

## 54 Lac de Bastani, 2089m, and Monte Renoso, 2352m

4.15 hrs.



### Two-thousander without difficulty

Out of the »Big Six« – Monte Cinto, Monte Rotondo, Paglia Orba, Monte Padru, Monte d'Oro and Monte Renoso – Monte Renoso is certainly the easiest to reach. The route is worth taking if only to experience the idyllically situated Bastani lake and to enjoy sweeping views of Southern Corsica and also of Monte d'Oro and Monte Rotondo.

**Location:** Ghisoni, 635m.

**Starting point:** Gîte U Renosu, 1670m, at the Capannelle ski resort. From Ghisoni drive 6.5km towards the Col de Verde, turn right to the ski resort (11km). Just before reaching the resort, turn right again onto the road to the gîte.

**Height difference:** 750m.

**Grade:** easy walk, the first stretch is somewhat strenuous but the path is well-marked.

**Refreshment and accommodation:** U Fugone Gîte d'étape by the ski resort, hotel in Ghisoni.



**Alternatives:** the route can also be started from the gîte d'étape (add 20 mins. to the overall time). Circular route: Renoso – Col de Pruno – Bergeries des Pozzi – Plateau de Gialgone (then via the GR 20) – car park (total time 9 hrs.).

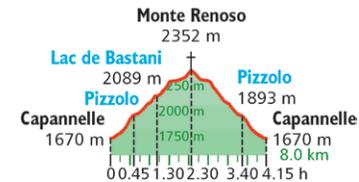
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Bastani lake with Monte Renoso.

Starting from the **car park** at the end of the road, head south, pass the Gîte U Renosu and climb the upper gravel road. When the road ends, a cairn-marked path continues to the right, following the ascending ridgeline to reach, after a total of 45 minutes, a small, **meadow-blanketed plateau** (1893m) where the Pizzolo stream flows along its course. You cross the meadow to the left of a basin, criss-crossed by rivulets (a pretty spot for a picnic) and climb easily to the left along an almost imperceptible ridge. In no time at all, the high ridge appears which will lead to the summit. Cross over another high valley bearing left (if you continue straight on through the valley you can ascend directly up to the Renoso ridge) and after 1½ hrs. reach the shores of **Bastani lake**, 2089m, nestling in a hollow.

Now continue right up along the ridge and before the next hollow, ascend to the right, up to the top of the ridge (just under half an hour; make a note of the path for the descent in case the mist comes down suddenly). The broad desert-like ridge leads left uphill to reach the summit of **Monte Renoso** (½ hr.). The highest point of the peak is marked with a metal cross.



*Idyllic meadowed plateau half way along the path to Bastani lake.*

