



HISTORY BY BICYCLE

Ride through this landscape, discover old farmsteads, meander through an agricultural environment and stop at one of the many restaurants or holiday farms to sample the local fare.

Every year a historical re-enactment of the battle takes place, with participants from all over Italy dressed as soldiers in the Sardinian-Piedmontese, French and Austrian armies. The park is just a few kilometres from Sirmione and Desenzano, ideal for a short trip out of town for families and sports enthusiasts.

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THE RISORGIMENTO PARK

The decisive battle that led to the independence and unification of Italy took place in 1859 in the hills between Desenzano, Lonato, Pozzolengo and Sirmione, where the Risorgimento Park, a 500-hectare green area in the Desenzano del Garda area, now stands.

From the top you can see the lake, both during the day and in the evening (when beams of light in the colours of the Italian flag are projected from here). The paintings inside depict the events and protagonists of the Risorgimento.

The Tower of San Martino, the Museum and the Ossuary are popular places to visit. Explore the surrounding countryside to discover vineyards, typical trattorias, cycle paths as well as a large golf course.

HISTORY, SEEN FROM ABOVE

The San Martino Tower is 64 metres high and 13.9 metres in diameter. Completed in 1893 thanks to public donations, this majestic tower stands harmoniously amid the green hills.



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THE BIRTH OF THE RED CROSS

The Red Cross was born here, conceived by Henry Dunant. Overwhelmed by the horrors of war and admiring of the behaviour of people who, regardless of nationality and deployment, provided care for the soldiers, Dunant drew up the plan to form teams of volunteer nurses to assist the wounded on every battlefield.



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