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Major events

MAY

Celebrations of the Feast of St. Secundus, Asti's Patron Saint
Ceremony of the Stima del Palio and Swearing in of the Rectors
Firework display on the water in honour of the Saint
Ceremony of the Offering of the Banner to the Collegiate Church
Minestra dei Poveri (Meal traditionally offered to the poor on this feast)

Vinissage - exhibition of organic and biodynamic wines

JUNE

Astiteatro - festival of open-air theatre performances

JULY

Astimusica - festival of open-air music performances

SEPTEMBER

From the second to the third Sunday in September

Douja d'or - exhibition of selected wines

Festival delle Sagre - festival of country culture and cuisine

3rd Sunday Palio procession and race

NOVEMBER

Regional Truffles & Food and Wine Fair



Palazzo Civico

This is the Town Hall of Asti. Built on the site of pre-existing medieval buildings, in 1727 it was renovated by Benedetto Alfieri in the baroque style that remains today





Collegiata di San Secondo

Collegiate church dating from the 13/14th centuries, 15th century façade.

Not to be missed:

10th century crypt with the remains of the patron saint, Secundus of Asti;

“Adoration of the Magi” painted by Gandolfino da Roreto;

the banners of the Palio offered by the City to the Saint



Torre Troiana

Built in the second half of the 13th century, this tower, crowned by Ghibelline swallow-tailed merlons, is over 39 metres tall. It has a bell at the top

Torre Comentina

This 13th century square tower is over 38 metres tall





Palazzo Mazzetti

Civic Museum,
housing the Fondazione Mazzetti and
temporary exhibitions,
a baroque residence built
on pre-existing medieval buildings,
18th century furnishings





Palazzo Ottolenghi

An elegant example of an aristocratic residence in Piedmontese baroque style. It houses the Museum of the Risorgimento and of the "Garibaldi" Italian Partisan Division, the Historical Institute for the Resistance



Cripta e Museo di Sant'Anastasio

Now the Epigraphic Museum, with exhibits from the 8th to 12th centuries. The crypt is superb.



Palazzo

Alfieri

The birthplace of Vittorio Alfieri, a baroque style residence erected on the site of pre-existing medieval buildings, now houses the Fondazione Guglielminetti, the Fondazione Studi Alfieriani, the Alfieri Museum and a multi-purpose cultural centre

Palazzo del Collegio

Built in the 19th century,
it houses the "Giorgio Faletti"
Library and a number of schools

ex Chiesa di San Giuseppe

17th century, baroque façade.
This deconsecrated church now
houses the "Piccolo Teatro Giraudi"
theatre and the Museum
of Stagecraft





Torre De Regibus

This 13th century tower rising to around 27 metres is the only one in the city with an octagonal floor plan

Palazzo del Michelerio

This 16th century building – formerly the Nunnery of Jesus of the Observant Poor Clares – in the 19th century housed the Opera Pia Michelerio orphanage.

It now contains the Paleontological Museum where important fossils from the Pliocene era can be seen





Torre Rossa

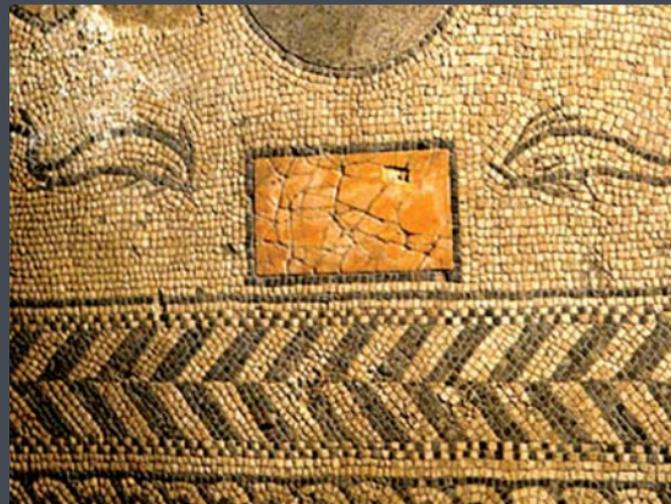
Built in brickwork and sandstone, this is one of the two towers that once guarded the western gate to the Roman city (1st century AD).

It was built up to its current height in medieval times (11th century)



Domus Romana

A patrician Roman house (1st century AD):
it features a particularly valuable mosaic floor decorated with fish and sprigs of ivy, with a border in black and white tesserae





Cattedrale

In Piedmontese gothic style, the cathedral was built in the 13th and 14th centuries.

Not to be missed: 13th century mosaic in the presbytery, 15th century font, portico in flamboyant gothic style, bell tower

Palazzo Mazzola

An aristocratic palace from the early 1500s containing the Municipal Historical Archives and the Museum of the Palio.

Exhibits include illuminated manuscripts (Codex Astensis), parchments dating from the 10th century and the Minutes of the City Council Meetings from the 14th century onwards





Complesso di San Pietro

A series of buildings including the Rotunda of the Holy Sepulchre, 12th century, monastery-hospice of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, Valperga Chapel, 15th century. Archaeological Museum



Teatro Alfieri



Chiesa del Gesù



Enofila



Museo Diocesano S. Giovanni



Sinagoga



ex Palestra Muti

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Monferrato is a land worth savouring from all points of view, to be visited slowly, starting with the main towns and then going on to the hundred villages that have inspired the prose and poetry of such authors as Pavese, Fenoglio and Alfieri. You will experience moments of real emotion while discovering boutique hotels and country residences, castles and wineries.

Relaxing and romantic holidays, amidst nature, rich in culture and superlatively enjoyable for all those seeking the perfect symbiosis between nature, outdoor sports, history and culinary arts.



