

Ferrata Oliva Detassis

AREA

Dolomites - Brenta

PEAK

Cima Brenta

FACE

West

ALTITUDE

2900m

DIFFICULTY

Very Difficult

TIME

3 hours from Rifugio Brentei to Rifugio Alimonta.

BEAUTY

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DESCRIPTION OF DIFFICULTY

Extremely exposed itinerary up steep ladders. Well-equipped throughout.



ASCENT

From Rifugio dei Brentei climb up the wide gully keeping left, walk past the Sentiero Sosat fork and continue, following signs, up right. After about 50 mins reach the signpost for the Bocchette Alte and, instead of continuing up to Rifugio Alimonta, turn off left along path no. 396. This leads into the beautiful Vedretta dei Brentei valley. Traverse carefully along the right-hand side across small snow patches to reach the base of the ferrata. This is situated high to the right at the valley head and, given the danger of falling rocks, we recommend you wear your helmet well before reaching this start.

The ferrata begins immediately in earnest up steep ladders to gain height extremely quickly. Ledges offer welcome rest and view points onto the valley below, before continuing up rightwards past some wet cables (take care) to meet up with the Ferrata delle Bocchette Alte to the left of the exposed Bocca Bassa dei Massodi (2790m). Reach this by following the cables right (instead of following the other cables up north to the Bocchette Alte) and, having carefully crossed this col, climb up to Cima Molveno. Descend easily to the



DESCENT

From Rifugio Alimonta walk down the obvious and well-marked path to Rifugio dei Brentei, 2182m, in about an hour. Return to the Rifugio Vallesinella and the car park in a further 1.30 hours.

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LINKS

<http://cortina.dolomiti.org>
<http://www.planetmountain.com>
<http://www.guidecortina.com>

TOTAL ASCENT

1400m

FERRATA ASCENT

200m

PERIOD

June- October

POPULARITY

Medium

GEAR

Normal via ferrata kit. Ice axe and crampons necessary at the start of the season

INTRODUCTION

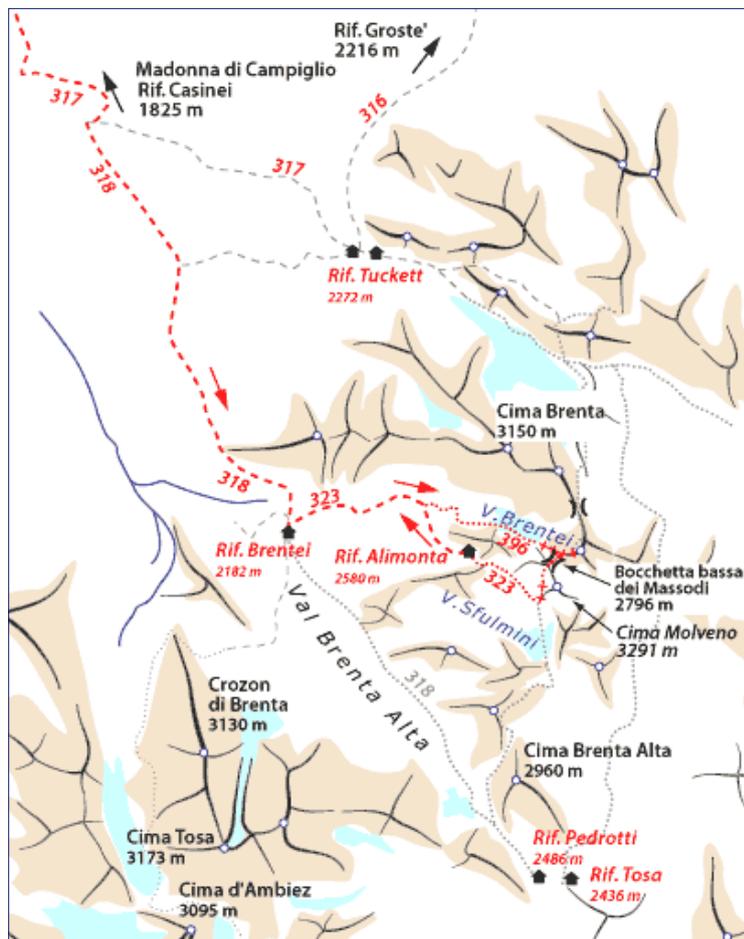
With its long and exposed series of ladders the "Oliva Detassis" is widely regarded one of the most difficult ferrate in the Brenta Dolomites. The itinerary is often cold and wet but it offers a rare and very particular view onto the wild valley and Vedretta dei Sfulmini glacier deep below. It is often climbed as the start, or the end, of the Bocchette Alte, but without a doubt it is to be considered a ferrata in its own right and not to be underestimated.

GETTING THERE

From Madonna di Campiglio drive to Rifugio Vallesinella (1513m).

ACCESS

From Rifugio Vallesinella (1513m) take path no. 317 to Rifugio Casinei (1825m) and then continue on path no. 318 Sentiero dei Brentei in two hours to Rifugio dei Brentei (2182m).



Vedretta dei Sfulmini glacier and Rifugio Alimonta (2580m).

