



ORTOFLORICOLA COMENSE



# PER UN GIARDINAGGIO EVOLUTO ORTICOLARIO™

## ORTICOLARIO FOR EVOLVED GARDENING

### Fifth Edition

Villa Erba, Cernobbio (Como)  
4 – 5 – 6 October 2013

### SINFUL INDULGENCES IN THE GARDEN... ALSO FOR THE CHILDREN

**Orticolario, from 4 to 6 October in Villa Erba**, on Lake Como, is dedicated to the garden, to greenery and to all experiences and emotions connected thereto.

Taste will be the *themed sense* of this fifth edition and all visitors will be enticed to commit – relentlessly and without remorse - “**Sinful indulgences in the garden**”.

Special attention will be dedicated to **children**: for them, Orticolario has organised – during the days of Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th October – a packed programme of workshops and activities that are fun, educational but above all...delicious!

The **recreational-educational workshops** of this edition will in fact all be themed and focused on taste, but with the aim of teaching children that a large part of the food we eat – and which we find in the supermarket refined or canned – comes from nature.

And teaching them in a playful manner will be fully-fledged experts, such as **Ferri dal 1905** which will illustrate the life of the tea leaf up until its infusion, or **Valrhona** which will explain how a chocolate bar is obtained from a cocoa tree, or **Caffè Milani** which will explain the process from the seed to the finished coffee, from the roasting to the grinding of the bean and, in addition, **Miele Gallo** will illustrate the process of honey extraction, not forgetting to explain about the life and the dance of bees.

**Slow Food** will be running two workshops: “To make the seed you need the fruit” and “To make a fruit you need a flower”.

For children from 4 years old, there are also **practical workshops** on offer, such as those for preparing “scented” salt, for growing saffron and for grinding cereals, led by Nadia Nicoletti, while Vanessa Vaio will accompany children from 7 to 11 years old in the search for edible weeds and the ancient tradition of landless peasants, in a walk for future botanists.

But the offers for children do not end here.

Dario Tognocchi will organise a teamed **treasure hunt** in the park and a **puppet show** to entertain the young and old. In the company of Paola Rovelli, on the other hand, children from 5 to 11 years old will be able to discover how to prepare **pasta** and how to create an artistic **biscuit** inspired by the beauties of nature.

Stimuli for **combining taste, nature and art** will come from the workshops led by Enrica Ghidelli, who will take the children on a search for leaves which will then be used to create images of animals, fruit or vegetables, and from the workshops offered by the Steiner School: “Pictorial composition with the colours of spices”, and “Let’s model flowers and fruits using scented beeswax”.

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Not to be missed, finally, is the workshop led by **Michele Vitaloni**, the artist guest of this edition of Orticolario, who will accompany children into the “jungle” created in the Central Pavilion in order to discover the endangered animals reproduced by his hyperrealist sculptures.

**Orti Botanici di Lombardia** (*The Botanical Gardens of Lombardy*) will instead offer “Small homes for small creatures”.

Also, this year, the **Cocoon Nest**, with its professional entertainers, will welcome children from 2 years old, allowing their parents to make a stress-free visit to Orticolario and to enjoy its more than 200 exhibitors without a worry!

Since its inception, Orticolario has always dedicated special attention to solidarity, also using contributions collected during the childrens’ workshops in favour of local associations which help disadvantaged people.

**The full programme of recreational-educational workshops and activities aimed at children – with details for obtaining information and booking – will be online from the start of September at [www.orticolario.it](http://www.orticolario.it).**

## Opening Hours to Public

Friday 4 October: 12:00pm – 8:00pm

Saturday 5 October: 9:30am – 8:00pm

Sunday 6 October: 9:30am – 7:00pm

On Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 October, free boat-shuttles will be operating between Piazza Cavour and the pier in the Villa Erba park, along with a shuttle service between the available car parks in Cernobbio and Villa Erba.

## Entry

At the gates: EUR 14.00

Online: EUR 12.00

Children under 14 years old: free entry

## Information

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