

Walk 31: MONTE BESTONE

Distance/time: 2.5km/1.6mi;
1h07min

Grade: easy, with about 200m/
656ft of ascent/descent

Equipment: see page 26. Refresh-
ments are available at Voltino.

Transport: 🚗 Follow Car tour 5
from Riva del Garda through
Limone sul Garda to Voltino, then
turn right for Campi (a few metres

before the church). Stay on this
road, which winds up past houses,
to reach the Hotel Balze. Either
park beside the road or drive up to
the hotel and through the main car
park, beyond which there seems to
be no objection to parking.

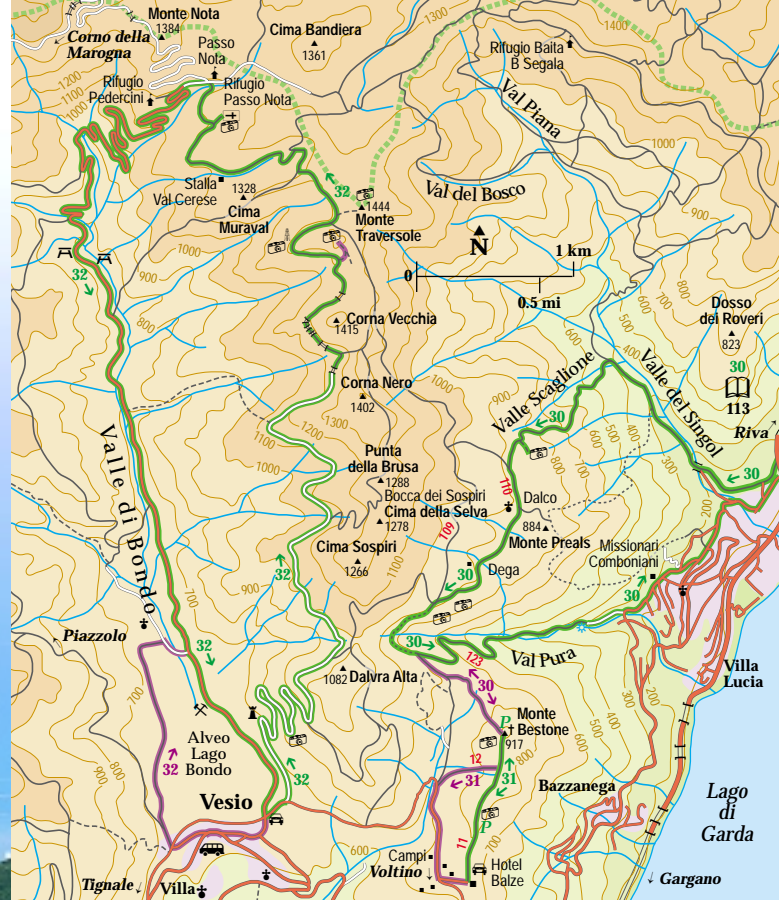
Nearest accommodation:
Limone sul Garda, Riva del Garda
or Torbole

The ridge to the summit of Monte Bestone affords one of
the best outlooks over Lake Garda. It is an ideal short
walk to include in a day of touring the Tremosine plateau.
Little climbing is involved, and the views are magnificent.

Start out at the HOTEL BALZE CAR
PARK: walk through the hotel
complex, past the TENNIS COURTS.
Opposite some chalets, take a
narrow path on the left (behind a
low wire fence), signposted

'NO 11 DELLA ROCCA'. You rise up
through scrubby trees, to reach a
broad ridge with fine views.
Continue along the ridge, perhaps
exploring the side paths to view-
points (Picnic 16), before descend-

View over Limone sul Garda from near Monte Bestone (Picnic 16)



ing a little way to a small COL
(22min) where a path (ROUTE 12)
goes left. (*Take this path for the
Alternative return below.*)

Carry straight on, climbing easily
on a good path, to the summit of
Monte Bestone (37min) — a
spectacular vantage point. The
birds-eye view over Limone sul
Garda is superb, and you are
treated to uninterrupted views up
and down Lake Garda — it is so
wide at its southern end that you
feel you are looking out to sea. On
the far side is Monte Baldo, while
to the north, at the head of the
lake, lies Torbole, with Monte
Stivo (Walk 27) prominent
beyond. To the southwest is the
beautiful green plateau of
Tremosine.

To make the most of the super-
lative views, we suggest that you
return the same way to the HOTEL
BALZE (1h07min). However, if
you prefer a circuit, see below.

Alternative return (adds 5-
10min): Retrace your steps back
to the COL at the 22min-point and
turn right down a path through
the trees (ROUTE 12). After five
minutes, keep right at a junction
(waymarked). You soon come to
a small farm where you join an
asphalt driveway (do not be
deterred by the 'Private' signs; it
is a waymarked route). Continue
down to meet a road and turn left,
soon passing a tennis centre and
the HOTEL CAMPI. Just beyond is
the HOTEL BALZE.