

PALEONTOLOGICAL MUSEUM

Via Sant'Antonio, 17 - 15076 OVADA (AL)

Opening Hours:

Saturday 15: 00-18: 00 (annual)

Sunday 10:00 to 12:00

Sunday 15:00 - 18:00 (only from 1 October to 31 May)

Guided Tours on Booking also at other times:

Calappilia association 340 2748989

Site web: www.museopaleontologicomaini.it

The premises of the fourteenth-century church of S. Antonio, transformed into a prison in 1882, now house a Museum dedicated to Paleontology, both in the main general themes and in the more specifically related to the geological and palaeontological evolution of southern Piedmont (Ligurian-Piedmontese Tertiary Basin).

The exhibition combines a scientific value with a strong teaching footprint and is an interesting point of reference not only for enthusiasts, researchers and school children but also for an increasingly attentive and aware tourism.

Among the most significant finds of the Museum there are several specimens of crabs, among which those of the new species (*Calappilia mainii*) found by G. Maini, shells of mollusks, corals and footprints of plants of hot weather now extinct.

BIRTHPLACE OF SAINT PAUL OF THE CROSS

Via San Paolo, 42 - 15076 OVADA (AL)

Open every day.

For visits call 0143 80100

A national monument since 1918, it houses the historical-religious museum with rich relics of Saint Paul of the Cross (Paolo Francesco Danei Ovada 1694 - Rome 1775). It is spread over three floors plus the lower roof and still retain many original structures. On the upper facade stands a fresco, which represents the Madonna del Carmine and the souls of purgatory, further down the coat of arms of the Danei family and, below, a niche with a small statue of the Holy founder of the PP. Passionists. The Saint is also dedicated to a modern sanctuary with adjoining rooms for aggregation.