

**FROM THE ALEXANDRINE AQUEDUCT  
IN TOR TRE TESTE DISTRICT  
TO THE AQUA FELIX FOUNTAINS**

We are a group of schools in Rome in the east area of the city, in the "Collatina-Tiburtina" network.

For the project "The school adopts a monument" promoted by the Municipality, our network this year has chosen the slogan "We all are center", with the aim of reinforcing the theme of multicultural and integration, which are the basic values of our modern society for a city like Rome in particular, always playing a primary role in historical and cultural inclusion. Each of the schools of the network adopts a site or a monument, and on the basis of its interest, creativity and peculiarity presents it in a different perspective.

Our school is the Technical Institute for Tourism "Livia Bottardi"; in order to show and stress the Beauty and History of our beloved Rome, we have decided to propose both the Alexandrine Aqueduct, not far away from school, and the Fountains related.

This aqueduct takes its name from the Roman Emperor Alessandro Severo. Its pure waters were also employed for the Felix Aqueduct by Pope Sisto V, while the Fountains, in the city center, are very famous, admired by tourists from all over the world every day, since centuries. Our students' aim was to stress the close relationship between suburbs and center in the sign of water and its richness, since Roman Age.

We strongly believe that this walking tour will show you what culture, art and genius created. These monuments have memories, curiosities, legends to tell, and represent a precious and unique patrimony, the identity of Rome itself, of its interaction with the whole world in Roman times, in the Middle Ages and in the Renaissance.

They are important signs of history which have to be protected, preserved and transmitted to as many people as possible, especially young people and generations to come.

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Largo di Santa Susanna	●	Fontana del Mosè
Piazza Barberini	●	Fontana del Tritone Fontana delle Api
Via delle Quattro Fontane	●	Quattro Fontane
Piazza del Quirinale	●	Fontana dei Dioscuri
Piazza del Campidoglio	●	Fontana della Dea Roma

Our students as guides

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AND THE AQUA FELIX FOUNTAINS  
IN THE CENTRE OF ROME**

**28 may 2014**



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## The Alexandrine Aqueduct

The Alexandrine Aqueduct is the eleventh and last aqueduct of Ancient Rome. In 226 Emperor Alessandro Severo had it built to feed Nerone Spa, after a complete renovation, so that they were called "Alexandrine Spa" (Thermae Alexandrinae). They were situated in Campo Marzio, near the Pantheon, in the area where today we can admire Palazzo Madama. Its waters, coming from "Pantano Borghese" (now a Roman suburb) near the XIV mile of ancient Via Prenestina, followed a route developed both in arches, often still present, and subterranean tracts, coming in Rome near the actual Porta Maggiore, where it was a particular tank, a cistern created to purify them, the "piscina limaria". The Alexandrine Aqueduct finally arrived to the Nerone Spa after 22 kilometers, but no remain of this travel is still visible within the Aurelian Walls, even though from the Esquilino Mount it probably continued in the direction of the Quirinale Mount. The water daily flow was equal to 21.632 m<sup>3</sup>, about 250 liters per second.

Felice Peretti, Pope Sisto V since 1585, employed the same sources to realize the Aqua Felix Aqueduct, that still feeds a few among the most beautiful fountains of the centre of Rome, the ones our guides are going to present to you today.

## The Tiburtina-Collatina Network

Involved in "The school adopts a monument"  
a project promoted by  
the Municipality of Rome

**INVITES YOU TO VISIT**

**On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2014  
from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

## THE FOUNTAINS OF AQUA FELIX

An itinerary  
guided by the students of

**Istituto Tecnico di Stato per il  
Turismo "Livia Bottardi"  
Rome**

Meeting point directly in front of  
each fountain

**FREE TOUR  
NO RESERVATION NEEDED**

## Our itinerary

Leaving the suburbs and the arches of **the Alexandrine Aqueduct**, our itinerary begins in the city center, in Largo di Santa Susanna, close to the church of Santa Maria della Vittoria, with the **Fountain of the Moses**, that was born as monumental "mostra" of Aqua Felix.

It continues with **the Four Fountains**, at the crossroad with the church of San Carlo by Borromini, in the highest point of the Quirinale hill, with **the Fountain of the Dioscuri** in Montecavallo, as in ancient times this hill was called, in front of the President's Palace.

After, with those by Bernini: **the Fountain of the Triton**, and **the Fountain of the Bees** in Barberini Square, Baroque works of art recently restored.

Last but not least, **the Fountain of the Goddess Roma**, in Campidoglio Square.

## Join us!

Our students will be pleased to guide you and satisfy your curiosity with many explanations at the various stops, both in English and in Italian.