



# Living the Park

Giglio and Giannutri



calendar  
**2021**



# Information points



## INFO PARK GIGLIO CASTELLO

Via Roma, 35 - Giglio Castello - 377 1842628.

The Info Park office on Giglio Island is located at the Castle in Via Roma 35. It is open to the public, with specialised staff providing information services on regulations and access to all the islands in the Tuscan Archipelago, nature tourism reception and booking services for all the activities offered by the Park on Giglio and Giannutri. Information and bookings Marina Aldi Park Guide, 377 1842628.

### From 15 April to 31 May:

Friday and Saturday 4 pm - 8 pm.

### From 1 June to 15 September:

Sunday 11 am - 2 pm and 6 pm - 11 pm,

Monday 11 am - 2 pm and 3 pm - 6 pm.

Tuesday 11 am - 2 pm.

Wednesday 3 pm - 6 pm,

### From 15 September to 15

October:

Friday 4 pm - 8 pm,

Saturday and Sunday 3 pm - 8 pm.

## GIGLIO PORTO INFO POINT

Via Provinciale, 9 - Giglio Porto - Tel. 0564 809400.

The new information point at the Pro Loco Giglio Island headquarters allows visitors to discover the National Park's visitor offer, in particular that of Giglio and Giannutri. Images of the extraordinary natural and archaeological attractions characterising the protected area are on display within the structure, and visitors can obtain information on the various ways in which to visit the two islands. A variety of in-depth material is available at the information point, and visitors can purchase the official maps of the Park's trail network. The information point coordinates with Info Park to book scheduled excursions.

**November to February:** Monday, Wednesday and Saturday 9 am - 1 pm.

**March to October:** daily, 9 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 6 pm.



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Giglio



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# Walking Festival

Walking through history and nature

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## SUNDAY 4 APRIL

### **Giglio Island. Discovering biodiversity, including alien plants and botanical varieties**

A nature excursion departing from Giglio Castello and heading south, towards the southernmost tip of the island, to the Capel Rosso locality, where the lighthouse of the same name is located. Along the 6 km trail that leads to the lighthouse, we'll observe the Mediterranean plants in bloom and the so-called "alien" plants present especially in the final stretch of the trail. Packed lunch. The return trip will take place in the early afternoon by taxi minibus. The excursion ends at 4.30 pm, in time to catch the last ferry.

Appointment: 10 am in Piazza Gloriosa, Giglio Castello - Duration: 6 hours and 30 minutes - Difficulty medium-high. Advance booking required, free.

## MONDAY 5 APRIL

### **Mediterranean wild plants: uses and traditions in the Tuscan Archipelago**

Free excursion on foot in a southerly direction, starting from Giglio Castello, to discover the Mediterranean wild plants of the island, and medicinal uses, typical culinary traditions and general uses common to the islands of the Tuscan Archipelago. Packed lunch. After lunch return on foot to Giglio Castello. Free poster for all participants. Appointment: 10 am in Piazza Gloriosa, Giglio Castello - Duration: 6 hours - Difficulty: easy - Advance booking required, free.

## SUNDAY 25 APRIL

### **Appetite comes with walking**

Departing from Giglio Castello towards Cala degli Alberi, located in the wildest part of the island, heading southeast. After a 2-hour walk we will arrive at Azienda Agricola Biologica "Barbara Arienti", which can only be reached by sea or on foot. On arrival, we will have lunch with products from the farm, which raises various farmyard animals. The garden produce is all organic and the wheat is produced using ancient cultivars. After lunch, the owners will show you the farm. Departure at 4.30 pm from Cala degli Alberi for Giglio Porto, using a taxi boat. On arrival, you will have time at disposal before the ferry leaves. Appointment: 10 am in Piazza Gloriosa, Giglio Castello - Duration: 7 hours - Difficulty: medium. Free. Lunch (by request) € 30, all-inclusive. Ferry transport € 10 each, minimum 3 people.

## SUNDAY 2 MAY

### **In search of lizards and painted frogs among the rocks and small ponds of Giglio Island!**

Trekking from Giglio Castello to Campese through Bosco del Dolce woods, to learn about the Natura 2000 network. Return by public transport or taxi. Guided by an expert, discover reptiles and amphibians. A small frog leaping towards a pool of water reveals itself: it is the Tyrrhenian painted frog which lives on Giglio and Montecristo, camouflaged among the aquatic vegetation and waiting for small prey. A species with a restricted distribution, it is the only amphibian on the island. Among rocks and trunks or on dry stone walls we find lizards, which in some places in the Archipelago take on very different colours and regulate their body temperature in the sun.

Appointment: 10 am, Giglio Castello - Duration: 5 hours  
Difficulty: medium - Advance booking required, free.





### SUNDAY 9 MAY

**Giglio Island. Minerals and crystals, beautiful treasures. Trekking in Cala dell'Allume.**

Free trek from Giglio Campese to Cala dell'Allume, where you can find the greatest variety of minerals on the island and an old pyrite mine active in the last century. Identification and recognition of the minerals present, stories and beliefs about the healing properties of minerals. Packed lunch, return to Giglio Campese by 4 pm.

Appointment: Giglio Campese bus stop, 10 am - Duration: 6 hours

Difficulty: medium.



### SUNDAY 23 MAY

**The world of insects, let's observe them up close among the garrigue and the scrubland of Giglio Island**

A circular route from Giglio Castello to Castellucci, with packed lunch and return in the afternoon, to learn about the Natura 2000 network. A scientific paper published in 2018 notes that one million species of insects have been described worldwide: while an enormous number, it is low compared to the estimated number of invertebrates living on earth. An entomologist will accompany us to discover these small animals that colonise many types of habitats and microenvironments, each with a particular ecological function. Let's not forget the pollinators, bees, bumblebees and butterflies, which transfer pollen from one flower to another, making it possible for thousands of plants to reproduce.

Appointment: 10 am in Piazza Gloriosa, Giglio Castello

Duration: 6 hours - Difficulty: easy. Advance booking required, free.



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# E. State nel Parco

## Summer in the Park



### **SUMMER IN THE PARK FOR EVERYONE**

Families, young people and children can explore the nature and history of the islands of the Tuscan Archipelago National Park through excursions, guided visits, educational workshops, conferences and citizen science programmes that enable them to find out about and experience the protected area's nature and culture.

### **SUMMER IN THE PARK JUNIOR**

For children aged 6 to 11: environmental education, games and workshops; activities linked to the marine ecosystem and the park's most interesting environments; animal and plant species, natural history, conservation and sustainability.

### Among granite and minerals... Geo-Mondays discovering the heart of Giglio

**Granite: its beauty and secrets. On the trail of stone animals**

**15 AND 29 JUNE, 13 AND 27 JULY, 10 AND 24 AUGUST, 7 SEPTEMBER**

Transfer using personal transport to Le Porte: here, before a sweeping panorama that also embraces the nearby Island of Giannutri, the Park Guide will highlight the characteristics of the granite rock that makes up 90% of Giglio Island. We'll observe various geological manifestations and will recognise in the granite, sculpted by the wind, the shapes of many animals. We will then climb to Poggio della Pagana, the highest point on the island to admire the 360-degree panorama of the area and the sunset over the islands of the Tuscan Archipelago. At the end of the visit, we return to Giglio Castello and those who wish may dine in a characteristic restaurant (10% discount for excursion participants). Meeting point: 4 hours before sunset, Piazza Gloriosa in Giglio Castello - Duration: 4 hours.

Difficulty: medium - Advance booking required, € 8. Concessions: € 4 for children 5-12 years old, free for children under 5.

**Cala dell'Allume: Sunset trek to discover minerals and crystals**

**22 JUNE, 6 AND 20 JULY; 3, 17 AND 31 AUGUST**

Departure on foot from Giglio Campese to reach Cala dell'Allume, in the southwest reaches of the island, where you can find a rich variety of minerals and a pyrite mine, now the largest mine in Italy exploited in modern times. Leaving behind the Valle dell'Ortana ditch, we will continue along the trail, protected for a small stretch by a wood of holm oaks. The short, steep final descent will lead us to the bay, where the mineralizations have tinged the rocks a thousand shades of colour: there's brown limonite, yellow sulphur, grey hematite, pale pink fluorite and white limestone. Together with the Park Guide, we'll identify the minerals present and talk about stories and beliefs about their healing properties. Meeting point: 3 hours before sunset at the bus stop in Giglio Campese - Duration: 3 hours - Difficulty: medium - Advance booking required, € 8. Concessions: € 4 for children 5-12 years old, free for children under 5.

### Every Wednesday, summer is for the little ones

**For children: appointment with minerals**

A day dedicated to minerals, alternating between a mineralogical workshop at the InfoPark and outings along the trails to discover minerals and crystals, departing from Giglio Castello. Every month: a workshop the first and fourth Wednesday, an outing the second and third Wednesday of the month. Maximum 10 participants.



## Thursdays in the Park are dedicated to archaeology

### Visit to the Roman Villa on Giannutri

On Giannutri, among rocky cliffs and trails perfumed by the Mediterranean maquis, we can admire the remains of an Imperial Villa from the Roman era: an ancient residential complex with a seaport, once the headquarters for docked sailing ships and for otium, was built in the 2nd century AD by the powerful Domizi Enobarbi family, of whom Nero was a descendant. Guided tour with Park Guide. Meeting point: Giglio Porto - Advance booking required, € 8. Concessions: € 4 for children 5-12 years old, free for children under 5.

## Gourmet Fridays in Giglio... Or discovering Rete Natura (the Nature Network)

### km0 trekking. Bee's gold: visit to the Azienda Api Gigliesi and tasting of farm produce 11 JUNE, 23 JULY, 20 AUGUST

Short trek to Scopeto. The Park Guide will illustrate the natural and manmade features of the area. We'll meet Mariella Centurioni and Marco Stanca of the Azienda Agricola Apiaria Api Gigliesi, who will guide us through the world of bees – first-rate environmental indicators and irreplaceable in maintaining ecosystem biodiversity – and will let us taste an exceptional organic honey. Inside a jar of honey is the story of a beehive, and therefore of a community, closely linked to the characteristics of an area and its agricultural production. A virtuous circle that connects the plant, animal and human worlds and represents an excellent model of sustainable development, one in which bees thrive, plants reproduce and bear fruit, and man enjoys the precious bee products.

The visit ends with a tasting session in the open air, enjoying the sunset and the farm's produce. Meeting point: 3 hours before sunset, bus stop after the Bivio, provincial road to Giglio Porto - Duration: 3 hours - Difficulty: easy – Advance booking required, minimum 6 participants, € 18 including excursion and tasting.

### The bats of Giglio Island, a walk with an expert to learn about their habits

#### 18 JUNE

Who would think of bats as one of the most important fauna of the small Mediterranean islands? Unattractive and little known, bats are on endangered lists precisely because they are vulnerable or in danger of extinction. During the night they weave fast trajectories in search of food, while during the day they rest in secluded places. Our expert will tell us what secrets they hide and how we can protect them: we'll take a walk outside Giglio Castello, in an area where it is possible to spot these flying mammals and, equipped with a bat-detector, we can listen to the ultrasounds they emit.

Meeting: 8.30 pm, Piazza Gloriosa in Giglio Castello

Duration: 2 hours - Difficulty: easy.





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### FRIDAYS IN THE PARK

**km0 trekking. In equilibrium between land and sea: visit and tasting in the orchard**

**25 JUNE, 6 AUGUST**

In the Tuscan Islands MAB Reserve, man and nature live in harmony, contributing to sustainability. Michele Galeotti, with the help of his father and the involvement of younger generations, cultivates an orchard and a vineyard in Scopeto, on land already worked by his grandfather: enthusiasm and hard work are required to achieve a balance between the island and its inhabitants. With a short walk to the farm to meet these tireless producers, who will help us discover how the land is worked today, but also how it was worked in the past, when Giglio was completely terraced and the water, through ingenious works of hydraulic engineering, reached every corner to make it fertile and productive. In recent years Michele has combined his passion for the land with that for cooking: we'll taste his simple dishes with locally sourced ingredients, tasting fish, fruit and wine, dining outdoors before a perfect sunset.

Meeting point: 3 hours before sunset, Bivio bus stop - Duration: 3 hours - Difficulty: easy - Advance booking required, € 18, including excursion and tasting.

**km0 trekking. Giglio in a glass: land, herbs, sea and daring vineyard workers.**

**Visit and tasting at the Azienda Agricola Castellari**

**2 JULY, 13 AUGUST, 10 SEPTEMBER**

Evening nature excursion to discover the island's winemaking history: with a short walk to Scopeto, we'll reach the Castellari winery, in the northwest reaches of the island, where we'll meet Simone Ghelli, who has been producing Ansonica under the "Calzo della Vignia" label since 2012. Sipping this wine means immersing oneself in the natural, geological and human history of the island: the floral notes of helichrysum and lentisk, the granite crushed by erosion and turned into the earth, the aroma of the surrounding sea. And the patience of those who painstakingly climb and



care for these plots of land, and of those who drink, who, as the label says, must know how to wait a little while, so that the wine can release its full bouquet and one can experience slow food and sustainability. The Park Guide will illustrate the ancient winemaking methods, starting from Roman times, and we'll then taste wine in the vineyard, admiring a breathtaking panorama that stretches from east to west, overlooking the sea.

Meeting point: 2 hours before sunset, bus stop after the Bivio, on the provincial road to Giglio Porto - Duration: 4 hours - Difficulty: easy – Advance booking required, minimum 6 participants: € 23, including excursion and tasting.

### **0 km trekking. In the court of... Queens: visit and tasting at “The Queens” apiary. Queens” apiary**

**9 JULY, 30 JULY, 3 SEPTEMBER**

Giglio Island, with its extraordinary heritage of biodiversity, blooms for eight months of the year and temperatures that never fall below zero, is a paradise for honeybees, which can live exclusively on the honey they produce and store, benefitting their health considerably. In this very special context, Barbara Galeotti, Alessio Agnelli and their son Gabriele developed the Queens apiary project for producing excellent honey. The name refers to the two Queens who are the protagonists of the project: Giglio Island and the queen bee. A walk from Scopeto Olivello will take us to the production site, where we'll meet the beekeepers: here we'll discover how the nature of the island enables sustainable production with sweet results, but also many curiosities and insights into the world of bees: “a perfect society”, the producers explain, “with well-defined functional roles, which should be a source of inspiration for human society”.

Meeting point: 3 hours before sunset, bus stop after the Bivio, on the provincial road to Giglio Porto - Duration: 3 hours - Difficulty: easy - Advance booking required, € 15.

### **km0 trekking. Unique places and wines overhanging the sea: visit with tasting at Azienda Agricola Fontuccia**

**4 JUNE, 16 JULY, 27 AUGUST**

At the southern end of the island, immersed in the magical atmosphere of Capel Rosso, “the great beauty”. A short walk will take us to the Punta, and we'll then retrace our steps, stopping to visit the Fontuccia Farm. Giovanni and Simone Rossi, terracing heroes and vineyard tightrope walkers, since 2009 have wrested small holdings in various areas of the island, starting up the production of Ansonica Senti oh, but also Saracio, which recovers ancient vines, and ‘Nantropo’, distilled from the fruit of “expert vines” - as they call them- that have resisted extreme environmental conditions for almost 100 years. A journey through the production and the nature of Giglio, between granite cliffs and breathtaking views, on steep paths where grapes are harvested only by hand and the wine is as sapid as the sea that laps the vineyards.

Meeting point: 3 hours before sunset, Piazza Gloriosa in Giglio Castello - Duration: 3 hours 30 minutes. Difficulty: easy – Advance booking required, € 18.

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# Walking Festival





### **SATURDAY 18 SEPTEMBER**

#### **Flying over the island in search of shelter, food and nesting places**

On Giglio Island, 25 species of birds are strictly protected by the European “Birds” Directive; among these, the shearwater, Audouin’s gull and the European shag spend most of their time in the marine environment. The scrubland is home to two small woodland birds, Marmora’s warbler the Dartford warbler; the red-backed shrike frequents more open habitats and agro-systems. At dusk, the nightjar begins its song, which lasts throughout the night. The expert will help us recognise them with the aid of binoculars. Departing from Giglio Castello, we will reach Scopeto and then circle around Poggio delle Serre, returning in the afternoon by public transport or taxi. An opportunity to get to know the Natura 2000 Network.

Appointment: 10 am in Piazza Gloriosa, Giglio Castello

Duration: 6 hours 30 minutes.

Difficulty: medium. Advance booking required, free.



### **SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER**

#### **Giglio Island. On the donkey trail**

Free nature hike in a southeasterly direction to Azienda Agricola “Barbara Arienti”, where there is a breeding farm of Micci Amiadini, the last donkeys on the island, used for centuries as beasts of burden. After a 2-hour walk, arrival at Cala degli Alberi, which can only be reached by sea or on foot. Optional lunch based on organic products from the farm. After lunch, return by boat by 4:30 pm to Giglio Porto. Appointment: 10 am Piazza Gloriosa in Giglio Castello - Duration: 6 hours and 30 minutes - Difficulty: medium/high. Lunch available by reservation (30€ per person), return boat 10€ per person.

### **SATURDAY 2 OCTOBER**

#### **Trekking under the stars, Poggio della Pagana**

Free evening excursion on foot to the highest point on Giglio Island, Poggio della Pagana. Meet two hours before sunset in Piazza Gloriosa, Giglio Castello, from where you will walk for less than an hour to Poggio della Pagana (496 m asl), the highest point on Giglio Island, to admire the panorama all around and the sunset to the west. Packed dinner. As soon as it is dark, you can admire the starry sky and its constellations in one of the areas with the least light pollution on the island. Personal contributions of technical equipment (e.g. binoculars or telescopes) and narrations about the starry sky are appreciated and will make for an especially rich, unforgettable evening.

Appointment: two hours before sunset, Piazza Gloriosa in Giglio Castello - Duration: 3 hours

- Difficulty: medium - Advance booking required, free.

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## Giglio and Giannutri

### How to reach the island

You can reach the island from Porto Santo Stefano: the timetable is available on the website [www.maregiglio.it](http://www.maregiglio.it) (departure at 10 am, return at 4 pm). During the summer season there is also a weekly connection (on Thursdays) from Giglio Island.

### Visit Villa Romana (the Roman Villa)

In Giannutri, among rocky cliffs and paths perfumed by the Mediterranean scrub, you can admire the remains of a Roman villa: an ancient residential complex with a port of call, once the headquarters for sailing ships and otium, it was built in the first century AD by the powerful Domizi Enobarbi family, of whom Nero was a descendant. The archaeological site was reopened in 2015. The admission fee helps finance its maintenance and care.

Visits are possible from April to September, as scheduled.

Ticket € 8; € 4 concessions (5 - 12 years), free 0-4 years. For information and bookings contact Info Park Tel 0565.908231 or book directly online at [Prenotazioni.islepark.it/Giannutri](http://Prenotazioni.islepark.it/Giannutri)

Calendar of guided tours of Villa Romana in Giannutri departing from Porto Santo Stefano

#### APRIL

Every Saturday:  
3, 10, 17, 24

#### JUNE

Wednesday e Saturday:  
2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30

#### AUGUST

Wednesday and Saturday:  
4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28

#### MAY

Every Saturday:  
1, 8, 15, 22, 29

#### JULY

Wednesday and Saturday:  
3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, 31

#### SEPTEMBER

Wednesday and Saturday:  
1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, 29

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#### JUNE

Thursday:  
17, 24

#### AUGUST

Thursday:  
5, 12, 19, 26

#### JULY

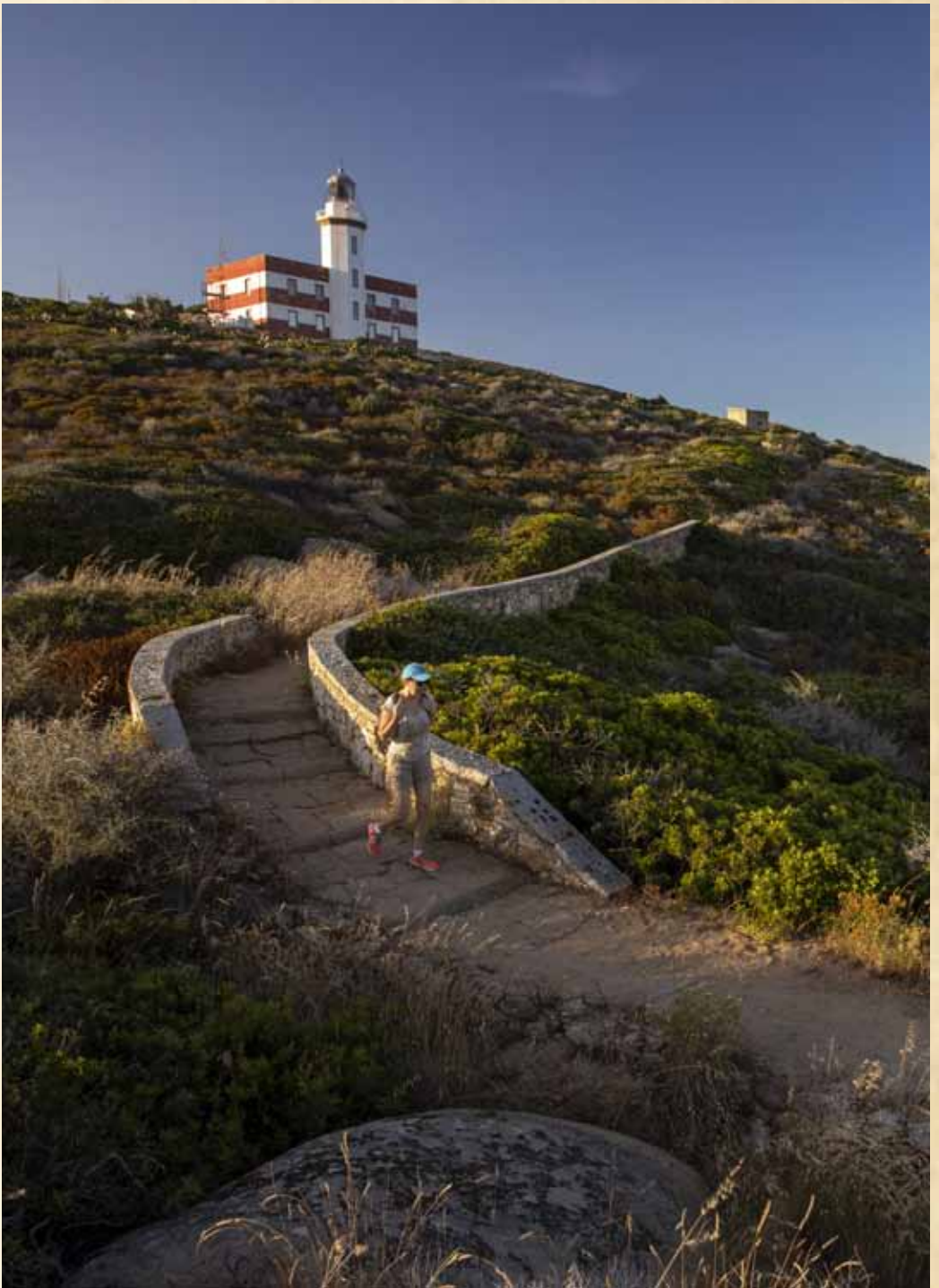
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#### SEPTEMBER

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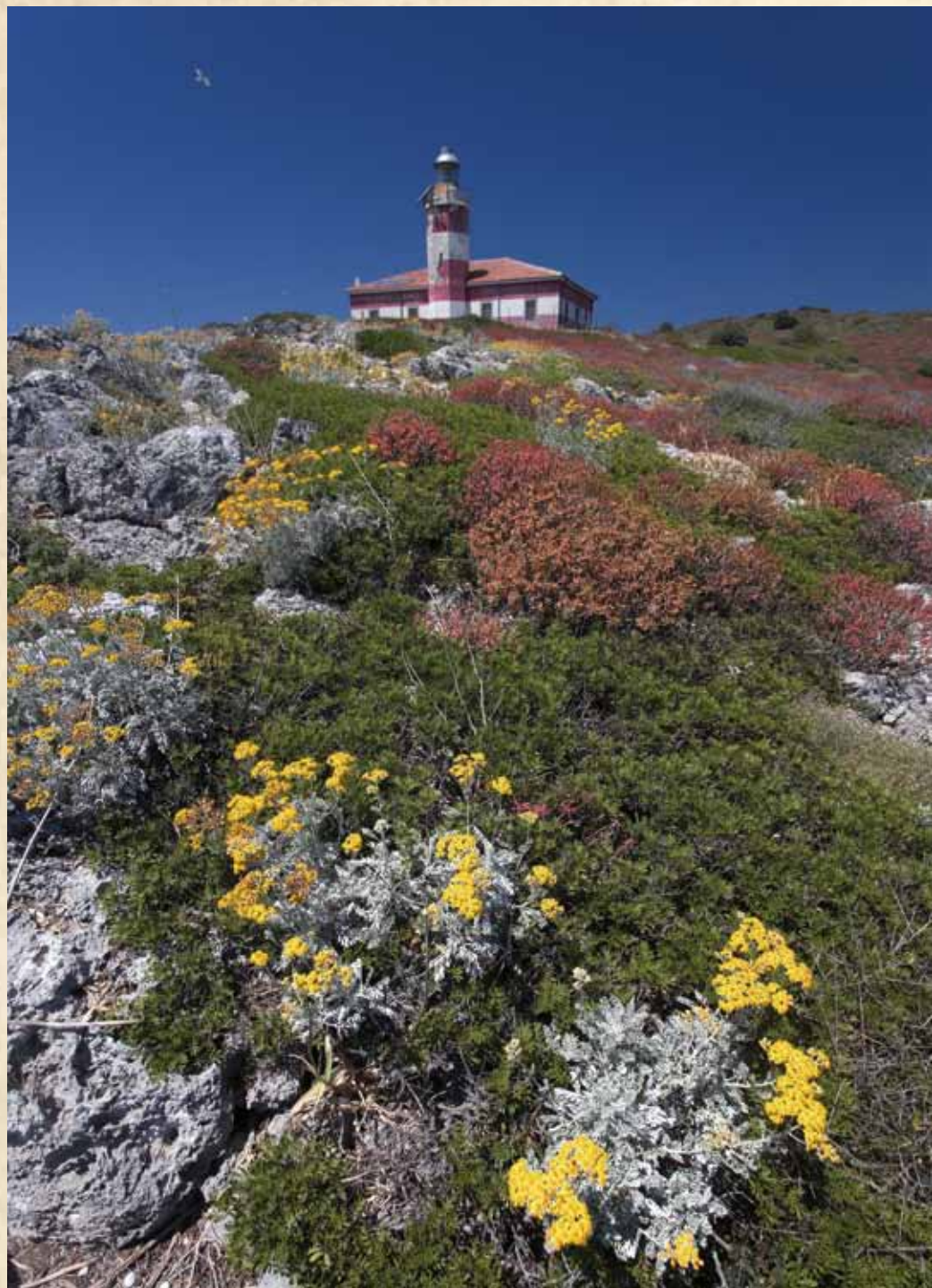




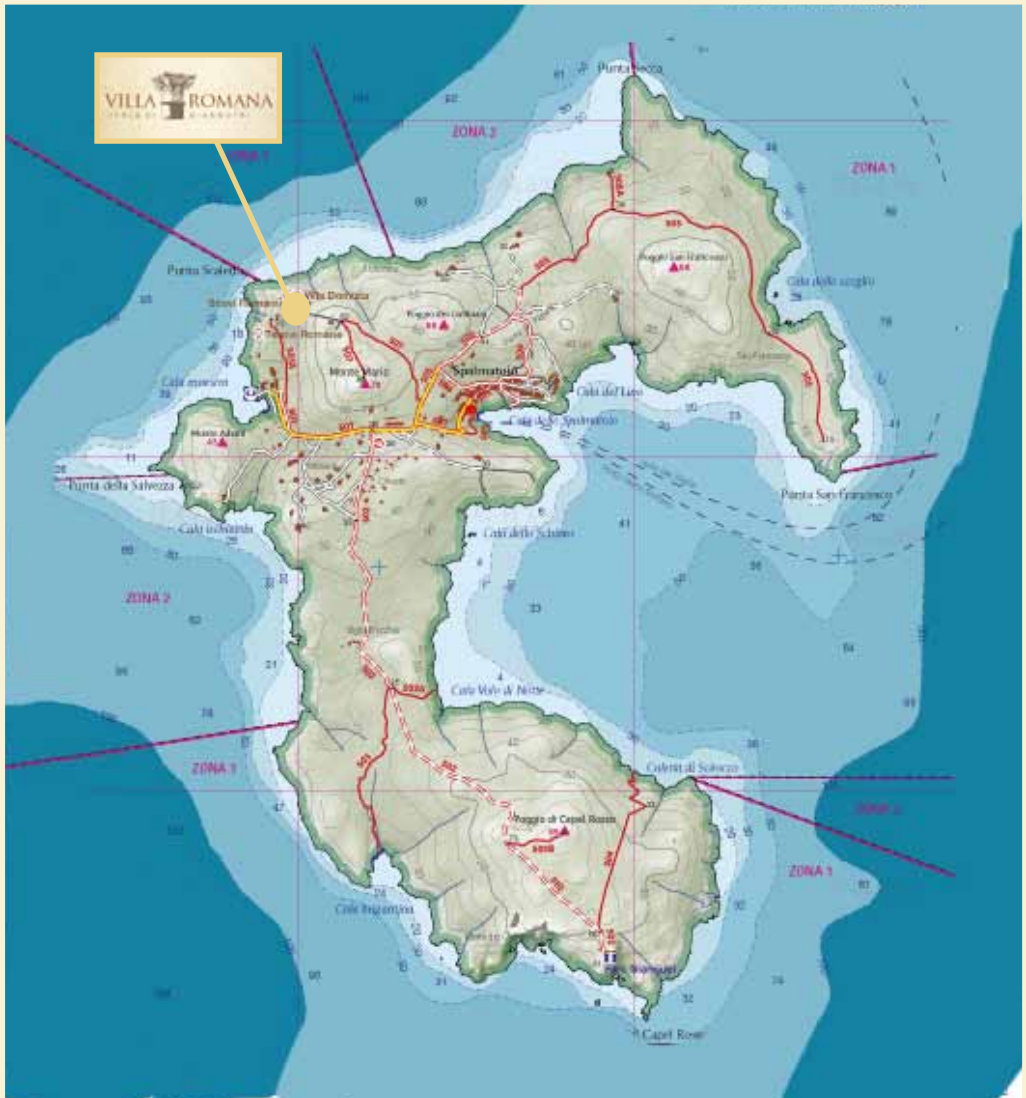








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Information and bookings

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