

Lucca Historic Camellia Exhibition

32nd edition



Città di Lucca



COMUNE DI CAPANNORI



ANTICHE CAMELIE
DELLA LUCCESIA



VILLA REALE
di Marlia

Pieve e S.Andrea di Compito - Capannori (LU)
13/14 20/21 27/28 MARZO 2021

15km from Villa Reale, a beautiful rural location (“Il Borgo delle Camellie”) will host the 31st edition of the **Lucca Historic Camellia Exhibition**. A journey of discovery through spectacular gardens, where you can enjoy the flowers and admire the historic architecture and river views of Pieve di Compito, Sant’Andrea di Compito and Visona.

The exhibition follows a walking route and takes around 2 hours. The route takes in the **Camelieto Compitese** (a wonderful garden on the slopes of the mountain featuring around 1,000 specimens of 19th century camellias),

the **Fiore Reciso** exhibition (on weekends from 10am until 6pm – last entry at 4pm), the unique **tea plantation** of the Compito area and specialist nurseries selling Camellia plants.

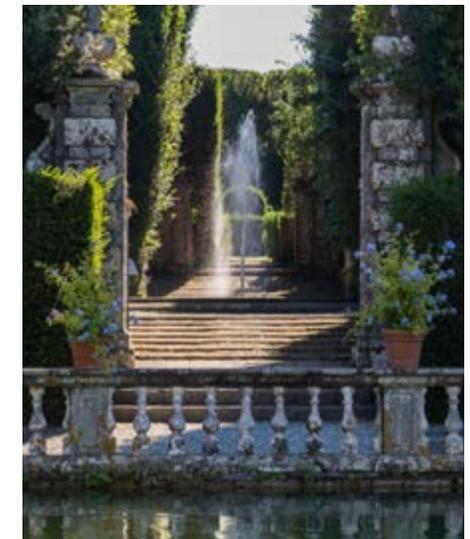
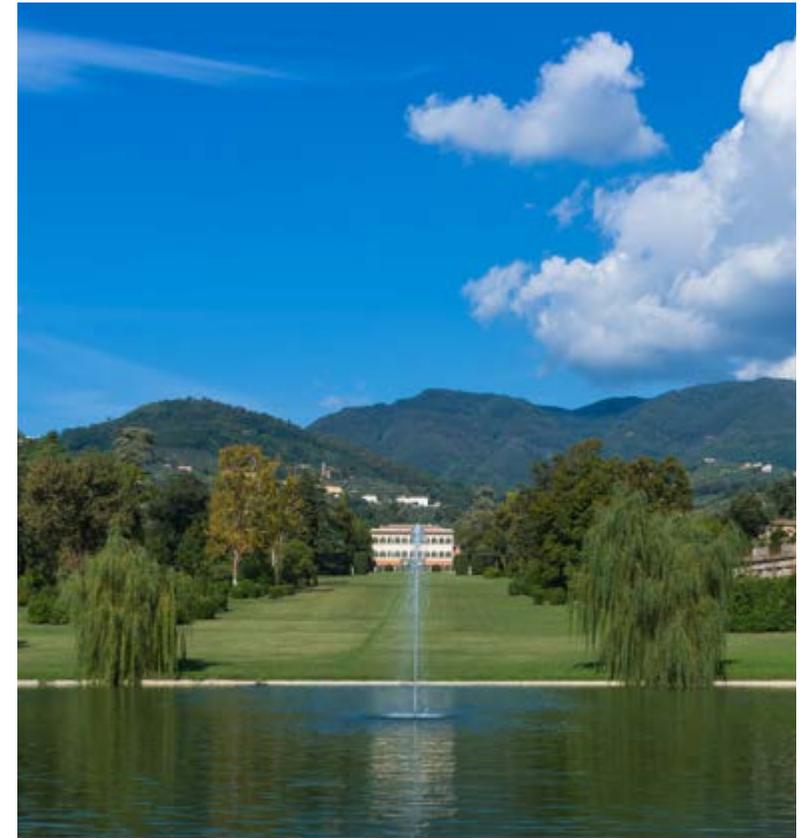
Food, drink and music accompany the experience!



During the exhibition you can visit the extraordinary **Park of Villa Reale**. The Park boasts a variety of gardens, including a series of paths featuring over 50 historic camellia plants. The collection of camellias dates from 1808, when the first introduction of the plant to Lucca was documented. **Elisa Baciocchi Bonaparte** was instrumental in bringing these flowers (originating first from England) to the area, ordering a delivery from Caserta to **Marlia**, where they were planted in the exquisite **English Garden**.

Framing the scene are the recently-restored architectural jewels of the **Villa Reale** estate – the Villa itself, the **Clock House**, the **Chapel of St. Francis Xavier**, the 16th century **Bishop’s Villa**, **Pan’s Grotto**, the unusual **1920s swimming pool**, and the historic residences of the *Borgo delle Camelie*: **Villa Orsi**, **Villa Giovannetti**, **Villa Torregrossa** and **the garden of Villa Borrini**.

You can visit the Park for the whole of March, including on non-exhibition days, with a combined ticket.





COMBINED TICKET:

**Borgo delle Camelie Exhibition
+
Park of Villa Reale with two historic
Camelia Walkways**

EXHIBITION DAYS: €14

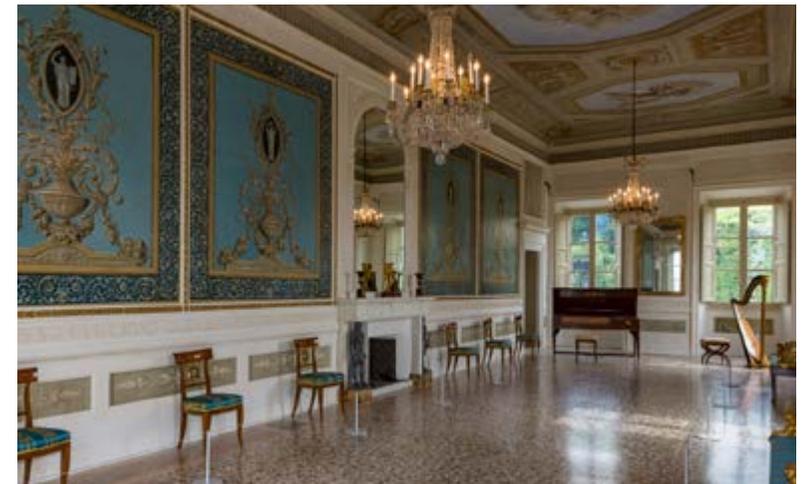
**NON-EXHIBITION DAYS: €11
(FROM 1ST TO 30TH MARCH 2021)**





NEW FOR 2020

For **€5** extra per person,
you can also visit the
restored interiors at Villa Reale.





COMBINED TICKET IS VALID:
Every day of March 2020
From 10am until 6pm

HOW TO GET HERE

You can get to both the Borgo delle Camelie and Villa Reale with pre-booked tourist shuttle buses.





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