

10) On the Seikofel-Monte Covolo – the quiet world of marshy country at high altitude

Starting point: Moso/Berghotel (1370 m)

At a quick view: Berghotel - Froneben – crossing Saumahd – Monte Covolo/Seikofel – Lago Nero/black lake – Camping - Berghotel

Difference in altitude: 540 m

Highest point: Monte Covolo/Seikofel 1.908 m

Time of walking: 4 hours

Length of trail: ca. 9 km

Difficulty: 3 shoe excursion

Description of the way: From the Berghotel we go right upwards to the Froneben Gasthaus (1540 m). Now we walk on way nr. 139 across the marshy fields "Obere Olti" until the forest street nr. 13. This way takes us through tight woods to a crossing (1.756 m - Saumahd) and a high cross. We go right (left you reach the Klambach alp) and arrive again in the forest. We follow the forest street up and reach a big clearing. The path 132 on the left side brings us to the Monte Covolo/Seikofel (1.908 m), passing wonderful marshy countries, rare flowers and animals. Some pools are remains from the bombs of the World War I. The Monte Covolo was an ideal lookout in the war and an important point. Now we take the path nr. 131 down towards Passo Monte Croce/Kreuzbergpass. After a short way going up you reach a crossing, there we take the large forest street on the right side (nr. 130) which passes the Schwarzsee (black lake) and another marshy field. We arrive at a sign towards Camping which takes us left down on the path nr. 13 passing the Caravan Park - Camping and reaching the way nr. 1. We follow this way and return back at the Berghotel.

Advices and suggestions: a very nice and not too long hike through absolutely quiet woods and marshy fields. Please keep on the path because this area is home to rare species like the capercaillie cock. Bring a good map because orientation is a little bit tricky and food and drinking. The first hut/restaurant is the Camping.

Summary: a very nice panoramic tour who takes us in a little natural paradise - far away from noise and people.

