




Appia road: Regina viarum

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At the time of the Republic, three centuries before Christ, the censor Appius Claudius the Blessed built one of the great consular roads, which depart from Rome, perhaps the most beautiful. The Appian Way, 120 years later, will arrive in Brindisi, opening its doors to the East: it was since then called the "Queen Viarum", the queen of the streets. Just a stone's throw from Rome, when it is still one of the most beautiful urban parks in the world, a young graduate in mathematics, Silvia Brannetti, has inherited the family winery and produces wine and organic oil working from morning to night. It is the wine route that climbs into the Roman Castles, where a brilliant composer, Giorgio Battistelli, devised a concert made only by ancient craftsmen who live in this area. Alfredo the cooper and Antonio the selciaiolo, are two of the performers of this show made only of noises: a great fresco to the dignity of the craftsman work. The road then continues in the Pontine plain at the foot of the Lepini mountains where we meet the city of Cori, where Vito builds stained glass windows and Caterina, with his brother Vincenzo, stuffs chairs as is ancient family tradition: so widespread a time, next to the marshes and reeds, to give a name to the road, which here is called "strammari". Continuing towards Campania, we meet one of the most extraordinary gardens in Europe, a "plant monument" appreciated by writers and artists from all over the world. A place that can not leave indifferent. Stella Catani, wife of her administrator and Roberta, a gardener, introduce us to her marvels. And that shows how our heritage, when treated with love, can go through history and remain intact for future generations. Just like that consular road, the ancient Appia, which two thousand years later, continues to remain the most beautiful of all roads: the Regina Viarum.

