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COGNE IS READY FOR THE 19TH MINIMARCIAGRANPARADISO!

Two days of competitions and fun for the little ones on Prati di Sant'Orso – Saturday, January 31st and Sunday, February 1st, 2026. The 5th SkiriMini combined event is also on the program.

All set for the 19th **MiniMarciaGranParadiso**, the cross-country skiing festival that will see hundreds of young athletes compete on the Prati di Sant'Orso, in the heart of **Gran Paradiso National Park**. Two days celebrating sport, friendship, and fun, running in parallel with the unique atmosphere of the Marciagranparadiso.

In brief, the **programme** spans two days: on Saturday, 31 January 2026 the Baby Sprint, Baby, and Cuccioli categories will take to the course; on Sunday, 1 February 2026 it will be the turn of Ragazzi and Allievi, together with the many “bison” taking part in the 43rd edition of the Marcia. Start times, distances, all technical information, and entry forms will be published in the regulations and on the official website. Every participant will receive the customary, **generous race pack**.

«*MiniMarcia is our way of introducing young people to snow and to cross-country skiing—with a smile—and an opportunity to offer participants and ski clubs a high-calibre competition in the temple of cross-country skiing —*, said **Claudia Abram**, President of the Organising Committee. — *We look forward to welcoming you to Cogne for an unforgettable weekend*».

Confirmation of the **SkiriMini**, the combined event linking the MiniMarciaGranParadiso and the Skiri Trophy XCcountry in Val di Fiemme: a well-established partnership that promotes the culture of cross-country skiing, highlighting teamwork between two classics on the youth calendar. At the end of the two races, the **5th SkiriMini Trophy** will be awarded with dedicated prize-giving. Details on eligible categories and how to enter will be set out in the combined event regulations. New for 2026 (valid for this edition only): due to commitments at the Lago di Tesero Cross-Country Stadium for the Milan–Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics, the Val di Fiemme leg will take place at **Passo di Lavazé**. As the new venue is more compact, only **150 bibs** per category will be available.

«As Cogne's **newly elected mayor** and a passionate cross-country skier, experiencing the MiniMarcia holds special meaning for me. It is a celebration of joy, sport, and community that conveys the most authentic soul of Cogne: our love for snow, nature, and our young people. The municipal administration is proud to stand by your side for this new edition, to share the enthusiasm and passion that make our valley unique». This is the view of **Denis Truc**.

For the Cogne community, the MiniMarciaGranParadiso is a **defining event**: an opportunity to showcase the territory and welcome families and sports clubs from across Italy, where alpine hospitality meets sporting tradition.

Entries are now open for both competitions (MiniMarcia and SkiriMini). Further details on the website: <https://www.marciagranparadiso.it/pagina.php?id=10>.





You can follow the event dedicated to adults on the **Facebook** page @Marcia Gran Paradiso, on the **Twitter** profile @MGranparadiso and on the **Instagram** profile @marciagranparadiso. Three are the official hashtag for the event: **#marciagranparadiso**, **#MGP2026** and **#SkiClassicsChallengers**.

You can follow the event dedicated to youngsters on the **Facebook** page @MiniMarciagranparadiso, on the **Twitter** profile @MGranparadiso and on the **Instagram** profile @marciagranparadiso. Three are the official hashtag for the event: **#MiniMarcia**, **#MiniMGP2026** and **#SkiriMini**.

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