



## Castello del Valentino

[Valentino Castle](#) is one of the '[Residences of Royal House of Savoy](#)' included in the List of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 1997. The castle, which is situated on the banks of the River Po, was a residence of the Savoy court from the sixteenth century and now houses the offices of the Politecnico di Torino Department of Architecture. It was built in many phases, beginning in the mid-sixteenth century, and was given by Duke Carlo Emanuele I to his young daughter-in-law, Cristina, daughter of the King of France and wife of Vittorio Amedeo I. According to her wishes, in the 1620s the residence was converted by the ducal engineer Carlo di Castellamonte into a maison de plaisance in the French style. Cristina of France ordered the decoration of the principal floor with beautiful and elaborate stuccowork, frescoes and paintings. The tour will take participants through these rooms and will also describe the technological experimentation which led to the best choices to safeguard and preserve this important work of cultural heritage.

### HOW TO GET THERE:

Castello del Valentino  
Viale Mattioli 39  
10125 Torino

The nearest bus stop is:

Bus stop no. 624 (DUCA DEGLI ABRUZZI) in Corso Luigi Einaudi  
Take tram no. 16 to VALENTINO, bus stop no. 629 – 7 stops