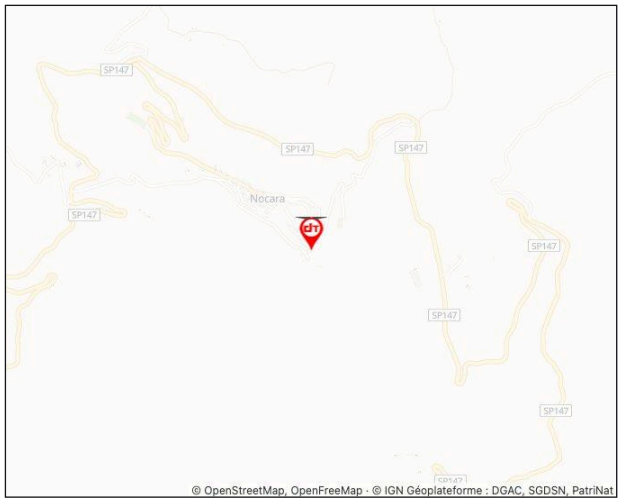
Golden Arms: Nocara - The Arms of Sant'Angelo

Mountain · Italy

GPS coordinates	40.09771, 16.48397
Elevation	850 m
Maximum height	120 m max
Access	Direct access by car
Nearest aerodrome	Policoro Saline Flying Field 25 km NE · spot 848 m higher
Spot reference	300042



Spot location and restrictions (Drone-Spot map image)

Sun (local times, UTC+01:00)

Day	Dawn	Sunrise	Sunset	Dusk	Day length	Golden hour
Wed 25 Nov	06:21	06:51	16:31	17:01	9 h 40	06:51–07:32 · 15:50–16:31
Thu 26 Nov	06:22	06:52	16:31	17:01	9 h 39	06:52–07:33 · 15:49–16:31
Fri 27 Nov	06:23	06:53	16:31	17:00	9 h 37	06:53–07:34 · 15:49–16:31

Nearby aerodromes

Aerodrome	Type	Distance	Elevation
Policoro Saline Flying Field	Aerodrome	25 km NE	2 m

Description

The archaeological site Armi di Sant'Angelo (Arm di Gatt in the local dialect), 4 km from Nocara (CS), is a limestone cliff that stands alone atop the central peak of the Serra Maggiore, at an altitude of 747 m. Like a gothic cathedral, in the past it was used as a mystical place of meeting of the hags of the surrounding municipalities and is linked to mysterious folk beliefs and sinister apparitions of angels that proclaim the death of those who see them. Near this cliff are the remains of the city of Presinace, a "Civitas" probably Longobard that at the time of Ancient Greece was the site of Serra Maiori, located on a strategic point from which dominates the valley of the Canna river to the Ionian Sea and the valleys of Ragone and Sarmento, tributaries of the Sinni river. In the Hellenistic period, on the Serra Maggiore and the nearby hills, was built a network of fortified settlements …

Scan to open the up-to-date spot page: weather, map and restrictions.

https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/fiche-spot.aspx?id=300042

Before every flight: check the UAS zones map, NOTAMs and temporary areas, the weather and the Kp index.

Preparing the flight

Pre-flight Check-List

- ☐ Area checked: UAS zones, restrictions, protected areas
- ☐ NOTAMs and temporary areas checked
- ☐ Weather: wind, gusts, rain, visibility; Kp index
- ☐ Operator number displayed on the drone
- ☐ Training certificate or licence with me
- ☐ Third-party liability insurance checked
- ☐ Batteries charged: drone, controller, phone
- ☐ Propellers, motors and frame in good condition
- ☐ Memory card inserted and empty
- ☐ Software up to date, compass and IMU calibrated
- ☐ Return to home: home point and return height set
- ☐ Electronic signalling or remote ID active
- ☐ Take-off area clear, people informed and at a distance
- ☐ Observer present for FPV flights

Key rules of the open category

This country applies the European drone rules (open category); it may add its own zones and conditions.

- Maximum height: 120 m above the ground, lower where a restriction requires it.
- Always keep the drone in sight; when flying FPV, an observer keeps it in sight next to you.
- Never fly over crowds and keep the distances of your subcategory (A1, A2 or A3).
- Respect UAS geographical zones: around aerodromes, prohibited or restricted areas, protected areas, sensitive sites.
- Register as an operator if the drone weighs 250 g or more or carries a camera (toys excepted), and display the number on the drone.
- Training: online A1/A3 certificate from 250 g or for a class C1 drone; A2 certificate to fly closer to people with a class C2 drone.
- Always give way to manned aircraft and land if one approaches.
- Respect privacy: no images that identify people without their consent; aerial photography is prohibited in some areas.
- Check your third-party liability insurance.

Non-exhaustive summary: rules change. Reference: the DGAC open-category guide and the country's regulations.

Useful links

UAS zones map around the spot : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/carte-uas.aspx?lat=40.09771&lon=16.48397
Drone pilot library : https://www.drone-spot.tech/en/bibliotheque

My flight notes

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