



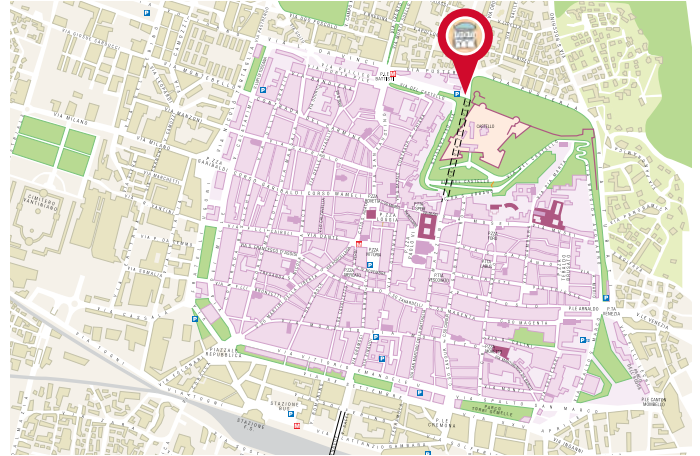
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## FOSSA BAGNI

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the fortified tower of the Castle, easily reachable by walk from Fossa Bagni. Next to the pools, in the early of the 20th century, an ice skating rink was also built. The baths opened in the summer season and were very frequented. Afterwards two other bath resorts opened in Brescia: one administrated by Spedali Civili in Morretto street, and the other privately run in the current Gramsci street. The pools remained open till the 70s. Nowadays Fossa Bagni is a multi-floor car-park, reachable by walk from the city centre, the castle and the Saint Faustino metro station.

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