

## **FROM 9th to 23rd FEBRUARY 2020**

Discover the Carnival of Fano, one of the oldest in Italy!

“Semel in anno licet insanire.” That is, “madness is permissible once a year.” This ancient Roman saying seems particularly suited to Fano, home to one of the most famous carnivals in Italy. During one month of festivities, the people of Fano fill the city streets, abandoning their daily routines and throwing themselves into a flurry of festivity and processions.

In surreal surroundings, through **allegorical wagons, masks, customs and fireworks**, guests will be plunged in the popular culture and heritage of the city of Fano. - rendering the Carnival experience something unforgettable!

### THE CELEBRATIONS

**The Carnival in Fano** is inspired by the big celebration of the reconciliation of two families in Fano: the “Dal Cassero” and the “Da Carignano”. From the Municipality’s archive, it was possible to determine the initial **celebrations**, which **date back in 1347** while the first committee who managed and organized the Carnival arose in 1872.

Like many carnivals, there are characters or particular rituals that are only celebrated in Fano:

- the **Getto** which consists of throwing sweets from the allegorical wagons, from here the saying “Beautiful to watch and sweet to taste”;
- the **Musica Arabita**, a music band that plays with instruments and other objects;
- the **Luminaria** the lighting of the wagons in the late afternoon;
- the **Pupo** (or Vùlon in dialect) which opens the parade.

The wagons’ path pass 3 times through via Gramsci - the main street of the city: in the first passage the allegorical wagons present themselves; the second time there’s the Getto when tons of sweets are thrown from the wagons; the last turn is about the “luminaria” in the late afternoon where lighting tricks illuminate the wagons.

The carnival in Fano attracts around 100.000 visitors, and it’s **the biggest carnival celebration in the Marches region.**

### **EXCLUSIVE CARNIVAL PACKAGE PROPOSAL:**

A personal driver will welcome guests and will escort them by Porsche Macan to a **Seventeenth-Century Building** located in the historic center of Fano.

The following day they will taste a superb Carnival Menu dinner in a Two Michelin-starred restaurant

The third day guests will attend the Parade of the allegorical wagons from their own dais, wearing **historical clothing from the Greek-Roman period to the XVIII Century.**

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