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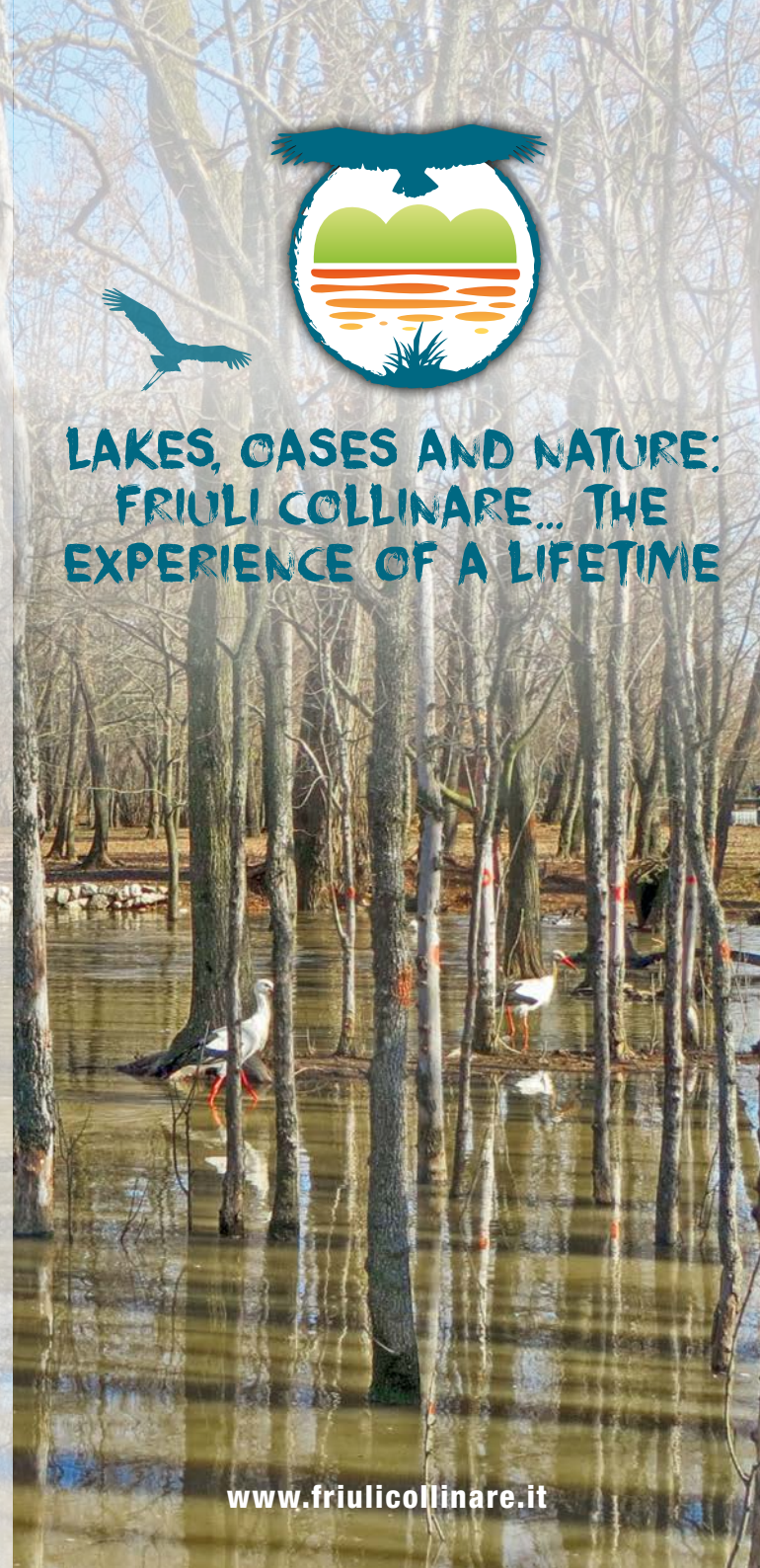


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# Oasi dei Quadris



The Oasis, located to the north-west of the centre of Fagagna, is a SCI (Site of Community Importance) where, in 1989, thanks to the efforts of the Fagagna Municipality and the Comunità Collinare del Friuli, an experimental station was established for the reintroduction of the white stork and for hosting a colony of Northern bald ibis.



Currently, the Oasis holds around eighty white storks and 20-40 chicks are born every year. These, over time, should both secure the restoration of the migratory streams and the attraction of similar wildlife.

The bald ibis colony is a project that for Fagagna potentially represents its most important experience. The bald ibis is of the same family as the stork and it is in serious risk of extinction, despite having been a protected species for years. Today the bald ibis can be found mostly in zoos and specialised centres like that of Fagagna, where, exceptionally, it reproduces with a good frequency, so that the colony now numbers around 180 individuals.

The Oasis also counts a number of Konik horse (unique in Italy) that are direct descendants of the Tarpan, the extinct wild Eurasian horses.



For groups and scholastic field trips the Reserve is open daily by reservation only, tel. **+39 331 9788574**  
**From 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of MARCH to NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Sunday and holidays: 10.00-19.00  
**From MAY 15<sup>th</sup> to SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Saturday afternoons also: 14.30-19.00



# RISERVA NATURALE LAGO DI CORNINO



The Reserve, in the Municipality of Forgaria Nel Friuli, is situated between the steep rock faces of Mount Prät and the pebbly riverbank of the Tagliamento. It stretches over an area of 500 hectares and falls within the territory of the much vaster district of the Valley of the Medio Tagliamento.

The protected area is made up of a combination of considerably distinct environments which are characterised by the presence of an arboreal vegetation and typically Mediterranean shrubbery.

A small lake of crystal clear, emerald-green water is found nestled within a hollow formed during the ice age. The lacustrine basin, unsuitable for swimming, is a little over 140 meters long and 8m deep. The main point of reference of the Reserve is the visitor centre. From here various itineraries start out, and here touristic materials and information on the diverse aspects of the area and current activities are provided. The greater part of the initiatives is related to Griffon Project, launched in the 1980s and is aimed at the reintroduction of the kind of vultures, which had led to the creation of a nesting colony. The area also contains many other birds, amongst which are diurnal and nocturnal birds of prey. For this reason, it is highly recommended for birdwatching.



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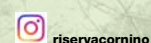
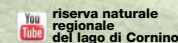
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## MAY – SEPTEMBER

Daily: 9.00-13.00 and 14.00-18.00



# RAGOGNA AND SAN DANIELE DEL FRIULI LAKE



Located between the towns of Ragogna and San Daniele del Friuli, it represents the last intermorainal lake formed with the ancient glacier of Tagliamento. Recognised as a SCI (Site of Community Importance) thanks to its naturalistic particularities, it is a unique site of the North-East in which the water caltrop (trapa natans) grows. It extends over 23 hectares and has a maximum depth of 10 meters. The wellsprings feeding it originate in Mount Ragogna and, in periods of drought, from the Repudio torrent which, thanks to a hydraulic structure, allows for the maintaining of the lamination levels of that expanse of water. Situated along the migration route of various species of migratory birds, it is a zone particularly suited for birdwatching as well as fishing, including carp-fishing, which draws fishermen also from across the border.

Archaeological surveys have uncovered remarkable vestiges, dating back to the Late Mesolithic and the Early Neolithic periods (5000 BC) belonging to an agricultural community that settled along the lakeshore. An ancient quarry called "gjave di Kric" is found on the southern side of the hill located north of the lake.

Another interesting fact regards the dragonfly, whose population in Ragogna represents 58% that of Friuli and 41% of the whole of Italy.

