



Mineral water trails

VI

NATURAL MINERAL SPRING

NAME

Vi stems from the Latin *vicus*, which means *village*. A part of the old village centre in Scuol Sura (*Upper Scuol*) is also called Vi.

TYPE OF SPRING

Naturally carbonated mineral water with calcium, hydrogen carbonate and iron

MAIN COMPONENTS

Calcium Ca ²⁺	384 mg/l
Magnesium Mg ²⁺	24 mg/l
Iron Fe ²⁺	8 mg/l
Hydrogen carbonate HCO ₃ ⁻	1280 mg/l
Sulphate SO ₄ ²⁻	14 mg/l

PARTICULARITIES

The mineral spring, known since the 16th century, emerges from a mighty tufa hill. A 36-metre tunnel was drilled to tap the spring.

A report from 1832 mentions a drinking bower and a small bathhouse. In 1877 a pavilion was built on the tufa hill, which was demolished in the 1940s due to vandalism.

The water of the Vi spring had been fed to the Quadras bathhouse since 1879 and is still used in the Bogn Engiadina mineral bath today.

The Vi Spring was occasionally called the *Campell spring*, after the Grisons chronicler Duri Campell or Durich Chiampell (ca. 1510 – ca. 1582). Furthermore, different spellings such as *Wy* or *Vih* were used.

«*The burning summer does not dry the deep springs, only the shallow streams.*»

Friedrich Hölderlin (1770 – 1843)