

The Cavaglia Glacier Garden

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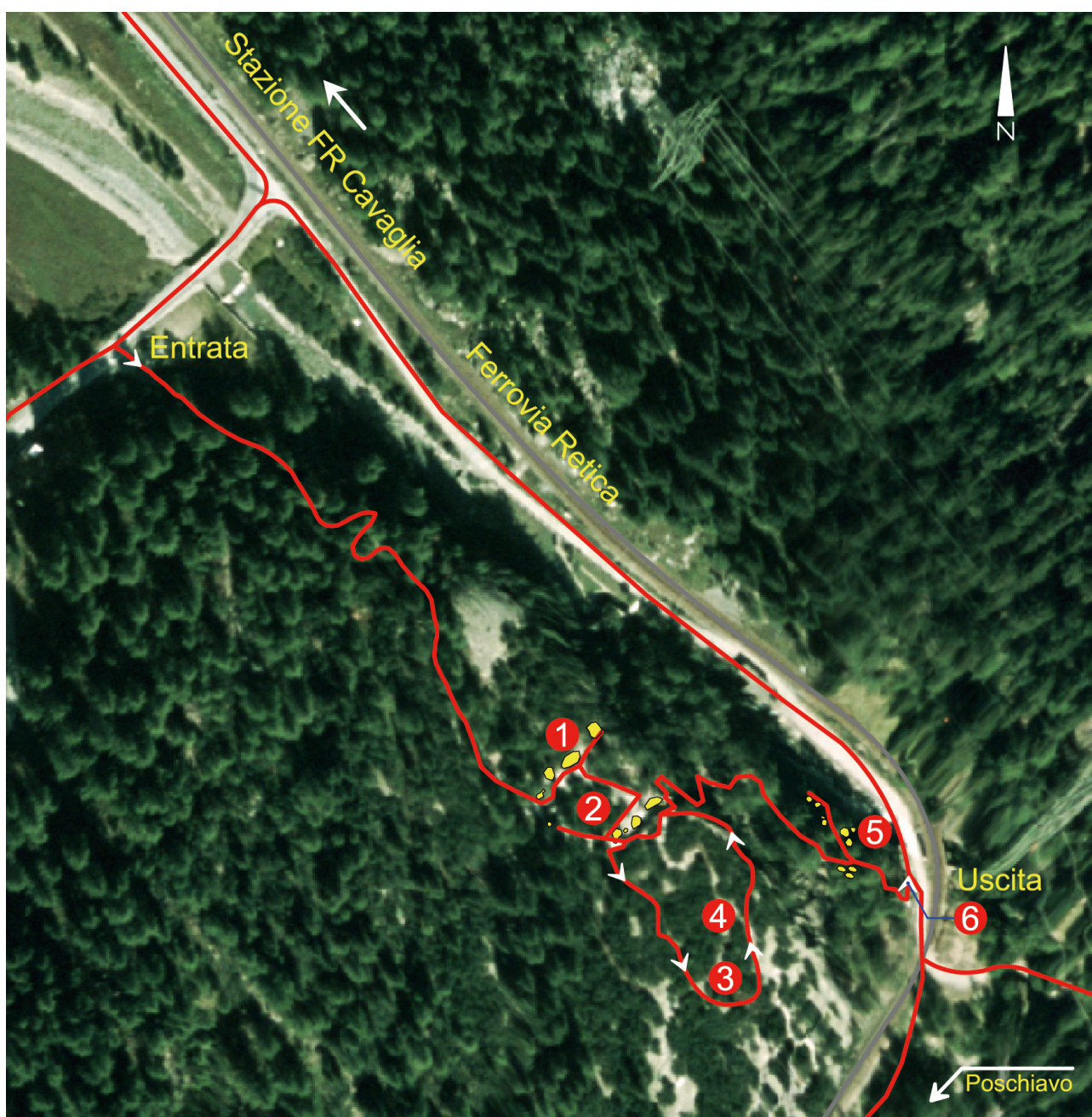
Pothole itinerary

Description of the path and the potholes

The Glacier Garden entrance can be reached from Cavaglia railway station in about ten minutes.

During the ascent to the potholes, about three quarters of the way, a **large erratic boulder** sitting on a huge rock can be seen on the top left hand side: a testimony of the glacial period.

The retreat of the glacier saw the return of vegetation and, in particular, the growth of many mountain pines on the Moti da Cavagliola glacial threshold through a process of adaptation lasting thousands of years. Many unexplored potholes are still present amongst the vegetation.





Cavaglia railway station



Glacier Garden entrance

Mean diameter and depth of the potholes:

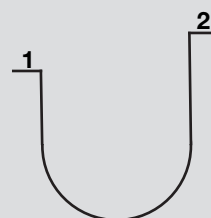
Ø North - South



Ø East - West



Depth



Pothole group 1



Coffee pothole



Ø 0.340 m



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Depth 1 0.600 m

Depth 2 1.020 m



Pothole nr. 01



Ø 1.300 m



Ø 2.025 m

Depth 1 3.925 m

Depth 2 5.209 m



Pothole nr. 02

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 4.066 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 3.760 m
 Depth 1 3.500 m
 Depth 2 5.480 m



Pothole nr. 03

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 4.530 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 7.100 m
 Depth 1 4.962 m
 Depth 2 6.764 m

Pothole nr. 04 - composed by two communicating elements



$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 5.500 m

$\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 3.820 m

Depth 1
 5.310 m

Depth 2
 9.400 m

A large, smooth, rounded rock formation, possibly a glacial erratic, is the central focus. It has a light greyish-brown color and a polished, curved surface. In the lower-middle part of the rock, there is a dark, circular opening that resembles a keyhole or an eye. The opening is filled with dark water, and a small, light-colored object is visible inside. The rock is surrounded by green foliage, including pine branches with needles and small white flowers, and other jagged, layered rock formations. The background is a mix of grey and white rock surfaces.

 Ø 3.500 m  Ø 3.340 m
 Depth 1 5.320 m
 Depth 2 6.720 m



 Ø 1.230 m  Ø 1.260 m
 Depth 1 2.840 m
 Depth 2 5.250 m





Pothole nr. 06

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 2.900 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 2.400 m
 Depth 1 10.800 m
 Depth 2 14.100 m



Pothole nr. 07

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 3.840 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 5.230 m
 Depth 1 10.200 m
 Depth 2 11.350 m



Panoramic viewpoint overlooking the Poschiavo valley



Biotope with its typical alpine vegetation

Pothole group 3



Pothole nr. 08

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 2.470 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 2.310 m
 Depth 1 4.900 m
 Depth 2 5.950 m



Pothole nr. 09

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 2.420 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 2.720 m
 Depth 1 1.970 m
 Depth 2 11.970 m



Pothole nr. 10

$\updownarrow$ $\varnothing$ 1.770 m $\longleftrightarrow$ $\varnothing$ 1.970 m
 Overlooking the Cavagliasco gorge



The three spectacular potholes nr. 08, 09 and 10 overlook the Cavagliasco gorge





Pothole nr. 11

$\updownarrow$ Ø 2.250 m $\longleftrightarrow$ Ø 1.930 m
 Depth 1 3.960 m
 Depth 2 6.060 m



Pothole nr. 11b

$\updownarrow$ Ø 0.930 m $\longleftrightarrow$ Ø 0.940 m
 Depth 1 1.710 m
 Depth 2 3.350 m



Potholes nr. 11 and 11b are linked





Pothole nr. 12

↑ ↓ Ø 1.950 m ↔ Ø 1.160 m
 Depth 1 1.660 m
 Depth 2 2.860 m



Pothole nr. 13

↑ ↓ Ø 2.470 m ↔ Ø 2.310 m
 Depth 1 4.900 m
 Depth 2 5.950 m