Tecchio-M.Tabor-M.Marnotto-Cima Pianchette

If I had not reached the Pizzo di Gino years ago along the North ridge, I would believe it is my "Mont Maudit"! Also this time I planned my tour including, as showpiece, the final ascent to Pizzo di Gino from Cima Pianchette; but the strong wind experienced along the passes encountered walking the path suggested to me to not "climb" the not so easy SE ridge. I found the path on the site Cavargna Valley and the only difference was that I would walk it to the contrary perhaps adding also the part from M. Tabor to M. Marnotto (always with the idea to complete all the ridge from the Bregagno M. M. Garzirola, even if not in the same day). Climbed over the Rifugio Croce di Campo and detected the right path that runs up Val Careggio and leads the Alta Via dei Monti Lariani I followed it but I saw it was a bit further down the ridge line; so I climbed higher to link all of three minor peaks before Mount Tabor. After I reached the Bocchetta di Sebol however, I did an expensive half turn of a lower peak before my goal; when I realized what was happened I decided to climb up the summit from South. On the top the wind was very strong and the my cautious side (very strong too) began to suggest to me to renounce the ascent of Pizzo di Gino and barter it with reaching Mount Marnotto. So I did it but it took a time well over 45 minutes I evaluated, thanks to a new erroneous half turn highly unproductive; I have to say that very often I was undecided to follow the Alta Via or the planned way because the first is the only marked but often has many variants. I fled from M. Marnotto after the usual photo by the wind, after seeing the next top M. Bregagno and abandoned the idea to reach it, I walked back. This time I followed the trail more directly, avoiding the minor peaks giving me just a new visit to the summit of Mount Tabor by the steep South slope and at last I closed my path climbing to Cima Pianchette and admiring the Pizzo di Gino pyramid with a sense of bitterness for the waiver; it was there, very near to me but lashed by the wind. "I will reach it next time"! I always say this in these cases looking for one thousand excuses knowing in my heart that the ideal does not exist: if you want the beautiful view and to get sharp photos you need the wind but it bothers you; with the snow the landscape changes and becomes a charm but effort and risk increase; if there is water threat or it rains maybe you will think that a good wind would sweep the clouds and the cycle begins again! It 's so: the mountain always charmes us and just returned down, refreshed and sitting comfortably in our car driving our effortless way home, we immediately forget the aching limbs, the thirst suffered and the "lost" breath and we think "to next "which maybe is still the same you have not completed or you are not completely satisfied with. The mountain is beautiful and the more you go to it the more you want to go there; it is a drug (are the beta-endorphins responsible also here as for the race and other aerobic activities?).

Key data:

Ascent: 1358m Path lenght km 19.65 Total time 8h15'

	Partial time	Total time
Rifugio Croce di campo	47'	47'
M. Tabor	2h05'	2h53'
M.Marnotto	1h24'	4h18'
M.Tabor	1h19'	5h38'
Cima Pianchette	1h13'	6h51'
Tecchio	1h23'	8h15'