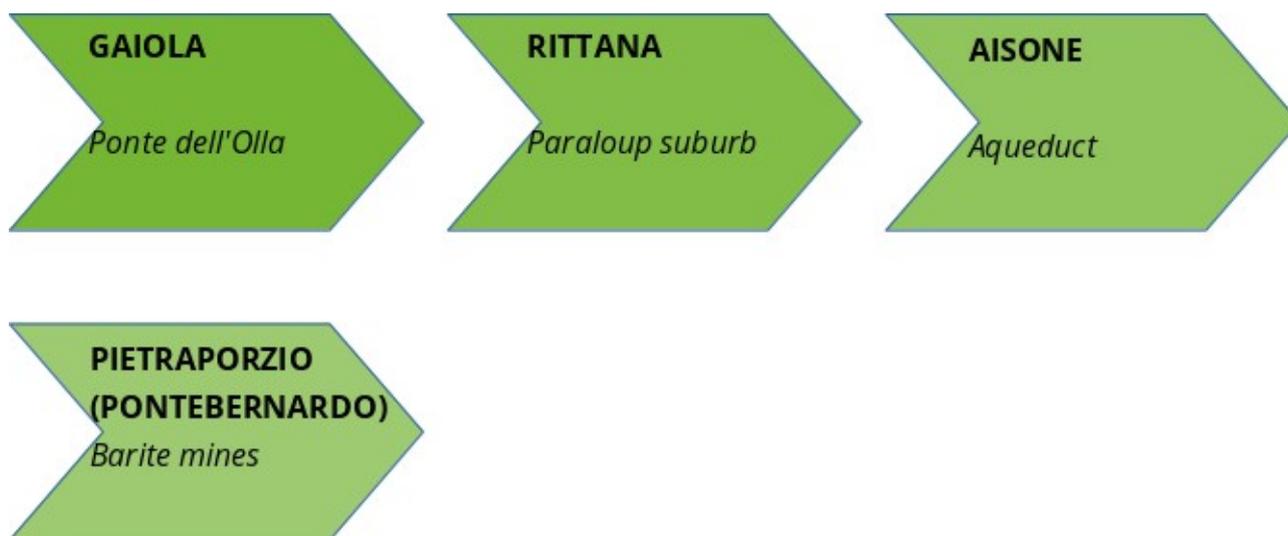


ITINERARIES IN VALLE STURA

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INTRODUCTION

The peaks of the Stura valley offer breathtaking views in every season. However, the paths can lead to the discovery of unexpected places, which preserve the history of these villages from the Middle Ages until the years of the Second World War. Nowadays, spaces off the roads or undergoing structural recovery testify the vitality of the territory from a commercial, working and historical point of view.

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THE STOPOVERS

1. GAIOLA. Ponte dell'Olla

The legend tells that a terracotta pot (ioule in local dialect) full of gold was found here. It is already mentioned in documents from 1271, but it was at a much lower level than nowadays. It was rebuilt several times in the late 17th and early 18th centuries, as a strategic passage. The pillars of this phase can still be seen along the banks of the river. The last reconstruction took place in 1946, after the destruction in the Resistance War.

2. RITTANA. Paraloup suburb

The rebirth of the Paraloup Township can be attributed to the intervention of the Fondazione Nuto Revelli [Nuto Revelli Foundation], which has strongly worked on this memorial place. The structures - recovered and rethought - host a storytelling museum, a conference room, a film library, an outdoor theater, an exhibition area, a receiving center and a shelter. In this township, halfway between Stura valley and Grana valley, some of the members of the band Italia Libera, formed on September 11, 1943, were found in Madonna del Colletto: Duccio Galimberti, Dante Livio Bianco, Ettore Rosa and Dino Giacosa.

3. AISONE. Aqueduct

Partly hidden by vegetation, the aqueduct of Aisone still shows the beautiful round arches with imposing stone pillars probably dating back to the medieval period.

4. PIETRAPORZIO (Pontebernardo). Barite mines

Among the many underground resources present in the valley, in the past, the barite strands present near the village of Pontebernardo, over 1300 meters above sea level, have been exploited. The exploitation of the vein dates back to the 1950-1960 period.

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