

# Passeggiata donizettiana

**Donizetti's birthplace in the Upper Town, situated in Via Borgo Canale, once a densely populated quarter, is today a privileged spot from where you can reach the S. Vigilio hill.**

From its castle you can enjoy a beautiful view on the surrounding area sprinkled with villas, parks and gardens. In Via Arena, the palace owned by MIA, an ancient congregation known under the name of Misericordia Maggiore, an institution actively vowed to the service of charity, assistance and education, houses the museum dedicated to Donizetti as well as a music library. The Basilica of S. M. Maggiore, the town's most important monument built in the 12th century, is situated in the Cathedral Square, where at the back of the central nave, the mortal remains of Donizetti are resting close to those of his teacher and friend Johann Simon Mayr. The latter musician came from Bavaria and lived in Bergamo where he founded a school to teach boys music education and singing. In the Lower Town, the most important theatre built at the end of the 18th century is named after Donizetti. Next to it, a monument in white marble erected in a small park is also dedicated to Donizetti.

The Donizetti theatre distinguishes itself for its lyrical performances and the Bergamo Musica Festival Gaetano Donizetti organized during the autumn session.

## Donizetti Museum

Entrance fee: € 3,00

Opening hours: 09.30 - 13.00; 14.30 - 18.00

## Donizetti birthplace

Open on Saturdays and Sundays 10.00 - 13.00; 15.00 - 18.00 Entrance free

For visits during the week, booking is required, at the cost of € 60,00

**Dove:** Bergamo Città Alta

**Ritrovo:**

**Durata visita:**

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