



# TREKKING THE GR20

## CORSICA

The High Level Route: Guidebook and map booklet

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Renowned as the toughest of Europe's GR long-distance routes, Corsica's GR20 continues to attract experienced trekkers seeking challenge and adventure. The 190km waymarked trail from Calinzana to Conca follows the island's rugged mountain spine, passing through remote and sometimes inhospitable terrain. Nevertheless, there is the option of staying in rustic refuges, although many trekkers choose to camp. The route takes around two weeks to complete; however, it is possible to walk either half and there are opportunities to visit traditional mountain villages off route.

This guide presents the full GR20 in 16 stages, with high and low-level alternatives for some sections, plus optional detours to visit neighbouring villages and peaks. Each stage or variant includes clear route description and 1:50,000 mapping, overview data and notes on facilities available. There is also a wealth of information for prospective trekkers, with advice on transport, equipment and safety, and facilities tables, accommodation listings and a glossary can be found in the appendices. A separate booklet of 1:25,000 IGN maps provides all the mapping needed to complete the trail.

The trail offers an opportunity to visit dramatic landscapes that are usually the preserve of mountaineers. Yet it also promises great diversity, with bare rock and sheer cliffs in some parts contrasting with forests, lakes, maquis and alpine pastures elsewhere. Far greater than the sum of its parts, it is easy to see why the GR20 is considered one of the world's classic treks.

### Key marketing points

- Includes a separate booklet of 1:25,000 IGN maps providing all the mapping needed to complete the trail
- Frequently described as one of the top trails in the world

### About the author

Paddy Dillon is a prolific walker and guidebook writer, with 100 guidebooks to his name and contributions to 40 other titles. He has written for several outdoor magazines and other publications and has appeared on radio and television. Paddy uses a tablet computer to write as he walks. His descriptions are therefore precise, having been written at the very point at which the reader uses them. Paddy is an indefatigable long-distance walker who has walked all of Britain's National Trails and several trails in Europe and further afield.

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