



**SAT, DEC 17TH GETTING TO KNOW  
SNOWSHOES AND AVALANCHE  
TRANSCIEVER - ARTAVAGGIO**

€12,00 - €20,00

*Only Guide fee, NOT INCLUDING extra costs (see sec. "Fee")*

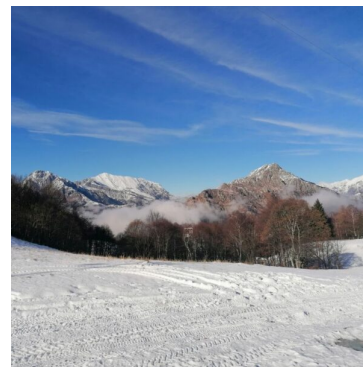
**SATURDAY, 17TH DECEMBER 2022**

**Registration within thursday 15th dec**

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## GETTING TO KNOW SNOWSHOES AND AVALANCHE BEACON

### THE DECREE LAW IN FORCE

The Decree Law 28th February 2021, n. 40, concerning both off-track and snow-covered environment activities, enforce the use of an avalanche beacon, probe and shovel when snowshoe hiking when off-track regardless of the level of skilfulness.

Although the excursions I propose DO NOT require special skills and technical expertise, and the difference in altitude is not over 400 - 500 m (thus respecting the idea of enjoying nature and walking in it), the Law forces us into the use of self-rescue equipments.

The avalanche beacon is a transmitting device allowing people swept by an avalanche to be found; thus, anyone must be equipped with. It must be put under all clothes close to underwear, while shovel and probe can be carried in the backpack. It is very important to know how to use it and be able to search for victims while waiting for rescue units.

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When participating to Trek&Taste snowshoes hiking excursions you do not need to drive around in search of snowshoes and self-rescue equipment, because we can rent all the required kit.

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

**Difference in altitude:** 240 m

**Distance:** 3 km

**Maximum altitude:** 1867 m a.s.l.

## DESCRIPTION

An easy excursion allowing people who are interested in excursions on snow-covered paths, snowy weekend for example, to familiarize with snowshoes and self-rescue equipments... and to enjoy the day!

Artavaggio is a nice plateau in Valsassina which can be easily reached by cable car, where we will experiment snowshoes walking technique, getting to know how to use and learning to use the avalanche beacon.

Lunch at the mountain hut (optional) to be reserved, considering low temperatures.

The destination could vary according to snow cover and cable car opening period, which do not involve change in programme.

## DIFFICULTY LEVEL

Easy excursion with snowshoes on snow-covered path.

Wide plateau - light gradient

No points of attention

Suitable for adults in good health conditions who are used to walk on mountain paths considering difference in level and distance to be walked; winter Hiking shoes are required with gripping soles in Vibram material.

Dogs not allowed.

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## RESPONSIBLE TOURISM

The excursions I offer also aim at **supporting local economic activities** and at **living unique experiences** closely in touch with and with respect to people and places.

That's why they often include tasting experiences and/or chance to buy local products directly from producers, mainly small local activities working hard and with passion to keep traditions alive;

That's why groups I accompany are usually small ... in order to meet and live local people and enter their lives and the calmness of the place on tiptoes.

**The Cape Town Declaration** in 2002 recognises that Responsible Tourism takes a variety of forms, it is characterised by travel and tourism which:

- minimises negative economic, environmental and social impacts;
- generates greater economic benefits for local people and enhances the well-being of host communities, improves working conditions and access to the industry;
- involves local people in decisions that affect their lives and life changes;
- makes positive contributions to the conservation of natural and cultural heritage, to the maintenance of the world's diversity;
- provides more enjoyable experiences for tourists through more meaningful connections with local people, and a greater understanding of local cultural, social and environmental issues;
- provide access for people with disabilities and the disadvantaged;
- is culturally sensitive, engenders respect between tourists and hosts, and builds local pride and confidence.

### Programme

- Meeting point 9am at the entrance of cable car to Artavaggio in Moggio; car parking in the area; earlier meeting in Lecco Bione car parking at 8am;
- Excursion to farmhouse as per description; short break on the way.
- Cable car to Artavaggio plateau and snowshoes excursion; briefing on the use of avalanche transceiver;
- Lunch at the mountain hut (optional) upon reservation and return to car parking early afternoon.

**ATTENTION: Programme could vary according to snow conditions and cable car opening period.**

### **CANCELLATION/POSTPONEMENT**

The excursion can be cancelled or postponed anytime by the Guide at her absolute discretion, in case safe and proper conditions cannot be guaranteed following bad weather conditions on the day of the excursion or on the previous days.

Any fee paid will be considered valid as a voucher on the next excursion or refunded (foreign people); max validity 1 year from first excursion.

In case of cancellation by the participants no refund is due and the amount for snow kit has to be paid anyway.

- In case of lack of snow, destination and/or programme could vary so to guarantee both excursion in nature, even if with no snowshoes, and the briefing on avalanche transceiver.

### Participation fee

Adult: € 20.00;

**Inclusions:** Nature Guide fee accompanying the group - AIGAE LO639; liability insurance.

**Exclusions:** any lunch and break; any transport to the meeting point; renting of snowshoes and self rescue kit; injury insurance for participants; any service not included in the item "inclusions".

### EXTRA COSTS TO BE PAID ON SITE

Cable car or different transport to reach snowy area



22 € renting of snowshoes and self-rescue kit, shovel and probe **TO BE PAID SEPARATELY 2 DAYS BEFORE THE EXCURSION**

Reservation required within **THURSDAY 15th DECEMBER 2022** on the chart of the event on my website [www.trekandtaste.com](http://www.trekandtaste.com) or by contacting me directly: e-mail [sabrina@trekandtaste.it](mailto:sabrina@trekandtaste.it) and mobile +39 347 04 05 703.

MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 5

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 12

Participation to the excursions implies unconditioned acceptance of the [rules](#) available on my website [www.trekandtaste.com](http://www.trekandtaste.com).

### **INJURY INSURANCE FOR TREKKERS**

Participation fee only includes liability insurance; no injury insurance coverage is provided to Participants to the excursion. It is advisable to take out a suitable injury insurance.

EIC Organization offer an annual injury insurance which can be activated by the Trip&Trek app and amounting to 10 euros per year, per person. The insurance is valid 1 year whenever you participate to an excursion with and AIGAE Guide. For more details, please contact [info@escursioni-italia.it](mailto:info@escursioni-italia.it).

### **How to reach the meeting point**

Artavaggio plateau is a location in Valsassina in the municipality of Moggio (Lecco) and can be easily reached by your own car.

In case you want to share car, car parking in Lecco Bione is at the SS36 exit. Travel costs to be shared among passengers.

### **Clothes and equipment**

- Winter hiking shoes, waterproof, are required, preferably high laced-up and having soles in Vibram material to walk safely; .
- Trekking poles with larger snow basket to improve performance in deep snow;
- Hiking gaiter
- Backpack to carry personal belongings, spare clothing, and water supplies (at least 1 litre per person) and some snacks.

ATTENTION: backpack should also fit shovel and probe.

- Dress in layers (technical underwear, t-shirt, long-sleeved shirt, duvet, softshell, gloves and wool cap)
- Headlamp;
- Sunglasses.

**Trekkers not adequately equipped and dressed will not be allowed to participate to the excursion.**

### **Containment measures**

According to rules in force at the time of excursion.

