

*Foreste Casentinesi, Monte
Falterona & Campigna*
NATIONAL PARK

AT A GLANCE

NATURE



600 KM TRAIL NETWORK

7 NATURAL WATERFALLS

1+ THERMAL BATHS

100 BIRD SPECIES

1000 FLORA SPECIES

ART & HISTORY



11 MUSEUMS

66 HISTORICAL,
ARCHITECTURAL &
CULTURAL SITES

1 ARCHAEOLOGICAL
SITE

GASTRONOMY



3 IGP FOOD PRODUCTS

FESTIVALS & EVENTS

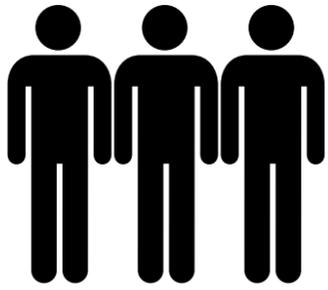
Seasonal Festivals:

Events and workshops organized by the park to celebrate what makes the park unique in every season

- Wild Spring Festival
- Summer in the Park Festival
- Slow Autumn Festival
- Snow & Nature Winter Festival

VISITOR PROFILE

STATISTICS



400,000 VISITORS PER YEAR

70% ARE INTERNATIONAL TOURISTS

CHARACTERISTICS

LEISURE TRAVELLERS

SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS

NATURE LOVERS

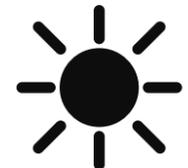
HIKERS

HISTORY BUFFS

SEASONALITY



20%



45%



15%



20%

Foreste Casentinesi, Monte Falterona & Campigna

Located along the Apennine mountain range between Romagna and Tuscany, the Foreste Casentinesi, Monte Falterona and Campigna National Park is one of Italy's most important forested protected areas. Created in 1993, the park covers an area of about 368 square kilometres and is divided between the provinces of Forlì Cesena, Arezzo and Florence.



LOCATION

Province of Forlì Cesena in Emilia Romagna, Italy & Provinces of Arezzo and Florence in Tuscany, Italy

CLOSEST CITY

Florence

HOW TO GET THERE?

1 hr 30 mins by Car from Florence

Sightseeing

One of the park's most popular tourist attractions, the Acquacheta Falls, is an impressive 80m high waterfall surrounded by the lush nature of the surrounding forest. The base of the waterfall is the perfect place for a relaxing swim. Hike from the village of St. Benedetto in Alpe.

Duration: 1.5-2 hours

Difficulty Level: Easy

Best time to visit: March-May

The Poppi Castle, built by the Guidi family, is a symbol of the park's history. Built in 1274 as fortress in the area, it is now home to the splendid Rilliana Library. The medieval castle features ornate architecture and art to discover. Guided tours lasting 1 hour are offered daily.

The biodiversity of the Park has played a huge role in reviving the populations of previously endangered species in the park. While exploring the park, visitors will encounter some of the area's most popular animals including roe deer, venison, red fox, and fallow deer.

The largest mountains of the Casentinesi Forests are located on the eastern side of the Park, an area entirely covered by beech trees. Peaks like Mount Falterona and Monte Penna provide amazing views of the entire park. Hike up to Mount Falterona mountain using the ring root departing from Castagno d'Andrea.

Duration: 4.5 hours

Level of Difficulty: Medium
(self-guided tour)

Best time to visit: Spring or Fall



ACQUACHETA FALLS



THE POPPI CASTLE



THE LOCAL FAUNA



THE PEAKS OF PARK

Activities TO DO

With over 650km of trails to discover, cross country skiing is the perfect way to explore the national park during the winter. The best spot for skiing in the park is Campigna in Emilia Romagna, with a cross country ski route of 5km and ski equipment rentals are available for purchase.



CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

The park is known for producing many of Italy's delicious DOP and IGP food products. There are some excellent mushrooms, honey and local varieties of fruit which grow in the park, including the Londa peach and the Mugello chestnut IGP. Take a Guided Prugnolo Mushroom Hunting Tour.

Best time: April 15-September



FOOD & WINE TASTING

The Foreste Casentinesi, Monte Falterona and Campigna National park is a mountain bikers paradise due to the Apennine mountain chain. Self-guided and guided mountain biking tours are available as well as equipment rental facilities at all visitor centers in the park.



MOUNTAIN BIKING

Museums to visit:

- “Carlo Siemoni” Forest Museum showcases the flora and fauna of the park
 - Camaldoli Ornithological Museum is dedicated to the bird species of the park
 - Premilcuore Wildlife Museum is dedicated to mountain wildlife
 - Stia Planetarium offers astronomy courses
- *Open to visitors: March-August*



MUSEUMS

Flavours OF THE PARK

Mugello Chestnuts have been grown and cultivated in the area since the Roman ages, the fruit has an oval-shape with a crunchy, sweet and delicate taste. The product is produced in Londa and San Godenzo and is in season during the month of October.

Producers to Visit:

- Marrone del Mugello in Borgo San Lorenzo
- Molino Fratelli Grifoni in Castel San Niccolò

Grown in the Londa area, in the Florence province at an altitude that goes from 100 to 700 metres above sea level, the Londa Queen Peach is known for its very sweet taste and with white pulp. The season for the peach is between the months of September and October.

Producers to visit:

- La Noce in Londa, Tuscany
- Pierluigi Nencetti in Londa, Tuscany

Raviggiolo is a fresh soft cow's milk cheese typical of the Tuscan-Romagna Apennine mountain range. The cheese is produced between October.

Producers to visit:

- Fattoria Trapoggio di Boscherini Roberto in Santa Sofia, Emilia Romagna
- Az. Agr. Biologica Dalia Rosano in Galeata, Emilia Romagna
- Società Agricola Canvecchio di Matteucci in Chiusi della Verna, Tuscany

Sambudello Casentino is a pork salame seasoned with salt, pepper, garlic, wild fennel and red wine. The sambudello can be consumed fresh, cooked on the grill or preserved in oil.

Producers to visit:

- Azienda Agricola Le Selve di Vallolmo in Pratovecchio, Tuscany
- Azienda Agricola Maura Lucatello in Pratovecchio Stia, Tuscany



THE MUGELLO CHESTNUT IGP



LONDA QUEEN PEACH



RAVIGGILO CHEESE



SAMBUDELLO CASENTINESE



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102	70	14