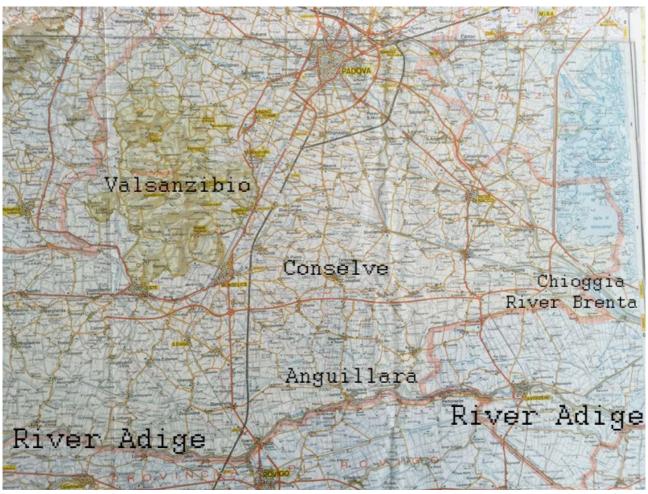
Travel 34 From Valsanzibio to Adratic

To get to Este, take the plane to Venice, then drive (or train to Padua and bus) towards Bologna, exit Monselice.



Padova, south

It is practical to stay at or near Este as a basis, because the hotels are relatively cheap and so did restaurants. And...it is a beautiful town.

Start with a visit to the historic garden Valsanzibio, beautiful, beautiful and beautiful.



Giardino di Valsanzibio

From Valsanzibio take the road for Monselice and then to Conselve.



Conselve

Travel 34 shows the lower part of Veneto.

It was swamp and marshy land until 1500, when the Venetian nobles invested their fortunes to reclaim the land and made a rentable agriculture.

In Conselve there are Venetian villas.



Bagnoli di Sopra

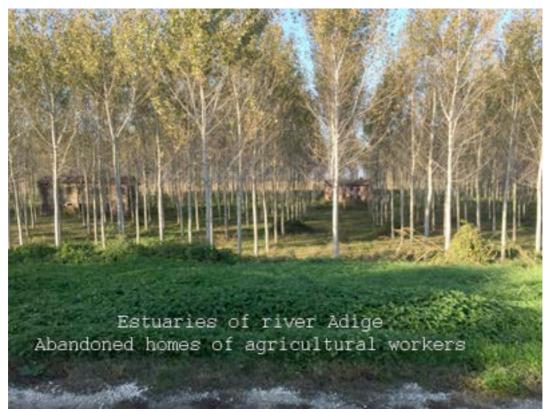
Bagnoli is worth a stop to see the villa, almost the whole town of Bagnoli. There is an interesting winery inside, they produce an original wine, the Friularo.

Go to Anguillara and continues the towns centre, continue until you find the road along the river Adige, the river will be on your right hand.





A place called Crocifix



Landscape at the estuaries of river Adige



Farms at the estuaries of Adige

These areas were once very populated and wealthy. Rovigo in 1800 was the richest province of the Autrian-Hungaric empire.

With the arrival of agricultural machineries, labour became superfluous, people left these areas and emigrated.

Just look at the size of the churches and the number of abandoned houses. Now a very poor area.



River Gorzone



Cavarzere

The route along the river Adige shows that the water of the rivers is higher than the fields.

It is in fact here, all the history, and the skill of the Venetians. They make cultivations in areas below the sea level.

It must have been an immense task, if we realize that, everything was done by hand, and for hundreds of years ago.

Just the thought is to shudder.

Imagine the life of those who have done this work.

Only the leaders, engineers and professors were remembered ... and the poor manual workers!!!!

Paleocapa was one of the masters of this land reclamation.

To remember him, there are several ways and places in Veneto, that bear his name. In Venice, there is a statue, just in front of the railway station Santa Lucia.



Commemoration of the work to protect against the water.



River Gorzone

More you get closer to the Adriatic Sea, more water: rivers and canals. For example, while along the river Adige, suddenly you have to drive along another river, the Gorzone, parallel to each other.

When you get towards the estuary, you have to cross a dangerous road, the road that leads from Venice to Ravenna.

Be careful!!!



Estuary of river Adige

Once you arrived at the mouth of the Adige, go to Chioggia, a little Venice.



Chioggia

After a visit of Chioggia, find the road dell'Arzaron, towards Padova.



Road of Arzaron: river Brenta on the left, the lagoon of Venice on the right

This road runs along another great river, the river Brenta, to your left.

Once Brenta flowed out directly to the lagoon of Venice, but it filled it with debris, then Venetians diverted it to the Adriatic.

The same happened with the river Piave that flowed out to the lagoon to.

Road of Arzaron leads to Padova.

End of travel 34