



DE BONI CATERINA

Shepherdess

Friuli-Venezia-Giulia (Italy)

SHEEP FARMING IN ITALY

(estimates)

- 60.000 farms
 - 6.400.000 sheep
 - 1.000.000 goats
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- 80% dairy cattle (south Italy)
 - 20% meat cattle (north Italy)

30% farms leaded by women

(Source: Coldiretti-Assonapa-Italian BDN-ISMEA)



Foto:flock of De Boni Caterina (©Abel Picogna)

TRANSHUMANCE IN NORTH ITALY



365 day per year

Summer: Alps

Winter: Plains, in private or public fields

ADVANTAGES

Little or no mechanization

Little water and fossil fuels consumption

Animal welfare

DISADVANTAGES

Hard work

Difficulty in finding pastures in winter due to the increase of cultivated fields





An History about woman pastoralism in the Alps



AT SHEEP PACE
The Journey of a transhuming shepherdess

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WOOL

An opportunity for Woman pastoralism



ITALIAN BREEDS OF SHEEPS



More than 65 breeds of sheep

(bold: breeds in extinction)

Source: Wikipedia-associazionerare.it

.Altamurana-**Alpagota**-Appenninica-Bagnolese-**Barbaresca siciliana**-Bergamasca-Biellese-Brentegana scelta-Brianzola-**Brigasca**-**Brogna**-**Ciavenasca**-**Ciuta**-**Comarancina**-Comisana-Cornella bianca-**Cornigliese**-Corteno-**Delle Langhe**-Fabrianese-Finarda-Foza-**Frabosana**-**Garessina**-**Garfagnina**-Gentile di Puglia-**Istriana**-**Lamon**-**Laticauda**-Leccese-Livo-**Matesina**-Marrana-Massese-Merinizzata italiana-Modenese-Nera di Arbus-Nostrana-**Noticiara**-Pagliarola-Pinzirita-Plezzana-Pomarancina-Pusterese-Quadrella-**Rosset**-**Saltasassi**-Sambucana-**Savoiarda**-Schnalserschaf-Schwarz Braunes Bergschaf-Sciara-Vissana-**Sopravissana**-Sarda-Tiroler Bergscharf-Trimetizia di Segezia-Turchessa-Valle del Belice-Varesina-Vicentina-**Fiemmese o Tingola**-Zerasca-Zucca Modenese

Example of small wool realities in Italy



Aquilana (Abruzzo)

Spinrad- (Alto Adige)





LES TISSERELANDS

Valle d'Aosta



Fattoria “La Rocca”



Scattered Manufacturing in the Dolomites



ELBEC

(Rocca Pietore-Dolomites)

My Wool...Claut-Dolomites



An Italian artist: Ennia Visentin



WOOL Project (2022)

Wool as Outstanding Opportunity for Leverage

wool.adrioninterreg.eu-wool.adrion

INTERREGV-B Adriatic-Ionian ADRION

European Union

University of Zagreb, Economics and Marketing Department.

Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina-Montenegro

Investigation about breed of sheeps, quality and uses of wool,
job opportunities for women in the rural areas, problems to
resolve

SHEEP UP Project (2019-2023)

www.pecoredimontagna.it

Biodiversità ovina veneta (Sheep's Biodiversity in Veneto Region)

A study about the potential use of the wool of some Italian sheep breeds in the Alps of Veneto

Coordinator: Elena Pagliarino

Partners

- CNR-IRCRES
- CENTRO CONSORZI
- EUROPEAN UNION-psr Veneto

WOOLSHED project (2024):

Improve the use of waste wool in the Alps

5 Countries and 7 partners involved:

- ITALY: Centro Consorzi
- SWITZERLAND: Onl'Fat Lab, Laines d'ici
- SLOVENIA: Kgzs Zavod, Innorennew CoE
- FRANCE: Le textile Lab
- AUSTRIA: Impact Hub

School projects



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