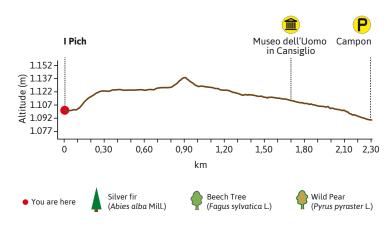
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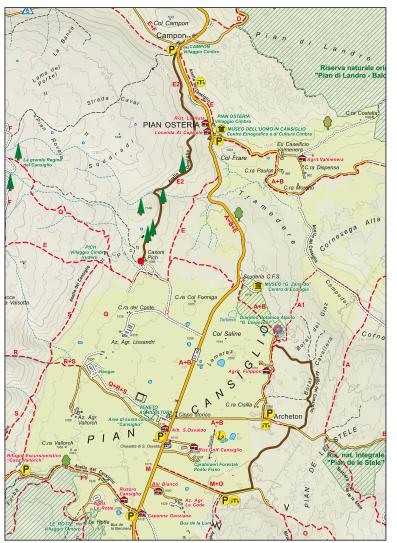


BIO∆4 project for biodiversity

The BIO∆4 project aims at:

- enhancing the biodiversity of forest ecosystems;
- counteracting the loss of biodiversity and fostering active and sustainable forest management;
- defining a method for fast assessment of forest biodiversity;
- helping to protect wooded lands and enhancing the products and services that they supply to the community.





THE BIODIVERSITY and GREAT TREES of the CANSIGLIO FOREST TRAIL

Biodiversity, a characteristic of ecosystems, refers to the richness and variety of animal and plant species existing in a specific environment, such as, for example, a forest, a wetland or a high-altitude grassland. On a broader scale, biodiversity also represents the variety and alternation of ecosystems within a certain geographical region.

Biodiversity is not just a natural wealth in and of itself, but a requirement for ecosystem stability: the more biodiverse an ecosystem, the greater its capacity to withstand natural and anthropic disturbances. This translates into greater possibilities of preserving itself over time.













