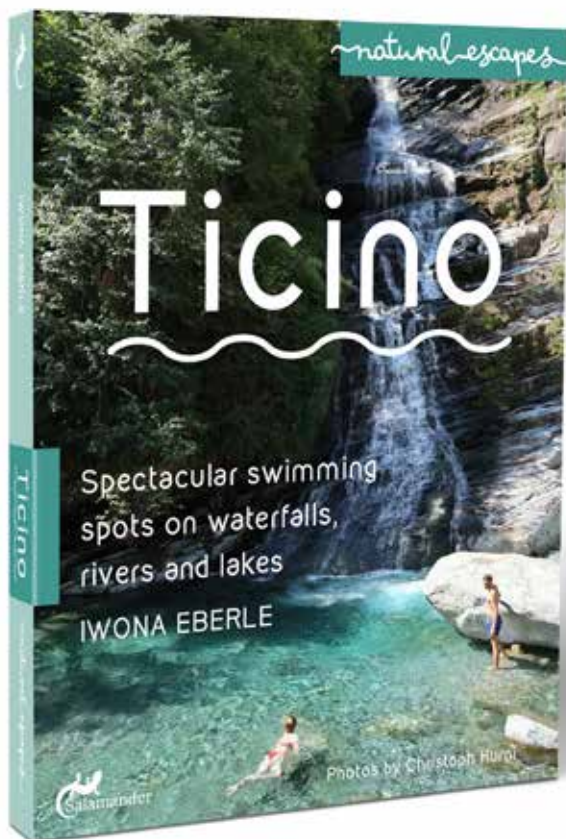


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## Riviera

The mountain streams here have carved out the most beautiful sheer gorges in Ticino. One waterfall pool flows into the next. However, the region also features a few peaceful beaches on riverbanks.

13 In the Boggera gorge at Osogna, see p. 42f.

### Riviera

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11. Iragna: Pozz Borgh
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13. Osogna: Boggera
14. Lodrino: Pozz Cavai
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Riviera



## LAVERTEZZO

The old double-arched stone bridge (see p. 84 f.), is a captivating subject for photographers and has made Lavertezzo the most popular and most visited village in Valle Verzasca.

### 41. Lavertezzo: Pozz di Vacch



Spots to relax



Space to swim



Water temp.



9:00–16:30

Here the Verzasca flows through an oval pool 80 metres long and enclosed by smooth, rounded stone banks with orange and grey stripes and patterns that extend around the pool's perimeter. The banks are good for relaxing on and jumping into the water.



Pozz di Vacch in Lavertezzo

PT > 📍 Lavertezzo, Paese > ⚡ 5 min  
⚡ ▶

🚗 > 📍 46.25957 8.83773 > ⚡ 5 min

Drive along the main valley road until you see the double-arched stone bridge of Lavertezzo and park just before the diving club building ("Gruppo Sub Verzasca", with 📍). ⚡ ▶



▶ Walk down the main valley road to the playground across from the church (100 m). Walk downstream through the meadow to the last house. Climb over the rocks there down to the Verzasca.

📍 46.25765 8.83871

< The upper pool at Posse (above the footbridge)

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Bassa Verzasca



## 48. Val d'Osola – Pianascio di Fuori



Spots to relax



Space to swim



Water temp.



9:00–18:00

There are four pools on the Osura, positioned one above the other between huge, flat-topped boulders. The highlight here is the two-metre-long natural slide. The lowest pool 📍 is located directly beneath a suspension bridge.



The slide at Pianascio di Fuori in Val d'Osola

**Safety note:** Take care when sliding; see also p. 258, "Sliding". Taking a piece of rope along is recommended because the pool below the slide is slippery. It's easier to exit the pool, or get out of the pool at all, if you can rely on a rope and the assistance of a friend.

PT > 📍 Brione (Verzasca), Paese > ⚡ 60 min  
⚡ ▶

🚗 > 📍 46.29724 8.79148 > ⚡ 60 min

Take the main road in Valle Verzasca to the parking area at the bus stop described above. ⚡ ▶



▶ Walk along the sealed road past the church and into Val d'Osola until the point where the road leads directly to the front of a house and then curves to the right (4 km). Walk down the grassy slope to the bank.

📍 46.30876 8.74642

< A leap into the deep pool at Bolastro

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Alta Verzasca