Between Vicenza and Bassano del Grappa, there is a lovely meandering trail offering a wealth of natural and artistic scenery. At the foot of the Asiago Plateau, bicycle tourists can ride around and explore lands that hide underground streams later emerging to create the freshwater springs near Dueville. The area of "Bosco di Dueville", where the springs of the Bacchiglione River are

located, is a protected area boasting superior environmental value. Some of this area's other unique features include Villa Monza, now housing the municipal offices; Villa da Porto Casarotto and the annexed aristocratic chapel; and Villa Da Porto Pedrotti. Continuing along with our itinerary and heading towards Bassano del Grappa, we will come to Sandrigo, an area that still displays several traces of the ancient agricultural traditions in many rural buildings that add character to the surrounding countryside (1),

in addition to the impressive villas, of course. This town is also known for carrying on the traditional preparation of its famous baccalà alla vicentina. a specialty made of dried. unsalted cod that is celebrated with a special festival every September, After Sandrigo you'll hit Marostica, which greets visitors with its protective walls and castles. This town has gained worldwide fame for the live chess game held in the beautiful Piazza degli Scacchi (2) every two years. Marostica is also known for its local produce, foremost of which are its cherries. There is also a

festival dedicated to these every year. This leg draws to an end in Bassano del Grappa (3). a leading city in the province of Vicenza which never fails to surprise and enchant those who come to explore, with its unique architecture and landscape. Lying on the Brenta River at the foot of Monte Grappa, this

city is known for its wooden bridge, which was designed by Palladio and has become a symbol of the Alpini military corps. It is a city to be appreciated, as you wander



through the piazzas and explore the walls of the Ezzelini Castle or visit the museums and admire the gorgeous view of the Brenta and the mountains from the famous bridge. A nice little glass of grappa at the end of the day will make the perfect reward after you've completed the fourth leg of your trip through the Veneto.





