

THE WASH HOUSE



A plaque at the entrance of a public wash known as “medieval Wash” reads in Latin “Hac Cephalinus abit....” (Here Cefalino flows, healthier than any other river, purer than silver, colder than snow).

The cold waters of the river Cefalino supply the washtubs flowing from twenty-two cast iron mouths, of which fifteen represent lion heads.

The wash house is accessed via a curved staircase in lumachella stone.

Once the laundresses went there to wash clothes, shouting and singing.

