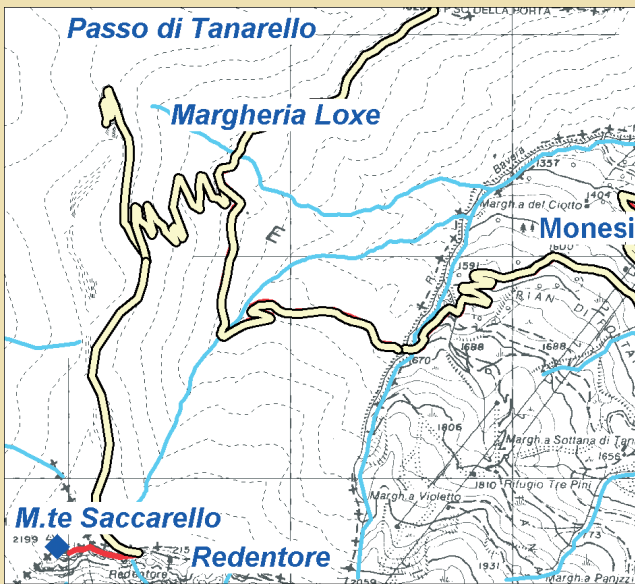


# Itinerari della memoria in provincia di Imperia

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## The Battery on Mount Saccarello



### How to get there

Starting from the coast, you drive up SS. no. 28 as far as Loc. Acquetico, just beyond the village of Pieve di Teco; here you take the S.P. no.3 heading south towards S. Bernardo di Mendatica, which you reach after nearly 15 km. Starting from the north (Ormea), the small tourist resort can be reached along the S.P. no.100 which joins the S.S. 28 in Loc. Case di Nava, nearly on the border with Piedmont.

From S. Bernardo di Mendatica you continue towards Monesi, turning left at the crossroads with the inter-provincial road for Piaggia; once you have reached the ski resort, continue along the dirt road towards Limone. After 5 km of steep climbing, you come to junction just before a "margheria"; turn left and climb towards Redentore – Mount Saccarello (leaving the next junction on your right to Passo Tanarello) until you are nearly at the summit where it is best to park and then walk the short distance up to the position.

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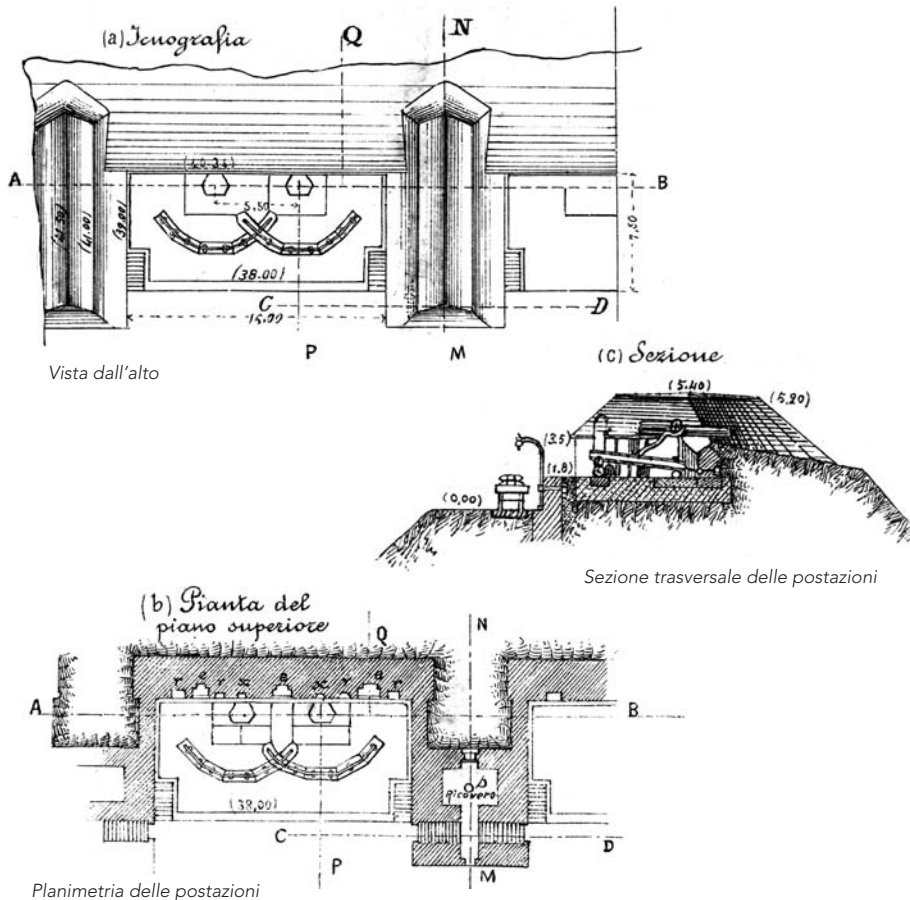


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A defensive battery armed with four 15 G.R.C./Ret. cannons (measuring 149 mm, in cast iron, rifled, rimmed with breechloading) was built on the summit of Mount Saccarello in order to control the valleys leading up from Briga and the various cols between Mount Bertrand and Collardente. The four weapons were positioned behind a parapet, on a carriage (with a field of fire of approximately 150°) and were divided into two sections. A little way behind the berbettes was the underground reserve and the troop shelter, also dug into the rock, so that the soldiers could shelter from enemy fire. Inside the munitions store, a small wooden box protected the gunpowder from damp.

Behind the ridge, in the stretch between Passo Tanarello and Passo di Garlanda, a number of barracks were used to house the troops and the materials used for defence.



Piazzole per i cannoni sulla cima del Monte Saccarello