



TOUR 4

HISTORICAL AND FOODIE ROOTS

Casale Monferrato, the main town of Monferrato, is a city rich in art, history and traditions, with many sites of interest which offer a full immersion into culture. You can start with a visit to the Castle, with free parking lot in the square "del Castello". On Tuesdays and Fridays it is fun to wander around the market full of typical products and for fleas market lovers, every second Sunday of the month the Antiques Market is set up. We continue on foot to the 11th-century Civic Tower, the Duomo, one of the most magnificent examples of Romanesque-Gothic architecture in Piedmont, the palaces of Via Mameli, with the elegant example of Baroque Casalese recognizable in the Treville palace, and one of the most beautiful Synagogue in Europe, in the characteristic Jewish ghetto.

In Piazza Castello you will find the Tourist Information Kiosk where the staff will be available to schedule times and organize visits, alternatively you can consult the site: www.comune.casale-monferrato.al.it

Often during the week a fragrance pervades the streets of the city, capturing the senses. It is the fragrance that comes from the laboratories of the [Portinaro & C.](#) pastry shop (Via Giovanni Lanza, 17) which is preparing the famous Krumiri Rossi, impossible to resist the impulse to buy and taste them. A few steps away in the "Piazza del Cavallo" (Piazza Mazzini) let's stop to savor a "Ractagino", a coffee with a special hazelnut paste, in the oldest grocery store in Italy [Corino 1764 - antico drogheria](#) phone no. +39 0142 435144. After this cultural morning we suggest driving to San Giorgio Monferrato, park in front of the Cantina Sociale di San Giorgio and have lunch at the [Luna e il Falò](#) restaurant, let them recommend the risottos that are the house specialty!

In the afternoon we recommend a wine tasting in the dedicated room located in what was the old stable belonging to the Beccaria farmhouse. The [Azienda Agricola Beccaria](#) can host wine lovers in a familiar yet professional way. The company has been recognized as an Educational Farm since 2007 and offers the opportunity to learn about agricultural activity and the food cycle, the territory and its history to school groups, groups and families. Winery and the vineyards can be visited upon reservation on weekends and with advance notice during the week. You must visit the [Società Agricola Angelini Paolo](#), on the state road that from Casale Monferrato leads to Ozzano, where both wines produced from classic Monferrato vines, such as Barbera and Grignolino, which from vines of new plants such as Viognier and Syrah.

For a homey feeling night's sleep, we suggest staying in Ozzano M.to at la [Terrazza sul Monferrato](#), with the total tranquility, relax, and the warmth that only a family structure is able to guarantee. If you prefer a historic nineteenth century residence in Casale M.to we recommend San Giovannina 800 (Gabriella phone no. +39 335 202894 - Roberto phone no. +39 335 7209165), a holiday home with terrace and barbecue. From the beautiful garden, lovingly cared for by the owner, you can enjoy the breathtaking view of the town of Casale and the surrounding hills - animals are welcome.

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