



## **Municipality of Barcis**

### **A four-season holiday destination where water, earth and sky blend.**

Situated in the heart of a valley called Valcellina, Barcis is a charming tourist resort, the ideal place for a holiday in close contact with nature. Environment, sports, memorable events and good food are among its main attractions: thousands of tourists are attracted every year by its new and modern accommodation facilities, suitable for the most demanding tourists. The crystal-clear, emerald-green waters of Lake Aprilis offer the opportunity to play different sports, relax on shore and enjoy the sunshine or tone up with an invigorating swim. The lake front offers picnic areas and scenic routes for a leisurely walk. If you love the uncontaminated nature, you have a range of options to consider: hiking in the nearby forest (Foresta del Prescudin); visiting forra del Cellina Nature Reserve, with one of the most spectacular canyons in Italy, crossed by the "old path" which is now a cycleway; breathtaking views of the Friulian Dolomites with their regional nature reserve, which has recently been listed as a Unesco "World Heritage Site". Since 1985 Barcis has become the regional capital of powerboating. On these occasions several 300-hp engine catamarans of all colours race on the lake at high speed. Besides, there are sport fishing competitions, hovercraft and track events, sumo wrestling, 5-player football and tennis tournaments. Visiting Barcis means being warmly welcomed into a friendly and inviting atmosphere. Its old town centre and Palazzo Centi, the town and valley's most important historic building, act as a background to great cultural events like the poetry prize named after the poet born in Barcis, Giuseppe Malattia della Vallata, founded in 1988. In 1997, the former art critic Vittorio Sgarbi founded the award named after the man of letters Bruno Cavallini, an annual prize awarded to nationally and internationally renowned authors. A number of initiatives are undertaken during the year to entertain the visitors: St. John's night with its "magic" rituals, the traditional "Mascarete" regatta, the "Fondin" antiques market, "Artist on the street", the traditional alpine gathering, Miss Italy selections, the "migrants and holiday marker" festival ending with fireworks over the lake, the "Castagnata (chestnut festival) under the bell tower" and the living Nativity Scene at Christmas. In summer, the initiative called "On the Lake Barcis and under the stars" offers pleasant moments of relaxation and fun. For further information please visit [www.barcis.fvg.it](http://www.barcis.fvg.it) or call our Information Point (IAT) on 0427 76300.

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