

## Welcome to Rosignano!

Our municipality is an essential part of the "Core zone" of the Unesco site "IL MONFERRATO DEGLI INFERNOT".

A recent research has allowed a census of well 69 Infernot, in Rosignano and in different hamlets and locations, dug over the past centuries by our ancestors.

Some of these Infernot can be visited, while others will be shortly.

The Infernot, together with other artistic, scenic, environmental marvels and the excellence of the gastronomic tradition of Rosignano, constitute something unique and unmissable.

Enjoy your visit!

## What is a UNESCO world heritage?

UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) promotes cooperation among the countries of the world through education, science and culture channels. UNESCO's task is to encourage the identification, protection and preservation of cultural and natural heritage: it represents the history and identity of each people and is the heritage of the past to be transmitted to future generations.

The World Heritage List includes more than a thousand sites to date; Italy is the country that has more sites: 50 in total.

The sites chosen as World Heritage are selected for their exceptional characteristics, which make them the best possible example of the cultural and natural heritage around the world.

Becoming part of the list is a global recognition of the extraordinary cultural value of the place that has to be preserved and transmitted to future generations.

Since June 2014 "Paesaggi vitivinicoli di Langhe-Roero e Monferrato" (wine landscapes) became the 50th Italian "World Heritage of Humanity."

One of the six zones that constitute the "heart" of the site is "Il Monferrato degli Infernot", of which the town of Rosignano Monferrato is an integral part.



## IL MONFERRATO DEGLI INFERNOT

The area is characterized by the presence of an unusual type of architectural work, the Infernot.

The Infernot are dug in a peculiar geological formation found only in the Basso Monferrato, the so-called Pietra da Cantoni stone.

The Infernot are used for home bottle storage and represent real works of art related to the popular "know-how".

The selected area includes the main quarries from which the stone material that characterizes the architecture of the precious villages is extracted.

In close connection are the territories of vineyards, historically linked to the cultivation of Barbera and Grignolino vines - DOC and DOCG wines - and other minor varieties that still characterize the patrimony of Piedmont grapes.



## B&Bs and RESTAURANTS

### "A CASA DI BABETTE" - Restaurant

Via Isola, 2 - Valle Ghenza  
Tel. 0142.488885 - 347.7130521  
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### CA' DAL BERTU - Bed&Breakfast

Cascina Belgioino, 7 - Strada Rinera  
Tel. 349.5669700 - 347.3748483  
info@cadalbertu.com  
www.cadalbertu.com

### CASTELLO DI UVIGLIE - Historical castle

Località Castello di Uviglie, 73  
Tel. 342.9214895  
reception@castellodiuviglie.com

### "DA CARLA" - Restaurant

Via Cesare Prielli, 27  
Frazione Stevani  
Tel. 0142.488106

### "LA PUNTA DEL SOLE" - Bed&Breakfast

Via Madonna delle Grazie, 8  
Tel. 339.1236267  
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### "L'INFERNOT" - Bed&Breakfast

Via Madonna delle Grazie 4, capoluogo  
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### "LOCANDA DELLA DISTILLERIA"

#### Apartments

Via Isola, 2 - Valle Ghenza  
Tel. 0142.488122 - 0142.488885  
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### "STEVANI - in Monferrato" - Bed&Breakfast

Frazione Stevani - Via San Martino 9  
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bb.stevani@gmail.com

### "CASCINA MANU" - Bed&Breakfast

Cascina Varacca Alta 84  
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cascinamanu@libero.it

### "CASTELLO MELLANA" Bed&Breakfast

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Via Roma 2, 6, 8  
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### "C. MAZZUCHELLI GREEN DESIGN"

#### Farm holidays

Cascina Costera 25  
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### "I CASTAGNONI"

#### Bed&Breakfast and Farm holidays

Località Castagnoni, 67  
Tel. 0142.488404 - info@icastagnoni.it

### "LE TRE ROSE"

#### Farm holidays e Rural Hospitality

Via IV Novembre, 2  
Frazione San Martino  
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### "MONTALBANO"

#### Farm holidays e Rural Hospitality

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### "VILLA RONCO" - di Gaviati Simona

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An *Infernot* is a small underground room, dug into the "Pietra da Cantoni" rock, with no lighting or ventilation. They can usually be accessed through a cellar and are used to store bottled wine. Their constant temperature and humidity create an excellent environment for preserving the most precious bottles. There are various types of *Infernot*: single room, multi-room or corridor-shaped. Three different wall finishes are available: smooth, with natural cracking or with visible pick marks. There are also various types of bottle holder: recess, step or long shelf. Some are decorated and others even have a table dug out of the rock. Each *Infernot* is unique and was created by normal people. In short, it represents the material and immaterial heritage of Monferrato.



### How to get to Rosignano Monferrato

**From the motorway gate of Casale Sud - A26 or from Alessandria:** Leave the ring road of Casale, follow the signs to Asti. Just outside Casale, cross the railway in Pozzo Sant'Evasio or San Giorgio - Chiabotto, turning left on a comfortable road. After three kilometres, you will find the Northern side of Rosignano.

**Coming from Turin or Asti:** go along the former SS 457 of Moncalvo: after Ozzano, you get to San Giorgio - Chiabotto. Turn right and past the railway, go up along the SP38 to Rosignano.

#### Web sites of interest:

[www.comune.rosignanomonferrato.al.it](http://www.comune.rosignanomonferrato.al.it)  
[www.prolocorosignano.com](http://www.prolocorosignano.com)  
[www.rosignanoqr.it](http://www.rosignanoqr.it)  
[www.amisdlacurma.it](http://www.amisdlacurma.it)  
[www.ricamidivini.it](http://www.ricamidivini.it)  
[www.ecomuseopietracantoni.it](http://www.ecomuseopietracantoni.it)



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