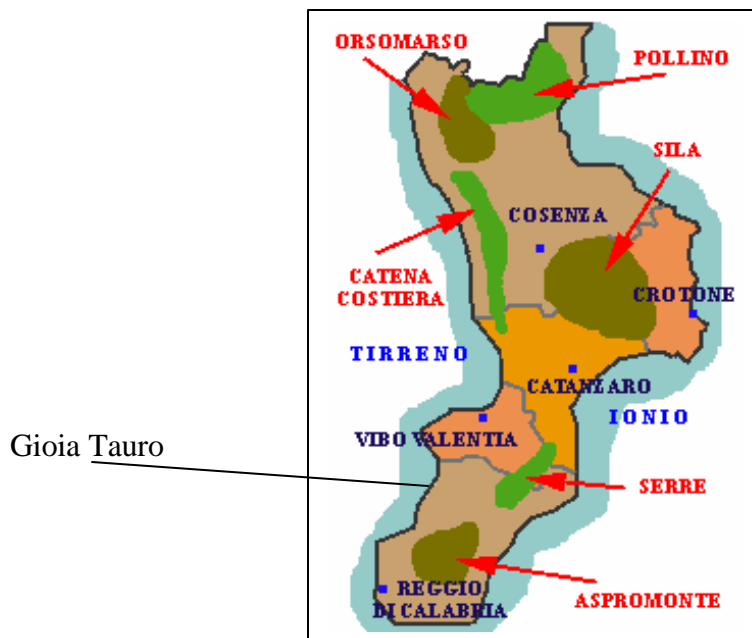


Aspromonte National Park in Calabria

*Only 45km from Gioia Tauro
Great for hiking, bird watching, skiing & rock climbing*

The Parco Nazionale dell'Aspromonte is situated in the southern part of the Apennine chain in Calabria. This strip of granitic-crystalline origin resembles a giant pyramid. The area is near the sea and reaches 2000 meters of height with its many mountain peaks and plateaus of marine sedimentary origins. The Park territory, deeply marked by a number of watercourses is also characterized by numerous species such as the wolf, the peregrine, the eagle owl, and the goshawk, and by wide forests of beech, silver fir, black pine, holm oak, chestnut, and Mediterranean maquis. A couple of rare species live here: the Bonelli's eagle and tropical fern Woodwardia radicans. Surrounded by the Mediterranean Sea, the Park is enriched by considerable historical, artistic, and archaeological aspects, evidences of the archaic, classical, Greek, medieval, and modern culture. Aspromonte! A marvellous naturalistic, cultural, and human experience for everyone.

<http://www.parks.it/parco.nazionale.aspromonte/Epar.html>



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