

ECOLOGICAL PARK SPORT AND RECREATION WITH NO USE OF ELECTRICITY

The Guardian magazine recognized the Playground *Ai Pioppi* as one of the most bizarre homemade attractions. It is a completely mechanical games park which does not need motors or electricity to operate.

The park is equipped with more than 40 attractions, including trampolines, wheels, kinetic rollercoasters, all homemade with iron and other recycled materials that do not need electricity. Some of the [major attractions](#) are presented on the site of the Park.

The author of this impressive proposition is the owner of the restaurant *Ai Pioppi*, Bruno Ferrin. He opened it in 1969 and started welding together the mechanical games in the wood of the property to offer entertainment to his customers, adults and children. The Playground and the park games are free to all restaurant customers.

The park is harmonically inserted in an ancient forest of chestnut trees, plane trees, elms, beeches, birches, aspens, declared a natural oasis. All games are designed as an integral part of the forest, and this aspect represents an additional attraction to its use. Moving down the slide or running around a track built between the branches of trees, it seems that the park is a unique element with the surrounding forest, protected by the forest itself.

Each game is designed by Bruno Ferrini with the support of an engineer who is responsible for the realization of the design, and the necessary trials and tests before being used in the Park. The maintenance of games is secured permanently, to guarantee users a gaming experience of a complete safety. Many games, in fact, can only be used by adults and under the supervision of professionals, as the slide of 40 meters high, where you can reach a velocity up to 100Km/h. Or the latest attraction, still under construction, the catapult, where you can experience an acceleration similar to the rise of an airplane.



The Park has been named the *Gardaland of the dreamers* for being completely sustainable and because values the natural resources as those of a forest.

The Pioppi Playgroung follows the modern trends of the [Adventure Parks](#) that offer circuits between the trees, suspension bridges, tree platforms, and other attractions for sports and recreation. These solutions are spreading worldwide, as demonstrated by the great success of the [Canopy tours](#) taking place in many countries like Costa Rica, Mexico, Thailand, Brazil, Chile and New Zealand.

These attractions, as evidenced by the Park in Pioppi, which annually receives more than 50,000 visitors from around the world can be important initiatives to valorize the local resources of a territory from an ecological perspective, and to make good use of the knowledge of local artisans and also generate an economic value.

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