



ITALUS: THE SILENT WITNESS OF POLLINO

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THE DISCOVERY: A SCIENTIFIC MIRACLE

In 2018, researchers from the University of Tuscia discovered Italus on a rocky cliff 1,600m above sea level. Despite being over 1,230 years old, this Loricata Pine is still growing, showing incredible resilience to climate change.



A MILLENNIUM OF HISTORY

- 👑 **789 AD:** Italus was a sapling when Charlemagne was King of the Franks.
- 🎨 **Renaissance:** Already centuries old when art and science flourished in Italy.
- 🌍 **Modern Era:** Stood tall through two World Wars and the digital revolution.



THE SECRET OF RESILIENCE

Italus's secret lies in its name: the **Loricata Pine**. Its bark resembles the 'Lorica', the scale armor of ancient Roman soldiers, protecting it from extreme cold, lightning, and parasites.



Roman Armor Bark



High Altitude Refuge



Lightning Resistant



Extreme Cold Hardy

CONCLUSION: A SYMBOL FOR THE FUTURE

Italus is more than just a tree; it is a symbol of hope and resilience. It teaches us that life can persist and even thrive in the face of adversity. Protecting these ancient sanctuaries is essential for our future.



Symbol of Hope



Nature's Resilience



Environmental Protection



Ancient Sanctuary

