

Sennariolo



Procession of Palm Sunday



The rite of the raising of the cross- S'Inclavamentu



The body of Christ laid from the cross

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The deposition of Jesus from the cross- S'Isclavamentu



The votive bonfire in honour of St. Sebastiano



Procession in honour of Santa Vittoria

Feel Sennariolo



Good Friday- The body of Christ on the cross

Sennariolo is a small village, but rich in traditions, that the population tenaciously and jealously guards and passes on. In recent years, thanks to the work of the Mayor, the Municipal Administration and the cultural associations present, the village has been a showcase for various initiatives, conferences, meetings and events of great interest, establishing itself as a cultural center in ferment, and also attracting an important number of people.

Among the events we can include, between the others, the Rites of the Holy Week, the civil-religious festivities of St. Andrew and Santa Vittoria, the eno-gastronomic event "Gustando Sennariolo- tra tradizioni e sapori", and lastly the Festival of International Songs in Montiferru, whose first edition was held in December 2018.

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San Sebastian - January 20th

The religious feast of St Sebastian, dedicated to the homonymous martyr, is celebrated on the 20th of January.

The day before the eve, the members of the male religious society, according to local tradition, set up a large laurel tree that will be fixed behind the wooden simulacrum of the saint. The peculiarity that makes this tradition unique is that the above tree are fixed to the colored paper flowers, which are skillfully packaged by the women of the country: the result is certainly of great visual and scenic impact. On the eve of the event, we go in procession to the San Sebastiano Park, where several stacks of wood have been arranged.

A votive bonfire is lit in honour of the martyr (su fogulone), who is blessed by the parish priest.

On January 20, the day of commemoration, after the celebration of Mass, the statue of the saint to whom was fixed the huge laurel tree adorned with paper flowers, is carried by the confreres in procession through the streets of the town. After eight days, the tree is cut and divided into small branches and distributed to the population.

Holy Week - march/april

Secular traditions from the Byzantine and Spanish dominations in Sardinia, archaic pagan rites and local traditions of a mystical-religious medieval character, have merged to give life to the traditional celebrations of Holy Week that commemorate the Passion and death of Christ, and that every year are perpetuated, offering as a gift to the visitor a unique, mysterious, profound and exciting experience. Even the small village of Sennariolo, jealously and tenaciously preserves the traditions that, every year, thanks to the organization of the Confraternity of SS. Rosario and the participation of the entire community, is staged, starting with the "Settenariu de sa Virgine 'e sos dolores", continuing with the celebrations of the Friday of Our Lady of Sorrows (Chenabura 'e sos dolores) and Palm Sunday, and touching its climax with the evocative rites of Good Friday, and then ending, finally, with the day of Easter Sunday of the Resurrection. Among the most evocative and evocative rituals

we remember: the Palm Sunday procession, which repropose the entrance of Jesus in Jerusalem, the rite of "Su lavabu", on Holy Thursday, which represents the washing of the feet that Jesus made to his disciples, during the re-proposal of the Last Supper, the rites of Good Friday: "Sas Chilcas", or the Way of the Cross through the streets of the village that symbolizes the ascent of Jesus to Calvary, the place where he will be crucified, "S'Inclavamentu", or the crucifixion of Christ, "Sa Missa fuida", the solemn liturgical action that traces the moment of Jesus' death on the cross, and "S'Isclavamentu", or the deposition of the body of Christ from the cross, followed by the twilight procession through the streets of the town, all animated by the traditional repertoire of songs of Holy Week, performed by the Choir *a cuncordu* Nostra Signora 'e Su Rosariu, and in the presence of the Venerable Brotherhood Nostra Signora 'e Su Rosariu of Sennariolo. Closes the celebrations of Holy Week, the procession of "S'Incontru", on Easter morning, that evokes the moment of the encounter between Mary, mother of Jesus and the Risen Son.

Santa Vittoria - Second Sunday of May

It is celebrated on the second Sunday of May. On the Saturday of the eve the simulacrum of the Virgin, after the celebration of the solemn vespers at the parish church, is taken on pilgrimage by the brothers of the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary to the country church erected in his honor, located on the hill of the same name, about five km from the village, which will host until Sunday afternoon. During the route there are some breaks for the refreshment of pilgrims. The statue is placed on stone supports (sos postos) while the brethren intone the gosos in honor of the saint. In ancient times, the faithful spent the night in the country church, accompanying the young martyr through songs and prayers (su izadolzu). Today, unfortunately, this practice is no longer renewed. On the morning of the feast, in the small country church, the Holy Mass is celebrated in honour of the Saint, with the heartfelt participation of the faithful, who also flock from the neighbouring towns. It is customary to stop there for lunch. On Sunday afternoon, the statue of Saint Victoria returns to the parish church. When she arrived in the village, she was greeted by the faithful who were unable to accompany her on her journey. She ends up in the parish church, with the solemn blessing

Gustando Sennariolo/ Tasting Sennariolo - variable date

The exhibition "Gustando Sennariolo - tra tradizioni e sapori" organized by the Municipality of Sennariolo in collaboration with the network "Authentic Villages of Italy" and the network "Host Community" is a living testimony of the cultural traditions of the country, is the showcase of the rich heritage of genuine local products, and a perfect combination of traditions and flavors. The event is now in its fourth edition.

Assumption of Mary - 15th August

The commemoration of the feast of the Assumption of Mary, falls on August 15, and is exclusively religious. The village preserves traditions that are perpetuated every year, and that are not found in other places. The day before the feast, the prioresses, that is the women of the village who take care of the cleaning and maintenance of the church, prepare the sleeping Madonna inside the litter that contains it. She is dressed in white linen clothes, decorated and embellished with jewelry, accessories and precious jewelry, donated by the faithful as a votive offering. Around its head is placed a golden diadem with 12 stars, and outside the litter is placed its golden crown surrounded by colored stones. The bed that houses the Virgin is thus placed in the center of the church and there remains until the next eight days. On the morning of the feast day, Holy Mass is celebrated with great solemnity. In the early afternoon, in accordance with a unique tradition, the prioresses take the crown with them and, knocking house by house, take it to all the inhabitants, who out of devotion place the same crown on their heads. On the return, in the evening, the sleeping Assumption with the crown on her head, is carried in procession by the brethren through the streets of the town. After the procession, the faithful return to the church for the solemn blessing, which concludes the Marian celebrations.

St. Andrew the Apostle - 30th November

Sant'Andrea, is the patron saint of Sennariolo, and the parish church is dedicated to him. The feast falls on November 30th. Every year, the village of Sennariolo celebrates its patron saint with a novena to prepare for the feast, which ends with the solemn religious celebrations of the day of the feast and the procession with a wooden simulacrum through the streets of the town. In ancient times, the patron saint's feast assumed a fundamental function, since it was the date on which it was possible to taste the new wine (su binu nou). For some years now, in addition to purely religious celebrations, there have generally been civil events, such as exhibitions, concerts or artistic performances.

Festival of International Songs in Montiferru Canti- December

Organized by the Municipality of Sennariolo, with the partnership of the Municipalities of Santu Lussurgiu, Scano di Montiferro and Cuglieri, is an initiative, funded by the Regional Department of Tourism among the events of great tourist interest of the Region of Sardinia (LR 7-55), is dedicated to the study and comparison of the tradition of liturgical, paraliturgical and secular singing of the Choirs of Montiferru. The event saw the participation, among others, of the choirs and polyphonic choirs of the four municipalities involved, and the prestigious participation of the Chamber Orchestra of Sardinia, conducted by Simone Pittau, and the famous Tenbrae Choir of London, which held two exclusive concerts. Alongside the event, study seminars, workshops, book presentations and choir teaching activities with school groups.