from Piazzale del Tremol along a medium-difficulty path with an elevation difference of about 550 metres. During the opening period of the lifts, the first section up to Baita Arneri is served by a chairlift for pedestrians. The view that can be admired from the top of Mount Tremol is unprecedented: from north to south, you are surrounded by a panorama that reaches from the highest peaks to the Adriatic Sea.



↓ Golf Club Castel d'Aviano

HIDDEN PLACES OF GROUNDVALLEY

The foothills area offers a myriad of tourist opportunities full of geological curiosities, historical and artistic heritage and evocative hamlets.

Here the traces of man date back to ancient times, and some medieval castles and churches are there to testify to this. **Caneva** boasts the picturesque ruins of the castle built around the year 1000, probably on Roman foundations.

Polcenigo, in addition to being one of the **most beautiful Hamlets in Italy**, also boasts the "Europarc" Rural Park of San Floriano, the only example of a natural and rural park existing in Italy, a guided and educational reserve for local flora and fauna. At the top of the park stands a church dating back to before the year 1000, with a valuable series of frescoes inside. The church of the S.S. Trinità overlooks the source of the Livenza river. It was built between the 14th and 16th

centuries and houses a majestic 17th-century wooden altar with a niche by Domenico da Tolmezzo (1496), a valuable wooden choir stall, various altarpieces and numerous frescoes.

Centuries-old trees and waterways frame the **Castel d'Aviano Golf Club**, which develops within the Villa Policreti Natural Park, a residence of particular historical and architectural interest built in the 16th century, which today houses an elegant hotel. There are also numerous small art gems and historical traces scattered in the various villages of **Budoia**, **Dardago**, **Santa Lucia** and **San Giovanni** and on the **hills of San Giorgio** and **Mezzomonte**.

The **Cammino di San Cristoforo** winds its way at the foot of the Friuli Dolomites, a path of about 450 km that crosses landscapes and places in the foothills of notable beauty.



↓ Polcenigo

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In Piancavallo, **numerous Alpine Skiing Women's World Cup** competitions have been held since the end of the 1970s. In much more recent times, the Pordenone ski area has been chosen several times to host important international competitions such as the **Snowboard World Cup**, the **Cross-Country Skiing Opa Cup** and the **Alpine Skiing World Championships**. However, Piancavallo is not only linked to the world of **winter sports**. Every year important sporting and cultural events frame the Pordenone mountain centre.

The location has been a stage of the **Giro d'Italia** several times: in 1998 with the victory of Marco Pantani and then in 2017 and 2020, as well as one of the transit cities in 2011. The entire road that goes from Aviano up to Piancavallo is dedicated to Pantani, and in Piazza della Puppa you can see the commemorative plaque named after him.

↓ Giro d'Italia



↑ International Folklore Festival



↓ Snowboard World Cup

The exciting and traditional **Rally Piancavallo** of national significance has been held for decades along the hairpin bends at the foot of Mount Cavallo. The event was founded in 1980, and in addition to Piancavallo, it also reaches the surrounding mountains and the Pordenone foothills.

In summer, the town is home to **campuses and competitions of various sports** federations such as football, artistic gymnastics, skating, hockey and other sports, as well as the home of foot races in the mountains.

The Artugna Challenge, the world mountain bike championship for master categories, was hosted for the first time in 2018 along the valley floor.

The traditional **International Folklore Festival** has also been held every year since 1969, born from an idea dating back to 1924 by the founder of the Aviano group Federico Angelica. Every year, hundreds of folk groups and thousands of dancers from all over the world exhibit their culture and tradition in the squares and streets of the neighbouring towns.

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