

***Our Duke Francesco I  
together with Clo' the  
tortoise will  
introduce you  
to our major parks  
and green area***



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**Hello, I am Francesco I, Duke of Este, I will guide you through our beautiful natural parks....**

**As you can see from this bust and this painting, I am fairly famous person!!!**





**I will guide you too,  
I am Cloe the  
tortoise,  
can you find me in  
this statue?  
Look carefully.....**





**Sassuolo Ducal  
Palace used to be my  
Summer residence!!**





# Here is my park!!!





**The park used to be 10 km long, from here we would ride to hunt towards the Appennini Mountains**





**Here is how our Ducal park is supposed to become, on the right and left there are two rows of populus nigra trees which is a kind of poplar trees!**



**Let's go now to  
Vistarino Park our  
Botanical garden**





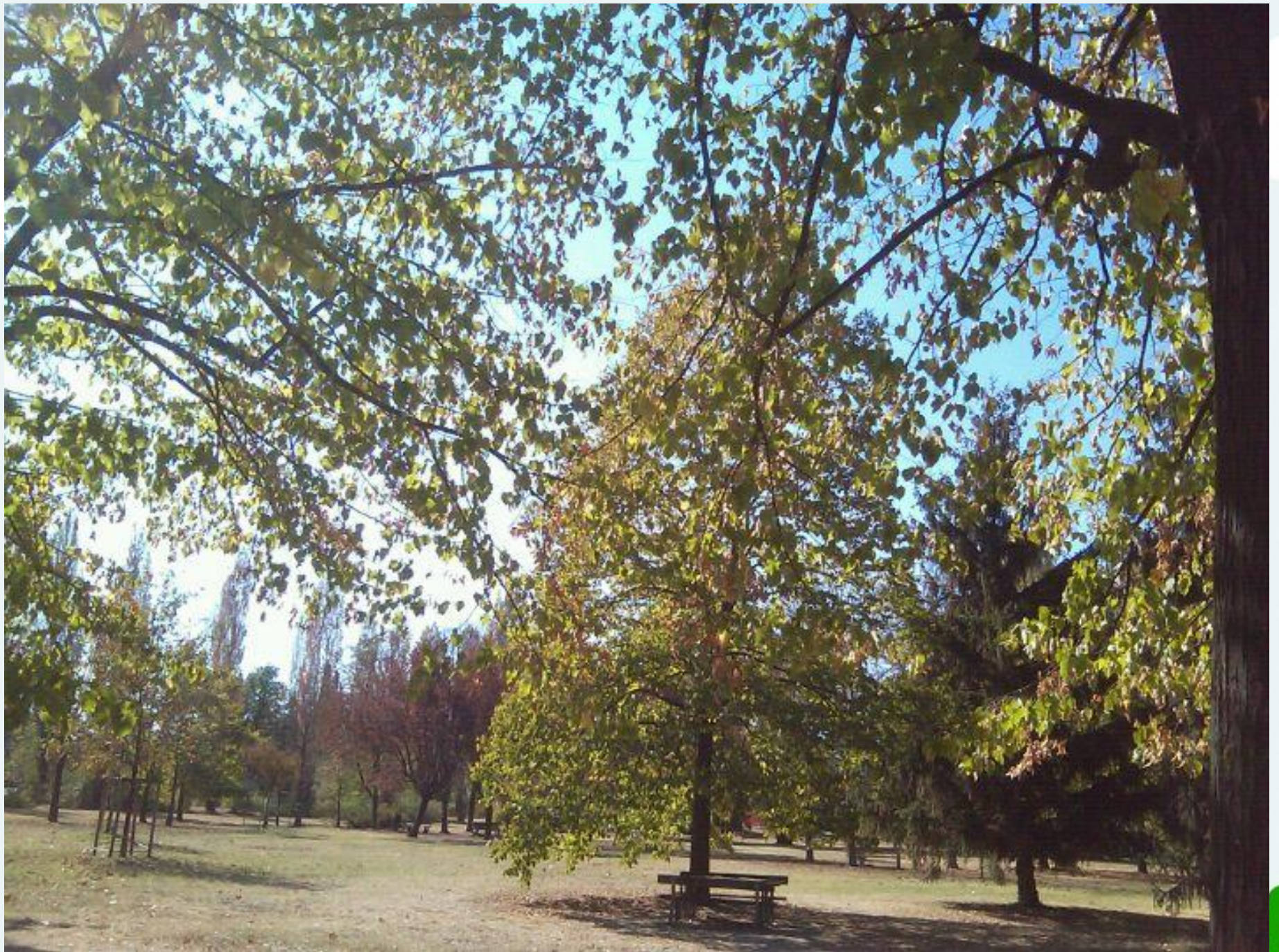
**IF YOU WANT TO REST AND RELAX, THIS IS THE PERFECT PLACE!**



**HERE YOU CAN  
READ BOOKS IN A  
FAMOUS VILLA  
WHICH HAS  
BECOME A  
BEAUTIFUL  
LIBRARY.**









**Here you can admire wonderful old trees**





**LET'S GO TO AN ENCHANTED PLACE  
MONTEGIBBIO ON TOP OF OUR HILL**



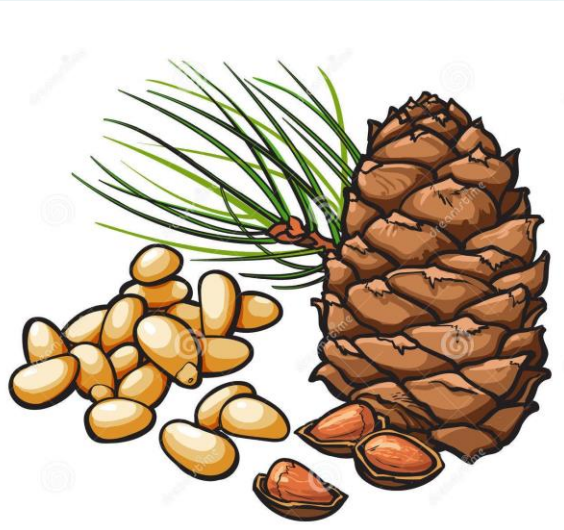
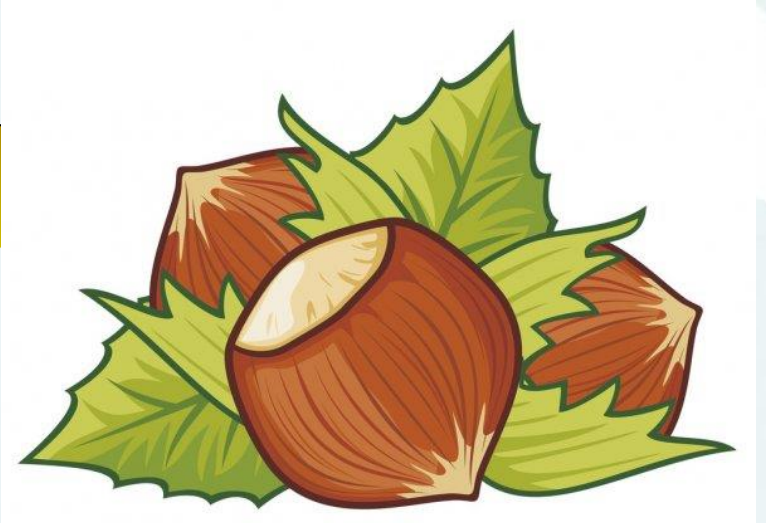




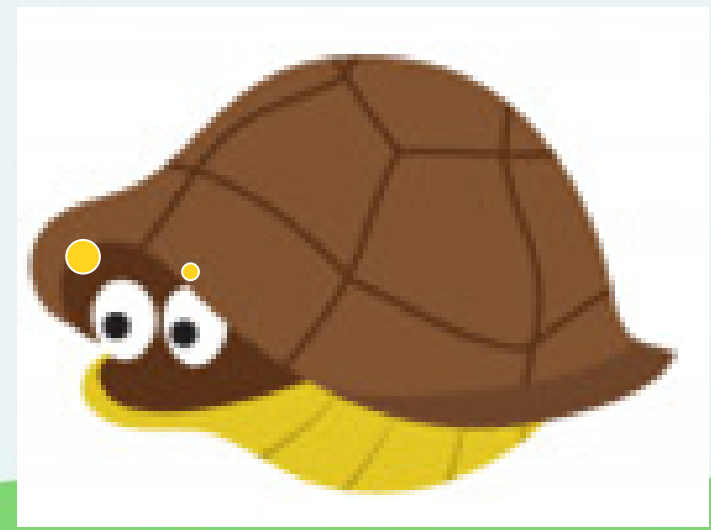




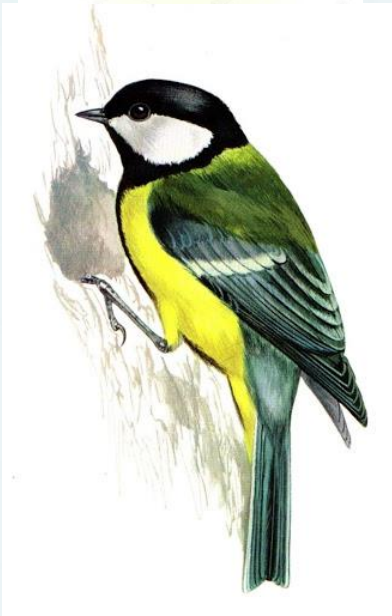
**ASH TREE  
HAZELNUT  
PINE  
OAK**



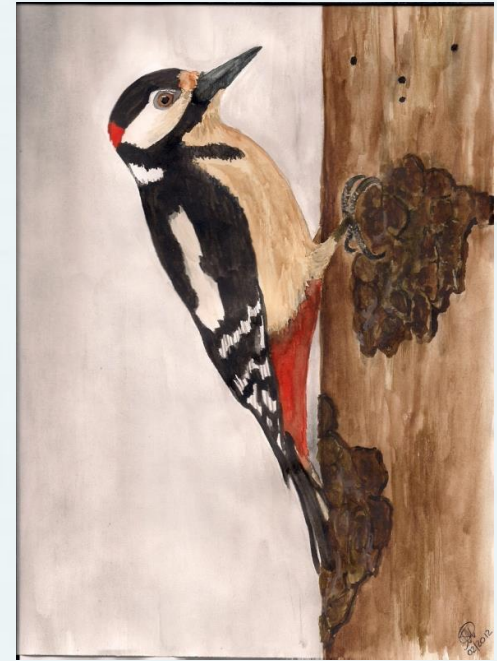
**LET ME SEE  
WHERE I CAN  
HIDE ?**







**WOODPECKER  
TITMOUSE  
GOLDFINCH  
ROBIN  
JAY**



**WONDERING IN THE  
PARK YOU CAN HEAR  
BIRDS' SINGING**







COMUNE DI MONTGIBBIO  
Parco  
"Giuseppe Medici"  
Montegibbio

al parco





HERE IS THE CASTLE





**HERE ARE OUR PUPILS  
DURING A SCHOOL TRIP  
IN THE CASTLE  
COURTYARD,  
HERE YOU CAN ALSO  
TASTE OUR FAMOUS  
BALSAMIC WINE!**





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Along river Secchia you will be able to  
do all these sports...**





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# LET'S GO LOOKING FOR VOLCANOES.... IN SALSE DI NIRANO NATURAL AREA



**This is a Site of EU Community Importance,  
In this area you can see these typical geological formation.  
In reality 'Salse' is a kind of cold eruption of water which is pushed to the surface by methane gas:  
here is a video of the area**











**HERE ARE  
THE  
SYMBOLS  
OF OUR  
PARKS**





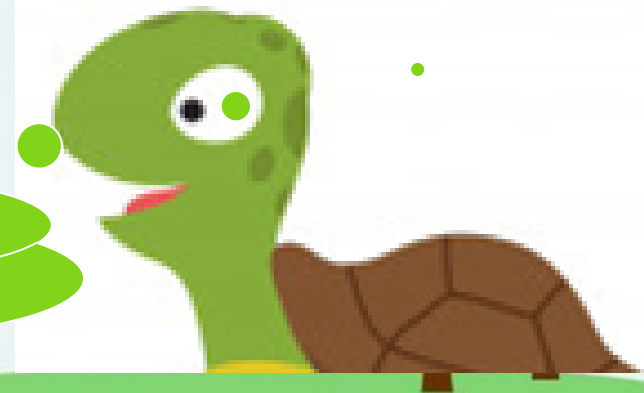
# RIVER SECCHIA AND ITS PATHWAYS



Do you know  
the name of  
Sassuolo river?

Secchia!!!

So, funny the name of our  
river is ...Bucket in English !







**Along river  
Secchia you can  
spot  
horses**





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# Would you like to have a vegetable patch?

Along river Secchia you can have your own vegetable patch and cultivate fresh vegetables all year around



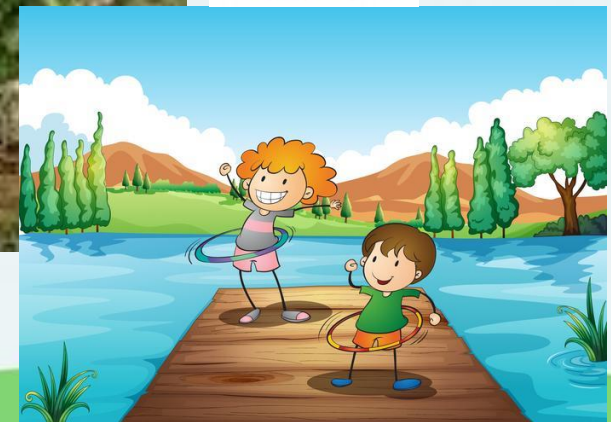


# THE FRIENDS' LAKE

Very close to our town you can also walk around a lake

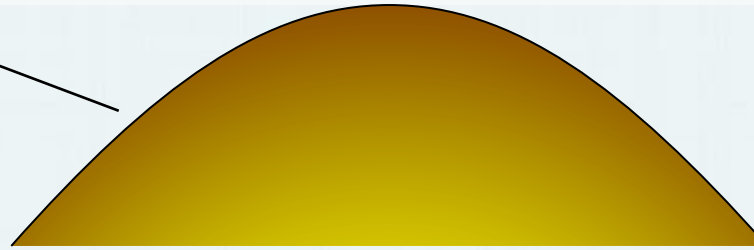


would you like to fish?

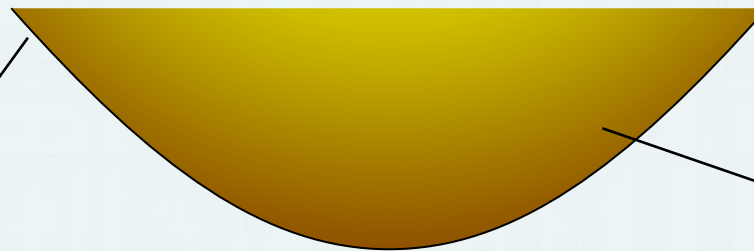
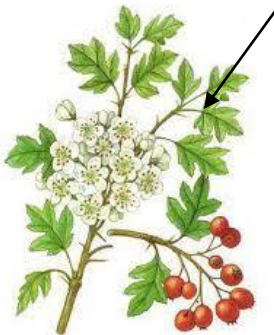
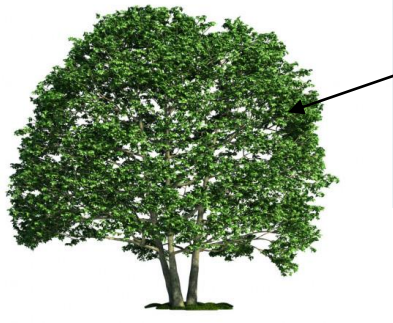




# FLORA DEL FIUME SECCHIA

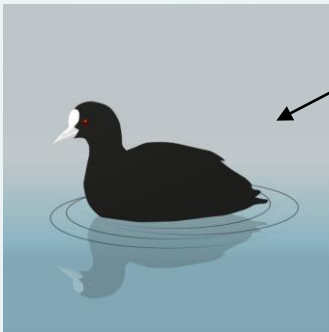
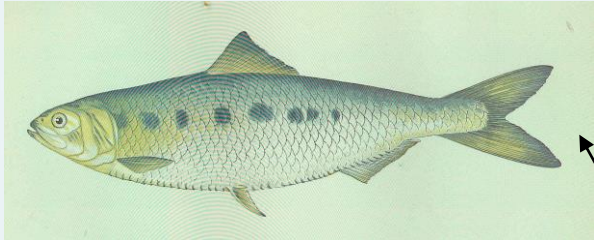
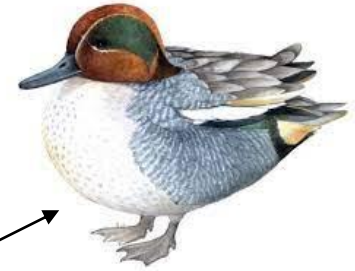
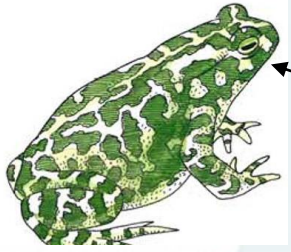


**REED BED**  
**WHITE WILLOW**  
**POPLAR**  
**HORNBEAM**  
**ALDER**  
**COMMON OAK**  
**HAWTHORN**  
**BLACK-THORN**





# FAUNA DEL FIUME SECCHIA



**TOAD**  
**FROG**  
**MALLARD**  
**MOORHEN**  
**WHITE HERON**  
**EURASIAN TEAL**  
**COOT**  
**POCHARD**  
**PIKE**  
**TROUT**  
**ALLICE SHAD**



# SECCHIA STATUE IN REGGIO EMILIA





**THIS FOUNTAIN IN MODENA REPRESENTS  
THE TWO MAIN RIVERS OF OUR PROVINCE  
PANARO AND SECCHIA**



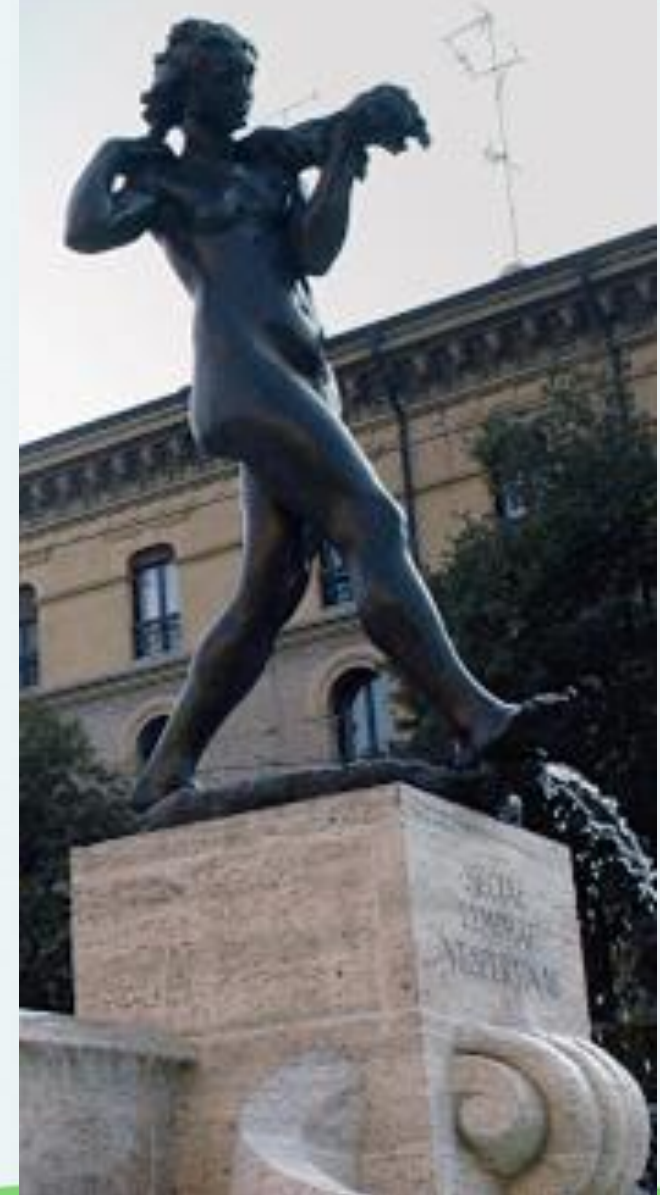


## PANARO



- **Panaro** is represented by a young pouring water.
- **Secchia** is a girl with a bunch wheat ears stepping on a toad

## SECCHIA



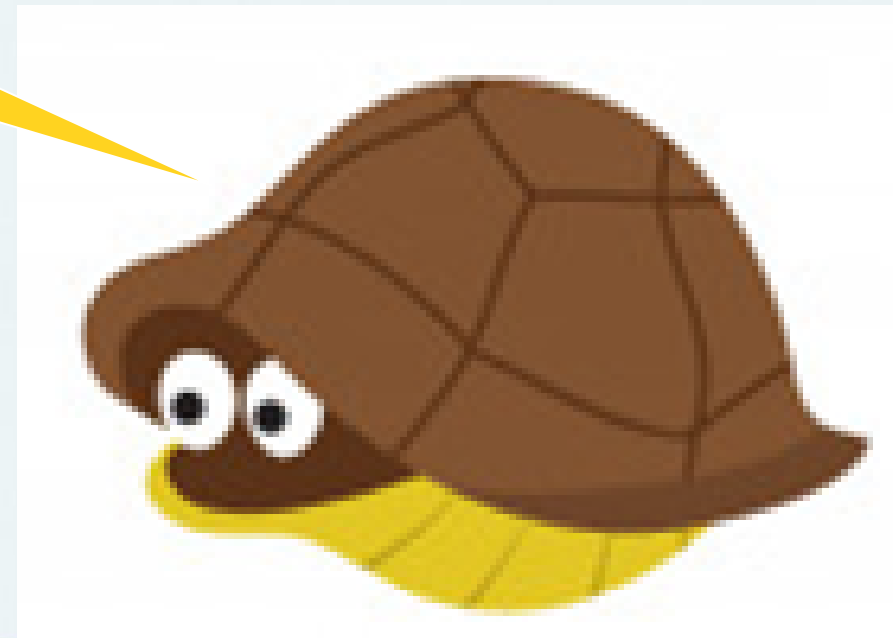


# CALANCHI ARE A TYPICAL CLAY FORMATION OF OUR HILLS

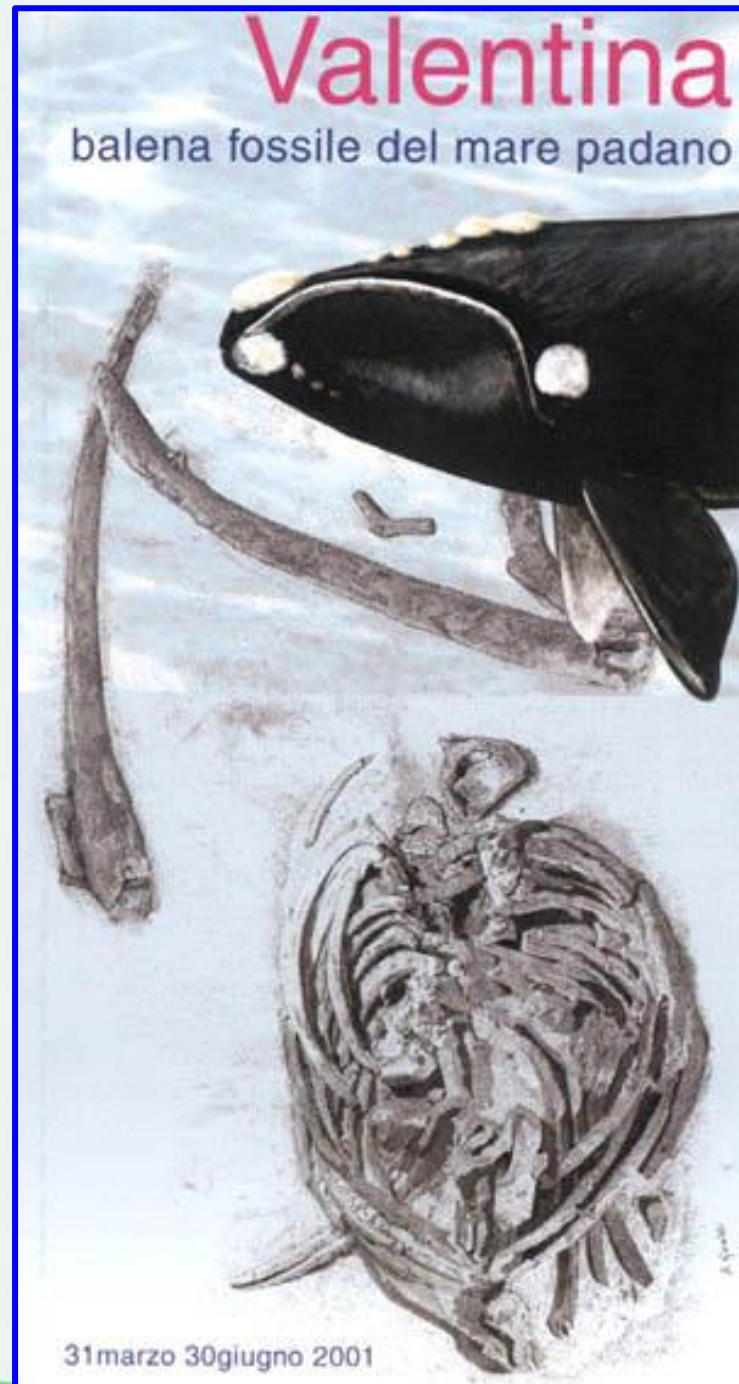




**WONDERING UP AND DOWN OUR  
CLANCHI FORMATION WE CAN  
SEARCH FOR ANCIENT FOSSILS  
IN 1997 THEY FOUND THE BONES OF  
A HUGE WHALE THAT YOU CAN NOW  
SEE IN REGGIO EMILIA MUSEUM, ITS  
NAME IS VALENTINA**









**NOW IT'S YOUR TURN CHOOSE A PARK OR A NATURAL AREA CLOSE TO YOUR HOME AND TAKE A DETAILED PICTURE OF A: PLANT, FLOWER, ANIMAL, SEEDS, LEAVES, ROOTS, MUSHROOM, INSECT WHATEVER YOU CAN FIND THAT REALLY INTEREST YOU AND WANT TO SHARE.**

**WE CHOSE THESE TWO PICTURES**

