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## A Visit to Villa della Pergola and its Gardens in Alassio, Italy

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Villa della Pergola and its gardens in Alassio, Italy on the Ponente Ligurian were created at the end of the 19th century. They belonged to wealthy British families and are one of the most glamorous locations on the Italian Riviera.

The 22,000 square metre park represents a rare example of English gardens in Italy, where Mediterranean vegetation, rare plants and exotic flora live in harmony.

The tours will run through to the end of October giving visitors the chance to admire the splendid flowering of the Mediterranean maquis and the exotic species that have been introduced to give the garden its unique appearance.

After the perfumed florescence of the wide collection of wisterias (28 varieties), that welcomed springtime at the Gardens, visitors can admire the blooming of spireas, iris and roses.



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In June the wonderful florescence of agapanthus, a collection of 350 varieties unique in Europe, creates colorful brush strokes like sea waves. During the summer you can also be delighted by the bloom of Hydrangeas, Solanum, Bigonias, Lantanas, Plumbago, Hibiscus, and the Mediterranean scrub reaches its best brightness.

Lotus in the Garden blossoms in July whereas August and September are the months of Olive Trees and citrus trees, whose the garden has a wide botanical collection.



#### **The Relais of Villa della Pergola**

The Relais suites offer to their guests a quite unique opportunity to stay in a true architectural masterpiece of the turn of the century. Its history is intimately bound up with the life of the British community that chose this as their favoured shore side location to spend the winters in the years straddling the Nineteenth and Twentieth centuries. Each of the thirteen suites is dedicated to one of the many historical personalities who stayed at Villa della Pergola, or who were members of the community of Brits in Alassio, evoking memories of that fascinating fin-de-siècle atmosphere.



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### The Restaurant

The restaurant outdoor of Villa della Pergola, will be opened from the end of April: it is a charming and unique location where guests can relive the atmosphere of "fin de siècle".

The restaurant, managed by the chef Maurizio Dagrada, will offer genuine menu with local ingredients and dishes of ligurian tradition like local fish, typical pastas, the famous focaccias, ligurian DOP oil and a selection of the most prestigious wines.

### Opening times

The gardens are open for guided tours on reservation from March to the end of October on Saturdays and Sundays, with tours starting at 9.30 am, 11.30 am, 3 pm and 5 pm.

Bookings for groups can be made also for weekdays.

Guided visits can be carried out individually or in small groups, the tour takes around a hour and a half.

### Disabled access

Most of the garden's area are accessible to disabled persons. There are just a few areas that may be out of reach due to the lie of the land and the need to climb short flights of stone steps.



### Tickets

The Gardens are open for guided tours that can be booked on Saturdays and Sundays starting at 9.30 am, 11.30 am, 3 pm and 5 pm. During the week visits can be arranged for groups only.  
For Bookings: tel. +39 0182.646130 – [info@giardinivilladellapergola.com](mailto:info@giardinivilladellapergola.com).

Entry tickets can be purchased on site and include the cost of a guided tour.

Single: 12 euro, FAI members: 10 euro.

Free for children up to 6 when accompanied by an adult. School students: 6 euro.

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