

The Italian Dolomites

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Alpine Toadflax



Bear's-ear Primrose



Hay meadow, Tamion



Lady's Slipper Orchids

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Day 1

Wednesday 18th June

Weather: warm, some cloud and thundery showers

Group members met Lizzie at Gatwick Airport for the flight to Venice, where we enjoyed good views of the city as we landed at Marco Polo Airport at around 5.30pm. We soon collected our luggage, and met Jessica, who was already in Italy. We loaded the minibuses, and headed north on the A27 towards Belluno. The mountain scenery became more impressive as we travelled, with some stunning evening light on the peaks. We stopped for a break and refreshments in Agordo town square. The final leg of our journey took us via Cencenighe, where we turned west to Falcade, over the Passo San Pellegrino, and down into the Fassa Valley. It was nearly dark when we reached the little hamlet of Tamion and the Hotel Gran Mugon, our base for the week. We received a warm welcome from Katia and Stefano, and had a light but excellent meal, before retiring for some welcome rest.

Day 2

Thursday 19th June

Weather: hot and sunny; a thunderstorm overnight

We had a fairly leisurely start to the day and after a splendid breakfast we walked from the hotel to explore the meadows and woods round Tamion. Swallows were swooping round the buildings, Fieldfares were feeding in the meadows and House and Italian Sparrows were busy round a nearby barn. We walked up past the tiny church, and soon found a flowery bank where we started to get our eyes in tune for the local plants, which included Golden Hawk's-beard, (*Crepis aurea*), the dark blue Dragonmouth (*Horminum pyrenaicum*) and Meadow Clary (*Salvia pratensis*), the pink Mountain Sainfoin (*Onobrychis montana*), and the white Mountain Clover (*Trifolium montanum*).

The meadows had not yet been cut for hay, and were full of flowers including Hay Rattle (*Rhinanthus minor* agg.), Dark Columbine (*Aquilegia atrata*), Barberry (*Berberis vulgaris*), Alpine Aster (*Aster alpinus*), the very fragrant, prostrate and spiny German Greenweed (*Genista germanica*), Slender Broomrape (*Orobancha gracilis*) with its shiny dark red interior to the flowers, and the Alpine Rose (*Rosa pendulina*), with its spine-free stems. Further on, we found Orange Lilies (*Lilium bulbiferum* subsp. *bulbiferum*) still only in bud, but there were Fragrant Orchids (*Gymnadenia conopsea* agg.) and Round-headed Orchids (*Traunsteinera globosa*). Woodland Ringlets, Small Heath and Common Blues were flying over the meadows, and many of the red and green Garden Chafers were seen.

The path entered a pine wood, with Spruce (*Picea abies* subsp. *abies*) and Larch (*Larix decidua*) where the underlying rocks were Sandstone, and the vegetation showed a corresponding change. Here the plants included Juniper (*Juniperus communis*), the blue Alpine Clematis (*Clematis alpina*), Tormentil (*Potentilla erecta*), a lovely patch of One-flowered Wintergreen (*Moneses uniflora*), and Shrubby Milkwort (*Polygala chamaebuxus*). In a more open patch we found some beautiful Spring Gentians (*Gentiana verna*). As the path became more open again, we also found a few flowers of Gypsophila (*Gypsophila repens*) and Mountain Milk-vetch (*Oxytropis jacquinii*) and, in damper flushes, Bird's-eye Primrose (*Primula farinosa*), and Common Butterwort (*Pinguicula vulgaris*).

As we followed the path along the hillside, we found several more orchid species: Fly Orchids (*Ophrys insectifera*), Lesser Butterfly Orchid (*Platanthera bifolia*), rather inaccessible Military Orchids (*Orchis militaris*) and Common Spotted-orchids (*Dactylorhiza fuchsii*) just coming into flower. Eventually we emerged into another meadow full of flowers, including more Bearded Bellflower (*Campanula barbata*), Tofield's Asphodel (*Tofieldia calyculata*), Giant Cat's-ear (*Hypochaeris uniflora*), and masses of Fragrant Orchids (*Gymnadenia conopsea* agg.). Wig Knapweed (*Centaurea pseudophrygia*) and White False Helleborine (*Veratrum album* subsp. *lobelianum*) were found, but not yet in flower. Butterflies included more Woodland Ringlets, Painted Lady, Grizzled Skipper, Red-underwing Skipper, Mazarine Blue, Pearl-bordered Fritillary, Green Hairstreak, and an iridescent blue-green Forester Moth was found.

As time was running out, we retraced our steps back down the path to the hotel, and we had our picnic by the church. Duly refreshed, we boarded the vehicles for the short drive to Pozza di Fassa. We turned up into the Val de Sen Nicolo (also known as the Val San Nicolo) and then the Val di Monzoni where, having negotiated the steep and narrow road, we parked by the Baita di Monzoni. Here the rock is granite, and the conditions acidic. We set off up the track towards the Rifugio Taramelli. Along the track we found plenty of Alpenrose (*Rhododendron ferrugineum*), Yellow Wood Violet (*Viola biflora*), Globeflower (*Trollius europaeus*) and Alpine Coltsfoot (*Homogyne alpina*). Green Alder (*Alnus viridis*) and Alpine Willow (*Salix hegetschweileri*) were noted. The Pasqueflowers were beautiful, with plenty of both Yellow Alpine Pasqueflower (*Pulsatilla alpina* subsp. *apiifolia*) and Spring Pasqueflower (*Pulsatilla verna*), plus white and purple Spring Crocuses (*Crocus vernus*, which now includes *C. albiflorus*) indicating the lateness of the season. There were also many Trumpet Gentians (*Gentiana acaulis*), some Bavarian Gentian (*Gentiana bavarica*), plenty of Dwarf Snowbell (*Soldanella pusilla*), and a few Alpine Snowbell (*Soldanella alpina*).

Butterflies included two Mountain Green-veined Whites, resting by the path, giving good photographic opportunities. Spotted Nutcracker, Chiffchaff and Blackcap were calling in the trees. The stream was still covered by thick snow, which we crossed to reach the Rifugio Taramelli. As we were enjoying the stunning views, Christine noticed an animal run across a snow patch, and we found 3 Alpine Ibex on a facing rocky slope. Eventually we retraced our steps, and returned to the hotel, for an excellent evening meal.

Day 3

Friday 20th June

Weather: Mainly fine and sunny

Today our destination was the Rosengarten. After another good breakfast, we drove down to Vigo di Fassa, to catch the cable-car up to the Rifugio Ciampedie. As we left the hotel, a Red Squirrel, with its characteristic dark colour, was seen, together with a patch of Orange Lilies (*Lilium bulbiferum subsp. bulbiferum*). We had a problem with the door of one of the vans, but this was soon fixed by a helpful man in the local garage. As we ascended in the Funivia, a Common Buzzard was spotted and, at the top, Black Redstarts and Crag Martins were present. We began our walk in the direction of the small village of Gardeccia, firstly enjoying the flowery meadow by the rifugios, where Verticillate Lousewort (*Pedicularis verticillata*), Kidney Vetch (*Anthyllis vulneraria*), Alpine Wood Forget-me-not (*Myosotis alpestris*) and Alpine Bird's-foot Trefoil (*Lotus alpina*) provided sheets of colour.

Under the Arolla Pine trees (*Pinus cembra*), Alpenrose (*Rhododendron ferrugineum*) was very much in evidence, together with False Medlar (*Sorbus chamaemespilus*), Blue-berried Honeysuckle (*Lonicera caerulea*), Alpine Butterwort (*Pinguicula alpina*) and Alternate-leaved Golden Saxifrage (*Chrysozplenium alternifolium*). Rock Speedwell (*Veronica fruticans*) was found on the edge of a gully. A Spotted Nutcracker was seen, silhouetted at the top of a pine tree, with another nearby, and a family of Coal Tits were bathing in a stream. A Red Admiral butterfly, and Common Heath and Latticed Heath moths were flying. As we came into a more open area with limestone boulders, Mountain Avens (*Dryas octopetala*) and *Daphne striata* were in flower. In a clear rocky pond we could see Alpine Newts, the marbled patterning showing well.

We had our picnic in a meadow just before the village. A boulder nearby held Bluish Paederota (formerly *Paederota*, now *Veronica bonarota*), and *Lepidoptera* included Little Blues, a Grizzled Skipper and a Silver Y. A Black Redstart was on a nearby fence. A Crossbill was seen in silhouette, and later a male was seen in better light. Climbing up beyond the village, Clusius' Gentian (*Gentiana clusii*) were found, and the leaves of Blue Saxifrage (*Saxifraga caesia*). As the track grew steeper, we moved into an area of Dwarf Alpine Pine (*Pinus mugo*) and massive scattered limestone boulders, interspersed with areas of scree. On the loose stones we found Rhaetian Poppy (*Papaver aurantiacum*), Round-leaved Pennycress (*Thlaspi rotundifolium*) and Heart-leaved Leopard's-bane (*Doronicum columnae*), while on the boulders we found the silvery leaves of Pink Cinquefoil (*Potentilla nitida*), Triglav Gentian (*Gentiana terglouensis*) and the Rampion, *Phyteuma sieberi*, not quite in flower.

Some of the group continued up the steep path to the Rifugio Preuss, which appeared to teeter on the cliff above, while the rest of us explored the boulders. Alpine Choughs were circling round the Rifugio. As we started our descent, we saw a herd of Mouflon on the slope opposite, having excellent views of up to 25 animals, adult males, females and youngsters. Eventually, we returned to Ciampedie, and caught the cable-car back down to Vigo di Fassa. We then travelled the short distance up the road to see the Lady's Slipper Orchids (*Cypripedium calceolus*), which were really abundant this year, and in perfect condition – an excellent finale to another enjoyable day.

Day 4

Saturday 21st June

Weather: Fine and mainly sunny, but some cloud. Cool wind at times.

Today, with the promise of fine weather, we headed south-east to the dramatic peak of Cimon della Pala.

We drove south to the town of Predazzo, where we turned eastwards towards the Rolle Pass. Motorcyclists and cyclists were out in some numbers, but we negotiated the hazards as we climbed up to the Pass at 1972m, and then took a dusty track on up to the Baita Segantini at 2200m, to begin our walk. There was an unusual amount of snow still lying near the rifugio, and it was apparent that elsewhere it had only very recently melted. White and mauve flowered Spring Crocuses were abundant. Once over the main snow patch, the path was clear, and the slopes either side held great numbers of Yellow Alpine Pasqueflower (*Anemone alpina* subsp. *apiifolia*), Least Primrose (*Primula minima*), Trumpet and Spring Gentians (*Gentiana acaulis* and *G. verna*), while Trailing Azalea (*Kalmia procumbens*) was just coming into flower. Water Pipit was seen and heard, as were Alpine Choughs. On a rocky slope we found Purple Saxifrage (*Saxifraga oppositifolia*), with quantities of Monte Baldo Anemone (*Anemone baldensis*) on the bank. At the top was a perfect specimen of Long-flowered Primrose (*Primula halleri*), and Carpathian Cat's-foot (*Antennaria carpatica*).

We then moved up into an area of loose rock and open ground where we found a large number of the white Sequier's Buttercup (*Ranunculus seguieri*) with its very divided leaves, Spring Sandwort (*Minuartia verna*), and Mountain Avens (*Dryas octopetala*). Marmots were heard, and two were seen on the slopes below. Our ultimate aim was to reach an area of broken rocks and boulders below the looming cliffs of Cimon della Pala. Moving on along the edge of the cliffs we found a single flower of the delicate Snowdon Lily (*Gagea*, formerly *Lloydia*, *serotina*), a spike of Alpine Sainfoin (*Hedysarum hedysoides* subsp. *exaltata*) coming into flower, the 'other' Mountain Avens (*Geum montanum*) and Golden Cinquefoil (*Potentilla aurea*). We stopped here for refreshments, joined by a pair of Alpine Chough. Bear's-ears (*Primula auricula*) were in fine flower on the cliff edge. White-winged Snowfinch were seen and, most surprisingly, a Wallcreeper flew past, over the ridge.

We moved on, to the base of the cliffs we had been aiming for, and started to examine the boulders. We soon found one of the specialities: King of the Alps (*Eritrichium nanum*), just starting to flower, together with Alpine Buttercup (*Ranunculus alpestris*) with white flowers but entire, glossy leaves. As we searched the cracks and crevices, we found Austrian Whitlow-grass (*Draba dubia*), the rarer *Draba dolomitica*, the Rock-jasmine *Androsace hausmannii* and another speciality, Tyrolean Primrose (*Primula tyrolensis*). Dwarf Alpenrose (*Rhodothamnus chamaecistus*), the pretty mauve Pyrenean Whitlow-grass (*Petrocallis pyrenaica*), Least Snowbell (*Soldanella minima*) and Triglav Gentian (*Gentiana terglouensis*) were also found. Eventually we dragged ourselves away to return to the Rifugio. More Snowfinches were seen, and a probable Alpine Accentor. The path back crossed several extensive snow patches, and more carpets of Crocus. We had our rather late picnic as the cloud started to engulf the peak.

We then set off over the Passo Valles, towards the Passo San Pellegrino and the Miralago where we explored the track and meadows behind the Rifugio. Plants here included Great Meadow Rue (*Thalictrum aquilegifolia*) and Alpine Clover (*Trifolium alpinum*), and Lesser Butterfly Orchid (*Platanthera bifolia*). The Spotted Gentian (*Gentiana punctata*) was just starting to show colour, while the Martagon Lilies (*Lilium martagon*) and most of the Fragrant Orchids (*Gymnadenia conopsea* agg.) were still in bud. We also found Frog Orchid (*Coeloglossum viride*), Small White Orchid (*Gymnadenia albida*), and after much searching, a single spike of Dark Vanilla Orchid (*Gymnadenia rbellicani*), all still in bud, plus a good patch of Southern Butterwort (*Pinguicula leptoceras*). Nearer the lake, Common Spotted-orchid (*Dactylorhiza fuchsii*) and a form of Early Purple Orchid (*Orchis mascula* subsp. *speciosa* formerly *O. ovalis*) were in flower. A Tree Pipit was singing, and the lake contained large numbers of tadpoles. Running out of time, we completed the circuit, returned to the minibuses, and made our way back to Tamion.

Day 5

Sunday 22nd June

Weather: Hot and sunny

This morning, we drove up to the Val de Sen Nicolo, this time continuing to explore this valley rather than turning off into the Val Monzoni. Following the stream up the valley, we parked the minibuses in the grassy parking area, where we found Smooth Honeywort (*Cerinth glabra*) and Rock Redcurrant (*Ribes petraeum*). A cluster of Little Blue and Mazarine Blue butterflies were taking moisture and minerals at a puddle. As we set off to explore the meadows of this valley, we found Black-berried Honeysuckle (*Lonicera nigra*), and a Broad-bordered Bee Hawkmoth was seen. We enjoyed the different feel of the hay meadows in this valley, with the expanses of now-familiar flowers. Heartsease (*Viola tricolor* subsp. *subalpinum*) and Wood Scabious (*Knautia dipsacifolia*) were new here, and Tree Pipit, Crossbill and Nutcracker were heard.

We branched off the road to the left, finding Garland Flower (*Daphne cneorum*), which is very similar to the *Daphne striata* we had found elsewhere. Here, we also the Austrian Vanilla Orchid (*Gymnadenia austriaca*) and Brown Clover (*Trifolium badum*). Butterflies included Woodland Ringlet, Mountain Green-veined White, Pearl-bordered Fritillary and more Mazarine and Little Blues. By one of the summer-houses was a large patch of the petite dark blue Snow Gentian (*Gentiana nivalis*) and on nearby rocks were small clusters of the relatively unhairly form of Cobweb Houseleek (*Sempervivum arachnoideum* subsp. *arachnoideum*). Here we found an abundance of orchids: Frog (*Coeloglossum viride*), Small White (*Gymnadenia albida*), Fragrant (*Gymnadenia conopsea* agg.), Austrian Vanilla (*Gymnadenia austriaca*), Early Purple (*Orchis mascula* subsp. *speciosa*), and Lesser Butterfly (*Platanthera bifolia*). As we relaxed in the sun, a Berger's Clouded Yellow patrolled the slopes. Eventually we continued towards the Baita, passing flowering Yellow Gentians (*Gentiana lutea*), and Martagon Lilies (*Lilium martagon*) that were showing buds. We walked over to the stream, but there did not seem to be a reasonable path, so we returned to the car park by the road. We set up our picnic on the tables near the car park, where we discovered a clump of Lady's Slipper Orchids (*Cypripedium calceolus*) nearly in flower, and a Ruby Tiger moth.

We then set off for the Costalunga Pass at 1752m asl., where we each enjoyed a traditional *gelato*. Dropping down from the Pass, we branched northwards along a minor road which skirts the foot of the Latemar range. We pulled in, and took the path towards the Kaiserstein, an enormous limestone block, much favoured by climbers. Along the path we found three further clumps of Lady's Slipper orchids in full flower, while the boulders held Shrubby Milkwort (*Polygala chamaebuxus*), Mountain Avens (*Dryas octopetala*) and Wall Rue (*Asplenium ruta-muraria*). Some of the group climbed the Kaiserstein (by the easy route round the back, rather than the sheer rockface!), reporting Silvery Milfoil (*Achillea clavennae*) in flower, and quantities of Bluish Paederota (*Veronica bonarota*). Others were watching insects, including the Giant Ichneumon wasps, *Rhyssa persuasoria*, round a wood pile. On the way back, we stopped above Tamion to look at a sloping meadow which held St. Bruno's Lily (*Paradisea liliastrum*) Burnt Orchids (*Neotinea ustulata*) and Twayblade (*Neottia ovata*). Some of the group went with Ken to view Coralroot Orchids (*Corallorhiza trifida*), while others stopped to photograph Orange Lilies (*Lilium bulbiferum* subsp. *bulbiferum*) growing on a bank above a wall.

Day 6

Monday 23rd June

Weather: Fine and sunny; heavy shower pm., soon clearing, but thunderstorms later

Today we headed north up to the Pordoia Pass (2239m), via Canazei, parking in the main car park at the top of the pass.

We took the footpath, route 601, along the famous 'Bindelweg', mentioned by Farrer, the author, traveller, botanist and flower painter, in his 1913 book 'The Dolomites'. A pair of Snowfinches was feeding on the edge of the car park, the female also collecting nesting material. House Martins and Alpine Chough flew around us. Where the snow had recently melted, we found Alpine Snowbell (*Soldanella alpina*) and Coltsfoot (*Tussilago farfara*), while Alpine Bearberry (*Arctostaphylos alpina*) was coming into flower. There were quantities of Yellow Alpine Pasqueflower (*Anemone alpina* subsp. *apiifolia*) and Monte Baldo Anemone (*Anemone baldensis*), together with Spring and Clusius' Gentian (*Gentiana verna* and *G. clusii*). Smaller plants included One-flowered Fleabane (*Erigeron uniflorus*), Yellow Whitlow-grass (*Draba aizoides*) and Austrian Whitlow-grass (*Draba dubia*). Water Pipits were singing, and we heard then saw several Alpine Marmots enjoying the morning sun on the boulder slopes below. We found Pink Cinquefoil (*Potentilla nitida*) with a single flower open, on a high, inaccessible boulder, but were pleased to find another patch with two flowers, by the path. Ranald reported Swiss Rock-jasmine (*Androsace helvetica*) from another boulder. Willows included; Net-leaved Willow (*Salix reticulata*), Finely-toothed Willow (*Salix breviserrata*), with purplish catkins, and *Salix serpyllifolia*.

We reached the shoulder, where there was a large snow patch, and enjoyed the stunning views. On the slopes, we found Oxlip (*Primula elatior*), Spring Pasqueflower (*Pulsatilla verna*), Least Primrose (*Primula minima*) and Vitaliana (*Androsace vitaliana* subsp. *vitaliana*). More Snowfinches were around us, while Rob and Linda also had very close views of a Ring Ouzel collecting food. Near the Rifugio, we found White Musky Saxifrage (*Saxifraga exarata* subsp. *moschata*), Violet Speedwell (*Veronica bellidioides*) and Pyrenean Buttercup (*Ranunculus keupferi*). Butterflies included Small Tortoiseshell, which were frequent, a few Mountain Green-veined Whites and a Clouded Yellow. Refreshed by coffee, we then made our way back down the path, and drove a short distance back down the road for our picnic.

We had lunch in a meadow with scattered boulders, by a stream, with Arolla and Dwarf Pines (*Pinus cembra* and *Pinus mugo*) around. The rocks were covered in Mountain Avens (*Dryas octopetala*), Matted Globularia (*Globularia cordifolia*), together with Spring Sandwort (*Minuartia verna*) and Alpine Fleabane (*Erigeron alpinus*), while Marsh Marigolds (*Caltha palustris*) grew by the stream. On a boulder by the lay-by we were delighted to find several plants of Edelweiss (*Leontopodium alpinum* – otherwise known as Alpine Cudweed or, by Farrer, 'Flannel Flower'). Alpine Choughs were circling round. Cloud was building and, as we left, the first rain drops fell.

We set off towards the Sella Pass, but we could really appreciate the moodiness of the mountains, as the rain and hail became torrential (surprisingly, no one wanted to leave the buses to take any photographs!). It did not look as if it would clear soon, so we changed our plans, and dropped down to a meadow near Campitello, in the valley bottom, where it appeared never to have rained at all. Here, we found much more accessible Orange Lilies (*Lilium bulbiferum* subsp. *bulbiferum*), together with Scheuchz's Bellflower (*Campanula scheuchzeri*), Bistort (*Persicaria bistorta*), and a magnificent, though sadly dead, Pine Hawkmoth.

Day 7

Tuesday 24th June

Weather: Bright, sun and cloud; thunderstorm later

Today we returned south to Val Venegia, below Cimon della Pala, again driving south to Predazzo and then turning east, but north before the Rolle Pass. By the valley entrance, we had to negotiate round road maintenance vehicles (well driven, Lizzie!), before leaving the vans in the top car park.

We began our walk through some damp meadows, which were purple with spikes of Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid (*Dactylorhiza majalis*), Alpine Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid (*Dactylorhiza alpestris*), and hybrid forms. Where it was slightly drier were Dark Vanilla Orchid (*Gymnadenia rbellicani*), Fragrant Orchid (*Gymnadenia conopsea* agg.) and Frog Orchid (*Coeloglossum viride*), together with Golden Hawk's-beard (*Crepis aurea*) and Bird's-eye Primrose (*Primula farinosa*). In the river gravels we found Rhaetian Poppy (*Papaver aurantiacum*), Alpine Toadflax (*Linaria alpina*) and Soyer's Rock-cress (*Arabis soyeri*). Birds included Tree Pipit, Nutcracker and, further up, a Dipper. A cliff near the rifugio held Bluish Paederota (*Veronica bonarota*), Rock Valerian (*Valeriana saxatile*), and a clump of Blue Saxifrage (*Saxifraga caesia*) covered in flower buds.

We had our picnic at the Rifugio Malga Venegiota, enjoying the stunning scenery and the light and clouds on the peaks. Black Redstarts were nesting nearby. We continued through a more wooded area, before coming out into major areas of scree, where we had an unsuccessful search for the tiny endemic Alpine Scurvy-grass (*Rhizobotrya alpina*), then reaching an upland meadow. Here, on some very large boulders, we found Dwarf Alpenrose (*Rhodothamnus chamaecistus*), Bear's-ear Primrose (*Primula auricula*), Livelong Saxifrage (*Saxifraga paniculata*) frustratingly close to flowering (Nigel and Ken eventually found one flower spike) and two good patches of the rare endemic Tyrolean Primrose (*Primula tyrolensis*). We also found Elongated Valerian (*Valeriana elongata*), the leaves of *Saxifraga crustata*, and Alpine and Retuse-leaved Willows (*Salix alpina* and *S. retusa*). As we returned, Ken showed us Lesser Twayblade (*Neottia cordata*), and John a patch of Hepatica (*Hepatica nobilis*) still in flower.

We then took the road to Falcade on the return journey, stopping on the north-east side of the Passo Valles to look at Livelong Saxifrage (*Saxifraga paniculata*) in full flower. Another stop further down was by a verge containing many spikes of Dark Rampion (*Phyteuma ovatum*), as well as Betony-leaved Rampion (*Phyteuma betonicifolium*), Dusky Crane's-bill (*Geranium phaeum*) and Streptopus (*Streptopus amplexifolius*). We eventually returned to Tamion, later than intended, after a wonderful final day.

Day 8

Wednesday 25th June

Weather: Wet at first, clearing later

After a leisurely breakfast, and with our packing complete, we had a little time to spend before setting off for the airport. Leaving Rob and Linda, who were staying on for the Butterflies of the Dolomites trip, the rest of us packed the bus, bid farewell to Stefano, Katia and Genio, and set off south to Venice's Marco Polo airport. We said goodbye to Jessica, who was meeting the next group. It had been a fabulous week of stunning scenery and alpine flowers.

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Species Lists

Plants

Scientific name	Common name	Location
PTERIDOPHYTES		
Lycophytes		
Lycopodiaceae		
<i>Huperzia selago</i>	Clubmoss Family Fir Clubmoss	Rosengarten
<i>Lycopodium clavatum</i>	Stag's-horn Clubmoss	Val Venegia
Calamophytes		
Equisetaceae		
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Horsetail Family Field Horsetail	Rosengarten
<i>Equisetum hyemale</i>	Dutch Rush	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Equisetum pratense</i>	Shady Horsetail	Tamion
<i>Equisetum sylvaticum</i>	Wood Horsetail	Roadside stop day 7
Leptosporangiate Ferns		
Aspleniaceae		
<i>Asplenium ruta-muraria</i>	Spleenwort family Wall Rue	Path to Kaiserstein
<i>Asplenium viride</i>	Green Spleenwort	Monzoni
Cystopteraceae		
<i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Bladder-fern Family Brittle Bladder-fern	Monzoni
<i>Gymnocarpium dryopteris</i>	Oak Fern	Monzoni
<i>Gymnocarpium robertianum</i>	Limestone Fern	Rosengarten
Dennstaedtiaceae		
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken Family Bracken	Roadsides
Dryopteridaceae		
<i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i>	Buckler-fern Family Narrow Buckler-fern	Rosengarten
<i>Polystichum lonchitis</i>	Holly-fern	Monzoni
GYMNOSPERMS		
Cupressaceae		
<i>Juniperus communis</i>	Juniper Family Common Juniper	Tamion
<i>Juniperus communis subsp. alpina</i>	Dwarf Juniper	Monzoni
Pinaceae		
<i>Larix decidua</i>	Pine Family European Larch	Tamion
<i>Picea abies subsp. abies</i>	Spruce	Tamion
<i>Pinus cembra</i>	Arolla Pine	Rosengarten
<i>Pinus mugo</i>	Dwarf Mountain Pine	Rosengarten
<i>Pinus nigra subsp. nigra</i>	Austrian or Black Pine	Tamion
<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	Scots Pine	Tamion
ANGIOSPERMS		
Eu-dicots		
Adoxaceae		
<i>Sambucus racemosa</i>	Moschatel Family Red-berried Elderberry	Val de Sen Nicolo
FERNS & ALLIES		
True Ferns		
CONIFERS		
FLOWERING PLANTS		
True Dicotyledons		

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Apiaceae	Carrot Family	
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	Cow Parsley	Tamion
<i>Athamanta cretensis</i>	Athamanta	Tamion
<i>Chaerophyllum hirsutum</i>	Hairy Chervil	Val Venegia
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>	Hogweed	Ciampitello (leaves)
<i>Laserpitium latifolium</i>	Broad-leaved Sermountain	Tamion (leaves)
<i>Ligusticum mutellina</i>	Alpine Lovage	Val Venegia
<i>Ligusticum mutellinoides</i>	Unbranched Lovage	Passo Pordoi
<i>Peucedanum ostruthium</i>	Masterwort	Rosengarten
<i>Pimpinella major</i>	Greater Burnet-saxifrage	Tamion
Asteraceae	Daisy Family	
<i>Achillea clavennae</i>	Silvery Milfoil	Rosengarten
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow	Tamion
<i>Achillea oxyloba</i>	Alpine Sneezewort	Rosengarten
<i>Adenostyles alliariae</i>	Adenostyles	Tamion (leaves)
<i>Antennaria carpathica</i>	Carpathian Cat's-foot	Cimon della Pala
<i>Antennaria dioica</i>	Cat's-foot	Tamion
<i>Aposeris foetida</i>	Aposeris	Val Venegia
<i>Arnica montana</i>	Arnica	Tamion
<i>Aster alpinus</i>	Alpine Aster	Tamion
<i>Bellidiastrum michelii</i>	False Aster	Tamion
<i>Buphthalmum salicifolium</i>	Yellow Oxeye	Tamion
<i>Carduus defloratus</i>	Alpine Thistle	Tamion
<i>Carduus personata</i>	Great Marsh Thistle	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Carlina acaulis</i>	Stemless Carline Thistle	Rosengarten
<i>Centaurea montana</i>	Perennial Cornflower	Passo Costalunga
<i>Centaurea nervosa</i>	Plume Knapweed	Roadside stop day 7
<i>Centaurea pseudophrygia</i>	Wig Knapweed	Tamion
<i>Cirsium acaule</i>	Stemless Thistle	Tamion
<i>Cirsium eriophorum</i>	Woolly Thistle	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Cirsium erisithales</i>	Yellow Melancholy Thistle	Rosengarten
<i>Cirsium heterophyllum</i>	Melancholy Thistle	Roadside stop day 7
<i>Cirsium spinosissimum</i>	Spiniest Thistle	Val Venegia
<i>Crepis aurea</i>	Golden Hawk's-beard	Tamion
<i>Doronicum columnae</i>	Heart-leaved Leopard's-bane	Rosengarten
<i>Erigeron acris</i>	Blue Fleabane	Passo Valles
<i>Erigeron alpinus</i>	Alpine Fleabane	Passo Pordoi
<i>Erigeron neglectus</i>	Neglected Fleabane	Rosengarten
<i>Erigeron uniflorus</i>	One-flowered Fleabane	Cimon della Pala
<i>Hieracium alpinum agg</i>	Alpine Hawkweed	Below Passo Pordoi (leaves)
<i>Homogyne alpina</i>	Alpine Colt's-foot	Tamion
<i>Hypochaeris uniflora</i>	Giant Cat's-ear	Tamion
<i>Jacobaea alpinus (Senecio cordatus)</i>	Alpine Ragwort	Val Venegia
<i>Leontodon hispidus</i>	Rough Hawkbit	Tamion
<i>Leontopodium alpinum</i>	Edelweiss	Below Passo Pordoi
<i>Leucanthemopsis alpina</i>	Alpine Moon Daisy	Monzoni
<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	Ox-eye daisy	Tamion
<i>Petasites alba</i>	White Butterbur	Monzoni
<i>Pilosella officinarum agg.</i>	Mouse-eared Hawkweed	Tamion
<i>Scorzonera aristata</i>	Bearded Viper's-grass	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Scorzonera humilis</i>	Viper's-grass	Tamion
<i>Senecio squalidus</i>	Rock Ragwort	Tamion

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<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	Rosengarten
<i>Solidago virgaurea</i>	Goldenrod	Below Passo Pordoi
<i>Taraxacum agg</i>	Dandelion	Tamion
<i>Tephrosia longifolia</i> (<i>S. ovirensis</i>)	Southern Ragwort	Val Venegia
<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	a Goat's-beard	Tamion
<i>Tussilago farfara</i>	Colt's-foot	Monzoni
Berberidaceae	Barberry Family	
<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	Barberry	Tamion
Betulaceae	Birch Family	
<i>Alnus viridis</i>	Green Alder	Monzoni
<i>Betula pendula</i>	Silver Birch	Rosengarten
Boraginaceae	Forget-me-not Family	
<i>Cerinth glabra</i>	Smooth Honeywort	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	Viper's-bugloss	Roadsides
<i>Eritrichium nanum</i>	King of the Alps	Cimon della Pala
<i>Myosotis alpestris</i>	Alpine Wood Forget-me-not	Monzoni
<i>Myosotis sylvatica</i>	Wood Forget-me-not	Tamion
<i>Pulmonaria australis</i>	a Lungwort	Monzoni
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family	
<i>Arabis alpina</i> subsp. <i>caucasica</i>	Alpine Rock-cress	Monzoni
<i>Arabis bellidifolia</i>	an Alpine Rock-cress	Cimon della Pala
<i>Arabis hirsuta</i>	Hairy Rock-cress	Rosengarten
<i>Arabis soyeri</i>	Soyer's Rock-cress	Val Venegia
<i>Arabis vochinensis</i>	Compact Rock-cress	Rosengarten
<i>Biscutella laevigata</i>	Buckler Mustard	Tamion
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's Purse	Tamion
<i>Cardamine amara</i>	Large Bitter-cress	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Cardamine enneaphyllos</i>	Drooping Bitter-cress	Val Venegia (in seed)
<i>Cardamine resedifolia</i>	Mignonette-leaved Bitter-cress	Monzoni
<i>Draba aizoides</i>	Yellow Whitlow-grass	Passo Pordoi
<i>Draba dolomitica</i>	Dolomite Whitlow-grass	Cimon della Pala
<i>Draba dubia</i>	Austrian Whitlow-grass	Cimon della Pala
<i>Kerneria saxatilis</i>	Kerneria	Rosengarten
<i>Petrocalis pyrenaica</i>	Pyrenean Whitlow-grass	Cimon della Pala
<i>Pritzelago alpina</i>	Chamois Cress	Rosengarten
<i>Thlaspi rotundifolium</i> subsp. <i>rotundifolium</i>	Round-leaved Pennycress	Rosengarten
Campanulaceae	Bellflower Family	
<i>Campanula barbata</i>	Bearded Bellflower	Tamion
<i>Campanula glomerata</i>	Clustered Bellflower	Tamion
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Harebell	Path to Kaiserstein
<i>Campanula scheuchzeri</i>	Scheuchz's Bellflower	Tamion
<i>Phyteuma betonicifolium</i>	Betony-leaved Rampion	Roadside stop day 7
<i>Phyteuma orbiculare</i>	Round-headed Rampion	Tamion
<i>Phyteuma ovatum</i>	Dark Rampion	Roadside stop day 7
<i>Phyteuma sieberi</i>	Dolomite Rampion	Rosengarten
Caprifoliaceae	Honeysuckle Family	
<i>Knautia arvensis</i>	Field Scabious	Tamion

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<i>Knautia dipsacifolia</i>	Wood Scabious	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Lonicera alpigena</i>	Alpine Honeysuckle	Rosengarten
<i>Lonicera caerulea</i>	Blue-berried Honeysuckle	Rosengarten
<i>Lonicera nigra</i>	Black Honeysuckle	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Valeriana dioica</i>	Marsh Valerian	Val Venegia
<i>Valeriana elongata</i>	Elongated Valerian	Val Venegia
<i>Valeriana montana</i>	Mountain Valerian	Tamion
<i>Valeriana saxatilis</i>	Rock Valerian	Val Venegia
<i>Valeriana supina</i>	Dwarf Valerian	Rosengarten
<i>Valeriana tripteris</i>	Three-leaved Valerian	Rosengarten
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
<i>Cerastium arvense</i>	Field Mouse-ear	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Common Mouse-ear	Cimon della Pala
<i>Gypsophila repens</i>	Alpine Gypsophila	Tamion
<i>Minuartia austriaca</i>	Austrian Sandwort	Rosengarten
<i>Minuartia sedoides</i>	Mossy Cyphel	Rosengarten
<i>Minuartia verna</i>	Spring Sandwort	Rosengarten
<i>Moehringia ciliata</i>	Creeping Sandwort	Rosengarten
<i>Saponaria ocymoides</i>	Rock Soapwort	Monzoni
<i>Silene acaulis</i>	Moss Campion	Monzoni
<i>Silene alpestris</i>	Alpine Catchfly	Val Venegia
<i>Silene dioica</i>	Red Campion	Tamion
<i>Silene (Lychnis) flos-cuculi</i>	Ragged Robin	Tamion
<i>Silene nutans</i>	Nottingham Catchfly	Tamion
<i>Silene pusilla</i>	a Catchfly	Rosengarten
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Campion	Tamion
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Common Chickweed	Cimon della Pala
<i>Stellaria nemorum</i>	Wood Chickweed	Val Venegia
Chenopodiaceae	Goosefoot Family	
<i>Chenopodium bonus-henricus</i>	Good King Henry	Tamion
Celastraceae	Spindle Family	
<i>Parnassia palustris</i>	Grass of Parnassus	Rosengarten (leaves)
Cistaceae	Rock-rose Family	
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	Rock-rose	Tamion
<i>Helianthemum oelandicum</i> subsp. <i>incanum</i>	Hoary Rock-rose	Tamion
<i>Helianthemum oelandicum</i> subsp. <i>oelandicum</i>	Alpine Rock-rose	Passo Pordoi
Crassulaceae	Stonecrop Family	
<i>Rhodiola rosea</i>	Roseroot	Monzoni
<i>Sedum acre</i>	Biting Stonecrop	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Sedum atratum</i> subsp. <i>atratum</i>	Dark Stonecrop	Rosengarten
<i>Sedum dasyphyllum</i>	Fat-leaved Stonecrop	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Sempervivum arachnoideum</i> subsp. <i>arachnoideum</i>	a Cobweb Houseleek	Val de Sen Nicolo
Ericaceae	Heather Family	
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>	Bearberry	Monzoni
<i>Arctostaphylos alpina</i>	Alpine Bearberry	Passo Pordoi
<i>Erica carnea</i>	Spring Heath	Tamion
<i>Kalmia procumbens</i>	Trailing Azalea	Cimon della Pala

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<i>Moneses uniflora</i>	One-flowered Wintergreen	Tamion
<i>Orthilia secunda</i>	Nodding Wintergreen	Rosengarten
<i>Pyrola media</i>	Intermediate Wintergreen	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Pyrola rotundifolia</i>	Round-leaved Wintergreen	Val Venegia
<i>Rhododendron ferrugineum</i>	Alpenrose	Monzoni
<i>Rhododendron hirsutum</i>	Hairy Alpenrose	Rosengarten (in bud)
<i>Rhodothamnus chamaecistus</i>	Dwarf Alpenrose	Cimon della Pala
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	Bilberry	Monzoni
<i>Vaccinium uliginosum</i>	Bog Whortleberry	Rosengarten
<i>Vaccinium vitis-idaea</i>	Cowberry	Val Venegia
Fabaceae	Pea Family	
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> agg	Kidney Vetch	Tamion
<i>Astragalus alpinus</i>	Alpine Milk-vetch	Miralago
<i>Astragalus australis</i>	Southern Milk-vetch	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Astragalus monspessulanus</i>	Montpellier Milk-vetch / False Vetch	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Astragalus penduliflorus</i>	Mountain Lentil	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Genista germanica</i>	German Greenweed	Tamion
<i>Hedysarum hedysaroides</i> subsp. <i>exaltatum</i>	Alpine Sainfoin	Cimon della Pala
<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	Horseshoe Vetch	Tamion
<i>Lathyrus laevigatus</i>	Yellow Pea	Miralago
<i>Lathyrus pratensis</i>	Meadow Vetchling	Tamion
<i>Lathyrus vernus</i>	Spring Vetch	Rosengarten
<i>Lotus alpinus</i>	Alpine Bird's-foot Trefoil	Rosengarten
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Bird's-foot Trefoil	Tamion
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i>	Small Sainfoin	Tamion
<i>Onobrychis montana</i>	Mountain Sainfoin	Tamion
<i>Oxytropis campestris</i>	Yellow Milk-vetch	Passo Pordoi
<i>Oxytropis jacquinii</i>	Mountain Milk-vetch	Tamion
<i>Trifolium alpinum</i>	Alpine Clover	Miralago
<i>Trifolium badum</i>	Brown Clover	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Trifolium montanum</i>	Mountain Clover	Tamion
<i>Trifolium pratense</i> subsp. <i>pratense</i>	Red Clover	Tamion
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	Tamion
<i>Vicia cracca</i>	Tufted Vetch	Ciampitello
<i>Vicia sepium</i>	Bush Vetch	Val de Sen Nicolo
Gentianaceae	Gentian Family	
<i>Gentiana acaulis</i>	Trumpet Gentian	Monzoni
<i>Gentiana barvarica</i>	Bavarian Gentian	Monzoni
<i>Gentiana clusii</i>	Clusius's Gentian	Rosengarten
<i>Gentiana lutea</i>	Yellow Gentian	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Gentiana nivalis</i>	Snow Gentian	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Gentiana punctata</i>	Spotted Gentian	Miralago
<i>Gentiana terglouensis</i>	Triglav Gentian	Rosengarten
<i>Gentiana verna</i>	Spring Gentian	Tamion
<i>Gentianella germanica</i>	Chiltern or German Gentian	Tamion
Geraniaceae	Crane's-bill Family	
<i>Geranium phaeum</i>	Dusky Crane's-bill	Roadsides
<i>Geranium pyrenaicum</i>	Hedgerow Crane's-bill	Tamion
<i>Geranium sylvaticum</i>	Wood Crane's-bill	Tamion

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Grossulariaceae <i>Ribes petraeum</i>	Gooseberry Family Rock Redcurrant	Val de Sen Nicolo
Lamiaceae <i>Ajuga pyramidalis</i> <i>Clinopodium (Acinos) alpinum</i> <i>Horminum pyrenaicum</i> <i>Lamium album</i> <i>Prunella grandiflora</i> <i>Prunella vulgaris</i> <i>Salvia pratensis</i> <i>Stachys alopecuroides</i> <i>Stachys recta</i> <i>Teucrium montanum</i> <i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	Dead-nettle Family Pyramidal Bugle Alpine Basil Thyme Dragonmouth White Dead-nettle Large-flowered Self-heal Self-heal Meadow Clary Yellow Betony Perennial Yellow Woundwort Wild Thyme	Monzoni Tamion Tamion Rosengarten Tamion Tamion Tamion Tamion Tamion Tamion Tamion
Lentibulariaceae <i>Pinguicula alpina</i> <i>Pinguicula leptoceras</i> <i>Pinguicula vulgaris</i>	Bladderwort Family Alpine Butterwort Southern Butterwort Common Butterwort	Rosengarten Miralago Tamion
Linaceae <i>Linum catharticum</i>	Flax Family Purging or Fairy Flax	Tamion
Onagraceae <i>Chamerion angustifolium</i> <i>Epilobium alsinifolium</i>	Willowherb Family Rosebay Willowherb Chickweed Willowherb	Monzoni (leaves) Val de Sen Nicolo
Orobanchaceae <i>Bartsia alpina</i> <i>Euphrasia rosikoviana</i> agg. <i>Melampyrum sylvaticum</i> <i>Orobanche gracilis</i> <i>Pedicularis elongata</i> <i>Pedicularis rosea</i> <i>Pedicularis verticillata</i> <i>Rhinanthus minor</i> agg.	Broomrape Family Alpine Bartsia an Eyebright Wood Cow-wheat Slender Broomrape a Yellow Lousewort Pink Lousewort Verticillate Lousewort Hay Rattle	Rosengarten Tamion Tamion Tamion Tamion Rosengarten / Passo Pordoi Tamion Tamion
Oxalidaceae <i>Oxalis acetosella</i>	Wood Sorrel Family Wood Sorrel	Tamion
Papaveraceae <i>Papaver aurantiacum (P. rhaeticum)</i> <i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Poppy Family Rhaetian Poppy Common Poppy	Rosengarten Roadsides
Plantaginaceae <i>Globularia cordifolia</i> <i>Linaria alpina</i> <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> <i>Plantago major</i> <i>Plantago media</i> <i>Veronica aphylla</i> <i>Veronica bellidioides</i>	Plantain Family Matted Globularia Alpine Toadflax Ribwort Plantain Greater Plantain Hoary Plantain Leafless-stemmed Speedwell Violet Speedwell	Tamion Monzoni Tamion Tamion Tamion Rosengarten Passo Pordoi

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<i>Veronica (Paederota) bonarota</i>	Bluish Paederota	Rosengarten
<i>Veronica chamaedrys</i>	Germander Speedwell	Tamion
<i>Veronica frutiucans</i>	Rock Speedwell	Rosengarten
<i>Veronica officinalis</i>	Heath Speedwell	Tamion
<i>Veronica serpyllifolia subsp. humifusa</i>	a Thyme-leaved Speedwell	Rosengarten
Plumbaginaceae	Thrift Family	
<i>Armeria alpina</i>	Mountain Thrift	Passo Pordoi
Polygalaceae	Milkwort Family	
<i>Polygala alpestris</i>	Mountain Milkwort	Rosengarten
<i>Polygala amara</i>	Bitter Milkwort	Tamion
<i>Polygala chamaebuxus</i>	Shrubby Milkwort	Tamion
<i>Polygala nicaeensis</i>	Nice Milkwort	Tamion
Polygonaceae	Knotweed Family	
<i>Persicaria bistorta</i>	Bistort	Ciampitello
<i>Persicaria vivipara</i>	Alpine Bistort	Tamion
<i>Rumex acetosa</i>	Sorrel	Tamion
<i>Rumex alpinus</i>	Monk's Rhubarb	Monzoni
<i>Rumex scutatus</i>	French Sorrel	Val de Sen Nicolo
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
<i>Androsace hausmannii</i>	a Rock-jasmine	Cimon della Pala
<i>Androsace helvetica</i>	Swiss Rock-jasmine	Passo Pordoi
<i>Androsace vitaliana subsp. vitaliana</i>	Vitaliana	Passo Pordoi
<i>Primula auricula</i>	Bear's-ear Primrose	Cimon della Pala
<i>Primula elatior</i>	Oxlip	Monzoni
<i>Primula farinosa</i>	Bird's-eye Primrose	Tamion
<i>Primula halleri</i>	Long-flowered Primrose	Cimon della Pala
<i>Primula minima</i>	Least Primrose	Cimon della Pala
<i>Primula tyrolensis</i>	Tyrolean Primrose	Cimon della Pala
<i>Primula veris</i>	Cowslip	Tamion
<i>Soldanella alpina</i>	Alpine Snowbell	Monzoni
<i>Soldanella minima</i>	Least Snowbell	Rosengarten
<i>Soldanella pusilla</i>	Dwarf Snowbell	Monzoni
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
<i>Aconitum anthora</i>	Yellow Monk's-hood	Rosengarten (leaves)
<i>Aconitum lycoctonum subsp. vulparia</i>	Wolf's-bane	Monzoni (in bud)
<i>Anemone baldensis</i>	Monte Baldo Anemone	Cimon della Pala
<i>Aquilegia atrata</i>	Dark Columbine	Tamion
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marsh Marigold	Below Passo Pordoi
<i>Clematis alpina</i>	Alpine Clematis	Tamion
<i>Hepatica nobilis</i>	Hepatica	Val Venegia
<i>Pulsatilla alpina subsp. apiifolia</i>	Yellow Pasqueflower	Monzoni
<i>Pulsatilla vernalis</i>	Spring Pasqueflower	Monzoni
<i>Ranunculus aconitifolius</i>	Aconite-leaved Buttercup	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Ranunculus acris</i>	Meadow Buttercup	Tamion
<i>Ranunculus alpestris</i>	Alpine Buttercup	Cimon della Pala
<i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i>	Bulbous Buttercup	Tamion
<i>Ranunculus hybridus</i>	Hybrid Buttercup	Rosengarten
<i>Ranunculus kuepferi</i>	Pyrenean Buttercup	Passo Pordoi

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<i>Ranunculus montanus</i>	Mountain Buttercup	Tamion
<i>Ranunculus seguieri</i>	Sequier's Buttercup	Cimon della Pala
<i>Thalictrum aquilegifolium</i>	Great Meadow-rue	Miralago
<i>Trollius europaeus</i>	Globeflower	Tamion
Resedaceae	Mignonette Family	
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	Mignonette	Vigo di Fassa
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
<i>Alchemilla glabra</i>	Smooth Lady's-mantle	Val Venegia
<i>Alchemilla spp</i>	Lady's-mantles	Widespread
<i>Aruncus dioicus</i>	Goat's-beard Spirea	Roadsides
<i>Dryas octopetala</i>	Mountain Avens	Rosengarten
<i>Filipendula vulgaris</i>	Dropwort	Roadsides
<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Wild Strawberry	Tamion
<i>Geum montanum</i>	Mountain Avens	Monzoni
<i>Geum reptans</i>	Creeping Avens	Passo Pordoi
<i>Geum rivale</i>	Water Avens	Tamion
<i>Potentilla anserina</i>	Silverweed	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Potentilla aurea</i>	Golden Cinquefoil	Monzoni
<i>Potentilla crantzii</i>	Alpine Cinquefoil	Rosengarten
<i>Potentilla erecta</i>	Tormentil	Tamion
<i>Potentilla nitida</i>	Pink Cinquefoil	Passo Pordoi
<i>Rosa pendulina</i>	Alpine Rose	Tamion
<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	Raspberry	Tamion
<i>Rubus saxatilis</i>	Rock Bramble	Rosengarten
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i> agg.	Salad Burnet	Tamion
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	Rowan	Tamion
<i>Sorbus chamaemespilus</i>	False Medlar	Rosengarten
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
<i>Cruciata laevipes</i>	Crosswort	Roadside stop day 7
<i>Galium lucidum</i>	a Bedstraw	Tamion
<i>Gallium mollugo</i> subsp. <i>mollugo</i>	Hedge Bedstraw	Tamion
<i>Galium verum</i>	Ladies Bedstraw	Tamion
Salicaceae	Willow Family	
<i>Populus tremula</i>	Aspen	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Salix alpina</i>	Alpine Willow	Val Venegia
<i>Salix breviserrata</i>	Finely-toothed Willow	Passo Pordoi
<i>Salix hastata</i>	Large-stipuled Willow	Rosengarten
<i>Salix hegetschweileri</i>	Alpine Willow	Tamion
<i>Salix purpurea</i>	Purple Willow	Tamion
<i>Salix reticulata</i>	Net-leaved Willow	Rosengarten
<i>Salix retusa</i>	Retuse-leaved Willow	Val Venegia
<i>Salix serpyllifolia</i>	a Willow	Cimon della Pala
Santalaceae	Sandalwood Family	
<i>Thesium alpinum</i>	Alpine Bastard Toadflax	Tamion
Saxifragaceae	Saxifrage Family	
<i>Chrysosplenium alternifolium</i>	Alternate-leaved Golden Saxifrage	Rosengarten
<i>Saxifraga aizoides</i>	Yellow Mountain Saxifrage	Rosengarten (leaves)

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<i>Saxifraga androsacea</i>	Scree Saxifrage	Rosengarten
<i>Saxifraga aspera</i>	Rough Saxifrage	Passo Valles
<i>Saxifraga caesia</i>	Blue Saxifrage	Rosengarten (leaves)
<i>Saxifraga crustata</i>	Encrusted Saxifrage	Val Venegia (leaves)
<i>Saxifraga exarata subsp. moschata</i>	White Musky Saxifrage	Passo Pordoì
<i>Saxifraga oppositifolia</i>	Purple Saxifrage	Cimon della Pala
<i>Saxifraga paniculata</i>	Live-long Saxifrage	Passo Valles
<i>Saxifraga rotundifolia</i>	Round-leaved Saxifrage	Rosengarten (leaves)
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
<i>Scrophularia canina subsp. hoppii</i>	French Figwort	Rosengarten
Thymelaeaceae	Daphne Family	
<i>Daphne cneorum</i>	Garland Flower	Val de Sen Nicolò
<i>Daphne mezereum</i>	Mezereon	Monzoni
<i>Daphne striata</i>	a Daphne	Rosengarten
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Common Nettle	Monzoni
Violaceae	Violet Family	
<i>Viola biflora</i>	Yellow Wood Violet	Tamion
<i>Viola riviniana</i>	Common Dog Violet	Tamion
<i>Viola tricolor subsp. subalpina</i>	Heartsease	Val de Sen Nicolò
Monocots	Monocotyledons	
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family	
<i>Maianthemum bifolium</i>	May Lily	Tamion (in bud)
<i>Paradisea liliastrum</i>	St. Bruno's Lily	Tamion
<i>Polygonatum multiflorum</i>	Solomon's-seal	Tamion
<i>Polygonatum verticillatum</i>	Whorled Solomon's-seal	Miralago
<i>Streptopus amplexifolius</i>	Streptosus	Roadside stop day 7
Colchicaceae	Autumn Crocus Family	
<i>Colchicum autumnale</i>	Autumn Crocus	Tamion (in seed)
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family	
<i>Carex caryophyllea</i>	Spring Sedge	Rosengarten
<i>Carex flacca</i>	Glaucous Sedge	Rosengarten
<i>Carex viridula subsp. oedocarpa</i>	Common Yellow Sedge	Tamion
<i>Eriophorum angustifolium</i>	Common Cotton-grass	Val Venegia
<i>Eriophorum latifolium</i>	Broad-leaved Cotton-grass	Val Venegia
<i>Eriophorum vaginatum</i>	Hare's-tail Cotton-grass	Paneveggio
<i>Schoenus nigricans</i>	Black Bog-rush	Cimon della Pala
Iridaceae	Iris Family	
<i>Crocus vernus (incl. C. albiflorus)</i>	Spring Crocus	Monzoni
Juncaceae	Rush Family	
<i>Luzula campestris</i>	Good Friday Grass	Val Venegia
<i>Luzula lutea</i>	Yellow Wood-rush	Monzoni
<i>Luzula luzuloides</i>	White Wood-rush	Monzoni

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<i>Luzula nivea</i>	Snowy Wood-rush	Rosengarten
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	Hairy Wood-rush	Val Venegia
Liliaceae	Lily Family	
<i>Gagea (Lloydia) serotina</i>	Snowdon Lily	Cimon della Pala
<i>Lillium bulbiferum</i> subsp. <i>bulbiferum</i>	Orange Lily	Tamion
<i>Lillium martagon</i>	Martagon Lily	Miralago (in bud)
Melanthiaceae	Herb Paris Family	
<i>Paris quadrifolia</i>	Herb Paris	Rosengarten
<i>Veratrum album</i> subsp. <i>lobelianum</i>	White False Helleborine	Tamion
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
<i>Cephalanthera longifolia</i>	Sword-leaved Helleborine	Tamion (leaves)
<i>Coeloglossum viride</i>	Frog Orchid	Rosengarten
<i>Corallorhiza trifida</i>	Coralroot Orchid	Tamion
<i>Cypripedium calceolus</i>	Lady's Slipper Orchid	Tamion
<i>Dactylorhiza alpestris</i>	Alpine Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid	Passo Costalunga
<i>Dactylorhiza fuchsii</i>	Common Spotted-orchid	Tamion
<i>Dactylorhiza majalis</i>	Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid	Val Venegia
<i>Gymnadenia albida</i>	Small White Orchid	Miralago
<i>Gymnadenia austriaca</i>	Austrian Vanilla Orchid	Val de Sen Nicolo
<i>Gymnadenia conopsea</i> agg.	Fragrant Orchid	Tamion
<i>Gymnadenia rhellicani</i>	Black Vanilla Orchid	Miralago
<i>Neotinea ustulata</i>	Burnt Orchid	Tamion
<i>Neottia cordata</i>	Lesser Twayblade	Val Venegia
<i>Neottia nidus-avis</i>	Bird's-nest Orchid	Tamion
<i>Neottia ovata</i>	Twayblade	Tamion
<i>Ophrys insectifera</i>	Fly Orchid	Tamion
<i>Orchis mascula</i> (ovalis)	an Early Purple Orchid	Miralago
<i>Orchis militaris</i>	Military Orchid	Tamion
<i>Platanthera bifolia</i>	Lesser Butterfly Orchid	Tamion
<i>Traunsteinera globosa</i>	Round-headed Orchid	Tamion
Poaceae	Grass Family	
<i>Agrostis canina</i>	Velvet Bent	Val Venegia
<i>Alopecurus pratensis</i>	Meadow Fox-tail	Ciampitello
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Cock's-foot	Ciampitello
<i>Deschampsia flexuosa</i>	Wavy Hair-grass	Ciampitello
<i>Festuca glauca</i>	Blue Fescue	Widespread
<i>Festuca rubra</i> agg.	Red Fescue	Ciampitello
<i>Melica nutans</i>	Mountain Melick	Tamion
<i>Patzkea (Festuca) paniculata</i>	-	Miralago
<i>Phleum alpinum</i>	Alpine Timothy	Val Venegia
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Timothy	Miralago
<i>Poa alpina</i>	Alpine Meadow-grass	Val Venegia
<i>Poa bulbosa</i> var. <i>vivipara</i>	Bulbous Meadow-grass	Rosengarten
<i>Sesleria albicans</i>	A Blue Moor-grass	Rosengarten
<i>Sesleria sphaerocephala</i>	-	Rosengarten
<i>Trisetum flavescens</i>	Golden Oat	Ciampitello
Tofieldiaceae	False Asphodel Family	
<i>Tofieldia calyculata</i>	Tofield's Asphodel	Tamion

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

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			18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
1	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>				✓				
2	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓							
3	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓							
4	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>			✓			✓		
5	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓						✓	
6	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓							
7	Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓		✓				
8	Common Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>						✓		
9	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>			H		H			
10	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Alpine Swift	<i>Apus melba</i>						✓		
12	European Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>					✓			
13	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>			✓	H		H	✓	
14	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
15	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17	Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>				✓		✓		
18	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
19	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>							✓	
21	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>							✓	
22	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>		H	H		H	H	H	
23	Alpine Accentor	<i>Prunella colaris</i>				✓				
24	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			H		H	H	H	
25	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>			✓					
26	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
27	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>				✓		✓		
28	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>				✓		✓		
29	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>			✓		H	H	H	
30	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>					✓			
31	Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		✓	✓		✓	H	H	
33	Ring Ouzel	<i>Turdus torquatus alpestris</i>			✓			✓	✓	
34	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		H	H	H	H	H	H	
35	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		H	H	H	H	H	H	
36	Winter Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		H	H		H		H	
37	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>			✓	✓	✓			
38	Coal Tit	<i>Periparus ater</i>		H	✓	✓	✓		✓	
39	Willow Tit	<i>Poecile montanus</i>		H	H		H			
40	Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>					H			
41	Wallcreeper	<i>Tichodroma muraria</i>				✓				
42	Treecreeper sp.	<i>Certhia sp.</i>							✓	
43	Common Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>				✓	✓		✓	
45	Spotted Nutcracker	<i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>		✓	✓		H	H	✓	
46	Alpine Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓	
47	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓							✓
48	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
49	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓	
50	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓							

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51	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
52	Italian House Sparrow	<i>Passer italiae</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
53	White-winged Snowfinch	<i>Montifringilla nivalis</i>				✓		✓	✓	
54	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
55	Common Redpoll	<i>Carduelis flammea</i>			✓	✓		H	✓	
56	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
57	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>			✓					
58	Eurasian Siskin	<i>Carduelis spinus</i>							✓	
59	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>		✓	✓					
60	Common Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>			✓		H			

Mammals (S=signs of)

1	European Mole	<i>Talpa europaea</i>			S	S	S			
2	Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>	✓					✓		
3	Mouflon	<i>Ovis orientalis musimon</i>			25					
4	Alpine Ibex	<i>Capra ibex</i>		3						
5	Red Squirrel	<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>			✓					
6	Alpine Marmot	<i>Marmota marmota</i>		H	H	2		3	H	

Reptiles & Amphibians

1	Alpine Newt	<i>Triturus alpestris</i>			✓					
2	(Tadpoles)					✓			✓	
3	Common Lizard	<i>Zootoca vivipara</i>		✓					✓	

Butterflies

1	Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>					✓		✓	
2	Mountain Green-veined White	<i>Pieris bryoniae</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
3	Peak White	<i>Pontia callidice</i>						✓		
4	Orange Tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>					✓			
5	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>						✓		
6	Berger's Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias alfacariensis</i>					✓			
7	Wood White	<i>Leptidea sinapis</i>		✓			✓			
8	Green Hairstreak	<i>Callophrys rubi</i>		✓						
9	Little Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>			✓		✓		✓	
10	Mazarine Blue	<i>Cyaniris semiargus</i>					✓			
11	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>		✓			✓			
12	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>			✓				✓	
13	Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>		✓			✓			
14	Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
15	Pearl-bordered Fritillary	<i>Boloria euphrosyne</i>					✓			
16	Heath Fritillary	<i>Mellicta athalia</i>						✓		
17	Woodland Ringlet	<i>Erebia medusa</i>		✓			✓			
18	Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>		✓			✓	✓		
19	Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>		✓	✓					
20	Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus malvae</i>		✓			✓			
21	Red-underwing Skipper	<i>Spialia sertorius</i>		✓						
22	Dingy Skipper	<i>Erynnis tages</i>			✓		✓			
23	Chequered Skipper	<i>Carterocephalus palaemon</i>					✓			

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Macro Moths (Thanks to Rob & Linda for their help with Lepidoptera)

1	Narrow-bordered 5-spot Burnet	<i>Zygaena lonicerae</i>		C								
2	Silver-ground Carpet	<i>Xanthorhoe montanata</i>							✓			
3	Small Argent and Sable	<i>Epirrhoe tristata</i>			✓							
4	Dotted Chalk Carpet	<i>Melanthia alaudaria</i>		✓								
5	White-banded Carpet	<i>Spargania luctuata</i>			✓							
6	cf Common Pug	<i>Eupithecia vulgata vulgata</i>							✓			
7	Grass Rivulet	<i>Perizoma albulata</i>							✓			
8	Chimney Sweeper	<i>Odezia atrata</i>					✓			✓		
9	Clouded Border	<i>Lomaspilis marginata</i>		✓			✓					
10	Latticed Heath	<i>Chaismia clathrata clathrata</i>			✓		✓					
11	Netted Mountain Moth	<i>Macaria carbonaria</i>									✓	
12	Speckled Yellow	<i>Pseudopanthera macularia</i>		✓		✓	✓				✓	
13	Pine Hawk-moth	<i>Hyloicus pinastri</i>							RIP			
14	Broad-bordered Bee Hawk-moth	<i>Hemaris fuciformis</i>					✓					
15	Hummingbird Hawk-moth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>					✓					
16	Ruby Tiger	<i>Phragmatobia fuliginosa borealis</i>		✓								
17	Shoulder-striped Wainscot	<i>Mythimna comma</i>									✓	
18	Clouded Bordered Brindle	<i>Apamea crenata</i>		✓								
19	Silver Y	<i>Autographa gamma</i>			✓						✓	
20	Burnet Companion	<i>Euclidia glyphica</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓			
21	Small Purple-barred	<i>Phyometra viridaria</i>		✓								

Micro moths:

1	Crambid family	<i>Pyrausta purpuralis</i>					✓					
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Other Arthropods

1	Stonefly	order Plecoptera					✓					
2	Field Cricket	<i>Gryllus campestris</i>		H								
3	Hawthorn Shield Bud	<i>Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale</i>									✓	
4	Giant Ichneumon	<i>Rhyssa persuasoria</i>					✓					
5	Green Tiger Beetle	<i>Cicindela campestris</i>				✓						
6	Garden Chafer	<i>Phyllopertha horticola</i>		✓			✓	✓				
7	a Chafer	<i>Hoplia argentea</i>					✓					
8	Rose Chafer	<i>Cetonia aurata</i>									✓	
9	Violet Click Beetle	<i>Ctenicera cuprea</i>			✓							
10	Leaf Beetle	<i>Chrysolina coerulans</i>		✓			✓				✓	
11	A Weevil	<i>Liparus glabrirostris</i>									✓	

Molluscs

1	Roman Snail	<i>Helix pomatia</i>		✓								
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