



The Monumental Garden of Valsanzibio

VILLA BARBARIGO PIZZONI ARDEMANI
VALSANZIBIO DI GALZIGNANO TERME

The Monumental Garden of Valsanzibio is a Baroque garden created in 1665 by the noble Venetian family Barbarigo. Since 1929 the estate belong to the Pizzoni Ardemani family, who have lovingly maintained and transformed this world heritage site into an open-air museum recognized globally. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has made this possible and invite you to explore the following document to learn more about the several possibilities of how to enjoy the garden.

Visiting the garden

Group visits

For adults' groups, the guided visits are not mandatory, but kindly suggested due to the garden's profound allegorical significance. The Monumental Garden of Valsanzibio is an open-air museum of Baroque art, created in 1665 as part of Luigi Bernini's project, commissioned to fulfill a solemn vow made to God by Zuane Francesco Barbarigo in 1631, during the era of the Black Plague, which tragically claimed nearly one-third of Europe's population.

After 360 years of history, this allegorical garden remains perfectly preserved and virtually unchanged. Today, visitors can immerse themselves in its deep symbolism. Our guided tours offer a journey through history, unveiling the meaning of life and guiding you from "Doubt to Revelation."

- **Group prices, only if 20+ paying adults**
- **12 € per person**

Guided visits

1. The Standard Visit

Explore the allegorical meaning of the garden together with some botanical notes.

2. The Superior Visit

Explore the allegorical meaning of the garden while also discovering its botanical heritage and the unique techniques used for its maintenance, and much more. Unlike the Standard Visit, this option includes access to the Square of Revelations in front of the Villa, an area generally closed to the public.

3. Owner-Lead tour (go to bottom page 4)

Groups may request **guides in German, French, Spanish, Russian, and other languages**. As these guides are external, bookings must be made at least two months in advance, and costs may vary.

Groups are welcome to **bring their own licensed guides**. However, due to the garden's profound symbolism, we recommend connecting them with our communication manager beforehand to ensure they receive all the necessary information (info@valsanzibogiardino.com). Licensed professional guides are granted free access whenever together with their groups.

Enhance your visit by booking an **Aperitivo** on the patio of Villa, by the Ancient Stable, or in the lounge of the Casino di Caccia, Ca' Martinengo.



Cost:

- 1 - 9 people: 120€ in English, 100€ in Italian
- 10 - 45 people: 160€ in English, 140€ in Italian
- Duration = 60/70 min.

Cost:

- 1 - 9 people: 210€ in English, 190€ in Italian
- 10 - 45 people: 270€ in English, 240€ in Italian
- Duration = 100/110 min.





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Spaces for Relaxation, Creativity, and Collaboration

Relaxation areas

To preserve the beauty and integrity of the Monumental Garden, the consumption of food and beverages is not allowed within the main garden area. This includes items purchased from our 'Food Kiosk' or other vendors occasionally present on-site.

However, food and beverages can be enjoyed in these designated areas:

1. Ancient Stable Area (Open Daily)

- Equipped with benches, chairs, and tables.
- Features 'Il Chioschetto' ('The Kiosk'), offering hot and cold drinks, snacks like traditional tramezzini sandwiches and toasted piadina wraps, summer treats (gelato, granita), and refreshing alcoholic beverages.

2. Giardino Botanico (Open Daily)

- Located next to the Allegorical Garden, covering 2 hectares of lawns and century old trees surrounded by the Euganean Hills.
- Includes meadows and rustic tables with chairs made from tree trunks (standard picnic tables and chairs are available by reservation).

3. Ca' Martinengo's Garden, the historic hunting lodge of the Valsanzibio estate (available by reservation only and for special events).

Group Lunches and Picnics in the Garden

Groups can enjoy lunch under the shade of old trees in the garden! Three options are available:

- A simple picnic with food brought from home - €3.00 per person for booking an area and/or tables;
- A quick snack prepared from the internal kiosk (open daily);
- A buffet prepared by the internal kiosk or by expert caterers (minimum of 15 people).

NOTE: Reservation and advance payment are mandatory to guarantee the availability of the tables and services requested.

Exhibition space at Ca' Martinengo

Located in the 19th-century Ca' Martinengo hunting lodge, this 300 m² exhibition space offers a unique museum-living room experience with stunning views of Diana's Pavilion. The space hosts art exhibitions and displays of various kinds. For details on the current exhibition, please contact us. The suggested visit duration is 30–40 minutes.

These are the ticket options:

- **Ca' Martinengo Exhibition:** €15 (adult) / €8 (reduced*).
- **Monumental Garden:** €14 (adult) / €7.50 (reduced**).
- **Ca' Martinengo Exhibition + Monumental Garden:** €25 (adult).

Notes:

- *Reduced: Ages 9–16.
- **Reduced: Ages 2–14.

Team building

An increasing number of companies are choosing Valsanzibio's Garden for their team-building events. The garden offers a unique environment to foster teamwork, develop strategies, and navigate challenges—such as overcoming the labyrinth, an allegory for the difficulties encountered in life.



See also page 5 -
EXTRA - 'Aperitivo
and more'





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Regulations

We kindly invite you to read the rules to be followed during your visit. Our priority is to preserve this prestigious open-air museum to the fullest.

Rules for visiting the entire Monumental Garden

- Accompanied Minors:** Minors must ALWAYS be accompanied by an adult during the visit.
- Heritage Protection:** We kindly ask you to respect the garden and avoid causing damage to its centuries-old plants or sculptures. The following are strictly prohibited:
 - Picking plants or flowers.
 - Leaving the designated pathways.
 - Playing with the water features of the Fontana delle Insidie or sitting on its stone benches.
 - Passing through hedges, climbing on statues or plants, or carving marks on them.
 - Throwing stones into fountains or fishponds.
- Inappropriate Behaviour:** Please report any inappropriate behaviour and help raise awareness among less attentive visitors.
- Green Area Preservation:** Avoid stepping on lawns, flowerbeds, or other sensitive areas.
- Photography:** Taking photos or recording videos with professional equipment is prohibited. Amateur photos are permitted exclusively with smartphones or tablets. However, security personnel reserve the right to stop any unauthorised photographic activity.
- Non-Potable Water:** Please note that the water in the garden is not potable.
- Waste Disposal:** Dispose of waste in the designated bins located at the garden's entrance/exit or near the Ancient Stables.



Rules for visiting the Labyrinth

- Access to the labyrinth path is allowed only in the presence of staff at the tower and upon payment of an additional fee of €4.00 per adult or, in the case of school groups, when accompanied by their guide.
- Strollers, prams, wheelchairs are not allowed.
- Small dogs may access the labyrinth only if carried in arms.
- To avoid damage to the plants, backpacks and bags must be worn on the front.
- Running or jumping along the path is prohibited.
- In case of rain, umbrellas must ALWAYS remain closed, even when entering the central tower.

Thank you

Thank you for your kind and indispensable collaboration in preserving this magnificent place and its valuable heritage of centuries-old plants. If you need anything else, do not hesitate to contact us or check out our official web site, www.valsanzibogiardino.com.



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Useful information for your visit

How to reach us

The free private parking for cars and buses is located about 10 meters from the entrance and ticket office of the Monumental Garden of Valsanzibio.

- Address:** Via Diana, 2 – Valsanzibio di Galzignano Terme – 35030 – Padua.
- The parking area is situated to the left of the monumental Diana Pavilion, the 17th-century main water entrance.

Ticket prices

- Adults: €14.00
- Children (2–14 years): €7.50 (Must be accompanied by an adult; 1 adult per 3 children)
- Discounted (€12.00): Groups (20+ adults), Seniors (65+), minors from 15 to 18 years old, university students, and others.
- (Group leaders of 20+ adults receive one complimentary ticket.)

Labyrinth Full Path Access

- Tickets (supplementary):
 - Adults: €4.00
 - Children (2–14 years): Free (Must be accompanied by an adult; 1 adult per 3 children).
- Opening Hours:
 - Weekends and holidays: 11:00–13:00 and 14:30 until 1 hour before garden closing.
 - Weekdays: Same hours, but access is upon request at the ticket counter.

Open everyday

- From February 22 to December 8, 2025 (weather permitting):**

- Continuous hours from 10:00 to sunset (closing hours vary between 17:00 and 19:00 depending on the season).
- Winter period only after 11:00 by call (+39 340 0825844) or by reservation via email (info@valsanzibogiardino.com).

What's included in your ticket?

- Access to the Symbolic Garden, Botanical Garden, Ancient Stables area, and the Labyrinth's Middle Tower.
- A leaflet with historical information and a garden map (available in Italian, English, German, and French).
- Visits to the Villa's interior are not permitted. Certain areas, like the Square of Revelations, are only accessible during guided tours.

Reserving tables for packed lunch

€24.00 per table (6–8 people). Early booking and payment are recommended to ensure availability.

EXTRA - Owner-Lead Tour

- Up to 2 hours of 'Full Immersion' in the Monumental Garden of Valsanzibio.
- Pricing:** €600 (1–10 people), €700 (11–20), €800 (21–30), €900 (31–40).
- Languages:** Italian or English.





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EXTRA - Aperitivo and more

We offer the 'Aperitivo' experience in two exclusive locations:

1. Private Area near the Antiche Scuderie

- Surrounded by centuries-old trees.
- Cost:** From €20 per person (minimum 15 people).
- For smaller groups, the base price is €300 (equivalent to 15 participants).

2. The Pompeiana of the Villa

- Includes access to the Piazzale delle Rivelazioni, an exclusive garden area with a stunning view of the Central Avenue.
- Cost:** From €60 per person (minimum 20 people, maximum 50).
- For smaller groups, the base price is €1,200 (equivalent to 20 participants).

- Menu Options:** The basic menu includes Prosecco and/or Bellini with small sandwiches (tramezzini). Custom menus are available upon request, with costs adjusted accordingly.
- Timing:** The 'Aperitivo' can be arranged before, during, or after your visit.

Payment

- Admission Tickets and Labyrinth Path:** Tickets can be purchased on-site or paid through a bank transfer at least 5 days before the actual visit.
- Extras (guided tours, aperitifs, table reservations, location rental, other):** Payment for all extras must be made in advance by bank transfer. Extra services will be confirmed and guaranteed only after payment as indicated on booking. Please note that all rates are subject to change until the booking has been confirmed.
- For a guided tour of the Monumental Garden with internal guides (available in Italian or English), group picnics, or table reservations, a deposit is not required; however, the balance payment must be made before 5 working days from the scheduled visit.
- For a guided tour with external guides or with the owner, a deposit is not required, but the balance payment must be made before 30 days from the scheduled visit.
- For extras involving the Villa, understood as the building, and/or the rental of part or all of the location (organisation of events, lunches, dinners, overnight stays, photographic or video shooting services, other) a deposit of 50% upon booking is requested, and the balance must be paid before 30 days from the date of use of the location or part of it.
- For convenience, once the payment has been made, please send the receipt of the money transfer with its identification number (in PDF or JPG format) to info@valsanzibiogiardino.com to finalise the reservation.

Below we will forward to You all the coordinate in case you need to make the money transfer:

TENUTA VALSANZIBIO SRL

- Bank Name:** Bancadria
- IBAN:** IT46Y0898285770029000000820
- BIC/SWIFT Code:** CCRTIT2T97A



For customised events, including lunches or special gatherings, contact us to explore all available options (email info@valsanzibiogiardino.com or phone number +39 340 0825844).





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Cancellation policy

To accommodate unexpected changes, we offer refunds on prepaid services under the following terms:

- Admittance Tickets: Full refunds are provided, minus a €10 administrative fee.
- Guided Tours & Group Picnics:
 - Internal Guided Tours, Picnics, or Table Reservations: Refunds (minus €10) are available if cancelled at least 5 days before the scheduled visit. No refunds will be issued for cancellations made within 5 days of the visit.
 - Owner or External Guide-Led Tours: Refunds (minus €10) are available for cancellations made at least 30 days before the scheduled visit. No refunds for cancellations within 30 days.
- Use of 'Villa' (building) and/or location rentals (aperitifs, photo shooting, filming, other):
 - initial 50% down payment is non-refundable.
 - The remaining prepaid balance is refundable as follows:
 - 90% Refund: If cancelled 30+ days before the event.
 - No Refund: For cancellations within 30 days.
 - NOTE: in the event that the premises covered by the 'Location Rental' are reallocated for the same date as the cancellation, a refund of up to 90% of the total amount (including the deposit) may be granted, at the discretion of Tenuta Valsanzibio.

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Invoices

As a Monumental and Botanical Garden, ticket sales are IVA-exempt under Italian tax regulations (Art. 10, point 22 of D.P.R. 633/72). Therefore there is no obligation to issue a formal receipt and/or tax receipt.

- Non-tax receipts: Visitors receive an entry ticket as proof of purchase and, if requested, a non-tax receipt will be issued.
- Tax Receipts: the electronic invoice will be issued only upon request and by providing the following data:
 - Registered Name/Company Name
 - Address
 - VAT number/Tax Code
 - Unique Code
 - PEC Email Address

Tax receipts are issued by Tenuta Valsanzibio s.r.l. (VAT number: 03661360283) only after payment and an additional fee of € 4.00 will be applied for tax and processing fee.





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