### Where to sleep

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B&B Borromeo Via Carlo Borromeo, 1 (Oreno) bedandbreakfastborromeo.com / T 0392910574 B&B II Giardino Fiorito Via Fleming, 4 (Oreno) bebilgiardinofiorito.it / T 3349030045

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### Where to eat

Vimercate offers a wide range of dining options, from simple taverns to gourmet restaurants and boasts over 120 public establishments that serve food and drinks (the full list is available on the www.museomust.it website in the tourism section). The historical town centre offers dozens of restaurants, pizzerias, taverns and bars where visitors can choose between a simple sandwich, a creative dish, or perhaps savour a few specialities typical of Brianza's cuisine such as "luganega" sausage risotto, "cazzoeula" with polenta (typical cabbage stew) or tripe. In the many bakeries and pastry shops visitors can

B&B II Portichetto di Oreno Via Adige, 8 (Oreno) enjoy traditional sweets, many only available at specific times of the year: sweet fritter in January for the Festival of Sant'Antonio "chiacchere" (traditional deep-fried pastries) available at Carnival time, milk cake for the town festival and Panettone at Christmas. In the charming village of Oreno, visitors can choose between various restaurants, perhaps to try the typical white potato variety grown in nearby fields. For those who prefer a quick snack, a rich selection of foods and takeaway pizza, fast food and ethnic dishes is also available, mostly concentrated in the shopping centres located in Piazzale Marconi and the Torri Bianche district.

### **Events and festivals**

Throughout the year Vimercate offers countless events and festivals. The calendar starts in January, with the traditional Festival of Sant'Antonio, with markets and the finale with the large bonfire. During Carnival, fancy dress parades and children's entertainment liven up the town. Between June and August the Summer Festival is held, with outdoor theatre performances, cinema and music. On August 3 the Fair of Santo Stefano is held, patron of the city, with a fair-market and the Mass with the traditional setting on fire of the ball. September is packed with events: the Vimercate&Vino exhibition presents some of the best wines, proudly Made in Italy; the Potato Festival enlivens the village of Oreno with food stalls and historical re-enactments; the Open Villas initiative in Brianza promotes the local heritage with guided tours and various events. During the Christmas Holidays, the whole city is filled with concerts, shows and markets.

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## MUST

### Museum of the territory

Through an interactive multimedia experience the MUST museum narrates over 2000 years of Vimercate's artistic and social history. The Museum, which has been recognised with numerous prizes and awards, houses a rich collection of archaeological finds, paintings and sculptures from the 14th to the 20th century, installations, obiects and historical documents.



### Villa Sottocasa The neoclassical villa presents itself with its

facade onto Via Vittorio Emanuele II and behind a large English style park. The noble wing of the villa, built around 1780, houses beautiful rooms frescoed in the 19th century some of which are included as part of the MUST museum visit.



### **Collegiate Church** of Santo Stefano

The Church, an important example of pre-Romanesque buildings in Northern Milan, dates back to the 10th century, while the facade is from the 16th century. The interior, redesigned by Pollack in 1807, houses many frescoes, including the grandiose cycle with Stories of the Passion of Santo Stefano (1566) by Lattanzio Gambara.





with the painting by Gambara, as well as Rococo style furnishings.

### **Borromeo Hunting** Lodae

A large fresco cycle characterised by refined elegance adorns the walls of Villa Borromeo's hunting lodge, featuring a series of hunting episodes interspersed with courtly scenes. The frescoes, completed around 1460 in international Gothic style, are among the most important examples of secular painting of this period.



# Villa Gallarati Scotti

The Villa, one of the best examples of a Lombard stately home, was built in Baroque style and later transformed into neo-classical style. The imposing main facade opens onto the courtvard, closed on the southern side by two small classic temples. Behind the Villa the magnificent English style park extends, with the Baroque Nymphaeum of Neptune.



# What to visit

### Palazzo Trotti

Serving as the Town Hall since 1862, the palace was the residence of the Secco Borella feudal lords and boasts extraordinary inner rooms with original furnishings, mirrors, fireplaces and paintings. The halls are richly frescoed in Rococo style. Giuseppe Antonio Orelli, painter from Ticino, decorated the main halls around 1750.



### San Rocco Bridge

The San Rocco bridge, one of the symbols of Vimercate, is based on a Roman bridge dating back to the 3rd century AD on which the two tower doors were constructed starting from the 12th century. The bridge includes loopholes and other defensive equipment used to protect the medieval village. A small human head is carved in the western stone arch.



### **Oratory of Sant'Antonio**

The Church, which houses a cycle of frescoes in the International Gothic style (1460-1480) depicting Stories of the Passion of Christ, was built in the Visconti period and restructured during the 17th century. It is home to a large canvas depicting The Glory of San Carlo with a striking view of Vimercate during the 17th century.



### Banfi House / **Convent of S. Francesco**

The convent founded during the 13th century extends around the cloister and the 14th century Church, with a brick facade built later. A few frescoes in Giotto style have been preserved, including a Crucifixion and Saints dating back to 1354 and a Madonna of Mercy from the early half of the 14th century AD



### **Convent of S. Francesco** in Oreno

Founded during the 13th, the convent extends around the harmonious cloister dating back to the 16th century, while the Church of San Francesco, an elegant example of 17th century architecture, overlooks the square with the same name. The graceful Baroque bell tower characterises the Oreno landscape with its profile.

### The Death of Ruginello

The 18th century work centres on the theme of death, with macabre and didactic taste, yet veiled in irony. It consists of two tall panels with skeletons respectively holding a scythe and an hourglass, with four pillars with trophies composed of skulls. A scroll reads Hodie mihi, cras tibi (Today for me, tomorrow for you).

