

Stigliano Castle

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Distance - 4 km (2½ miles) **Rise and fall** - 350ft **Map:** Kompas 666, Siena, Chianti, Colline Senesi, 1:50,000.

A short walk to introduce the beauty and the history of the old Stigliano Castle. The history of Stigliano dates back at least as far as Etruscan times (the hill of Poggiarello was a necropolis, with at least 14 tombs). The Metalliferous Hills' copper, iron and silver deposits were heavily worked in Etruscan, Roman and Medieval times.

The mediaeval castle is one of the few intact in the Siena's surroundings and was used in the past to control the flat area and Siena. It consists in a group of three different castles (Poggio, Palazzo and Poggiarello) that are amazing. The strong, beautiful towers and part of the strong wall system are still well conserved.

Start/car parking: HPB Palazzo Stigliano

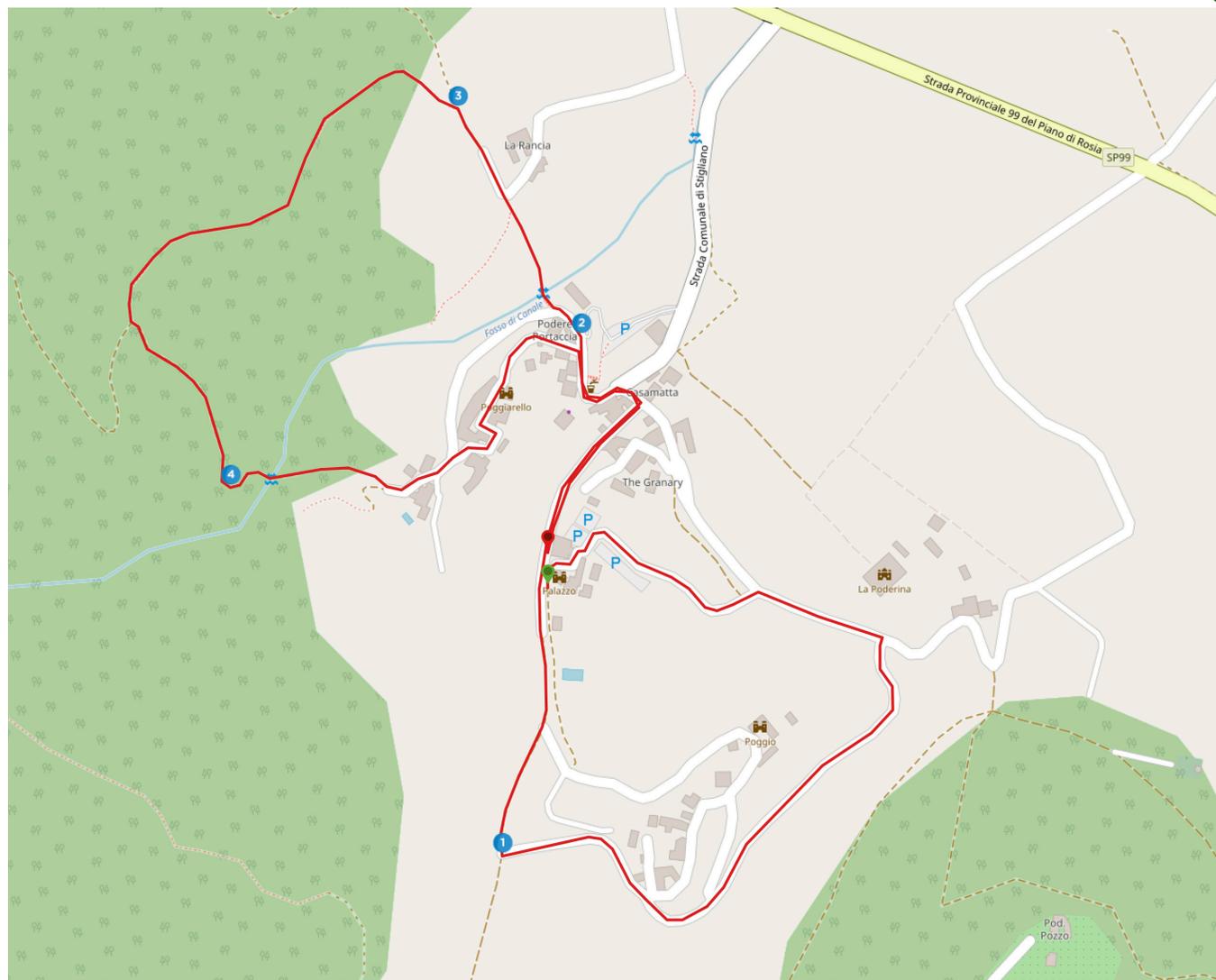
Refreshments: Restaurant/Cafè "La Bottega di Stigliano"

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Leave the Palazzo descending the access road and pass the Poderina castle. Before the Stigliano church, turn right in the direction of il Poggio.

1. Follow the main track, reach Il Poggio castle first and go straight until the main road to Stigliano. Take the right here, ranking back to the Palazzo, pass the Palazzo and continue back on the main track to Stigliano. Turn left at the bottom and reach the little square of Stigliano. The little café on the left is open and you can stop for a refreshment.
2. Keep the right following signs to Relais Borgo Stigliano and in 40 yards, look carefully for a little path on the right, at the end of the stone wall close to a restored villa. Descending some steps to reach a concrete footbridge across a dry streambed. Ascend the far side to a steep little bank and join a tarmac road by a disused quarry.
3. Soon after the quarry go left in a small path. Climb here until you reach a bigger trail. Go left here and follow the route going down, until you reach a small path with fence on the side and you reach Poggiarello Castle.
4. Descend until Stigliano square and turn right at the end of the square to be back to Palazzo



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