



Panzano in Chianti

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The **Via Chiantigiana** is one of the most seductive streets of Chianti Classico. It winds through rolling hills, villages, castles and wineries where you can taste the famous DOC wine.

Panzano in Chianti is a quiet holiday resort located at 498 meters above sea level and is a hamlet of Greve in Chianti.

First of all, the **castle of Panzano** stands out, whose dating seems to date back to the eleventh century. Residence of the noble family Ricasoli Firidolfi, the castle was the scene throughout the Middle Ages of the clashes between Siena and Florence for control of the Chianti area, later also the internal struggles between guelfi and ghibellini that led to its partial destruction. Today we can admire the remains, among which stands out the ancient city walls preserved almost entirely.

Continuing through the village we find the **Oratory of Sant'Eufrosino**, the evangelizer of Chianti who lived and died in the area between the seventh and eighth centuries. According to tradition, the oratory was built right on his grave. The church has been rebuilt several times over the centuries.

The Sanctuary is a **pilgrimage** destination because of a spring located inside it, considered thaumaturgical and miraculous. It is a small temple consisting of two masonry columns and a sandstone lintel, inside which we find the source on which stands the bust of the saint. It is also evidence of the **abundance of water** that characterizes the area.