

Bavella Needles (GR®20)



58 km et 1 hour 20 minutes from your accommodation

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Difficulty **Expert**
Duration 6h 00
Distance 11 km
Elevation + 850 m



The alpine variant of the GR®20 offers a radically different hiking experience from the official route. More technical and demanding, it is intended for experienced hikers who search for thrills !

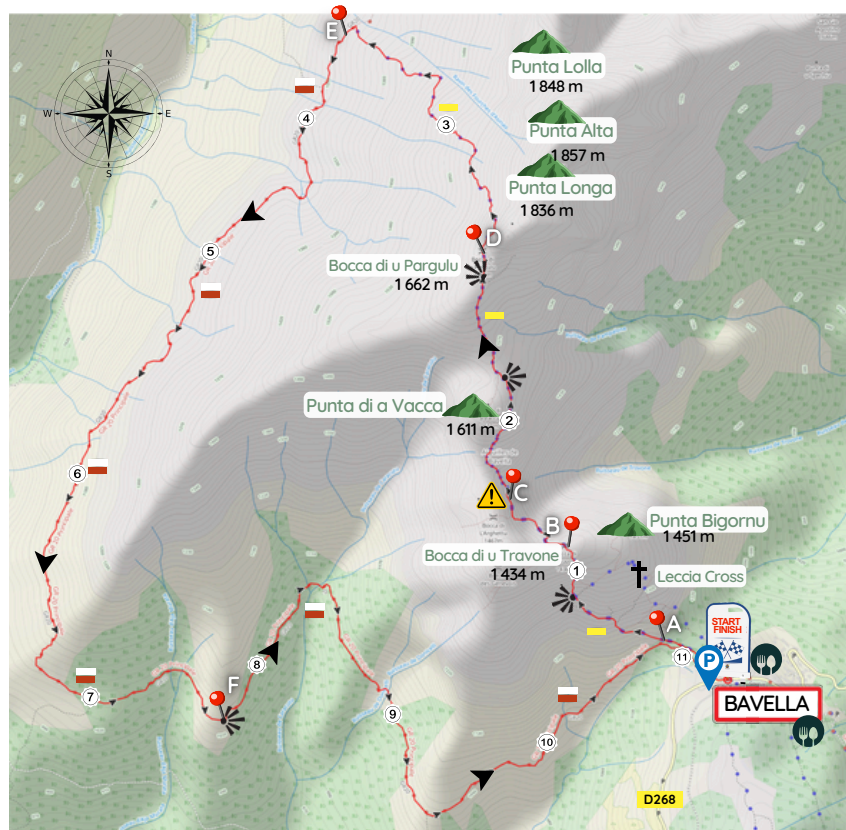
In return for your effort, the reward is well worth it: magnificent alpine landscapes, 360° panoramas over the Aiguilles de Bavella, and total immersion in the high mountains of Corsica.

This route will also allow you to become familiar with the technical terrain that you will frequently encounter in the northern section of the GR®20, in Upper Corsica.

This challenging loop is not recommended for occasional hikers. It requires excellent physical condition, mastery of mountain progression techniques, and a good understanding of the risks associated with altitude.

Choose sunny and clear days for this hike. Slippery rocks and reduced visibility due to fog can make the route dangerous.

Bring enough water and high-energy snacks.



Directions :

- A)** From the car parking, head into the forest on the GR®20. At the fork, continue straight on the alpine variant of the GR®20 (marked in yellow). Leave the main GR®20 (red and white markers) which goes off to the left.
- B)** The difficulty begins here, through a rocky landscape with many natural sculptures. The trail climbs steeply under the pines, at the foot of vertical cliffs. You will then reach Bocca di u Travone.
- C)** Descend to the left, making a few switchbacks before reaching the top of a slab equipped with a chain. This is the slightly tricky section of the hike for those sensitive to heights.
- D)** Continue north and climb again on a steep path. This will bring you to Bocca di u Pargulu. Begin the descent to the northwest to re-enter the forest until you reach the junction with the GR®20.
- E)** Follow the GR®20 to the left on an easier trail where you will cross several streams.
- F)** Before starting the long climb back to the parking lot, take time here to admire the viewpoint over the Aiguilles.

The author declines all responsibility in the event of accidents, injuries, or getting lost that may occur during this route. Each hiker is responsible for their own safety and must adapt their behavior to the terrain conditions, the weather, and their personal abilities. Finally, the information provided is for guidance only and may change, especially if the paths are not maintained.

Food services :

At the Bavella Pass
(Corsican cuisine)

Additional activities :

Tree-top adventure park, canyoning, climbing,
via ferrata, mountain bike park, horse riding